



# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



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## OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT (March 10, 1994)

*"We endeavour to build for this community a viable Christian Family that all will consider home."*

### MASS SCHEDULE:

#### WEEKENDS

Saturday: 9:00 am and 4:00 pm (anticipated Mass)

Sundays: 9:30 am, 12:00 pm (Filipino Mass), 7:00 pm

#### WEEKDAYS

Monday to Friday: 8:00 am

### DEVOTIONS

Rosary 30 minutes before weekday Masses

Community Public Rosary – Every First Saturday of the month, after the 9:00 am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration – Every Friday at 6:00 pm

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Help – Every Wednesday after the 8:00 am Mass

## PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor:	Rev. Fr. Francis Victor Mateo, OFM Conv.
Deacons:	Rev. Paul Beaudoin Rev. Ricardo Santiago
Pastoral Council Chair:	Dr. Alfredo Formoso
Temporal Council Chair:	Art Guillermo
Administrative Assistant:	Nora Arriola
Resident Friars:	Rev. Fr. Maurice Richard, OFM Conv. Rev. Fr. Jeremiah Arguelles, OFM Conv.

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday  
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

## PASTORAL CARE

**BAPTISMS** - If you are a registered parishioner of Assumption Parish (or another parish) and attend Mass regularly, there is no waiting period. You may call the Parish Office to schedule a date and you must attend a Baptism preparation session prior to the baptism. If you belong to another parish, a letter of permission from your Pastor is required. If you are not a parishioner of any parish, you must register, attend Mass regularly, and there is a three-month waiting period before your child can be baptized.

**CONFESSIONS** - First Friday-(during exposition of the Blessed Sacrament), 8:30 am to 9:00 am; First Saturday – 9:30 am to 10:00 am By appointment only; Sundays – 11:30 am to 12:00 Noon, By appointment only.

**MARRIAGES** - One of the couple must be a registered member of the parish for at least 6 months and attend Mass here regularly. Please make arrangements at least six months before the wedding date. Marriage Preparation Course required.

**SPIRITUAL COUNSELING** - By appointment.

### SACRAMENT OF THE SICK & COMMUNION FOR SHUT-INS -

Anyone who wishes to receive Anointing of the Sick or Holy Communion please call the office to have your name put on the list.

**FUNERALS** - Arrangements should be made firstly with the church, and then with the funeral director to insure proper Christian burial.

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

**We welcome** new members and visitors to our parish. **Thank you** for praying with us and for helping build a Christian community.

**MASS INTENTIONS:** In the Archdiocese of Ottawa-Cornwall only three (3) intentions at each Mass are allowed. So please contact the parish office to reserve your preferred dates (*at least a week before*). Requests will be handled on a "first come first served basis." Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

**ALL are requested to pray for the gift of healing of the mind, body and spirit of** Claude Cloutier, Lucienne Sabourin, Diane Dunn, Cora Guillermo, Ryan Kane, Carol Lee Kane. *Let us continue assisting them with our prayers and reach out to them in love.*

### SCHEDULE of **LECTORS & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS** of **HOLY COMMUNION** – March 25 & 26

**March 25<sup>th</sup>** at 4:00pm – Manny Beloy & Noly Formoso; Lori Scott

**March 26<sup>th</sup>** at 9:30am – Susan Teodoro & Michelle Alfeche; Melchor Tejero. 12:00pm – Chit Villanueva & Novie Ramos; Lynn Obero. 7:00pm – Chit Villanueva & Elaine Aldeguer; Lani Agustin

### **POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION** **March 2023**

*We pray for those who  
has suffered harm  
from members of the Church,  
may they find within the Church  
herself a concrete response  
in their pain and suffering.*

### **SCHEDULES ON EASTER LITURGY and DEVOTION** (April 8-9, 2023)

**8PM** – EASTER VIGIL; **7:15AM** – SALUBONG followed by Filipino Mass (no Mass at 12noon).  
**9:30 AM & 7PM** – MASSES in ENGLISH

### Regular Mass Intentions for the Week

**Mar. 18** – SATURDAY 9:00am (purple) †Leonardo del Pilar by Nena Coronel; **Sunday Liturgy**, 4:00pm (purple) *Living members of the Chapin Family by Jean & Theresia Quesnel*

**Mar. 19** – 2<sup>nd</sup> **SUNDAY of Lent** (purple) **9:30am** Josephine del Pilar (bday); †Frank & Theresa Brewer by Sheilagh Keenan; †Betty Barrett by Noreen Roney; †Pia Obero; **12pm** – †John, Joseph & Fay Burke by Mark & Rebecca Burke; **7pm** – *For the intentions of our Assumption Parishioners*

**Mar. 20** – MONDAY 8am – **Ferial Day** (purple), Edwin Alcala (bday) by Nena Coronel; *Living members of the Quesnel Family by Jean & Theresia Quesnel*

**Mar. 21** – TUESDAY 8am – **Ferial Day** (purple) † Deceased members of the Chapin Family by Jean & Theresia Quesnel

**Mar. 22** – WEDNESDAY 8am – **Ferial Day** (purple) *Living members of the Legault Family by Jean & Theresia Quesnel*

**Mar. 23** – THURSDAY 8am – **Ferial Day** (purple) †Deceased members of the Legault Family by Jean & Theresia Quesnel

**Mar. 24** – FRIDAY 8am – **Ferial Day** (purple) *Living members of the Henry Family*

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### **WEEK ENDING COLLECTION REPORT**

March 11 & 12, 2023

**\$ 2,663.05**

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**SOLEMNITY OF ST. JOSEPH** – *Principal Patron of Canada, Patron of all Fathers, Intercessor for a Happy Death.* This year the liturgical Feast is celebrated on March 20, 2023. **All are invited to participate at the 8AM MASS.** You may bring your St. Joseph statues to be blessed.

MARCH 19, 2023

**SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD.** On March 25 at 9AM, the parish community will celebrate the Mass of the Annunciation. All Lectors and Cantors of the parish, all Legion of Mary members are encouraged to participate as well as other parishioners. **LET US GIVE PRAISE TO THE GOD** who has given us JESUS as our brother through the Blessed Virgin Mary.

**SACRAMENT of CONFIRMATION registration is only until 25 March 2023.** It will be held on May 13, 2023 (Saturday), during the 4:00pm Mass. For more information, please contact the parish office.

**CHURCH CLEANING:** On **Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> after the 9:00am Mass.** Please come and help clean our beautiful church, many hands make light work. Please bring your own buckets. Thank you.

**PABASA NG PASYON.** A Catholic devotion in the Philippines, chanting the Life, Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. This year it begins at 10pm, April 6<sup>th</sup> and ends on Good Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm. **FOR MORE INFORMATION, please call Helen Belda (613-823-7104) or Flor Marcelo (613-747-9738)**

**RELIGIOUS PILGRIMAGE on April 15-16, 2023.** The parish has organized a pilgrimage to the Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge, Massachusetts for interested parishioners. **Limited slots available!** For details, contact THELMA Rogers at 613-204-9390 or visit our website.

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<https://www.assumptionparishottawa.ca>

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTION** will be in May 2023. In relation to this, an **Election Committee was constituted.** Its members are the following: *Jocelyn Bernabe, Mary Miguel, Noly Formoso, and Fr. Victor Mateo, ofmconv.* This committee will establish procedures for nominating candidates, set all electoral processes, oversee them, and declare the results.

*From the PASTOR'S OFFICE*

We heard at last week's readings at Mass that "God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us" (Romans 5:1-2.5-8). We are children of the Father (*not enslaved people or servants*) in Jesus Christ, who redeemed and reconciled us to GOD.

In our life characterized by joy, love, challenges, and all kinds of evil, we find in JESUS "the water that becomes springs of water gushing up to eternal life" (cf. John 4:14). He is our strength and deliverance.

On this THIRD WEEK of LENT, our RESPONSORIAL PSALM points to **Jesus, the good Shepherd**, who leads us to a place of plenty and guides us along the right paths. At the same time, in times of testing, he gives us courage by anointing our heads with oil, signifying the giving of grace through the Holy Spirit.

The SECOND READING, meanwhile, speaks of **Christ giving us light** (a symbol of hope and encouragement). He is the light that burst through the deepest darkness (death) through his Resurrection.

With all these assurances from the Scriptures and the verified testimonies of the Apostles and Fathers of the Church and countless holy men and women of different ages, one may suppose that all the TEACHING and FAITH comes from JESUS ought to be accepted by all. But, sadly not; many still refuse to follow the TRUTH and be on the LIGHT.

Like the healed blind beggar in the GOSPEL, let us **give witness** by proclaiming all the many blessings God has showered us. Let us **teach others about JESUS using the Scriptures** we read and meditate upon daily. By our words and actions, let us **stand and say, I BELIEVE, LORD, I WORSHIP YOU!**

*Whoever follows me will have the light of life."*  
(Cf. John 8:12)





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