

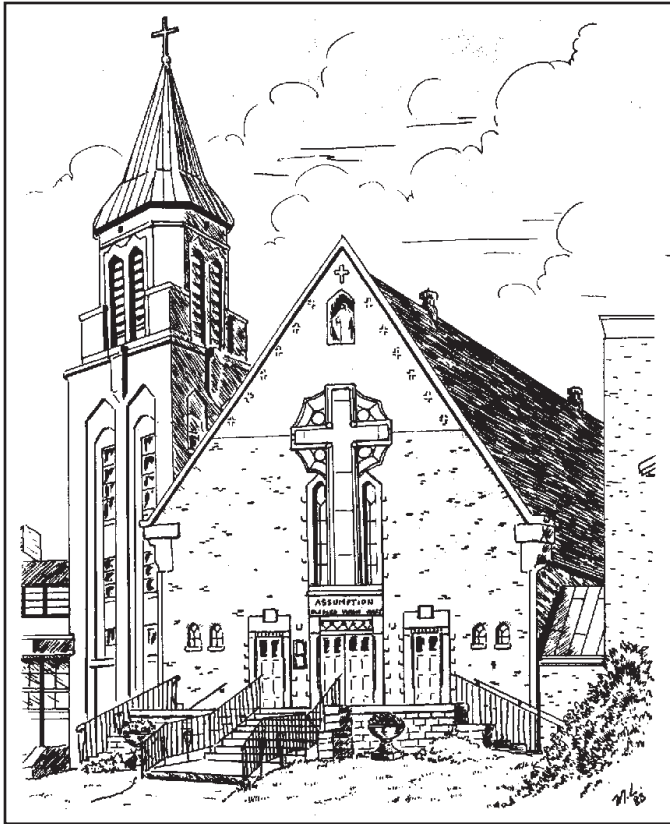


Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



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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 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
(anticipated Mass)

Sunday: 9:30 a.m.
12:00 p.m. (Filipino Mass)
7:00 p.m. (also available on-line)*

Weekdays - Monday to Friday: 7:00 P.M.
(also available on-line)*

*Accessible through Facebook under "Assumption Church"

DEVOTIONS

Rosary - 20 minutes before weekday Masses.

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

First Friday - Exposition and benediction 3:00 PM (1 hour)

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor:	Rev. Fr. Dominic Lim, OFM Conv
Deacons:	Rev. Paul Beaudoin Rev. Ricardo Santiago
Pastoral Council Chair:	Dr. Alfredo Formoso
Temporal Council Chair:	Art Guillermo
Secretary:	Nora Arriola
Resident Friars:	Rev. Fr. Jobe Abbass, OFM Conv Rev. Fr. Saviour Karamvelil, 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 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 - 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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, March 20th, 2021

9:00am †Edwin Alcala (health) by Nena Coronel

†Holy Souls in Purgatory by Mary Stanton

4:00pm †Keanu by Sylvia Bertolini

Sunday, March 21st, 2021

9:30am †Manuel, Naty & Danilo Forro by Nena Coronel

†Great Grandfather of the Bertolini Family by Sylvia Bertolini

7:00pm †Stacey & Sofia Provost (health) by Mary Stanton

Monday to Friday, Mar. 22nd to Mar. 26th, 2021

Mon 7:00pm †Felipe, Adelaida & Petra Tanya by Nena Coronel

Tue 7:00pm †Benedette Cuffari by OECTA

†Jayson Guce by Estela Guce

Wed 7:00pm †Florentino, Beatrice & Martin Forro by Nena Coronel

Thu 7:00pm †Nicasio & Ameliana Forro by Nena Coronel

Fri 7:00pm Edward Greenspan (bday) by Nena Coronel

Saturday, March 27th, 2021

9:00am †Giuseppe Bertolini by Sylvia Bertolini

4:00pm †Anne Marie Bainbridge by OECTA

Sunday, March 28th, 2021

9:30am †Loreto & Danilo Tordil by Nena Coronel

†Orval Bradley by OECTA

†Sulpicio Armentia by Anita Armentia

7:00pm †Judi & Brian Linseman & Family (health) by Mary Stanton



Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen

PRE-AUTHORIZED DEBIT: Forms are now available for pre-authorized debits which parishioners and donors can use to contribute directly from their bank account to the parish bank account with regularity and complete security. All you need to do is fill up a form and provide a copy of a cancelled cheque. Those interested, please email us at assumptionparishchurch@outlook.com. We hope that you will adopt this new system which will make Assumption Church more viable and strong into the future.

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



WE PRAY FOR THE GIFT OF HEALING of the mind, body and spirit of **Paul Beaudoin, Marie Burke, Carol Kane, Norman Levesque, Tina Mills, Jennie Morris, Lucienne Sabourin, Marie- Pauline Desjardins, Claude Cloutier, Alexander Liberty, Colette Eisl and Diane Dunn.**

May we be able to reach out to them in compassion.



SCHEDULE FOR LENT

PALM SUNDAY, MARCH 28TH :

Saturday: 4:00pm

Sunday: 9:30am, 12:00pm & 7:00pm

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 1ST : 7:00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 2ND :

Way of the Cross: 12:00pm*

Good Friday Service: 3:00pm*

EASTER VIGIL, APRIL 3RD :

Saturday, 8:00pm*

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 4TH :

9:30am, 12:00pm & 7:00pm

*Also available online, including all 7:00pm Masses
To access the above Masses on-line, go to our Facebook Account – Assumption Church Ottawa. (<http://facebook.com/assumption.church.522>)



RELIGIOUS SERVICES, WEDDINGS AND FUNERALS:

Effective February 17th, religious services (including Masses) will be allowed to be celebrated in the Church with a maximum occupancy of 30% capacity. Physical distancing and COVID-19 protocols still need to be observed. We are also resuming our regular weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturdays at 9:00am & 4:00pm(anticipated Mass);

Sundays at 9:30am; 12:00pm and 7:00pm.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER FOR PROTECTION DURING THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC:

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

WINTER/SPRING 40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN: is now on from February 17th to March 28th. 40 Days for Life is a period of time set aside to pray and fast for an end to abortion. Let us pray for the protection of the unborn child, for a safe pregnancy for expectant mothers and for the conversion of hearts to be pro-life.

THE DEMENTIA SOCIETY OF OTTAWA AND RENFREW: FREE programs and services includes connecting people with memory issues with a trained volunteer via phone or video chat. There is also an in-person program for the deeply isolated with no technical capabilities. Info: <https://dementiahelp.ca/programs-services/make-a-connection-take-a-break/>. Or by phone 1-888-889-6002. **NO ONE SHOULD FACE DEMENTIA ALONE**

ROSARY APOSTOLATE LESSONS: offered by the Ottawa Region Rosary Apostolate team. Lessons normally taught in classes are available to families on You Tube (for children, Grades 1 to 8 level) at no cost, for all families to enjoy and grow in their prayer life this year. A new lesson is posted every month on a new mystery of the Rosary. Please consider accessing the following link: Channel Name: The Rosary Apostolate Inc.-Canada; Channel Link: <https://www.youtube.com/c/TheRosaryApostolateInc> Direct Video Links for the month of March, 2021: Grades 1 to 3: The Agony of Jesus in the Garden.

Featured Saint of the Week

Saint Catherine of Genoa (March 26)

When Catherine was born, the needs of the poor and the sick were often overshadowed by a hunger for luxury and self-indulgence. At 13, she attempted to become a nun but failed because of her age. At 16, she married Julian, a nobleman who turned out to be selfish and unfaithful. For a while she tried to numb her disappointment by a life of selfish pleasure.

One day in confession she had a new sense of her own sins and how much God loved her. She reformed her life and gave good example to Julian, who soon turned from his self-centered life of distraction. They dedicated themselves to works of charity in a hospital in Genoa. After Julian's death in 1497, Catherine took over management of the hospital.

She wrote about purgatory which, she said, begins on earth for souls open to God. Life with God in heaven is a continuation and perfection of the life which God began on earth.

Exhausted by her life of self-sacrifice, Catherine died September 15, 1510, and was canonized in 1737.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Peace, Health, and Joy!

The readings today bring us closer to the core of our redemption. The hour of Jesus' Passion, Death, & Resurrection is the center of God's plan of redemption. It is the crowning glory of creation and everything converges into this great mystery of God's Love.

The prophet Jeremiah prophesied by saying that the days are surely coming when God will make a new covenant. This was confirmed by Jesus in the Gospel. He said: "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

Jesus triumph on the cross will bring all the scattered children of God. It will be the restoration of God's holy people. A restoration of the new church which is the Body of Christ. God cannot be anymore separated from His people. The triumph of God's love over sin and death brings about the Glory of God and was shared to us all. For this, the Glory of God now is Man fully Alive (– St. Irenaeus of Lyons).

Following Jesus on the Cross is the only way that leads to the fullness of life. We should not be afraid because Jesus already won the victory. The Blessed Virgin Mary and the saints walked that "way". May we have the courage to live our faith everyday!

Ave Maria!

Rev. Fr. Dominic Lim, OFM Conv., Pastor



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