



# 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:	Art Guillermo
Finance Council Chair:	Mary Stanton
Administrative Assistant:	Nora Arriola

## 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.

WELCOME to the new MEMBERS and all VISITORS to our PARISH. Visit our website <https://www.assumptionparishottawa.ca>

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Let us pray for good health and well-being of Charles & Mary Stanton, Claude Cloutier, Cora Guillermo, Diane Dunn, Glenda Hadloc, Lucienne Sabourin, Ryan Kane, Ben Malicdem, Lina Groulx, Florante Bernabe, Edelaine Piol.

**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*.

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION**

**October 2023**

FOR THE SYNOD

We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

SCHEDULE of **LECTORS**  
and **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS** of  
**HOLY COMMUNION**

**October 28** at 4PM – Joan Lepage and Nora Arriola with Noly Formoso; **October 29** at 9:30AM – Emilyn Suficiencia and Susan Teodoro with Nora Horrigan; 12:00 PM – Nora Cerda and Chona Abulencia with Novie Ramos; 7:00PM – Manny Beloy and Yola Beloy with Nora Cerda

**SAVE THE DATE: 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration OF FR. VICTOR MATEO, our Pastor.** On Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> (after the Noon Mass) at the Immaculata Hall (basement) of the Parish. Due to the limited capacity of the venue, the organizers will issue tickets for interested attendees. Also, a small cost - \$20 each person - will cover the cost of food (*Roast Beef and more*) plus entertainment. Further details to follow. Let's give Fr. Francis a birthday to remember.

There is **no 9:00 AM MASSES** on the following SATURDAYS (**October 14, 21 and 28**). Regular Mass Schedule will resume on November 4. Please be guided accordingly.

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

October 21, Saturday 4PM –**Sunday Liturgy**  
Elma Dojedo (*healing*) by *Milagros Dogedo*

October 22 – **29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** (green) 9:30AM – Abigail Beaudoin (*birthday*) by *Amy Beaudoin*; †Betty Barrett by *Frank Barrett*; †Carmen Renaud by *Deacon Paul & Linda Beaudoin* 12:00NN – Thanksgiving by *The El Shaddai Group*; †Heidi Laquian by *Ben & Maura David*; †Elizabeth Jagna; †James Yeban by *Jorge Yeban & Family*; 7:00PM – Pro populo

October 23, Monday 8AM – **Ferial Day** (green) – †Kenneth St. Pierre; †Norah McArthur

October 24, Tuesday 8AM – **Votive Mass of St. Anthony** (white) – †Joseph Stafford; †Florence Lurgess

October 25, Wednesday 8AM – **In Honour of Our Lady of Perpetual Help** (white) – Thanksgiving and birthday blessings for Sofia Provost by *Stacy Provost*; † Nicasio, Emeliana, & Consejo Forro by *Nena Coronel*

October 26, Thursday 8AM– **Ferial Day** (green) – †Mary St. Pierre; †Rita Kimberley

October 27, Friday 8AM – **Ferial Day** (green) – †Onside employees and clients in Purgatory

**WEEK ENDING COLLECTION REPORT**  
**October 14 & 15, 2023 - \$2,337.**

**ADDITIONAL FUND-RAISING DONORS:** Joan Lepage, Joannis Psarakis, Frank Barrett, Nora Mercader and Mary Miguel.

*May God bless you generously!*

## **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY 2023**

### **-A brief version of the Pope's Message-**

For this year's World Mission Sunday, I have chosen a theme inspired by the story of the disciples on the way to Emmaus, in the Gospel of Luke (cf. 24:13-35): "Hearts on fire, feet on the move". By meditating on these three images [below] we can renew our zeal for evangelization in today's world.

**1. Our hearts burned within us "when he explained the Scriptures to us". In missionary activity, the word of God illumines and transforms hearts.** Today, as then, the Risen Lord remains close to his missionary disciples and walks beside them, particularly when they feel disoriented, discouraged, fearful of the mystery of iniquity that surrounds them and seeks to overwhelm them. So, "let us not allow ourselves to be robbed of hope!" *The Lord is greater than all our problems, above all if we encounter them in our mission of proclaiming the Gospel to the world.* For in the end, this mission is his and we are nothing more than his humble co-workers, "useless servants" (cf. *Lk 17:10*).

**2. Our eyes were "opened and recognized him" in the breaking of the bread. Jesus in the Eucharist is the source and summit of the mission.** Here we can recognize an essential reality of our faith: Christ, who breaks the bread, now becomes the bread broken, shared with the disciples and consumed by them. He is seen no longer, for now he has entered the hearts of the disciples, to make them burn even more, and this prompts them to set out immediately to share with everyone their unique experience of meeting the Risen Lord. **The risen Christ, then, is both the one who breaks the bread and, at the same time, the bread itself, broken for us.**

It follows that every missionary disciple is called to become, like Jesus and in him, through the working of the Holy Spirit, one who breaks the bread and one who is broken bread for the world.

As Pope Benedict XVI pointed out: *"We cannot keep to ourselves the love we celebrate in the Sacrament [of the Eucharist]. By its very nature, it asks to be communicated to everyone. What the world needs is the love of God, to encounter Christ and believe in him. For this reason, the Eucharist is not only the source and summit of the life of the Church; it is also the source and summit of her mission: 'An authentically Eucharistic Church is a missionary Church'"* (*Sacramentum Caritatis*, 84). To bear fruit, we must remain united to Jesus (cf. *Jn 15:4-9*). This union is achieved through daily prayer, particularly in Eucharistic adoration, as we remain in silence in the presence of the Lord, who remains with us in the Blessed Sacrament.

**3. Our feet set out on the way, with the joy of telling others about the Risen Christ. The eternal youth of a Church that is always going forth.** This setting out in haste, to share with others the joy of meeting the Lord, demonstrates that "the joy of the Gospel fills the heart and the whole life of those who meet Jesus. One cannot truly encounter the risen Jesus without being set on fire with enthusiasm to tell everyone about him. Therefore, the primary and principal resource of the mission are those persons who have come to know the risen Christ in the Scriptures and in the Eucharist, who carry his fire in their heart and his light in their gaze. They can bear witness to the life that never dies, even in the most difficult of situations and in the darkest of moments.

As the Apostle Paul confirms, the love of Christ captivates and impels us (cf. *2 Cor 5:14*). This love is two-fold: the love of Christ for us, which calls forth, inspires, and arouses our love for him. A love that makes the Church, in constantly setting out anew, ever young. For all her members are entrusted with the mission of proclaiming the Gospel of Christ, in the conviction that "he died for all, so that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for him who died for them and was raised again" (v. 15). All of us can contribute to this missionary movement: with our prayers and activities, with material offerings and the offering of our sufferings, and with our personal witness.



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