



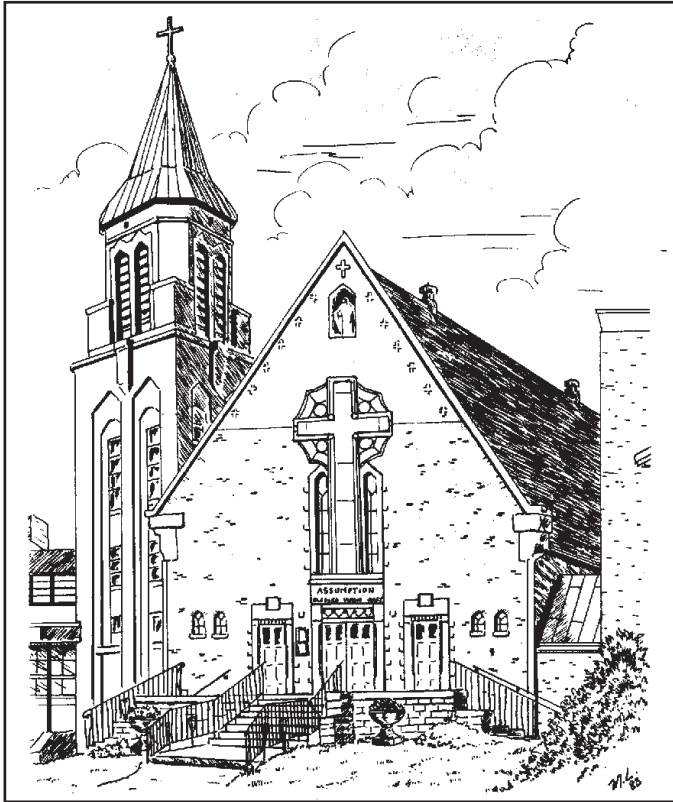
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



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OUR PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

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

MASS SCHEDULES

Saturdays: 9 am & 4 pm (Sunday Liturgy)

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

Mondays to Fridays: 8:00 am (except for School Masses, on Feast and Solemnities)

DEVOTIONS

Rosary: 30 Minutes Before Weekday Masses and Every First Saturday of the Month (after the 9:00 am Mass)

Devotion To Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Every Wednesday After The 8:00 am Mass

Eucharistic Adoration: Every 1st Friday at 8:30am (after the Morning Mass) and every Friday at 6:00 pm

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor: Rev. Fr. Victor Mateo, OFM Conv.

Pastoral Council Chair: Nicolas Murillo

Finance Council Chair: Mary Stanton

Administrative Assistant: Nora Arriola

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday, 10 am - 12 noon, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
(closed on holidays)

PASTORAL & SACRAMENTAL CARE

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office to make an appointment to register your child for Baptism and to discuss all the requirements. 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 and attend Mass regularly, and there is a three-month waiting period before your child can be baptized.

Confessions: Weekdays, after the 8 am morning Mass (approach the priest); First Fridays - 8:45 am to 9:15 am; First Saturdays - 9:30 am to 10:00 am, 3:30 pm to 4:00 pm (by appointment) Every Sunday - 11:30 am to 12noon

Marriages: One of the couples 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.

Sacrament of the Sick & Communion for Shut-ins: Please contact the Parish Office

Funerals: Arrangements should be made firstly with the church, and then with the funeral director to insure proper Christian burial Assisted by the Bereavement Ministry

Youth Ministry: Every 1st Saturday of the month, 30 to 45 min. session (after the 4 pm Mass) at Carlo Acutis Hall.



To the new and current MEMBERS of our PARISH.

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PRAYER REQUESTS: Let us pray for the healing or better health of the following:

Lina Groulx, Claire Kiruhira, Christopher Finnerty, Gloriani Mateo, Charity Marohombsar, Michael and Arnita Sabong, Nelia Samonte, Feliza Daiz, Arlene Magpayo, Theresa Akan, Virgie Bautista, Leonida Sarmiento

**Pope Leo's Monthly Prayer Intention
For Priests In Crisis**

"Let us pray for Priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer."

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

April 18, 4:00 PM – Lori Scott, Yola Beloy, Manny Beloy with Melchor Tejero; **April 19, 9:30 AM** – Kingsley Nze, Emilyn Suficiencia with Lynn Obero and Yola Beloy; **12 NOON** – Nora Cerda, Lani Agustin with Andrew Samonte, Lani Agustin, Ben David; **7:00 PM** – Nora Mercader, Gina Distor with Edgar Piol



Mass Intentions

April 11. Saturday, **9:00 AM**, Solemnity, Octave of Easter (white) – Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Fatima by Flor Marcelo; **4:00 PM Sunday Liturgy** - †John & Irene Clark by Peter & Nenita Clark

April 12, **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER/DIVINE MERCY** (white), **9:30 AM** – Well-being of the donors of the Pew Restoration Project; †Rev. Paul Beaudoin by Beaudoin Family; †Francisco & Juliana Dela Cuesta by Dela Cuesta Family; †Elena, Susana & Ruperto Alcala by Nena Coronel; **12:00 NOON** – Carlo Marquesley (birthday); Well-being of the donors of the Pew Restoration Project; †Janine & Thelma Harrigan; †Elizabeth B. Jagna; †Perfecto & Josefina Lastimosa by Mila Camarsi; **7:00 PM** – Pro Populo

April 13, **EASTER MONDAY** (white) **8:00 AM** – †Ponciano, Flaviano & Maria Fe Forro by Nena Coronel

April 14, **EASTER TUESDAY** (white) **8:00 AM** – Marie-Pauline Desjardins (birthday); for all the sick

APRIL 15, **EASTER WEDNESDAY** (white) **8:00 AM** – †Eufemia Arriola by Danny & Nora Arriola

APRIL 16, **EASTER THURSDAY** (white), **8:00 AM** – †Toribia Viviezca by Danny & Nora Arriola

APRIL 17, **EASTER FRIDAY, Memorial, St. Kateri Tekakwitha** (white) **8:00 AM** – †Rodrigo & Maria Cristina Coronel by Nena Coronel

COLLECTION REPORT

April 2 - 5, 2026

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Easter 2026 Urbi et Orbi

Pope Leo XIV's Message

Brothers and sisters,

Christ is risen! Happy Easter!

For centuries, the Church has joyfully sung of the event that is the origin and foundation of her faith: "Yes, Christ my hope is arisen / Christ indeed from death is risen / Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning" (Easter Sequence).

Easter is the victory of life over death, of light over darkness, of love over hatred. It is a victory that came at a very high price: Christ, the Son of the living God (cf. Mt 16:16), had to die — and die on a cross — after suffering an unjust condemnation, being mocked and tortured, and shedding all his blood. As the true immolated Lamb, he took upon himself the sin of the world (cf. Jn 1:29; 1 Pet 1:18–19) and thus freed us all — and with us, all creation — from the dominion of evil.

But how was Jesus able to be victorious? What is the strength with which he defeated once and for all the ancient adversary, the prince of this world (cf. Jn 12:31)? What is the power with which he rose from the dead, not returning to his former life, but entering into eternal life and thus opening in his own flesh the passage from this world to the Father?

This strength, this power, is God himself for he is Love who creates and generates, Love who is faithful to the end and Love who forgives and redeems.

Christ, our "victorious King," fought and won his battle through trusting abandonment to the Father's will, to his plan of salvation (cf. Mt 26:42). Thus he walked the path of dialogue to the very end, not in words but in deeds: to find us who were lost, he became flesh; to free us who were slaves, he became a slave; to give life to us mortals, he allowed himself to be killed on the cross.

The power with which Christ rose is entirely nonviolent. It is like that of a grain of wheat which, having rotted in the earth, grows, breaks through the clods, sprouts, and becomes a golden ear of wheat. It is even more like that of a human heart which, wounded by an offense, rejects the instinct for revenge and, filled with compassion, prays for the one who has committed the offense.

Brothers and sisters, this is the true strength that brings peace to humanity, because it fosters respectful relationships at every level: among individuals, families, social groups, and nations. It does not seek private interests, but the common good; it does not seek to impose its own plan, but to help design and carry out a plan together with others.

Yes, Christ's resurrection is the beginning of a new humanity; it is the entrance into the true promised land, where justice, freedom, and peace reign, where all recognize one another as brothers and sisters, children of the same Father who is Love, Life, and Light.

Brothers and sisters, through his resurrection, the Lord confronts us even more powerfully with the dramatic reality of our freedom. Before the empty tomb, we can be filled with hope and wonder, like the disciples, or with fear like the guards and the Pharisees, forced to resort to lies and subterfuge rather than acknowledge that the one who had been condemned is truly risen (cf. Mt 28:11–15)!

In the light of Easter, let us allow ourselves to be amazed by Christ! Let us allow our hearts to be transformed by his immense love for us! Let those who have weapons lay them down! Let those who have the power to unleash wars choose peace! Not a peace imposed by force, but through dialogue! Not with the desire to dominate others, but to encounter them!

Happy Easter to all



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