



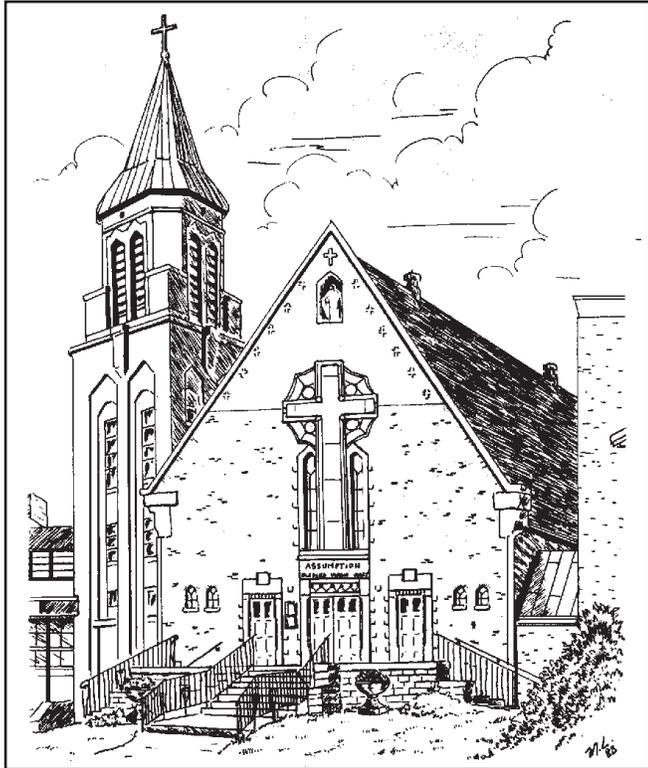
# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



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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 8:30 am (after the Morning Mass) and every Friday at 6:00 pm

**Stations of the Cross:** Every Friday During Lent and Good Friday (time to be announced)

## PASTORAL TEAM

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

**Pastoral Council Chair:** Nick 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, Glenda Hadloc, Charles Hebert, Jim Ford, Chris Finnerty, Charity Joyce Marohombsar, Michael and Arnita Sabong, Nelia Samonte, Rosie Nabong, Feliza Daiz, Maximilia Arano, Arlene Magpayo, Maria Hill, Theresa Akan and Yola Beloy.*

**Readings at Mass on the  
19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*Wisdom 18:6-9, Psalm 33:1, 12, 18-22  
Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19, Luke 12:35-40*

**SCHEDULE of LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

**August 16, 4:00 PM** – Richard Horrigan, Manny Beloy, Lori Scott with Melchor Tejero.  
**August 17, 10:30 AM** – Not available. **7:00 PM** – Nora Mercader, Mariz del Castillo, Don del Castillo with Andrew Samonte.



**PARISH FIESTA MASS** will be on August 17<sup>th</sup>. Archbishop Marcel Damphousse will preside the **MASS** at **10:30 AM**, followed by a short program. **The 9:30 AM & 12:00 NOON Masses are cancelled.**



**Mass Intentions**

August 9, Saturday, **OUR LADY'S SATURDAY** (white), **9:00 AM** – Elizabeth Romain(health) by *Mary Stanton*; **SUNDAY LITURGY, 4:00 PM** – † Cora Guillermo by *Art Guillermo*

August 10, SUNDAY, **19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** (green) **9:30 AM** – Eleuteria Busuego (healing); † Rev. Paul Beaudoin by *Beaudoin Family*; † Beth Kruschenske by *Linda Tennant*; **12:00 NOON** – Thanksgiving by *Marilou Misajon*; Thanksgiving by *Florante Domingo*; † Lucia Misajon; † Cora Guillermo by *Lina Aicobucci*; **7:00 PM** – Pro Populo

August 11, Monday, **MEMORIAL, ST. CLARE** (white) **8:00 AM** – † Toribia S. Viviezca by *Danny & Nora Arriola*; † Roger Millefors (40<sup>th</sup> day)

August 12, Tuesday, **VOTIVE MASS OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA** (white) **8:00 AM** – † Cesar Marso by *Nena Coronel*

August 13, Wednesday, **VOTIVE MASS OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP** (white) **8:00 AM** – Cheska O. Cornell (birthday) by *Nena Coronel*

August 14, Thursday, **MEMORIAL OF ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE** (red) **8:00 AM** – Thanksgiving to the Blessed Virgin Mary by *Nena Coronel*

August 15, Friday, **SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** (white) **8:00 AM** – Thanksgiving for 30 yrs. together by *Marie-Pauline Desjardins*

**WEEK ENDING COLLECTION REPORT**

**August 2 & 3, 2025**  
**\$3,350.95**

**Q & A of YOUNG PEOPLE with the POPE**  
**---- on Friendship**

HOLY FATHER, we are children of our time. We live in a culture that shapes us without our realizing it; it is a culture marked by technology, especially by social media. We often get excited about having lots of friends and creating close relationships, but at the same time we increasingly experience different forms of loneliness. We are close and connected to so many people, yet they are not true and lasting relationships, but rather fleeting and often illusory. Holy Father, my question is: **how can we find true friendship and genuine love that will lead us to true hope? How can faith help us build our future?**

DEAR YOUNG PEOPLE, **relationships with others are essential for each of us**, starting with the fact that all men and women in the world are born as someone's children. Our life begins with a bond, and it is through relationships that we grow. In this process, culture plays a fundamental role: it is like the lens through which we understand ourselves and interpret the world. Just like a dictionary, every culture contains both words that are noble and words that are vulgar, values and errors that we must learn to recognize. By passionately searching for the truth, we do not merely receive a culture but also transform it through the choices we make. Truth, in fact, is a bond that connects words to things and names to faces. Lies, on the other hand, divide these elements and lead to confusion and misunderstanding.

Among the many cultural connections that characterize our lives, internet and social media have become "an extraordinary opportunity for dialogue, encounter and exchange between persons, as well as access to information and

knowledge." (FRANCIS, *Christus Vivit*, 87). **However, these tools are misleading when they are controlled by commercialism and interests that fragment our relationships.** In this regard, Pope Francis recalled that sometimes "the whole apparatus of communications, advertising and social networking can be used to lull us, to make us addicted to consumerism" (*Christus Vivit*, 105). It is then that our relationships become confused, restless or unstable. When a tool controls someone, that person becomes a tool: a commodity on the market and, in turn, a piece of merchandise. Only genuine relationships and stable connections can build good lives.

**Every person naturally desires a good life**, just as lungs long for air, but how difficult it is to find it! Centuries ago, Saint Augustine understood the deepest desire of our hearts, even without the technological developments of today. He too had a restless youth, but he did not settle for less, he did not silence the cry of his heart. He sought the truth that does not disappoint and the beauty that does not fade. How did he find it? How did he find true friendship and a love capable of giving hope? By finding the one who was already looking for him, Jesus Christ. How did he build his future? By following the one who had always been his friend. In his own words, friendship is nowhere faithful but in Christ, in whom alone it can be eternal and happy

The one who loves God in his friend, truly loves his friend (cf. Sermon 336). Friendship with Christ, which forms the basis of faith, is not just one aid among many others for building the future; it is our guiding star. According to **Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati**, to live without faith, without a patrimony to defend, without a steady struggle for truth, is not living, but existing (cf. Letters, 27 February 1925). **It is when our relationships reflect this intense bond with Jesus that they really become sincere, generous and true.**



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