



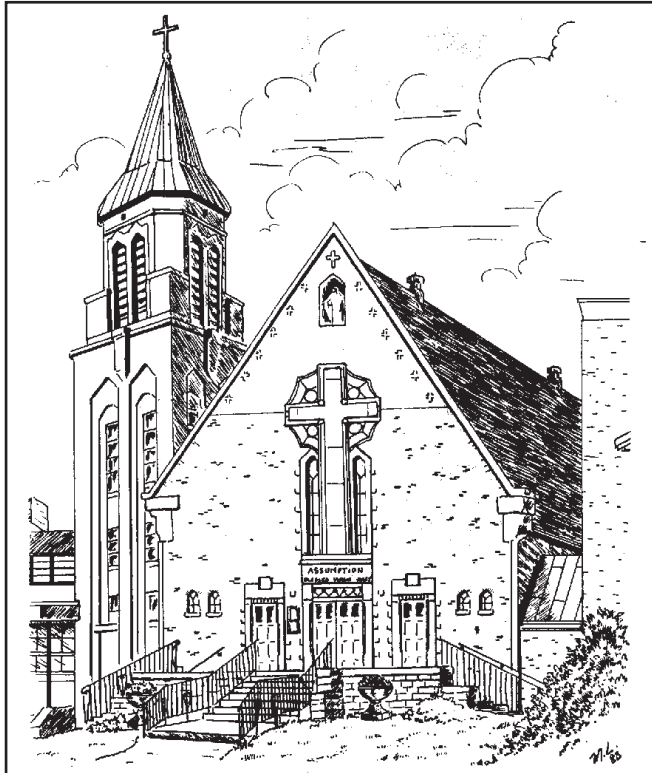
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



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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)

(Church doors open 45 minutes before the Mass)

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.

Welcome

To the new and current MEMBERS of our PARISH.

Kindly visit our website

<https://www.assumptionparishottawa.ca>

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, Melchor Tejero,

Pope Leo's Monthly Prayer Intention

For the Values of Sports

"Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity and personal growth."

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

June 27, 4:00 PM – Yola Beloy, Chit Villanueva, Sammy Ferrer with Nora Arriola; **June 28, 9:30 AM** – Lynn Obero, Susan Teodoro, Mary Miguel with Helen Belda; **12 NOON** – Lani Agustin, Nora Arriola, Maura David with Melba Panuncio, Nora Cerda, Lani Agustin **7:00 PM** – Gina Distor, Helen Belda, Andrew Samonte with Andrew Samonte



Mass Intentions

June 20, SATURDAY, **9:00 AM**, Our Lady's Saturday (white) – †Marguerite Catherine Backes & Alfred Backes; †Rodrigo, Eugenia & Ma. Cristina Coronel by *Nena Coronel* **4:00 PM, SUNDAY LITURGY** – †Eileen Latour by *Dianne Burns*; †Cherry Ann Beltran by *Nadalyn Calasanz*;

June 21, **TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** (green), **9:30 AM** – Well-being of the donors of the Pew Restoration Project; †Rev. Paul Beaudoin by *Beaudoin Family*; Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Fatima by *Maria Matos*; †Eliazar Gallardo by *Rimano & Busuego Families*; **12:00 NOON** – Thanksgiving by *OVFCSCA and El Shaddai Group*; Well-being of the donors of the Pew Restoration Project; †Clemente & Nieves Doctor by *Peter & Nenita Clark*; **7:00 PM** – Pro Populo

June 22, Monday, FERAL DAY (green) **8:00 AM** – †Rudy Borromeo by *Danny & Nora Arriola*

June 23, Tuesday, VOTIVE MASS, ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA (white) **8:00 AM** – †Prospero & Patricia Huesca by *Nena Coronel*

June 24, THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST (white) – Paul Lefebvre (healing) by *Marie-Pauline Desjardins*

June 25, FERAL DAY (green), **8:00 AM** – Arriela Antonia Cole (birthday) by *Danny & Nora Arriola*; Nadalyn Calasanz (birthday) by *the Family*

June 26, FERAL DAY (green) **8:00 AM** – †Felicitas Tan by *Nena Coronel*

WEEK ENDING COLLECTION REPORT

June 13 & 14, 2026
\$ 2,369.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION. On June 20, 2026, our young parishioners and those candidates for confirmation from Assumption School will join the celebration of the Sacrament with the 4:30 PM MASS at St. Ignatius Parish, 518 Donald St, Ottawa, ONTARIO K1K 1L7. *Please remember to keep them in your prayers.*

STATEMENT BY THE CANADIAN CONFERENCE OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS' (CCCB) STANDING COMMITTEE FOR FAMILY AND LIFE to the Catholic Faithful in Canada and all people of good will, voicing concern and calling for prayers on the 10th anniversary of euthanasia and assisted suicide ("MAID")

On June 17, 2026, a decade will have passed since Bill C-14 received Royal Assent, legalizing euthanasia and assisted suicide across Canada, and permitting eligible adults, under specified conditions, to access what is legally termed "Medical Assistance in Dying" ("MAID"). As we mark this sobering anniversary, **the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops' (CCCB) Standing Committee for Family and Life invites the Catholic faithful and all people of goodwill to voice renewed concern about "MAID," to remain steadfast in opposing euthanasia and assisted suicide, to pray for the conversion of hearts and minds away from this practice, and to be present to persons who are sick and vulnerable.**

Canada now has "the world's largest and fastest-growing euthanasia program."¹ The percentage of "MAID" deaths is increasing annually and accounts for 5.1% of all deaths in 2024 (or 16,499 Canadians).² Since its legalization, an estimated 100,000 Canadians have died by euthanasia or assisted suicide.³ Grave concern is warranted regarding the continued expansion

of the eligibility criteria for "MAID," which puts increasing numbers of Canadians at risk. In 2016, only individuals whose deaths were "*reasonably foreseeable*" were eligible for "MAID," with so-called "*safeguards*" in place. Subsequent legislation in 2021, however, considerably broadened the criteria, expanding access to include those whose death is not reasonably foreseeable, but whose condition is "*grievous and irremediable.*"⁴ On this occasion, we reject complacency with the status quo on euthanasia in Canada. **Formed by the Gospel, we are called to draw near to those who suffer: not to ignore, trivialize, or abandon them in their pain or despair, but to accompany them with compassion, practical care, and hope** (*cf. Lk 10:30-37*). We actively seek opportunities for effective, collaborative strategies to provide concrete and compassionate support to those living with serious physical or mental illness, those with disabilities, and those nearing the end of life, as well as their families and caregivers.

AS DISCIPLES OF CHRIST, **we affirm that every human life is a gift, holds profound dignity and value, and is part of a human community** (*cf. Mt 25:31-46*). In contrast, euthanasia and assisted suicide, whatever their motives or means, consist in intentionally causing or hastening the death of a person who is sick, suffering, disabled, or dying in order to eliminate suffering. Such acts can never be morally acceptable, for they are gravely contrary to the dignity of the human person and to the respect due to God, the Creator and Lord of life. True compassion does not answer suffering with death, but accompanies those who suffer with hope, presence, palliative care, and relief of pain. Together with healthcare professionals, patients, and families, our faith teaches that we must strive for proportionate treatment options that neither unduly prolong nor intentionally hasten death, but instead offer life-affirming and compassionate care.

¹ Alexander Raikin, "We were promised MAiD would be rare. Instead, Canadian euthanasia deaths are soaring," *The Hub*, August 21, 2024

² Government of Canada, *Sixth Annual Report on Medical Assistance in Dying in Canada, 2024*, "2. MAiD requests and outcomes, updated November 11, 2025, accessed May 15, 2026

³ Terry O'Neill, "MAiD at 10: How Assisted Dying Is Reshaping Canada," *The B.C. Catholic*, April 23, 2024,

⁴ Bill C-7, *An Act to amend the Criminal Code (medical assistance in dying)*, 2021.



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