



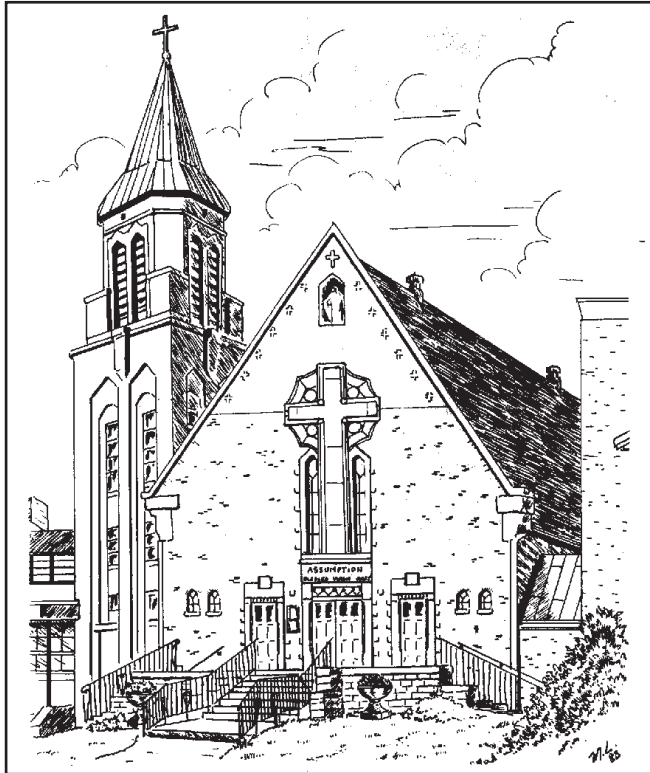
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish



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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

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: 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 Joyce 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."

SCHEDULE of LITURGICAL MINISTERS for APRIL 5

9:30 AM – Susan Teodoro, Janice Ordinario, Lynn Obero with Christy Collado, Melba Panuncio;

7:00 PM – Helen Belda, Chit Villanueva, Andrew Samonte, with Helen Belda



Mass Intentions

MARCH 28, Saturday in LENT (purple) **9:00 AM** – †Rodrigo Coronel by *Nena Coronel*; **4:00 PM, SUNDAY LITURGY** (purple) – Well-being of the donors of the Pew Restoration Project; †Epi Roca by *Nena Coronel*

MARCH 29, Sunday, **PALM SUNDAY** (red) **9:30 AM** – Well-being of the donors of the Pew Restoration Project; †Rev. Paul Beaudoin and †Beaudoin & Brown Families by *Beaudoin Family*; **12 NOON** – Prayer intentions and well-being of the donors of the Pew Restoration Project; †Ester Lagalit **7:00 PM** – Pro Populo; † Glenda Cardinal

MARCH 30, **Monday of Holy Week** (purple) **8:00 AM** – Aurora Paner (successful operation)

MARCH 31, **Tuesday of Holy Week** (purple) **8:00 AM** – †Vicente & Ruperto Alcala by *Nena Coronel*

APRIL 1, **Wednesday of Holy Week** (purple) **8:00 AM** – †Alice & Joe Pickard by *Mary Stanton*

APRIL 2, **HOLY THURSDAY** (white), **7:00 PM** – MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER followed by Adoration up to 10 PM

READING OF THE PASSION (PABASA)
10:00 PM up to GOOD FRIDAY at 12NN
in the Church

APRIL 3, **FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD** (red) **1:30 PM** – Stations of the Cross with Fr. Victor Mateo. **3:00 PM** – LITURGY OF THE WORD and HOLY COMMUNION with Fr. James Zettel

COLLECTION REPORT
March 21 & 22, 2026
\$ 2,805

UNITED IN PRAYERS. On March 28, 2026, at 4:00 PM, twenty (29) children from our parish and from Assumption School will have their **FIRST RECONCILIATION and FIRST COMMUNION.** Kindly pray for the well-being of these children and their families.

PONTIFICAL COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN THE HOLY LAND ON GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2026 – An annual request of the Holy See to Dioceses and parishioners worldwide for the Church in the Holy Land to maintain Christian sites for all Christians, and provide pastoral, educational, and social works among the small Christian population.

Please REMEMBER any **gifts for the needy** (usable winter clothing, canned goods, and other food items) may be offered on **PALM SUNDAY celebrations** (March 28 – 4 PM; March 29 – 9:30 AM, 12 NN, 7:00 PM) or on **HOLY THURSDAY, April 2** (Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper).

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULES

MARCH 27 and 28 – **PALM SUNDAY celebrations** – Palms will be provided by the Parish; **blessing at each Mass** (Saturday, 4 PM & Sunday at 9:30 AM, 12:00 NN, and 7:00 PM)

MARCH 31 (Tuesday) – **CHRISM MASS** – at **5:00 PM** at the Notre-Dame Cathedral.

APRIL 2 – **HOLY THURSDAY: MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER** at 7:00 PM; Adoration followed by PABASA (*Reading of the Passion*) at 10:00 PM (*in the Church*) up to Good Friday at 12:00 Noon

APRIL 3 – **FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD:** Stations of the Cross at 1:30 PM; LITURGY of the WORD and HOLY COMMUNION at 3:00 PM

APRIL 4 – **BLACK SATURDAY** – SOLEMN LAUDS at 8:30 AM, animated by the Youth Ministry with the support of adult parishioners

PALM SUNDAY *In the Catholic Tradition Practice*

PALM SUNDAY, also known as *Passion Sunday*, commemorates Jesus Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem as the Messiah-King, while simultaneously proclaiming his Passion and Death. It opens Holy Week, uniting the royal splendor of Christ's kingship with the foretelling of his suffering, and prepares the faithful for the Paschal Mystery.

Catechism of the Catholic Church 560: *Jesus' entry into Jerusalem manifested the coming of the kingdom that the King-Messiah was going to accomplish by the Passover of his Death and Resurrection. It is with the celebration of that entry on Palm Sunday that the Church's liturgy solemnly opens Holy Week.*

This dual focus — **joyous acclamation** (Hosanna!) and **sorrowful Passion** — reflects the paschal mystery's core: triumph through the Cross.

THE PRINCIPAL RITES include the blessing of palms, a procession, and the Mass featuring the Passion narrative.

1. Palms symbolize **victory over sin and death**, echoing Psalm 91:13 - *The just shall flourish like the palm and martyrs' triumphs.*
2. **Blessing and Procession:** Before Mass, palms are blessed on a table near the altar. The faithful carry them in a procession that is joyous and popular, emphasizing participation over merely obtaining branches.
3. **The Mass** integrates the **triumphal procession** commemorating Christ's entry into Jerusalem with the **solemn proclamation of the Passion narrative.** The Passion reading fulfills the Church's call to "re-reading" these events annually for deeper absorption, so as to remain in our consciences and in our hearts.



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