



OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH

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LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday ✕ 5:00 pm

Sunday ✕ 8:30 am, 10:00 am & 11:30 am

(Children's Liturgy offered during 10am & 11:30am Masses)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 8:30 am

Tuesday 7:00 pm

Wednesday 8:30 am

Thursday 8:30 am

Friday 8:30 am

Saturday 9:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday ✕ 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

First Fridays ✕ 8:00 am – 9:00 am

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

Celebrated one Sunday every month. Contact the parish office to provide information. We will contact you to arrange an appointment with you.

rites of initiation for adults

Adults seeking full initiation into the Catholic Christian faith enter a period of preparation called the Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). Please email: denise@olota.ca

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Kindly contact the parish office at least six months prior to desired date of marriage. A Marriage Preparation Course is essential as are several meetings with the priest.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please contact the parish if you know someone confined to home or in hospital, so sacramental and pastoral care may be arranged.

FRIDAY ADORATION

Exposition ✕ 8:00 am – 9:00 am

Benediction ✕ 7:00 pm – 8:00 pm

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesdays thru Fridays

9:00 am – 4:00 pm

(we are closed for one hour at noon)

CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES

When a death occurs in your family, please contact the parish office before contacting the funeral home and we will assist you in making liturgical arrangements. The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton website is: www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you and your family to Our Lady Of The Assumption! Please introduce yourself to Father Andrew. Registration forms are available at both entrances to the Church and online.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions may be booked in person during regular office hours or by using the mass intention envelopes in the main entrances of the church. These may be placed in the collection baskets. Requests for specific dates must be booked in the parish office.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Fr. Andrew Quarshie

Office Manager: Donna Coruzzi

Secretary: Vanessa Villanueva

Evangelization Coordinator: Denise Araiche

Finance: Luisa Conti

Music Director: Rosanna Faccio-Polimeni



MASS INTENTIONS

December 18th ~ December 24th

MONDAY - 18th

8:30am - Margarita Fomera

TUESDAY - 19th

7:00pm - Patrick Sullivan

Genara Benito

Geber Carramza

WEDNESDAY - 20th

8:30am - Sarah Perry

THURSDAY - 21st

8:30am - Genara Benito

FRIDAY - 22nd

8:30am - Souls in Purgatory

SATURDAY - 23rd

9:00am - CANCELLED

5:00pm - Our Lady Of The Assumption Parishioners

SUNDAY - 24th Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:30am - Our Lady Of The Assumption Parishioners

10:00am - Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)

11:30am - Our Lady Of The Assumption Parishioners

6:00pm - Christmas Vigil Mass

11:30pm - Solemn Midnight Carols

12:00am - (December 25th) Midnight Mass

SUPPORT REPORT – December 10th, 2023

Sunday Offering Envelopes \$ 6,299.55

REMEMBER YOUR PARISH Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember Our Lady Of The Assumption Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.



Dear Parishioners,

ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE AND INDIVIDUAL RECONCILIATION: On Wednesday 20th Dec. at 6:00pm we shall have our Advent Penitential Service and Individual Reconciliation. There will be five (5) priests around to hear confessions. We shall have Fr. Jasonn Kuntz, Fr. Ambroise Ntumba, Fr. David Lewis, Fr. Charlse Galea and Fr. Andrew. Don't miss this moment of renewal and grace.

ASK THE PASTOR: To facilitate teachings about our faith, we have placed a box at the main entrance of the church, in the foyer, for you to drop questions that you may have regarding the Catholic Faith and teachings. I shall do well to address those questions in my homilies (catechetical homilies), through the bulletin and during faith session nights. Please use the box purposefully for questions about the faith.

BIBLES: The WORD of God is the foundation and guide of our faith life. We are making Bibles available for every parishioner to purchase a copy. **The price is \$25.00.** On the Third Sunday in January, we shall celebrate Bible Sunday, a time when our attention is once again drawn to the pride of place that scripture (the Word of God) occupies in our faith life. Please considering purchasing a Bible for yourself and also gifting a Bible to your loved ones. Christmas is a time we receive the birth of the Incarnate Word of God (...the Word became flesh and dwelt among us...John 1:14). Celebrate this Christmas in a unique way, gift your spouse, family and friends a copy of the bible. Get a copy at the entrance of the church with Denise, or from the Parish Office.

CANDLE LIGHT ADORATION: There will be no Candle Light Adoration this month. The next Candle Light Adoration will be on Friday January 26th 2024, at 7:00pm. We shall have a special healing and blessing service for the new year. Save the date.

PASTORAL DIRECTION: Beginning January 2024, we shall begin to look at welcoming more young people and young families to our parish community. Our seven (7) schools are a blessing to us. Moreover, there are more young people and families moving into our area. These are blessings from God in our time.

Fr. Andrew

Third Sunday Of Advent



ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE & INDIVIDUAL RECONCILIATION

Wednesday, December 20th 6:00pm – 8:00pm
Friday, December 22nd 6:00pm – 7:00pm
Saturday, December 23rd 4:00 pm – 4:45pm



CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASSES

Sunday, December 24, 2023 ~6:00pm

SOLEMN MIDNIGHT CAROLS & MIDNIGHT MASS

Sunday December 24 & 25, 2023 ~ 11:30pm & 12:00am

MASSES DURING CHRISTMAS DAY

Monday, December 25, 2023~9:00am & 11:00am

SOLEMNITY OF MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD

(Holy Day of Obligation in Canada)

Saturday, December 30, 2023~ 9:00am ~ 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 31, 2023 ~ 8:30am~ 10:00am~11:30 a.m.

Monday January 1, 2024 ~ 11:00am



There will be **NO** Children's Liturgy on **Sunday, December 24th and Sunday, December 31st**. We hope that everyone has a wonderful and blessed Christmas and we look forward to welcoming the

children, in Junior Kindergarten to grade two, back to Children's Liturgy on **Sunday, January 7, 2024!**



CWL 2024 Membership Dues:

Ladies, please note that the 2024 CWL dues (\$40.00 cash or \$40.00 cheque payable to "Our Lady of the Assumption CWL") can now be submitted. For those members who remit through PAD (Pre-Authorized Deposit) no action is required as your dues will be collected by the church at the end of December.

If you are currently using Offertory Envelopes you will find your "CWL Annual Membership for 2024" envelope at the back of the box. Your CWL dues can be deposited into the Sunday collection. New members are always welcome and encouraged to join our CWL.



YOUTH CHOIR NOTICE


MARK THESE DATES ON YOUR CALENDAR!

Next **practice** will be:

Monday, December 18th from 6:30pm – 8pm

WE ARE SINGING:

Christmas Eve Dec 24th at 6pm Mass. Please meet in the church at 5pm. Carolling begins at 5:30pm.

Rosanna 

ADULT CHOIR NOTICE

Practices will be held every Wednesday night, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm at the church.

Fausto & Grace 