



March 31, 2024 – Easter Sunday Resurrection of the Lord

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 – 4:45 pm

First Fridays ✕ 9:00 am – 10:00 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 ✕ 9:00 am – 7:00 pm

Benediction ✕ 7:00 pm – 7:30 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

April 1st – April 7th

MONDAY – 1st

8:30am – †Helen Hewitt

TUESDAY – 2nd

7:00pm – †Francesca Continenza

†Deceased Members of the Mattiacci Family

Birthday Wishes for Teresa Kazmierski

Healing Intentions for Marc St. Jean

WEDNESDAY – 3rd

8:30am – †Domingo & Segunda Fomera

THURSDAY – 4th

8:30am – † Nicola Trigriani

FRIDAY – 5th

8:30am – † Toni Ashali

SATURDAY – 6th

9:00am – In Thanksgiving to Our Lord for graces received and intentions of our Lady of Fatima

5:00pm – †John Stanziani

†Alfredo Capretta

†Mario Chiabattoni

†Patrick Flammini

†Mike & Emilia Taraschi

† Linda Castelli

† Jack Antolich

† Diana Mac Dougall

SUNDAY – 7th Second Sunday of Easter

8:30am – † Frances Taylor

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

11:30am – †Onorina Caterini

SUPPORT REPORT

March 10, 2024 Offering Envelopes **\$8,704.80**

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,

Happy Palm Sunday!

Fr. Dominic Thomas, CMI: Our new associate pastor arrives hopefully on April 15, 2024. We look forward to his ministry with us. Let us keep him in our prayers.

Easter Mini Fundraiser: Please consider supporting our parish by sharing a special Easter donation to help the parish: (1) maintain two priests (salary for 2 priests: \$70,000 per year). (2) Purchase 10 altar servers' gowns (\$250 per gown). And (3) to organize youth programs (\$15,000 budget). There will be special easter envelopes in the pews for those who don't have envelopes. Those who have envelopes can pray about giving a special extra donation at Easter. Special donations can also be made through the parish office. God bless and replenish you in advance.

Penitential Service and Individual Confessions: We shall have five (5) priests for confessions on Wednesday March 27th. This program will start at 6:30pm with a short 7-minutes Liturgy to prepare us for the Sacraments. After the Liturgy, feel free to go to any priest of your choice, then after your confessions and penance prayers you may leave. Have a grace-filled Easter!

Easter Triduum: Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday are known as the Triduum. It's a One Mass Celebration in continuum, reflecting the unity the paschal mystery of Christ. It is important for all Catholics to attend all these liturgies. If you miss one of these liturgies you have only partially fulfilled the Triduum.

Thank you: to **Mr. Lino Medeiros** (Med Siding) for supporting the parish cut cost on rectory repairs. God bless him abundantly.

Fr. Andrew

MEDICAL MISSION TO GHANA



Our parish is developing a partnership program with Holy Family Hospital, a Catholic Hospital in Ghana, Fr. Andrew's home diocese. We hope to start our 1st outreach next year 2025. Interested individuals (medical & non-medical) must sign up at the entrance of the church.

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Congratulations to our elect who have received the sacraments of baptism, communion, and confirmation and to our candidates who have been received into the Catholic Church. They are now called "neophytes" (New Catholic) for a year. We welcome them into our Catholic family and pray that the Holy Spirit will be with them always.



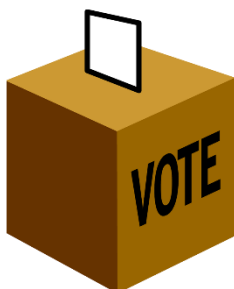
Holy water is water blessed by a priest to impart God's blessing on those who use it. When we bless ourselves with Holy Water, it is a reminder of our baptism where we became a member of the Body of Christ. We have holy water bottles on sale at the entrance of the church. You may fill the bottles at the font and take the water home to use in blessing yourself and your family.



YOUTH CHOIR NOTICE

Final practice preparation for the Easter weekend is on March 25th @ 6:30- 8:30PM. Attendance is very important. Scheduled Liturgy: Good Friday (12PM) & Easter Vigil (Holy Saturday @ 8PM)

Rosanna



The CWL will be holding next term's Executive elections this upcoming general meeting which will be held on April 23rd. Nomination and Election packages have been emailed to all members. Please consider getting involved. For more information please contact the CWL cwlourladyofassumption@gmail.com.

The CWL would like to thank all those who attended the Mini-Lenten Retreat led by Teresa DeFalco.

It was an enlightening way to prepare ourselves for Holy Week. We wish everyone a **Blessed Easter**.

May the Lord Jesus Christ bless you and protect, as he guides you.



PARENTING TIP OF THE MONTH

Parents are the most influential people in their children's lives. Even in the teen years, when peers become so important, parents are still influencing their children in almost every way. As their role model, it is important to ask yourself if what you children are seeing and hearing from you is how you would like them to act and speak. Do you speak kindly to family, friends and strangers? Do you limit the amount of time you engage on your phone and/or tablet/computer? Do you show them that you rely on God through prayer, attending Mass and talking about times God has helped you through? Your children are watching you to know how to act and behave, so look inward at how you act and speak and be sure you are the person you want your child to become.



We are in desperate need of Hospitality Ministers (ushers) and Extraordinary Ministers for the 5 pm mass. If you are interested, please contact Denise at denise@olota.ca or see her at the entrance of the Church.



COFFEE WITH JESUS

A perfect time to have a meet & greet with all Young Adults of the parish!

Sunday | April 7 | 3:30-5:30PM.

It will be a musical extravaganza with fun games. Coffee & snacks will be served!