



April 14, 2024-Third Sunday in Easter

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 15th – April 21st

MONDAY – 15th

8:30am – Aldo Delgrosso

TUESDAY – 16th

7:00pm – †Alfonso Cherubin

†Elsamma Mathew

Birthday Thanksgiving for Domiciana Fomera

Thanksgiving for the Limson Family

WEDNESDAY – 17th

8:30am –+ Dionisio Di Dionisio

THURSDAY – 18th

8:30am –† Martha Fomera

FRIDAY – 19th

8:30am –† Angela Stanziani

SATURDAY – 20th

9:00am – Thanksgiving for Birthday wishes Onyinye Mbabefo

5:00pm – †Angelo Pettorossi

+Ned DeAngelis

†Yolande Burgess

†Charlene Altoft

†Dora & Anton Kolic

†Bill & Maria Hlacar

SUNDAY – 21st Second Sunday of Easter

8:30am – † Ewa Kuc

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

11:30am – †Domenico Zoccoli



Dear Parishioners,

Associate Pastor: We welcome Fr. Dominic Thomas, CMI to our parish staff. We pray for a fulfilling ministry in our parish family.

First Communions: The celebration of First Communions with our grade 2's have begun. We have about 300 students making this sacrament this year. We pray for a grace-filled moment for our students.

Weekday Masses: I would like to encourage parishioners to consider attending weekday Masses as much as possible to continue to have a fuller and richer experience of the faith. In our parish, out of about 1200 people who now attend Mass regularly every Weekend, about 30 people regularly attend weekday Masses. Mass is not only limited to Sundays or the weekend. "Daily Mass" characterized the life of the early church. In **Acts of the Apostles 2:46** we read that {the disciples} *"They worshiped together at the Temple each day, met in homes for the Lord's Supper, and shared their meals with great joy and generosity."* It is understandable that in today's world, most people have become busy and work schedules also pose challenges to weekday Mass attendance. However, we need to make time at least once in a while to attend a weekday Mass. It could be on our off days, vacation time, or evenings after work if possible or mornings before work. Engaging with Christ through daily Mass is an awesome and spiritually rewarding way to live. Weekday Mass times here in the parish are Mondays – 8:30am, Tuesdays -7:00pm, Wednesdays to Fridays – 8:30am and Saturdays -9:00 am. Catch a weekday Mass, catch a blessing!

Friday Adoration: Every Friday, the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration from morning **9am to 7pm**. We are encouraged to make time to visit Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. The peace and graces we can benefit from this devotion is enormous, try it!

Moving Forward in Christ: The Pastoral planning Team is still working on carving a pastoral direction for our parish and clarifying our core values to guide the pastoral life of our parish. We hope that these moves will continue to bring revitalization and sustainable growth to our parish. Thank you for your input. We shall keep you informed about the process soon.

SUPPORT REPORT

Regular Sunday \$ 5,500.08

Parish Improvement Fund. \$ 1,075.00

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

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.



Easter Sunday -Resurrection of the Lord



There will be a Musical Talent Show Finals competition held at the Church Hall on Sunday, May 5, 2024 between 2 and 5 PM. Everyone is welcome to attend. Tickets go on sale starting April 1 through April 30. Admission Pre-Purchase Tickets are \$10, tickets at the door are \$15, children 9 and under are free. Please contact Angelo D'Ostilio (Church Musician) at Musicalsuperstarstalentshow@gmail.com Come out and enjoy this fun event and support these young musicians.



Porchetta on a Bun will be available the weekend of Saturday April 20th and Sunday April 21st, 2024 after each mass. These delicious sandwiches will be for sale after each mass for \$7.00 each or 3 for \$20.00. These tend to sell out quickly so make sure you get yours.



Our Lady of the Assumption will be sell tickets for our Spaghetti Supper Dinner. The Spaghetti Supper dinner will be held on June 8th, 2024... More details to follow.



REFUGEE FUND-RAISING – April 6-13 th, 2024

As shared at all the masses this weekend, the Refugee Committee is asking parishioners to donate via a special envelope during the masses on April 6/7 and 13/14 to help reunite a family as early as this fall. Our goal is \$5000.00 which will help off-set the increase of housing post Covid. Parishioners are asked to use the special envelope that was provided in the pews today. You can place them in the collection basket or in the

round collection cabinets located at both entrances. They have a QR code on them should you wish to donate electronically. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. 2 Corinthians 9:11



" Our Society of St. Vincent de Paul is once again selling lottery tickets which can be purchased for \$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00 from members of our ministry or through online purchases. First prize is \$2000.00, 2nd prize is \$1000.00 and 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th prizes are \$500.00 each. Tickets can be obtained through canadahelps.org. Draw will take place at our Dinner Dance on Friday May 31st, 2024 at Michelangelo's Banquet Centre. Dinner Dance Tickets are \$80.00 each and offer a 4 course meal, door prizes, silent auction prizes and dancing. Tickets can also be ordered online through canadahelps.org. We are always in need of volunteers for our Parkdale Store. Would you consider volunteering at our Thrift Store? We will work around your availability as we support families and individuals Everyone is welcome! Email Rita at ritassvphamilton@gmail.com. See this short video for more info [https:// catherineofsienachurch.ca/volunteers-needed](https://catherineofsienachurch.ca/volunteers-needed)."For more information please contact Brenda Hamilton @ andrew53@sympatico.ca

Thank you in advance for supporting our ministry and helping us Serve in Hope to our neighbours in need.



Spring Memorial Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery

The Spring Memorial Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Burlington will take place on Saturday, April 27 at 11:00. The principal celebrant will be Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton. All are welcome!



Adult Choir Practise will be held on April 24th, May 1st, May 15th, and May 29th, further dates to follow...