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# Our Lady of the Assumption Roman Catholic Church

## Home of the Filipino Catholic Mission

SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday: WEEKDAY MASSES:	5:00p.m. Sunday: 10:00a.m.; 12:00noon; 5:00p.m. (Filipino); 7:15 p.m. Tuesday-Friday: 7:00p.m.
RECONCILIATION:	Wednesday: 6:00-6:45 p.m. Saturday: 4:00-4:45 p.m. Or upon request
DEVOTIONS:	Before each Mass: Recitation of the Holy Rosary Tuesday: Sto. Nino Wednesday: Our Mother of Perpetual Help Thursday: St. Jude Friday: Divine Mercy First Friday Holy Hour (after the 7pm Mass)

### Welcome, new parishioners!

We invite new parishioners to register with the parish. Registration forms, preauthorized giving forms and donation envelopes are available at the entrances of the church and at the parish office. Please drop completed forms into the collection basket or at the parish office.



PASTORAL TEAM Pastor: Fr. Lorenzo Salandanan Deacon: Rev. Mr. Alex Masongsong

PARISH STAFF Secretary: Nora Valera Accountant: Rene Ng Caretaker: Jhun Viloria Custodian: Rod Lalog Housekeeper: Lucille Sicat

PARISH OFFICE HOURS Monday-Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (closed for lunch: 12-1 p.m.)

BAPTISM Contact the parish office two months in advance. 174 - 2

MARRIAGE Contact a priest one year in advance. Preparation course is required.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Contact the parish office for an appointment.

COMMUNION OF THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND The Eucharist is brought regularly to the sick and shut-ins. Anointing of the Sick and Reconciliation are also available. Please contact the parish office.

PARISH CATHOLIC SCHOOL Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic School Phone: 416-393-5265

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES Phone: 416-733-8544 www.catholic-cemeteries.ca



### **TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



### October 4th-10th, 2021

Monday, October 4th

**No Mass** 

Tuesday, October 5th

7:00pm

Wednesday, October 6th

7:00pm

Thursday, October 7<sup>th</sup>

7:00pm—Rose Resos

Friday, October 8th

7:00pm

Saturday, October 9th

5:00pm

Sunday, October 10th

10:00am

12:00Noon—Araceli Ignacio

5:00pm—Community of Our Lady of Assumption

7:15pm



# Let us pray!

For those who are sick members of our parish and those who love and minister to them.



## **Offertory Collection**

Last Sunday Collection: \$ 5,156.00 Boiler Donation \$2,290.00 Bishops Collection \$1271.00 Thank you for your generous hearts!



REGISTER for Mass on Eventbrite Gospel Reading (*Mark 10:2-16* ) Jesus teaches against divorce and welcomes the children.



Today we continue to read from the Gospel according to Mark. For the past three Sundays, we have been hearing Mark's reports of conversations between Jesus and his disciples. Recall that in Mark's Gospel, Jesus uses these private moments to teach his disciples in greater detail about the Kingdom of God. Beginning with today's Gospel, Jesus returns to Judea, Jewish territory, and resumes his public ministry. The first verse of chapter 10 of Mark's Gospel tells us that crowds gathered around Jesus, and he taught them, as was his custom. Immediately, the Pharisees approach Jesus to test him.

The Pharisees question Jesus about the lawfulness of divorce. Under specific conditions, divorce was an accepted practice among the Jewish people during the time of Jesus. It was regulated by the Law of Moses, as found in <u>Deuteronomy 24:1-5</u>. This law only permits that a husband may divorce his wife if he finds her to be indecent. This is the justification that the Pharisees reference when Jesus inquires about the commandment of Moses. In reply, Jesus quotes from the Book of Genesis and counters that God's original intention was that men and women would become one flesh in marriage. Jesus describes the teaching of Moses as a concession made to God's original intention because of human stubbornness.

In private, Jesus' disciples question him further about this teaching on divorce. It is to his disciples that Jesus lays out the implications of his teaching by explaining that remarriage after divorce is adultery. Jesus' teaching was more restrictive than the teaching of the Pharisees, which permitted remarriage. Jesus further distinguished his teaching from the cultural norms of his time by applying his words equally to men and women. Jewish culture permitted only that a husband may divorce his wife. Wives were not permitted to divorce their husband for any reason, including adultery.

At first glance, the final part of today's Gospel seems unconnected to the previous teaching about divorce. When read together, however, these passages present a strong picture of Jesus' emphasis on the importance of family. God intended for women and men to be joined together in marriage. Among the purposes of marriage is the raising of children. By welcoming children and fostering their relationship with God, parents and families bear witness to the Kingdom of God.

At the end of today's Gospel, the people were bringing their children to Jesus, and again Jesus' disciples show that they just don't get it. Recall that in the Gospel for each of the past two Sundays, Jesus has taught his disciples the value and importance of these "little ones" in the Kingdom of God. Yet in today's Gospel, the disciples try to prevent people from bringing their children to Jesus. Jesus reprimands his disciples and welcomes these children. Again Jesus offers these children as an example of the kind of complete trust and dependence upon God that ought to be the attitude of all believers.

## **OCTOBER 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2021**



# you can work wonders!

Share Life agencies need your support now, more than ever. That's why ShareLife-funded agencies have been providing phone and video counselling during the pandemic, so clients don't have to wait until walk-in counselling resumes. No one is ever turned away due to inability to pay. "The term 'mental health tsunami' refers to the increasing mental health issues that have, and will continue to emerge due to Covid-19," says Brenda Spitzer, Executive Director of Catholic Family Services of Toronto. Thanks to your support of ShareLife, agencies like CFS Toronto can continue to meet these growing needs.

### Sharelife Collection October 2/3, 2021.

Kindly use your Sharelife envelopes designated for this year, and just change the date accordingly.

### <u>CHURCH- STEAM BOILER REPLACEMENT</u> <u>PROJECT</u>

The Chancery Office has approved to proceed with the replacement of our 35 years old church boiler by the Ac Mechanical contractors Ltd., who won the lowest bid. The estimate amount of this project is **\$ 246,568** (with contingency and tax included). The funds will be coming from our parish investment **or** a loan from the Archdiocese. It depends upon the outcome of the litigation. For the meantime, we welcome and appreciate any donations for this project. Thank you so much for your generosity.

### Registration for the 4th Annual Parish Ministry Conference

Calling all parish ministry leaders, coordinators and volunteers: Registration opens Saturday, August 7 www.archtoronto.org/conference If you are looking for an opportunity to connect with others serving in parish ministry, to pray together, to learn together and to be re-energized, you won't want to miss this upcoming conference! Come join us from October 26 through October 30 for our virtual 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Parish Ministry Conference, "With Burning Hearts!" Space is limited so register right away.



PRAY

### THE HOLY ROSARY EVERYDAY!

"The family that prays together, stays together"



### Catholic Bishops of Canada Apologize to the Indigenous Peoples of This Land

The Catholic Bishops of Canada, gathered in Plenary this week, took the opportunity to affirm and acknowledge to the Indigenous Peoples the suffering experienced in Canada's Indian Residential Schools. Many Catholic religious communities and dioceses participated in this system, which led to the suppression of Indigenous languages, culture and spirituality, failing to respect the rich history, traditions and wisdom of Indigenous Peoples. They acknowledged the grave abuses that were committed by some members of our Catholic community: physical, psychological, emotional, spiritual, cultural, and sexual. They also sorrowfully acknowledged the historical and ongoing trauma and the legacy of suffering and challenges faced by Indigenous Peoples that continue to this day. Along with those Catholic entities which were directly involved in the operation of the schools and which have already offered their own heartfelt apologies, the Catholic Bishops of Canada expressed their profound remorse and apologized unequivocally.

To read the apology from the Catholic Bishops of Canada please see the website: **www.archtorotno.org** 



# LIFE CHAIN

October 3rd, 2021

This Sunday is Life Chain Sunday. Please join us between 2-3 pm at the front of

Our Lady of the Assumption Church to witness for the millions of unborn lost through abortion in Canada and to silently and prayerfully intercede to the Lord to end abortion and heal our nation. One way to do our part in changing the culture of Canada into a Culture of Life is to pray daily to the Holy Spirit for this needed transformation.



#### Thank You for Your Financial Support

If you are unable to join us for mass at this time please consider the options of either through our <u>Pre-Authorized Giving Program</u>, or an electronic donation by credit card through the "Donate Now" button at the top right corner of the Archdiocese of Toronto <u>website</u>. For information, Please call the parish office at 416-787-4547.

