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Our Lady of the Assumption Roman Catholic Church

Home of the Filipino Catholic Mission

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday: 5:00p.m.

Sunday: 10:00a.m.; 12:00noon;

5:00p.m. (Filipino); 7:15 p.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES: 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.

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

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December 6th-12th, 2021

Monday, December 6th

No Mass

Tuesday, December 7th

7:00pm

Wednesday, December 8th

7:00pm—Virginia Dela Cruz

Maria Concepcion and Humberto Cordeiro

Thursday, December 9th

7:00pm—Pablo Ordinario

Friday, December 10th

7:00pm—Zenaida Viray Fulgencio

Maria Lourdes Aitchison

Saturday, December 11th

5:00pm

Sunday, December 12th

10:00am—Rolando and Purificacion

Dela Rosa

12:00Noon

5:00pm—Virginia Dela Cruz

7:15pm—Community of Our Lady of Assumption



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: \$5,418.00 Shepherd Trust: \$120.00 Boiler Donation: \$1,130.00 Thank you for your generous hearts!



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-</u>

<u>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.

Gospel Reading (Luke 3:1-6)

John preaches repentance and baptizes in the region of the Jordan.



This week and next, our Gospel readings invite us to consider John the Baptist and his relationship to Jesus. John the Baptist appears in the tradition of the great prophets, preaching repentance and reform to the people of Israel. To affirm this, Luke quotes at length from the prophet Isaiah. John baptizes for repentance and for forgiveness of sins, preparing the way for God's salvation.

The three Synoptic Gospels—Mark, Matthew, and Luke—attest to the importance of the baptism of John in preparing for Jesus. Only the Gospel of Luke, however, extends the connection between these two men to their birth. The first two chapters of Luke's Gospel contain the Infancy Narrative, which tells about the births of John the Baptist and Jesus. These stories set the stage for the beginning of Jesus' public ministry in chapter 3.

The evangelist Luke is the author of the Gospel that bears his name, and he also wrote the Acts of the Apostles as a continuation of the story of Jesus and the Church. In these two works, Luke's sense of time and history emerges. He identifies three epochs of salvation history: the time before Christ, the time of Christ, and the time of the Church and the Holy Spirit. In today's Gospel reading, as elsewhere, John the Baptist is presented as the figure who bridges the time before Christ and prepares the way for Christ's own ministry.

In today's Gospel we also note Luke's attention to political and historical detail. Luke shows that salvation is for all people and situated in world events. Therefore, Luke lists the political and religious leaders at the time of John's appearance in the desert. Salvation is understood as God's breaking into this political and social history.

John's preaching of the coming of the Lord is a key theme of the Advent season. As John's message prepared the way for Jesus, we too are called to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming. We respond to John's message by repentance and reform of our lives. We are also called to be prophets of Christ, who announce by our lives the coming of the Lord, as John did.



WELCOME SIMBANG GABI

(Night Mass)

December 15th-23rd, 2021 At 8:00pm

(There will be no 7:00pm Mass)

Simbang Gabi ("Night Mass" in English) is a series of nine masses celebrated by Filipino and non-Filipino Catholics across the world, from Dec. 15 to 23. The tradition, which dates back nearly 500 years, promotes devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and prepares Catholics for Christmas.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Parishioners are invited to sponsor this year's display of Christmas decors in our Sanctuary. You may dedicate your offering for your loved ones or in thanksgiving to God for the

many blessings you have received. Envelopes are available in your pews, at the foyer or at the parish office. Dedications will be accepted until Friday December 20th, 2021. God Bless!

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULES

CHRISTMAS EVE

Friday, December 24th, 2021

5:00pm - Filipino Mass (Tagalog) 8:00pm - Family Mass (English) 12:00am - Midnight Mass (English)

Carols 1/2 hour before all Masses

CHRISTMAS DAY

Saturday, December 25th, 2021

9:00am - Mass (English) 10:30am - Mass (English) 12:00Noon - Mass (English) (No 5:00pm Mass)

THE HOLY FAMILY

Sunday, December 26th, 2021

10:00am – Mass (English) 12:00Noon - Mass (English) 5:00pm - Filipino Mass (Tagalog) (No 7:15pm Mass)

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Friday, December 31st, 2021

5:00pm - Filipino Mass (Tagalog) 8:00pm - Family Mass (English) 12:00am - Midnight Mass (English)

NEW YEAR'S DAY

Saturday, January 1st, 2022

9:00am - Mass (English) 10:30am - Mass (English) 12:00Noon - Mass (English) (No 5:00pm Mass)

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Sunday, January 2nd, 2022

10:00am- Mass (English) 12:00Noon - Mass (English) 5:00pm - Filipino Mass (Tagalog) (No 7:15pm Mass)





THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

NOVENA PRAYERS

November 28th-December 7th, 2021

SOLEMN MASS

Wednesday, December 8th, 2021

6:00 pm —Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Praying the Holy Rosary

7:00pm — Holy Eucharist

2022 Offertory Envelopes/Pre-Authorized Giving



Thank you for your continued support of our parish during these challenging times, especially through your use of offertory envelopes and/or Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG). Offertory envelopes for 2022 are now available in the parish hall. Please observe social distancing in picking up your envelopes before or after mass. Thank you for picking up your offertory envelopes as soon as possible!

Please note the following.

- 1. it is going to be your permanent number offertory envelope every year. Your envelope has to be used every time you give donations. Otherwise, it will be given to someone else and we will remove those who have not used envelopes over the last year.
- 2. If you are a guest or do not attend regularly, you do not need to use the yearly envelope. We just ask you to use the blank envelope and write your name and address for our record and income tax purposes
- 3. Please do not begin using these envelopes until January 2022 as credit will not be issued if they are used earlier.
- 4. You can select your desire number from 01-700. (if it is still available)
- 5. Disregard and do not use the old number or envelope.
- 6. Write your name/address and telephone or cell number in your offertory envelop for weeks for recording and verification.
- 7. We strongly encourage you to use PAG (Pre-Authorized Giving)

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

Monday, December 13th at 7:00pm – 8:00pm (priests are available for confession)

Tuesday, December 14th 6:00pm-6:45pm

Make a Difference!

BOILER DONATION NEEDED!

Christmas time is on the air and once again, we celebrate this wonderful event of the birthday of Jesus. We will observe our traditional giving and exchange of gifts. This year, as

Christmas is approaching, you might want to consider adding OLA Church in your list. As you all know, we are replacing our Boiler this Fall and it will cost us \$246,568. For this reason, we wish to ask for your financial donation of any amount. We hope that you will grant us this simple request and the Lord will bless you for your good deeds.

Thank you and God bless!

Total cost of the Boiler project—\$246,568.00

Total donation up to date: \$23,0755.00

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