

# Our Lady of the Assumption Parish

*Home of the Filipino Catholic Mission*



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## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday — 5:00pm

Sunday — 10:00am; 12:00Noon

5:00pm (Filipino); 7:15pm

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## WEEKEDAY MASSES

Tuesday — Friday — 7:00pm

## RECONCILIATION

Wednesday — 6:00pm - 6:45pm

Saturday — 4:00pm - 4:45pm

Or upon request

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## DEVOTIONS

(Before each Mass)

Recitation of the Holy Rosary

Our Mother of Perpetual Help

(Wednesday)

St. Jude (Thursday)

Divine Mercy (Friday)

## BAPTISM

Contact Parish Office 2 months in advance of anticipated baptismal date.

## MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest one year in advance. Preparation course is a prerequisite.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If one of your loved ones would like to receive this Sacrament of Anointing, please call the Parish Office.

## 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 notify the parish office.

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday — CLOSED

Tuesday — Friday

9:00am — 12:00noon

Closed for Lunch

1:00pm — 5:00pm

## CATHOLIC CEMETERY

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## PARISH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Our Lady of the Assumption School

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*Welcome, new parishioners!* We invite new parishioners to register with the parish. Registration forms, Pre-Authorized Giving (PAG) 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.

# TWENTY THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**September 5<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>**

No Mass

**Tuesday, September 6<sup>th</sup>**

7:00pm— Lisa Vargas

**Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>**

7:00pm—Pro Populo

**Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>**

7:00pm—Pro Populo

**Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>**

7:00pm—Pro Populo

**Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup>**

5:00pm—Marie Aquiatan

**Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**

10:00am—Leonor Populi

12:00Noon—Zenaida Viray Fulgencio

Maria Lourdes Aitchison

5:00pm—Pro Populo

7:15pm—Retraita Taguicana

## PASTOR'S CORNER.....

### Beginning a New Year

Church years always feel like school years. September is the real start, despite what the official calendar says. So as we begin, I'd like to suggest that we take a moment to focus on the center of our life – why we exist at all. That center, of course, is the Risen Christ, present among us through the gift of his Holy Spirit.

And not only is Christ present: We're here because we've been called by Him to share in His work of redeeming the world. We don't have to look far to see the need for that redemption. War, poverty, greed, sadness, sickness... Something in us knows that God's world isn't supposed to be like this. The fact that the world has been this way through history doesn't make it right, or inevitable. That's where our work comes in. A passage from the book Isaiah we hear, "Say to those whose hearts are frightened, 'Be strong, fear not! Here is your God.'" Isaiah promises that God does not leave us in the mess we humans have made of God's world, but offers us a way back to His peace. We may not feel that we have much influence over the course of world events, or even over the forces that affect our lives – the shape of the economy, the job market, stresses in our family, illness that burdens us or those we love, changes in the culture.

We may not be able to do everything we'd like; but each of us can do something. We'll each have an influence, during the course of this year, on others around us. The choices we make each day will contribute, each choice in its small way, to the buildup in the parish and in the community of trust and care, or of selfishness and hurt. How we treat others in the supermarket, on the road, in informal conversation – these choices have their consequences. Whether our attention is focused mostly on our own pleasure, or on the well-being of others around us – this will affect both our own joy and the fabric of our family and neighborhood.

Each Sunday at Mass we focus on Christ's sacrifice that gives us life. This is the heart of His teaching: We come to life and live in joy when we give ourselves to others' well-being in whatever ways God opens to us. Each of us can make a difference in the part of the world God has given us care for: our family, our parish, our school or workplace, our neighborhood. Let's keep the center in mind this year. Until next week, peace.



Let us pray!

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



### Offertory Collection

Sunday Collection \$ 7,176.00

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 [Pre-Authorized Giving Program](#), or an electronic donation by credit card through the "Donate Now" button at the top right corner of the Archdiocese of Toronto [website](#). For information, Please call the parish office at 416-787-4547.



**Gospel Reading**

Luke 14:25-33

**Jesus teaches about the demands of discipleship.**



In chapter 14 of Luke's Gospel, Jesus is speaking to people gathered at the table about the difficulties of following him. This group of people is suspicious about Jesus, looking to catch him doing something wrong. Jesus speaks to them in parables, emphasizing that although there is a right way to be a disciple and enter into the

kingdom of his Father, it is a difficult path to follow. Many, even some of the guests at the table, reject the invitation. So Jesus turns to the crowds and speaks to them of discipleship. Jesus explains that, when it comes to making a choice for the Kingdom of God, nothing can get in the way. When Jesus describes "hating" one's father and mother, he is not talking about feelings. Rather, he is emphasizing very strongly that choosing to be a disciple means that everything else—family, money, your own life—must come second. In Matthew's version of this story (Matthew 10:37), Jesus refers not to "hating" father or mother, but to *loving them more* than Jesus. Jesus makes it very clear that being a disciple is not easy. It means to bear one's own cross. These difficult sayings of Jesus are followed by two brief parables (a person constructing a tower and a king marching into battle) that make an obvious point—don't start what you cannot finish. Discipleship is difficult and is something we can commit to only if we are prepared to put the Kingdom of God before everything else.

**Vocations**

*"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men." At once they left their nets and followed him.* – Matthew 4:19-20

God is asking each of us to "cast our nets" and discover where He is leading us. We need priests to lead the parishes of the archdiocese, deacons to assist them, qualified lay people to support our diverse ministries and flourishing religious communities. Every Catholic can be a vocations advocate, through prayer, encouragement and invitation. We recognize the need to integrate our formal programs of formation for ministry, to ensure their effectiveness. We also can't forget the priests who have faithfully served us over the years, ensuring they are cared for in their retirement. Together, we can foster a culture of vocations in our archdiocese.

**Children Liturgy of the Word** – the parish is planning to have Children Liturgy on Sundays at 12:00 Noon Mass. We are looking for volunteers to facilitate the program. Must be a practicing Catholic and one that knows the faith. If you are interested in participating in this catechetical ministry, please contact the parish office or talk to **Fr. Lorenzo** at **416-787-4547 ext. 210.**

**Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Feast of Our Lady of Mediatrix**



**Novenas**

August 30<sup>th</sup> – September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022

At 6:15pm

**Feast Day**

Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022

7:00pm – Solemn Mass

Floral Offering and Procession and Coronation

**Everyone is welcome!!!**



**FEAST OF OUR LADY OF PENAFRANCIA**

**Solemn Mass**

**Saturday**

**September 17<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

**at 7:00pm**

**SPECIAL FOR NON-CATHOLICS**

If you are one of the many non-Catholics who visit OLA and feel at home here, perhaps it is time to think about becoming a full member of our Roman Catholic community. The RCIA (Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults) is not a class but a journey to the Easter Sacraments. This month, September, we will accept application from people who want to explore the possibility of becoming a Catholic at OLA. The sessions begins in the Fall.

RCIA is also open to those Catholics who wish to know more about Catholic Faith. **Those interested please the parish office 416-787-4547**

**A Blessing for Going Back to School**

May your unprepared answers be almost right  
And all your teachers only be the best.  
May too much homework never spoil a night  
And may you get at least a hundred in every test.  
May you study hard and learn a lot  
Of reading and writing and God's love for us.  
No matter how hard the work, forget you not  
That soon it will be summertime again  
And may Jesus who grew in wisdom  
and age and grace bless you together with  
the Father and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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