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Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Roman Catholic Church

Archdiocesan Filipino Catholic Mission

SUNDAY MASSES Saturday - 5:00pm

Sunday - 10:00am; 12:00Noon

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

WEEKEDAY MASSES Tuesday - Friday - 7:00pm

RECONCILIATION Wednesday - 6:00pm - 6:45pm

Saturday - 4:00pm - 4:45pm

Or upon request

DEVOTIONS Holy Hour (every first Thursday of the Month)

(Before each Mass)

Recitation of the Holy Rosary

Sto. Niño (Tuesday)

Our Mother of Perpetual Help (Wednesday)

St. Jude (Thursday) Divine Mercy (Friday)

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.



PARISH STAFF

Fr. Lorenzo Salandanan – Ext. 210 Isalandanan@archtoronto.org Nora Valera – Secretary – Ext. 200 Jhun Viloria – Caretaker Lucille Sicat – House Keeper Rene Ng – Accountant – Ext. 212

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday is **CLOSED**

Tuesday-Friday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (closed for lunch: 12–1p.m.)

BAPTISM

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

MARRIAGE

Couples planning to be married must contact a priest <u>one year</u> 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.

CATHOLIC CEMETERY

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Our Lady of the Assumption School 416-393-5265

Twenty Fourth Sunday In Ordinary Time

Sunday Reflection.....

Jesus teaches that we must forgive one another as God has forgiven us (Matthew 18:21-35)



Today's Gospel reading directly follows last week's Gospel in which Jesus taught the disciples how to handle disputes and conflict within the Christian community. In today's reading Peter asks Jesus how many times one ought to extend forgiveness to

another. Peter proposes a reasonable number of times, perhaps seven. Jesus replies by extending Peter's proposal by an enormous amount; not just seven times should one forgive, but 77 times. The parable of the unforgiving servant is Jesus' elaboration of his initial reply to Peter. Through the parable we come to understand the depths of God's mercy toward us and the results of our acceptance of God's forgiveness.

The king in the parable decides to settle accounts with his servants. We are told that one servant in particular owes the king an enormous sum of money. Despite the promise of the servant, it is unlikely that he would ever be able to repay the debt that he owes. The king is moved by the humility of the pleading servant and mercifully forgives the debt. Rather than displaying gratitude for this forgiveness, the servant confronts a fellow servant who owes him a small debt—a pittance when compared with the amount that was owed to the king. The unmerciful servant refuses the pleas of his fellow servant and sends the servant to prison.

A few other servants tell the merciful king about the actions of the unforgiving servant. The king punishes the servant because he refused to show the kind of mercy he had himself received from the king. Jesus concludes by indicating that this is how it will be with God and those who refuse to forgive one another.

There is a temptation to quantify forgiveness as Peter tried to do, but Jesus' point is that forgiveness is not about quantity—the number of times we extend forgiveness to another. In the parable the king's forgiveness is like God's forgiveness, and it transforms us, helping us to be as forgiving as God. The lesson is clear: If we hoard God's mercy while showing no mercy to others, we risk forfeiting the effects of God's mercy in our lives.

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you are new to Our Lady of the Assumption Parish and AFCM and you will be staying to worship with us, please fill out a registration form located at the foyer or on the parish website. If your children attend OLA School, you are not automatically registered in the parish. Also, if you are recently married or an adult no longer living with your parents, we kindly ask that you also register as member of the parish.





September 18th-24th, 2023

Monday, September 18th

No Mass

Tuesday, September 19th

7:00pm-Pro Populo

Wednesday, September 20th

(Multiple Intentions)

7:00pm—Pro Populo

Thursday, September 21st

7:00pm—Pro Populo

Friday, September 22nd

7:00pm—Geronimo Fulgencio

Saturday, September 23rd

5:00pm—Pro Populo

Sunday, September 24th

10:00am-Pro Populo

12:00Noon—Pro Populo

5:00pm (Tagalog)—Community of

Our Lady of Assumption

7:00pm—Pro Populo



Let us pray!

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



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.

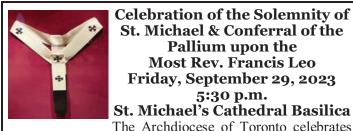


Offertory Collection

Sunday Collection—\$9,593.00

Thank you for your generous hearts!

September 17th, 2023



Celebration of the Solemnity of St. Michael & Conferral of the Pallium upon the **Most Rev. Francis Leo** Friday, September 29, 2023 5:30 p.m.

St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica

the feast day of our archdiocesan patron, St. Michael, on Friday, September 29, 2023. All are welcome to join in a special celebration on that day at 5:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica (65 Bond St.). Archbishop Francis Leo will celebrate Mass, with music from the world-renowned St. Michael's Choir School. As part of the celebration, the Apostolic Nuncio to Canada, the Most Rev. Ivan Jurkovič will confer the pallium on our archbishop, a symbol of his role as Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto and shepherd to the faithful.

Novena to Saint Michael the Archangel

Archbishop Leo is inviting the Catholic community throughout the archdiocese to join in offering a novena to Saint Michael the Archangel, leading up to the Solemnity of Saint Michael on September 29, 2023. The novena will begin on September 20 and end on September 28, 2023. We also encourage you to continue to promote the Celebration of the Solemnity of Saint Michael and Conferral of the Pallium taking place at Saint Michael's Cathedral Basilica on September 29 at 5:30 p.m. with an informal reception outside the cathedral following Mass. Public seating will be offered on a first-come, first served basis.

Saint Michael the Archangel, pray for us and protect us always!

National Day for Truth and Reconciliation September 30, 2023

The National Day for Truth and Reconciliation takes place each year on September 30. At St. Ann's parish in Toronto, home to the Native People's Mission, a special Mass will be held on October 1, 2023, at 12:30 p.m. - all are welcome to attend.

The Archdiocese of Toronto will hold a special collection the weekend of September 30/October 1, 2023 to support the Indigenous Healing & Reconciliation Fund. The fund will support both local and national programs proposed by communities to nurture the ongoing Indigenous reconciliation journey. You can donate through your local parish or online anytime at: www.archtoronto.org/ healingandreconciliation.

WELCOME!

As part of the new program at St. Augustine's Seminary, the seminarians will have weekend visits and experience at the parish through put their school year. We are very happy to welcome Judel Villardo to our parish. Judel is the son of Deacon Ramon Villardo.



FEAST OF SAN LOREZO RUIZ

Solemn Mass

Sunday, September 24th, 2023 at 5:00pm

Everyone is welcome!

LIFE CHAIN Sunday, October 1st, 2023

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.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATIONS **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Begins in October.**

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) for adults who would like to become Roman Catholic will begin in October. If you or a loved one would like to consider becoming a Roman Catholic, please have them speak with Fr. Lorenzo or contact us by email or telephone to arrange for an interview.

First Reconciliation/First Communion

Parents and Guardians of Grade 2 children are invited to pick up your registration forms after each Masses this weekend. The registration and meeting will be held on Monday, October 2nd. 2023 at 7:00pm.

Students in public and private schools or students who missed receiving the Sacraments in grade 2, are most welcome to register for this year.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Parents and Guardians of Grade 7 and up are invited to pick up your registration forms after each Masses this weekend. The registration and meeting will be held on Tuesday October 3rd. 2023 at 7:30pm.

Students in public and private schools or students who missed receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation last year, are most welcome to register for this year.

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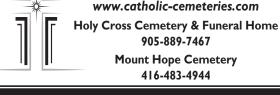
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