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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 lsalandanan@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

416-733–8544 www.catholic-cemeteries.ca

PARISH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Our Lady of the Assumption School 416-393-5265



April 8th-14th, 2024

Monday, April 8th

No Mass

Tuesday, April 9th

7:00pm— En Valera

Simon and Lorenza Arellano

Wednesday, April 10th

(Multiple Intentions)

7:00pm-Pro Populo

Thursday, April 11th

7:00pm—Zenaida Viray Fulgencio

Maria Lourdes Aitchison

Friday, April 12th

7:00pm —Pro Populo

Saturday, April 13th

5:00pm—Pro Populo

Sunday, April 14th

10:00am - Community of Our Lady

of the Assumption

12:00Noon-Alma Escosio

5:00pm (Tagalog Mass)

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

(March 30-31, 2024)

Easter Sunday Collection—\$20,093.00

Thank you for your generous hearts!

Sunday Reflection.....

Thomas believes because he sees Jesus. (John 20:19-31)

Today's reading from the Gospel of John is proclaimed on the



Second Sunday of Easter in each of the lectionary cycles. This fact alone should alert us to the significance of the encounters with the resurrected Jesus that are described in this reading. This Gospel combines two scenes: Jesus' appearance to his disciples after his Resurrection and Jesus' dialogue with Thomas, the disciple who doubted.

Part of the mystery of Jesus' Resurrection is that he appeared to his disciples not as a spirit, but in bodily form. We do not know, however, exactly what this form looked like. Earlier in John's

Gospel, when Mary of Magdala first encountered the risen Jesus, she did not recognize him until he spoke to her. In Luke's Gospel, the disciples walking along the road to Emmaus did not recognize Jesus until he broke bread with them. We know from readings such as today's that in his resurrected form, Jesus was not bound by matter; he appeared to the disciples inside a home even though the door was locked. Yet the disciples could still touch the marks of his Crucifixion.

In today's Gospel, Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun; as Jesus was sent by God, so Jesus sends his disciples. He gives his disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit so that they will be able to accomplish this task. Jesus' words to his disciples also highlight the integral connection between the forgiveness of sins and the gift of the Holy Spirit. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, we can share forgiveness and reconciliation with others.

Thomas, the doubting disciple in today's reading, represents the reality of the Church that comes after this first community of witnesses to Jesus. All but the first disciples of Jesus must believe without seeing. Like Thomas, we may doubt the news that Jesus, who was crucified and buried, appeared to his disciples. Our human nature seeks hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to his disciples after his death is indeed the same Jesus who was crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to be our representative in obtaining this evidence. He gives witness to us that the Jesus who was raised is the same Jesus who died. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are among those who are blessed, for we have not seen and yet believe.

NEW SECURITY LIGHTS AROUND THE CHURCH AND RECTORY

With gratitude from the government's subsidy, we were able to install new security lights around the church and rectory as our response to the Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design and Anti-Hate Crime initiated by the government.



THE FEAST OF THE DIVINE MERCY



Sunday, April 7th, 2024

4:20pm—In Church Procession 4:30pm— The Divine Mercy Chaplet 5:0pm—Holy Mass (Tagalog)

Everyone is Welcome!

GARDEN MINISTRIES

Calling for volunteers and different parish ministries to help with our gardening around the church and rectory this Spring. Please call the Parish office.

COFFEE SUNDAY !!!



Please come and join us at basement hall hour after the Sunday, 10am mass. Please bring any baked goods you want to share with our fellow parishioners.

COFEE SUNDAY WILL RESUME ON APRIL 14th, 2024

SACRAMENTAL CELEBRATIONS

FIRST COMMUNION



Saturday, April 13th, 2024

at 11:00pm



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Saturday, April 20th, 2024

at 11:00pm

Please include in your prayers for all our candidates who will be receiving the sacraments this year



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CONSECRATION TO THE BLESSED VURGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH



Pope Francis and Archbishop Francis Leo has asked the Faithful to renew the Act of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord. Due to the date of Holy Week and Easter, this year's feast has been moved from its usual date

of March 25 to Monday April 18.

Why this special consecration? We have already been consecrated to God through the gift of Baptism. In Baptism, we receive God's gift of Himself and become His adopted children. Baptism sets us apart-consecrates us- God chosen people. We consecrate ourselves to God on the Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord because we want to grow closer to Him through Mary's intercession. Consecration is a response to the Lord's invitation to live in holiness and self -giving. When we consecrate ourselves to God, we are making a commitment to live very intentionally for Him in all aspects of our daily lives, giving ourselves fully to God out of love.

Please join us for Consecration Prayers on every Mass this weekend.

PILGRIMAGE TO AUSTRIA, SLOVAKIA, GERMANY, SLOVENIA, CROATIA AND BOSNIA (MEDJUGORJE)



Under spiritual guidance of Rev. Lorenzo Salandanan, Pastor of Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in Toronto, ON Tour Coordinator: Ms. Patricia Martyn, 416-629-0350, pmartyn132@gmail.com SEP 29 - OCT 12, 2024, 14 DAYS - \$5,090.00, incl. taxes and tips Connaissance Travel and Tours, 3852 Finch Ave

East, Suite #306, Toronto ON, M1T 3T9, Tel: 416 291 2676.



Did you move? Are you moving soon? Did your phone number change? Are you new to the parish and not registered? Do you have any

changes in your family status? Are you newlywed planning to remain in the parish?

If you answer YES to any of these questions, please call the parish office (416-787-4547) and help us update our records. Often mail is returned to us because of an incorrect address or we could not communicate because of incorrect telephone number.

Also, be sure to use your envelopes so that we can give you proper credit for your participation and financial support. This is important for year end income tax preparation and also so that we can provide you with a letter of recommendation if you are asked to be sponsor. Thank you for your help in keeping our parish records accurate!

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