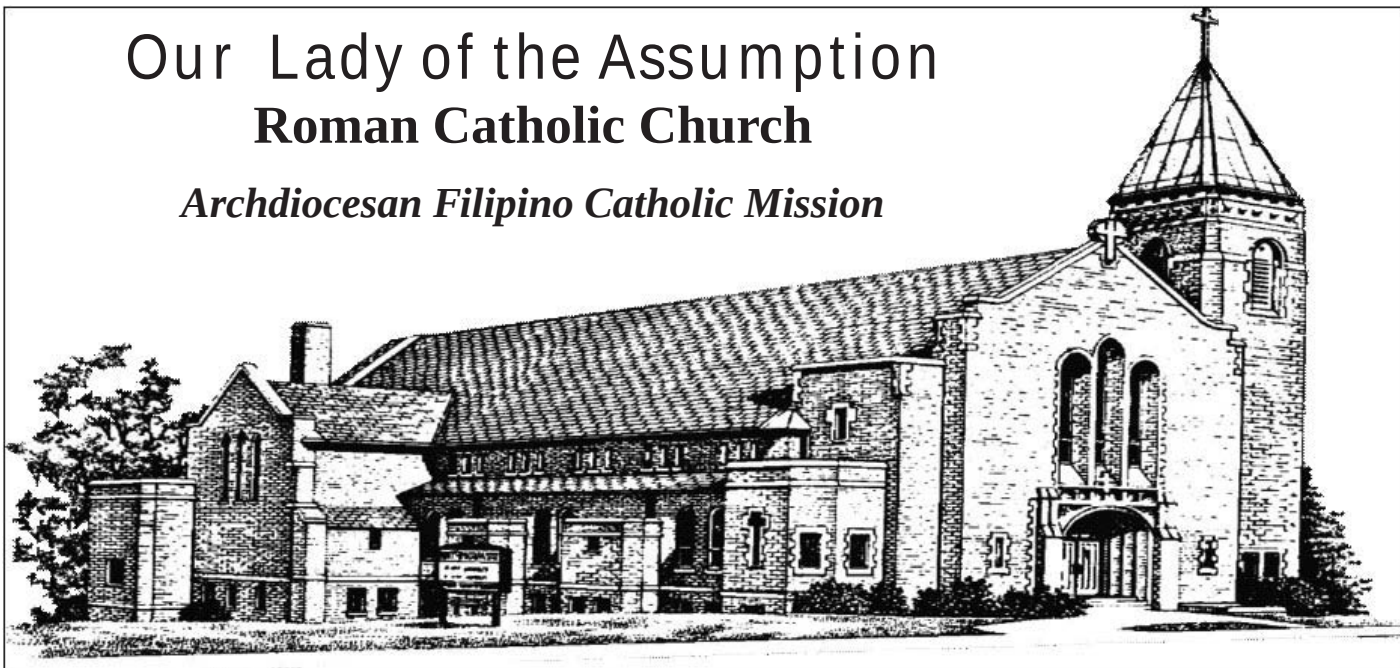


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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday is **CLOSED**

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

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Welcome, new parishioners!

We invite new parishioners to register with the parish. Registration forms, pre-authorized 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.

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday – 5:00pm

Sunday – 10:00am; 12:00 Noon
5:00pm (Filipino); 7:00pm

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WEEKEDAY MASSES

Tuesday – Friday – 7:00pm

RECONCILIATION

Wednesday – 6:30pm – 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.

CATHOLIC CEMETERY

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PARISH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Our Lady of the Assumption School
416 –393-5265

August 16th, 2026



August 17th-August 23rd, 2026

Monday, August 17th

No Mass

Tuesday, August 18th

7:00pm— Pro Populo

Wednesday, August 19th

7:00pm— +Leonila Culnam

Thursday, August 20th

7:00pm— Pro Populo

Friday, August 21st

7:00pm— Pro Populo

Saturday, August 22nd

5:00pm—Pro Populo

Sunday, August 23rd

10:00am—+Flora Santis

12:00Noon— Pro Populo

5:00pm (Tagalog) - Milagros Nonay

7:00pm— Community of OLA



**Remember
in
Prayer**

Let us pray!

We keep in our prayers the sick, the homebound, and the forgotten members in our community 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 [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.



Offertory Collection

August 9th, 2026

Sunday Offertory \$ 10,280.00

Thank you for your donations and support!

SUNDAY REFLECTION...



Gospel Reading

Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus heals the daughter of the Canaanite woman because of her great faith.

Today we move ahead in our reading of Matthew's Gospel. Last week we read about Jesus walking on the water and the disciples' confession of faith that Jesus is the Son of God. If we were reading Matthew's entire Gospel, we would have read about Jesus' debate with the Pharisees about Jewish purity laws. Jesus argues that it is not what goes into us that makes us unclean; he is referring to the strict Jewish dietary rules. Instead our

words and our actions—what comes out of us—make us unclean because they emerge from a heart that is unclean.

Knowing about Jesus' debate with the Pharisees helps us to understand today's Gospel. In fact the story heightens the surprise and shock we feel as we hear Jesus' exchange with the Canaanite woman. The woman, who is not Jewish, approaches Jesus, requesting that he heal her demon-possessed daughter. At first Jesus ignores her; he says nothing. The disciples ask Jesus to send her away, and Jesus agrees, remarking that he was sent to minister to the Jews alone.

The woman persists, paying homage to Jesus, and yet Jesus denies her request again. He even insults her, using a Jewish word of derision for Gentiles, "dog." But the woman cleverly turns Jesus' insult into an affirmation of faith. Only then does Jesus grant her request and heal her daughter.

Jesus' unresponsiveness to this woman may strike us as uncharacteristic or shocking. Yet in Matthew's Gospel, Jesus' ministry is directed primarily to the people of Israel. At only a very few points, such as the one found in today's Gospel, do we find Jesus anticipating the later Christian ministry to the rest of the world.

Behind Matthew's text we can hear this early Christian community's struggle to understand how God's selection of Israel is consistent with two events: Israel's rejection of Jesus and the Gentiles' acceptance of Jesus. Just as Jesus was surprised by the faith expressed by the Canaanite woman, so too the first Christians were surprised that the Gentiles would receive the salvation God offered through Christ. In today's second reading from Paul's letter to the Romans, we hear the apostle Paul considering this same concern.



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Part of
Our
Church
Family**

TWENTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

PARKING ANNOUNCEMENT

Dear brothers and sisters,

May we kindly ask everyone to take note of the new parking directions around our church.

Because of the recent parking lot work and the changes to the parking spaces, please follow the designated parking areas and the posted signs when you arrive for Mass and other parish activities.

For everyone's safety and convenience:

- Please park only in the designated parking spaces.
- Kindly follow the new traffic flow and directional signs.
- Please do not park in areas marked "No Parking."
- Keep the designated fire lanes, entrances, and access areas clear.
- Please be patient and considerate as everyone becomes familiar with the new arrangement.

We sincerely appreciate your cooperation. These changes are intended to make our parking area safer, more organized, and more convenient for everyone.

Thank you for your patience and understanding, and may God bless you all.

Our Lady of the Assumption, pray for us.

In order for us to better serve you, especially at the time of baptism, marriage, or funerals, it is most helpful if you are registered and attending mass regularly here with our parish community.

This is especially IMPORTANT for marriage and baptism preparation.

All parishioners especially those who live outside of our parish boundaries are expected to complete the Parish Registration and use Sunday Offertory Envelopes. If you are already a registered member, but you need to update your registration information, please email your full name along with the changes to OLAssumptionTO@archtoronto.org. If you're interested in becoming a registered member of the parish, please complete and submit the form available at the foyer or please call the parish office at 416-787-4548.

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!



ShareLife 50th Anniversary Mass

*Celebrated by His Eminence Frank Cardinal Leo,
Metropolitan Archbishop of Toronto*

Saturday, August 22, 2026, 10:30 a.m.

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