



March 1, 2026 – Second Sunday of Lent

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH

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LORD'S DAY MASSES

Saturday ✕ 5:00 pm
Sunday ✕ 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm & 7:00 pm
(Children's Liturgy offered during 10am & 12pm Masses)

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday 8:00 am
Tuesday 7:00 pm
Wednesday 8:00 am
Thursday 8:00 am
Friday 8:00 am
Saturday 8:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Saturday ✕ 4:00 pm – 4:45 pm
First Fridays ✕ 8:30 am – 10:00 am

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

Celebrated one Sunday every month. Contact the parish office to provide information. We will contact you to arrange an appointment with you.

rites of initiation for adults

Adults seeking full initiation into the Catholic Christian faith enter a period of preparation called the Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). Please email: pastoralminister@olota.ca

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Kindly contact the parish office at least six months prior to desired date of marriage. A Marriage Preparation Course is essential as are several meetings with the priest.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please contact the parish if you know someone confined to home or in hospital, so sacramental and pastoral care may be arranged.

FRIDAY ADORATION

Exposition ✕ 8:30 am – 9:30 am
Benediction ✕ 9:30 am – 10:00 am

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesdays thru Fridays
9:00 am – 4:00 pm
(we are closed for one hour at noon)

CATHOLIC FUNERAL RITES

When a death occurs in your family, please contact the parish office before contacting the funeral home and we will assist you in making liturgical arrangements. The Catholic Cemeteries of the Diocese of Hamilton website is: www.thecatholiccemeteries.ca

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you and your family to Our Lady Of The Assumption! Please introduce yourself to Father Andrew. Registration forms are available at both entrances to the Church and online.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions may be booked in person during regular office hours or by using the mass intention envelopes in the main entrances of the church. These may be placed in the collection baskets. Requests for specific dates must be booked in the parish office.

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Fr. Andrew Quarshie
Associate Pastor: Fr. Richard Dordunu
Permanent Deacon: Deacon Joseph Gigliotti
Parish Manager: Karen Felker
Pastoral Minister: Denise Araïche
Secretary: Vanessa Villanueva
Finance: Luisa Conti
Music Director: Fausto Capobianco

Parish Mission Statement: *Welcome – Encounter – Grow – Share*



March 2nd-8th

MONDAY – 2nd

8:00am – Hartoni & Krisianti Ashali

TUESDAY – 3rd

**7:00pm – † Margaret Mastroianni † Karl Heidt
Alberta Adah (special intention)
Ruiza Kupina (healing)
Matteo Gigliotti (healing)**

WEDNESDAY – 4th

8:00am – † Kaz Bialach

THURSDAY – 5th

8:00am – † Jose Marques & Cristine Almeida

FRIDAY – 6th

**8:00am – In honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus & reparation
for the sins to the Blessed Sacrament**

SATURDAY – 7th

**8:00am – Reparation for the offenses against Lady
Immaculate Heart**

5:00pm – † Anne Brodre

**† Marlen Bodden † Joao daCosta
† Gabriele Giannobile
† Joseph Preston Connolly
Carlesso Family healing
Antolini Family deceased members
All souls in Purgatory**

SUNDAY – 8th 3rd Sunday of Lent

8:00am – † Victor Pascall

10:00am – Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)

12:00pm – † Alberto Merchese

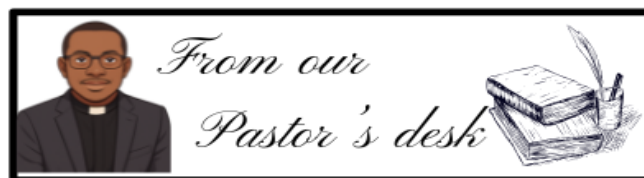
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SUPPORT REPORT

Sunday Offerings (February 22, 2026) \$6,691.20

Pre-Authorized Debit (February 20, 2026) \$ 2,439.00

REMEMBER YOUR PARISH. Keep your love for your parish alive. Remember Our Lady of the Assumption Parish in your will and when recommending expressions of sympathy.



Dear Parish Family,

Grace-filled Lent: This weekend is the Second Sunday of Lent. The season of Lent is a penitential season to rid us of the toxins of sin and unite us more fully to the conduct of Christ through Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. It is also a baptismal season. Especially on Holy Saturday we shall welcome new Catholics into the family of God, the Church. All baptized Catholics will also have the opportunity to renew their baptismal promises. In this season of Lent take note of the following: Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7pm, omission of *Alleluia and Gloria*, fasting, almsgiving, prayer, abstinence from meat on Fridays, Palm Sunday celebration, Chrism Mass, and Holy Triduum (the one continued Mass from Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and ending with Holy Saturday with Easter Sunday inclusive.) This Lent we shall collect non-perishable goods for food banks in Hamilton to assist those in need.

Teachings about the Mass: Easter celebrate the Paschal Mystery of Christ, which is his passion, death and resurrection. This is what we celebrate at every Mass. Many Catholics do not fully understand the Mass and its various parts. During this season of Lent, we shall devote all the Morning and evening Weekday Masses to learn about *the Mass* which is the source and summit of the church's life and actions. Don't miss this great opportunity of deepening your knowledge and faith.

Pilgrimage to the Vatican, Assisi, Shrine of Padre Pio and more: Our Pilgrimage next year will be in May 2027. We shall be visiting the Vatican, the shrines of St. Francis of Assisi, Padre Pio and more, save the date.

Book Launch: on 22nd March 2026, I shall Launch my book "Pastoral Leadership in the 21st Century." This will take place after the 12pm Mass. All are welcome.

Have a grace-filled Lent! Fr. Andrew



Please consider supporting our parish with a donation. Your donation helps sustain the upkeep of our church, our ministries, and our service to the community. To Donate to our parish, please scan the QR Code and follow the instructions. Thank you for helping us make a difference!
God bless your generosity abundantly!

Second Sunday of Lent



Did you know that the structure of most of our churches are based on the image of the barque of St. Peter? The area where we sit in the Church is called the Nave (Latin for ship). If you look up, the ceiling of many churches looks like the inside of a ship turned over. The symbolism is that you only turn over a ship or boat when you are home – the Church is our home.



STATIONS of the CROSS

As we journey through Lent together, all are encouraged to join us for the **Stations of the Cross**, a prayerful reflection on Christ's path to the Cross and a meaningful way to deepen our faith during this sacred season. **Every Friday, from Feb. 20 -April 3, at 7PM.** Feb 27 Stations of the Cross will be led by the CWL "Come as you are and walk this Lenten journey with us as a community."

Lenten



As we enter this holy season of Lent, a time of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, our parish community is invited to participate in a **Lenten Food Drive** to support **Stoney Creek Food Bank**

From **Feb 21st-March 29th**, we will be collecting non-perishable food items. **Suggested items include:**

- Canned Meat / hamburger / tuna / dried beans
- Cereal / pancake mix / syrup / mac & cheese
- Mashed / scalloped boxed potatoes
- Mayonnaise / mustard / oil / salad dressing / sugar
- Applesauce / granola bars / juice boxes / puddings
- Adult pads / diapers / toilet paper / dish soap
- Bar soap / shampoo / toothpaste / toothbrush
- Baby food / formula / wipes / diapers

Donations may be placed in the designated boxes located in the entrances of the church. **Note:** they DO NOT need anymore PASTA and NO DONATIONS AFTER MARCH 29.

Your generosity is a meaningful way to practice almsgiving and share Christ's love with our neighbors. Thank you for helping us make a difference this Lenten season!

IMPORTANT NOTICE

TAX RECEIPTS are now available for pickup! You may collect yours in the Parish Hall on weekends after Mass, or at the parish office during regular office hours.

On March 8th at the 12 pm mass, we will be honouring two of our iconic parishioners who have done so much for our parish.

John Nugent (posthumously) and Jo Jackson.

Please join us to celebrate and honour them.



75th Anniversary Updates



We are excited to announce that our limited-edition **75th Anniversary merch** are now ready to purchase online! Visit our website or scan the QR code to order.



Our **Dinner Gala Tickets** are now on sale for \$100 each, you can purchase them after Mass in the church narthex or at the parish office during office hours!

HOSTED BY OLOTA YOUTH MINISTRY AND YOUNG ADULTS GROUP



BIBLE TRIVIA

SCRIPTURE SCRAMBLE

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NIGHT

REGISTRATION REQUIRED
SNACKS/DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE



Society of
Saint Vincent de Paul
Greater Hamilton Area

Our SSVP Thrift Stores REALLY NEED VOLUNTEERS! It will be a fun and rewarding way to not only give back to the community, but to enable us to continue to live out our mission. If you feel the calling to volunteer, please email Rita at ritassvphamilton@gmail.com