



March 29, 2026 – Palm Sunday

# OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH

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## PALM SUNDAY



### 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](mailto: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](http://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 Araiche
Secretary:	Vanessa Villanueva
Finance:	Luisa Conti
Music Director:	Fausto Capobianco

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



## March 30<sup>th</sup> – April 5<sup>th</sup>

### Monday – 30<sup>th</sup>

8:00am † Giuseppe Mandozzi

### Tuesday – 31<sup>st</sup>

7:00pm † Francesca Continenza † Kevin Mc Intosh  
 † Domenico Pace † Wilma Dublin  
 Matteo Gigliotti (Healing)  
 Alberta Adah (Blessings)

### Wednesday – April 1<sup>st</sup>

8:00am † Jeannine St-Jean

### Thursday – April 2<sup>nd</sup> – Holy Thursday

7:00pm Washing of the Feet

### Friday – 3<sup>rd</sup> – Friday of the Passion of the Lord

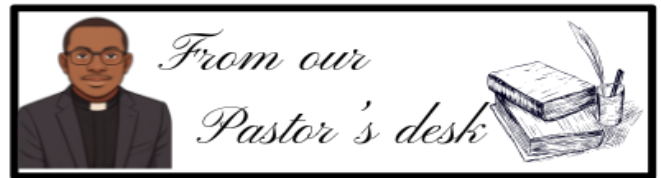
12pm & 3pm Liturgy  
 7:00pm Stations of the Cross

### Saturday – 4<sup>th</sup> – Holy Saturday

12:00pm Blessing of Food  
 8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass

### Sunday – 5<sup>th</sup> – Resurrection of the Lord

8:00am † Antonio Cocca  
 10:00am Missa Pro Popolo (Mass for the People)  
 12:00pm † Elisabetta Finelli  
 7:00pm † Sonsogno Salvatore



*Dear Parish Family,*

**Thank you:** to all who supported my book launch and birthday celebration. It was a moment of joy and great fellowship. A big thank you to Bay Gardens Funeral Home for supporting with refreshment for our Parish socials. Also, a big thank you to all the individuals who donated food items for the refreshment. Thank you to our Parish Social Committee for such a great job done. And finally, thank you to the organizers of the book launch and to all who shared the occasion. I am donating 50% from the book Launch proceeds to the Parish. Thanks to everyone.

**Holy Week:** This weekend ushers us into Holy Week, a time to reflect deeply on the mysteries of Christ and to allow them to transform our lives. We recall the suffering, death and resurrection of Christ. May God bring healing, grace and transformation into our lives. Be reminded that the Mass of Holy Thursday, the Liturgy of Good Friday and the Mass of Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday form a one composite Mass called the **Triduum**. So, you can either attend (1) Holy Thursday-Good Friday-and Holy Saturday, **OR** (2) Holy Thursday-Good Friday-and Easter Sunday Mass. Join us and make this Easter a transforming and faith enriching moment.

**Good Friday:** We welcome **Bishop Wayne Lobsinger**, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Hamilton, who will be visiting our parish to celebrate Good Friday with us. He will preside over the 3:00pm Liturgy. Let us all welcome him with our O.L.A. warmth and hospitality.

**75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala (Sat. April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm):** Our gala is soon approaching. Get tickets to join us to celebrate our parish anniversary in a spirit of fun, friendship, grace and thanksgiving. We are excited to hear that the mayor will join us, don't miss this wonderful occasion.

**Blessings to you all!**

*Fr. Andrew*

### SUPPORT REPORT

**Sunday Offerings** (March 22, 2026) \$ 8,551.05  
**Pre-Authorized Debit** (March 22, 2026) \$ 837.00

**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.

### HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED HOW MUCH TO DONATE?

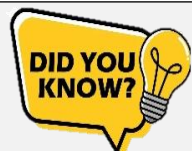
Historically, Catholic tithing involved offering 10% of one's income to support the Church and its community. While this is no longer a strict requirement, the table below provides a helpful guideline for considering your contribution to meet the Church's mission.

\*\*\*A tax-deductible receipt will be provided for your donation.\*\*\*

Annual Income	%Range	Per Sunday	Annual Contribution
\$20,000	2-4%	\$7.50-\$15	\$400 - \$800
\$30,000	2-4%	\$11 - \$22	\$600 - \$1,200
\$40,000	2-4%	\$15 - \$30	\$888 - \$1,600
\$50,000	2-4%	\$18.5 - \$37	\$1,000 - \$2,000
\$60,000	2-4%	\$22 - \$44	\$1,200 - \$2,400
\$80,000	2-4%	\$30 - \$60	\$1,600 - \$3,200



Please consider supporting our parish with a donation. To Donate to our parish, please scan the QR Code and follow the instruction. Thank you for helping us make a difference! God bless your generosity abundantly!



**DID YOU KNOW** that the **Chrism Mass** is traditionally held in Holy Week? During this mass, the three types of oils are blessed for use in each parish in the diocese for the coming year. Also, at this mass, the priests and their bishop publicly renew their commitment to priestly service. It is a beautiful mass and this year in our Diocese is celebrated on the Monday of Holy Week at 2 pm.

Palm Sunday



**STATIONS of the CROSS**

(Every Fridays of Lent at 7PM)

**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.

Leaders of Prayers:

**April 3** – Youth Group & Young Adults Group

*"Come as you are and walk this Lenten journey with us as a community."*



**75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Updates**



Our **Gala & Dinner Dance Fundraiser** tickets are still available at \$100 each. They can be purchased after Mass in the church narthex or at the parish office during regular office hours. Kindly note that the deadline to purchase tickets is April 1, and no tickets will be available at the door.

Join us on **April 11 at 6:00 PM at Winona Vine Estates** in Stoney Creek as we celebrate this joyful milestone together.

Our limited-edition **75th Anniversary merch** are still available for purchase online! Sweatshirts are available in the foyer for sizing reference. Visit our website or scan the QR code to order.



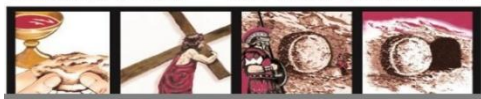
*"Even now, says the Lord, return to me with your whole heart."* Joel 2:12

**Lenten Reconciliation Service**

**Wednesday, April 1<sup>st</sup>,  
8:30am – 8:00pm (whole day)**

\*Several priests will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation

**Easter Triduum**



**HOLY THURSDAY April 2<sup>nd</sup>**

7pm	Mass with washing of the feet
After Mass until 10pm	Adoration

**GOOD FRIDAY April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

12pm & 3pm	Liturgy
7pm	Stations of the Cross

**HOLY SATURDAY April 4<sup>th</sup>**

12pm	Blessing of Food
8pm	Easter Vigil Mass

**EASTER SUNDAY April 5<sup>th</sup>**

8am, 10am, 12pm & 7pm	Easter Masses
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Every two years, the Catholic Women's League of our parish calls for nominations and then holds elections to pick a new Executive council.

All eligible members in good standing were recently sent by email, the **Nominations and Elections package**. All members may be nominated, nominate themselves, nominate another eligible member, and vote. Nominations and elections are a confidential process. Completed Nomination Forms may be returned in one of three ways: 1) Dropped off at the parish office, 2) Put into the collection basket, (please use a sealed envelope for either of these options), or 3) Emailed back to the following email address only: [feliciasciamanna@gmail.com](mailto:feliciasciamanna@gmail.com) Completed Nomination forms must be received by midnight, March 30, 2026.

Our council's elections are scheduled to take place at our General Meeting on April 8, 2026, at 7 pm. It is each member's right and responsibility to participate in this process.



**DIocese of HAMILTON**

Children in our parishes benefit from the Catechetical Correspondence Program each year for ongoing religious education and preparation for the Sacraments. We need volunteers to support the program! If you are willing to accompany these children in their learning journey, please reach out to the Office for Evangelization and Catechesis at [catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:catechesis@hamiltondiocese.com). To learn more about the Catechetical Correspondence Program, please visit: <https://bit.ly/DOHCCC>



Thank you to **Mr. Di Martino**, principal at **Our Lady of the Assumption School**, as well as the **grade 7 students in Mr. Palumbo's class** who helped with the delivery of over 100 chairs to the church this week. These chairs will provide parishioners with additional seating in our hall during Holy Week. Another wonderful example of the Our Lady of the Assumption Parish-School partnership!



If you are friendly, like to help people and are a great administrator, we need you! We are in need of some volunteers to sell merchandise, help parishioners with questions, etc before and after mass on Sundays (we have a great team for the 5 pm mass). Training will be provided. Please contact Denise at [pastoralminister@olota.com](mailto:pastoralminister@olota.com).