



March 8, 2026 – Third 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.

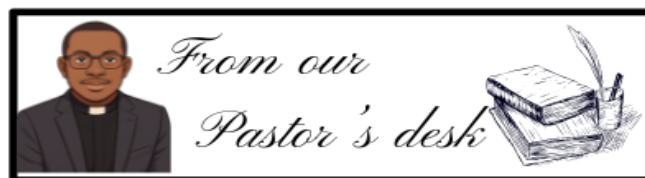
MASS INTENTIONS

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 Araiche
Secretary: Vanessa Villanueva
Finance: Luisa Conti
Music Director: Fausto Capobianco

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



March 9th – March 15th

MONDAY – 9th

8:00am – † Marilyn Lenyk

TUESDAY – 10th

7:00pm – † Gabriele Giannobile † Nestor Mercado
† Rosemary Tratch
Matteo Gigliotti (Healing)
Alberta Adah (Special Intention)

WEDNESDAY – 11th

8:00am – OLOTA priests & staff

THURSDAY – 12th

8:00am – † Maria Iannitelli

FRIDAY – 13th

8:00am – Thanksgiving & supplication for healing of Isabelle

SATURDAY – 14th

8:00am – For a successful operation of Isabelle

5:00pm – † Edna Burke † Steve Vella
† Silvana Salvi † Ugo Napoleone
† Earl Maguire † Gabriele Assogna
† Rosemary Tratch
Del Gobbo Family (Special Intention)

SUNDAY – 15th – Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00am – † Nestor Mercado

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

12:00pm – † Nina Cocca

7:00pm – Deceased members of Carlesso, Antolini and Gigliotti families

Dear Parish Family,

Recognition of Mr. John Nugent and Mrs. Josephine Jackson: This weekend we are happy to recognize the wonderful contributions of **Mrs. Josephine Jackson** and the late **Mr. John Nugent** to our parish at the 12pm Mass. Mr. Nugent painted the Old and New Testament images in the family room; he painted the history of the church and made the last supper carving in the church. He also compiled the history of our church and has made several contributions to our parish as well as in the larger community. He passed away about 10 years ago. **Mrs. Josephine Jackson** is one of the longest-standing members of the CWL. She compiled the history of the CWL in the parish with photos of all the priests that served the parish. At 91 years in age, she still drives and brings communion to the sick and homebound, and connects the parish to the elderly at home, hospitals and care homes. She has made several contributions to our parish community. In the spirit of our 75th Anniversary, we are happy to recognize their contributions to our parish family. God bless them.

Teachings about the Mass: What is the Mass? What does the entrance hymn and procession recall? What are the parts of the Mass and what do they mean? what are the “secret prayers” the priest says at Mass? Why do we stand, kneel etc.? Why do we use candles, incense etc. at Mass? Join us every weekday Mass to learn more about the mass and nourish your faith.

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 in the Parish Hall. The book will be offered for \$25. Come and grab a copy with my autograph. All are welcome.

Have a grace-filled Lent!

Blessings to you all!

Fr. Andrew

SUPPORT REPORT

Sunday Offerings (March 1, 2026) \$ 9,709.40

Pre-Authorized Debit (March 1, 2026) \$ 5,717.00

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.



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!

Third Sunday of Lent



DID YOU KNOW that the “scrutinies” are three special rites that help prepare the Elect (those in the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) to enter the Catholic Church? The purpose of the **scrutinies** is “to uncover and then heal” and to “strengthen all that is upright, strong and good”. Please pray this Lent for those that are entering the Church at the Easter Vigil. You will be able to see the scrutinies ministered for the next three weeks at different masses.



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 until April 3, at 7PM. March 13th** Station of the Cross will be led by the **Altar Servers** “Come as you are and walk this Lenten journey with us as a community.”



The CWL is excited to advise that with your generous support and all Coldest Night of the Year donations, we have exceeded our \$2,000 goal. A total of **\$3,490** was raised in support of **Glanbrook Community Services**; specifically to support the **Meals on Wheels program**. Thank you to all the team walkers and to all our generous supporters.



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.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

All Young Adults of the parish (ages 18-30) are invited to participate!!!



WHAT: Bowling Event
WHERE: Splitsville, Stone Church Rd E.
WHEN: March 14, 2026
TIME: 7PM
 Sign-up at the entrance of the church!



75th Anniversary Updates



Gala & Dinner Dance Fundraiser

Saturday, April 11, 2026

Silent Auction, Raffles, 50/50, Door prizes

Hors d'oeuvres 6 pm, Dinner 7 pm, Music & Dance 9pm -12am

\$100 per ticket

Tickets Available at: Parish Office (905-664-7651) and sold after Mass

Winona Vine Estates
 269 Glover Rd., Stoney Creek
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Sponsored by: **KINGSVIEW FINANCIAL**

MENU

- Hors d'oeuvres
- Penne with Classic Tomato Sauce
- Cheese Tortellini with Alfredo Sauce
- Roast Beef Au Jus
- Oven Roasted Chicken
- Herb and Garlic Mashed Potatoes
- Roasted Root Vegetables
- Freshly Mixed Garden Salad
- Triple Berry Cheesecake
- Cash Bar

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.



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—please ask for Karen. Thank you for your continued generosity to the mission of our parish. We issue tax receipts for donations of \$50.00 and more to streamline our year-end receipting process and reduce our administrative costs.