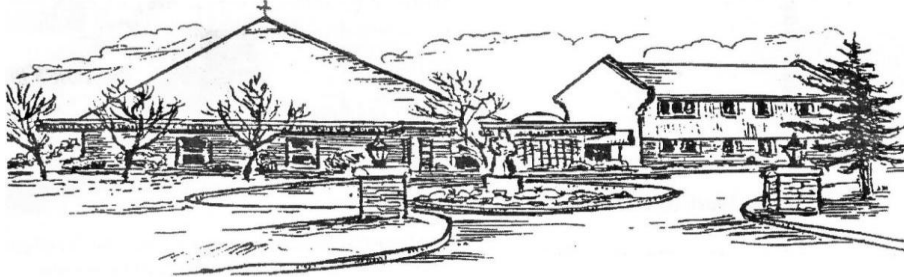




May 3, 2026 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

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.

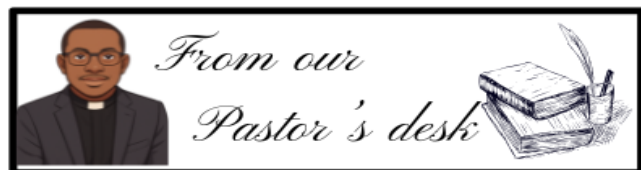
MASS INTENTIONS

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*



May 4th – May 10th

Monday – 4th

8:00am Richard Adah (Birthday Blessing)

Tuesday – 5th

7:00pm Deceased Members of Smiljanic Family
 † Kaz Bialach † Mary Rani Mohamed
 Matteo Gigliotti (Healing) K. Jobity (Blessing)
 Gigliotti Fam (Blessings) Mbanefo Fam(Thanksgiving)
 Dylan Villanueva (Blessing)

Wednesday – 6th

8:00am † Kaz Bialach

Thursday – 7th

8:00am † Dorothy McIntyre

Friday – 8th

8:00am † Fr. Joseph Sach

Saturday – 9th

8:00am Suzy Dencer (Blessing)
 5:00pm † Maria Liz Costa † Antonio Ferreira
 † Michael Slavin † Lorne Sheeler
 † Albert Gris † Patrick Coward
 † Maria Bianco † Irma Maria Adoranti
 † Gabriele Giannobile † Angelina Petruccelli

Sunday – 10th - Sixth Sunday of Easter

8:00am † Raymunda Carlos
 10:00am Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)
 12:00pm † Virginia Marchese & † Stasia Symkiewicz
 7:00pm † Nariman Araish

Dear Parish Family,

Happy New Month!

Catholic Education Week: This week (May 3 to 8, 2026) we celebrate Catholic Education Week. We give thanks and celebrate the precious gift of publicly funded Catholic Education in Ontario. This year's Catholic Education Week theme is – Pilgrims of Hope: On the Path to Holiness. This theme was inspired by the Pilgrims of Hope Jubilee Year's encouragement to serve the common good and pledge to recommit ourselves to prayer, service and evangelization. Parish- School-Family must continue to work together in dedicating ourselves daily to God and to the Gospel values. Let us continue to pray that our students may continually turn to Christ in all their lives.

Month of Mary: The month of May is dedicated to our beloved Mother Mary, mother of our Lord and Saviour Jesus. It is a wonderful opportunity to learn from her spirituality, total dedication to God and to engage devotion to her maternal intercession. We shall celebrate **May Crowning on Sunday May 10, at the 12noon Mass** in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Solemnity of Ascension of the Lord: The weekend of May 16/17, we celebrate the ascension of our Lord into Heaven. The Easter Season continues until the Feast of Pentecost on the weekend of May 23/24.

Love cooking?: We want to start having parish dinners in the Hall. We need a team to help organize and cook dinners like roast beef dinner, spaghetti etc. If you feel called to this ministry which will help build a strong and vibrant parish community sharing moments of fun, friendship and food, please sign up at the church entrance or call the parish office.

New Church Building OR Expansion etc.: If you still have any ideas or valuable information to share with Fr. Andrew please call the parish office.

Blessings to you all!

Fr. Andrew

SUPPORT REPORT

Sunday Offerings (April 26, 2026) \$ 8,362.65
 Pre-Authorized Debit (April 26, 2026) \$ 887.00



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.

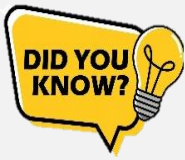
A tax-deductible receipt will be provided for your donation.

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!

Fifth Sunday of Easter



DID YOU KNOW that the **ambo** (the “lectern” structure where the gospel is proclaimed) is a privileged place from where the **voice of God resounds** in the Church? It is an echo of **Mt. Sinai where God spoke to His people** and of the **empty tomb where the angel announced Christ’s resurrection**. There needs to be a **dignity** to the Word of God and the ambo is a place of **reverence** to **proclaim** the good news.



First Holy Communion

May 9/11:00am	St. James	All Classes
May 9/1:30pm	St. Matthew	All Classes
May 16/11:00am	St. Paul	All Classes
May 16/1:30pm	OLOHope	All Classes

“The LORD will guide you always.” -Isaiah 38:11



Our CWL will again be supporting National Hospice Palliative Care week (May 3-9, 2026) by holding *12 Hours of Prayer for Palliative Care* on **Tuesday May 5th from 8 am until 8 pm**.

Prayer Angels can commit to one hour of prayer individually or with family and friends, any time starting at 8:00 am. The final hour will start at 7:00pm and end at 8:00pm.

Please email CWLOurLadyOfAssumption@gmail.com to register your **hour of prayer**.



The CWL warmly welcomes Carmelina Biundo to lead a retreat on Faith, Scripture and Prayer- "**From Girl Math to God Math**". All women of the parish are welcome. Please join us on **Saturday May 23rd**, beginning with Mass at 8 am followed by the retreat in the Parish Hall.



CWL Garage, Plant & Bake Sale on Saturday, May 30, 2026

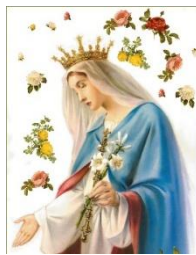
ALL PARISHIONERS - Please consider ways to contribute to this parish fundraiser, either by:

- 1) donating your gently used treasures that you may have found in your spring cleaning, or items that you are finished with;
- 2) baking 2 of your favourite loaves/cookie/muffin recipes and freezing them;
- 3) thinning out your garden perennials and repotting your extra plants;
- 4) volunteering to assist with the set up/take down, or to help out during the actual day of the garage sale;
- 5) new this year - purchase 50/50 draw tickets.

May Crowning of our Blessed Mother

Sunday, May 10 at 12pm Mass

Join us as we honor the Blessed Virgin Mary as our Queen and Mother.



Our Lady of the Assumption **Challenge & Conquest Youth Group** would like to **thank** the parish for all their support during their bake sale on Sunday, April 26! We were able to raise **\$700** and are extremely grateful to the parish community, for all those who baked goods or came by to purchase some delicious treats! God bless you all!



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FRASSATI LEADERSHIP PROGRAM Calling all those entering Grade 10 in September 2026! Are you looking to grow in your faith? Do you want to explore what it means to be a Catholic leader? The Frassati Leadership Program may be for you. Join other Grade 10 Catholic leaders as we reflect on the foundations of Catholic leadership and foster opportunities for you to grow in your own faith and leadership skills. For more information and to register please visit: <https://hamiltondiocese.com/office/pastoral-offices/youth-ministry/frassati/>.



Baby Bottle Campaign

Our parish is once again partnering with Hamilton Right to Life through the 2026 Baby Bottle Campaign from Mothers' Day to Fathers' Day. Baby Bottles will be available after mass the weekend of May 9/10, Mothers' Day and you are asked to return them on the weekend of June 20/21 Fathers' Day. Please take a bottle and fill it up with your coins, paper money or cheque made out to Hamilton Right to Life. Your support is needed to raise money to educate, advertise and get the message out regarding the devastating effects of abortion and other life-threatening issues. Please pray for families affected by abortion today. You can learn more about Hamilton Right to Life at www.HamiltonRightToLife.org or by calling 905.528.3065.



Happy Birthday, Fr. Richard!

May God bless you with good health, wisdom, and continued strength in your ministry. Thank you for your guidance and kindness—wishing you a joyful and grace-filled year ahead.



75th Anniversary Updates

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



COMING SOON on our website, 75th Anniversary Gala Dinner-Dance photos! Stay tuned!!!