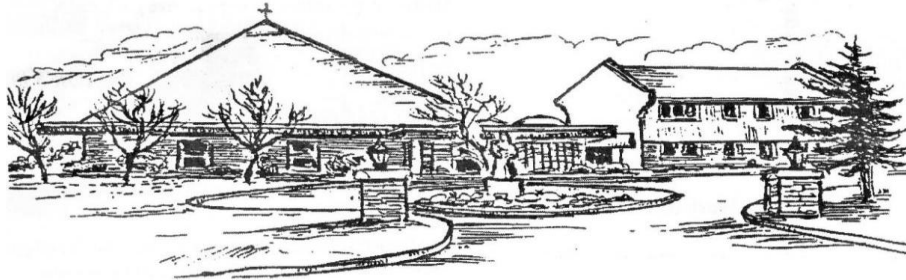




August 16, 2026 – Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION PARISH

63 Regional Road 20, Stoney Creek, Ontario, Canada L8J 2W9
Phone: (905)664-7651 | Email: parishoffice@olota.ca | <https://ourladyoftheassumptionparish.com>



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.

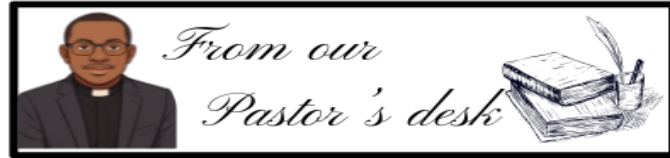
MASS INTENTIONS

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:	Very Rev. Andrew Quarshie VF
Associate Pastor:	Rev. Richard Dordunu
Permanent Deacons:	Deacon Joseph Gigliotti Deacon Paul Dobrowolski
Parish Manager:	Karen Felker
Pastoral Minister:	Denise Araïche
Secretary:	Vanessa Villanueva
Bookkeeper:	Luisa Conti
Music Director:	Fausto Capobianco

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



August 17th – August 23rd

Monday – 17th

8:00am Kucharski Family (Blessing)

Tuesday – 18th

7:00pm Matteo Gigliotti (Healing) Rosa DaSilva (Healing & Deliverance))
 Adelaide Leopoldo (Bday Blessing) †Gregorio Guinto Jr.
 Giorgina Menesis (Bday Blessing)
 Arlett DaSilva (Bday Blessing)

Wednesday – 19th

8:00am Osaremen Lucky-Idiake (Bday Blessing)

Thursday – 20th

8:00am † Peter & Sarah Troy

Friday – 21st

8:00am Thanksgiving & Supplication for Isabell's healing

Saturday – 22nd

8:00am † Justina & Almiro DeMedieros
 5:00pm † Lino Dal Bello † Elizabeth Petis
 † NJ Joseph † Ina Palameta
 † Mario Paolini † Fred Miscio
 † Anello Tiheri † Gina Perry
 † Almarino Manlutac † Francesco Fiorino

Sunday – 23rd – Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am † Anthea Brandt
 10:00am Missa Pro Populo (Mass for the People)
 12:00pm † MC Joseph & Philip Joseph Ursel Burchert (90th Bday Blessing)
 7:00pm † Gerardo & Anita Barriatos

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!



From our
Pastor's desk



Dear Parish Family,

Happy Parish family Feast!

A big thank you to the organizers and volunteers for this year's parish picnic. It was a great moment to celebrate fraternity and fun in Christ. We had about 700 people attend, and our volunteers and organizers did a fantastic job. Praise the Lord.

This weekend we celebrate the patroness of our parish – Our Lady of the Assumption. This feast commemorates our Catholic belief that the Virgin Mary was taken up into heaven in body and soul at the end of her earthly life. The feast points ahead to the promise of eternal life and the physical resurrection of all faithful Christians at the end of time. We have hope that just like Mary we shall also be with the Lord at the completion of our lives. Therefore, let us continue to do the work of Christ on earth so that He may find us worthy to be with him in eternity.

A big thank you to all who helped to install our new Bell Tower, Tabernacle and Crucifix. God bless and replenish all your sacrifices.

Diocese of Hamilton News Update: Charges Withdrawn Against Reverend Ranjan D'Sa, OCD Priestly Faculties Restored - August 6, 2026.

The diocese wishes to update all of its faithful regarding Fr. Ranjan D'Sa, OCD, a member of the Discalced Carmelite Order and a priest who has served as Pastor of St. Dominic Parish, Oakville, since 2016 and most recently and Dean of Halton. On or about March 23, 2026, Father D'Sa was charged with one (1) count of sexual assault.

The Diocese of Hamilton takes seriously any allegation of misconduct and cooperates with civil authorities in the investigation into allegations of misconduct, recognizing that every individual is entitled to due process. Fr. D'Sa has been maintaining his innocence since the beginning of the investigation. He was presumed innocent in the matter, and in fact, he was found innocent by the court July 24, 2026. The case was withdrawn at the request of the Crown Attorney's Office. Accordingly, Fr. D'Sa has no outstanding criminal charges. The diocese wishes to make public the withdrawal of the charge against Fr. D'Sa to assist in restoring his reputation and declare that he is a priest in good standing with the faculties necessary to continue to exercise his priestly ministry, according to the wishes of his Religious Community. {Memo, August 10, 2026}. Thanks for your attention.

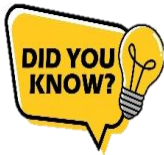
Blessings,
Fr. Andrew

SUPPORT REPORT

Sunday Offerings (August 9, 2026) \$ 8,314.10
 Pre-Authorized Debit (August 9, 2026) \$902.00



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.



DID YOU KNOW that we need to be **“prepared”** to receive the Eucharist every Sunday? “Prepared” means approaching the Eucharist to be **united** with Our Lord instead of making it a routine. It means **examining our conscience** to ensure no **grave sin** is barring us from the Eucharist. It means **abstaining one hour** before communion from food and drink (water and medicine excepted). And lastly, it means being **grateful** for the gift of the Eucharist. If we are not prepared, we can go up for a blessing by crossing our arms across our chest until we **“reconcile”** ourselves with God through the **sacrament of confession**.



A heartfelt **“Thank you”** to the **over 700 Parishioners** who shared a meal with us at last week’s picnic. A shout out to all who donated water, pop, and juice!

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU to our Picnic Committee and to over **60 volunteers** who were instrumental in making this picnic happen!

Parish Sponsors

Do you have a passion for sharing the faith with others? Do you want to learn more about your faith? If yes, the Holy Spirit is calling you to be a parish sponsor for our inquirers of the faith. You don't need a background in theology, just a passion to be with others sharing your faith and traditions. We meet Thursday evenings starting in September from 7-9 pm in the hall. We already have 15 inquirers!! If you want to explore the idea, please speak to Denise or email her at pastoralminister@olota.ca.



DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

Young Adults Night - Saturday, September 5th – Owen Sound

Fr. John Ha, our new Vocations Director, invites all young adults (ages 20s and 30s) of our diocese to attend an evening of prayer, fellowship and praise music in support of your vocations. The Young Adults Night includes a Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), social with food (7:30pm-8:00pm), praise night with vocations testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, September 5th at St. Mary of the Assumption Church (554 - 15th Street East, Owen Sound). Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton:

<https://hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/> For more information, please contact: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com



**Society of
Saint Vincent de Paul**
Hamilton/Hamilton West Councils

Designer Purse Bingo Friday October 23rd, 2026 at St. Naum's Banquet Hall

1150 Stone Church Rd. E. - doors open: 4:30 p.m.

Regular Ticket: \$60.00

Includes: Bingo cards, dabber, door prize ticket, buffet dinner and cash bar
VIP Ticket: \$75.00 Includes regular ticket PLUS extras - email for list of extras!

SPECIAL STAYCATION RAFFLE! and 50/50 Draw 2 GRAND PRIZE GAMES: JIMMY CHOO & PRADA

For more information e-mail:

pursebingoforssvp@gmail.com

To order tickets e-mail: SSVPHelpUsGrow@gmail.com

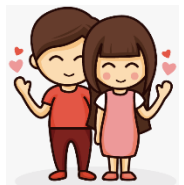
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(please include **full names of all your guests** in the e-transfer)

Thank you for helping us serve in hope



Marriage Tip of the Month



Couples are so busy today with their jobs, taking care of children and sometimes looking after elderly parents that time is very precious. Often what gets put on the back burner is time to focus on their marriage. All these responsibilities are much better managed with a healthy relationship, so taking time together has a positive impact all around. Schedule time for a coffee, a short or long walk, a chat at the end of the day, prayer, or dinner for two, anything that is just for the two of you. Your marriage matters — don't let making it a priority take a backseat to everything else on the to-do list!