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DECEMBER 17th - 23rd, 2023 | YEAR B | 3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tues. to Fri. | 9:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Closed on Statutory Holidays

### Pastor

**Rev. James Hughes**  
(604) 942-7808 ext. 2002  
jhughes@rcav.org

### Assistant Pastor

**Rev. Babu Mathew**  
(604) 942-7808 ext. 2003  
bmathew@rcav.org

### Parish Office

**Angie Humar**  
(604) 942-7808 ext. 2001  
assumptionofmary@shaw.ca

**Felicity Sim**  
(604) 942-7808 ext. 2008  
assumptionofmary@shaw.ca

### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Mass of Anticipation: 5:00 pm  
Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 4:00 pm.

### WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Mon, Thurs, & Fri: 7:00 am, & 8:30 am  
Tues: 4:30pm, Wed: 9:00am  
\*\*\*First Friday of the month : 7:00pm  
Mass, therefore there will be No  
7:00am Mass. (1st Friday 7:00 pm is a  
Latin Mass Novus Ordo with readings  
in English)  
Sat: 9:00 am

\*\* 7:00am Mass on Mon., Thur., & Fri.  
will not be celebrated in the  
Christmas Season, Summer months,  
& Holiday Mondays.

### CONFESSION TIMES

Tues: 4:00pm, Wed: 8:30am  
Thurs: & Fri: 8:00am\* 1st Fri, 6:30pm  
Saturday: 9:30-10:30am & 4:00-4:30pm

### OLOA Elementary School

School Office | (604) 942-5522  
Email | office@olapoco.ca  
Principal | Rosaleen Heffernan  
Office Manager | Sharon Kazun  
Website | assumptionofmaryschool.com

### THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

- Baptisms** are every **Sunday@12:30pm**.  
**Parents and Godparents are to be married in the Catholic Church, and parents need to be registered parishioners for at least two months.** Baptism Class attendance is mandatory for parents if you have not previously taken the class. You will need to register for a Baptism Class by calling the parish office during office hours. Before attending the Baptism Class you must fill out the Baptism information form.
- Website: [assumptionofmary.ca/baptism](http://assumptionofmary.ca/baptism)
- Forms may also be picked up at the parish office.
- Baptism Classes** are on the **third Saturday** of every month @ 10:00am.



### THE SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning marriage (here or elsewhere) must contact the Parish Priest at least 6 months before the wedding. Must attend the Marriage Preparation Course and the Catholic is to be registered here, at least 6 months and regularly attending Mass here.

### FUNERALS

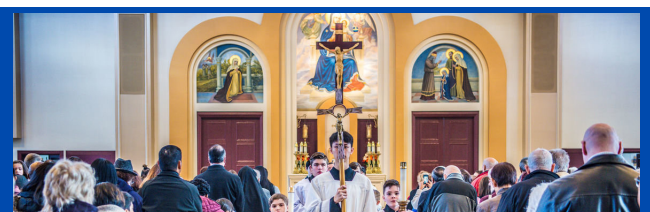
Contact Parish Priest @ 604-942-7808 ext. 2002

### SACRAMENTALS

**Blessing of cars and religious articles:**

See the Priest after Sat. pm & Sun. Masses.

**House blessings:** please contact the Pastor at 604 942-7808 ext. 2002



### PARISH MINISTRY & ORGANIZATIONS CONTACTS

<b>Altar Servers:</b> Christina	604-942-7808
<b>Bereavement min.:</b> Julia	604-942-7808 ext. 2013
<b>CWL:</b> Maryann	604-942-7808
<b>Ground Maintenance</b>	604-942-7808
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<b>Legion of Mary:</b> Nette	604-837-3184
<b>Prep:</b> Julie L.	604-813-3310
<b>Pro-Life:</b> Maureen	604-942-7808
<b>RCIA:</b> Min Kim	604-942-7808
<b>Young Adults:</b> Conrad	604-942-7808
<b>Youth (Gr.8-12)</b> Jay J	604-942-7808
<b>Sacristan:</b> Denisa	604-942-2513
<b>Ushers:</b> Rick	604-828-9607
<b>Assumption Elementary School</b>	
<b>PEC Chair:</b> Jenn Lazar	604-942-7808
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<b>REC:</b> Ken D'Sena	604-468-2515
Karlie Gibson	604-942-7808

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If you are new to the Parish please fill out a Registration Form available on line. If you would like a box of Donation Envelopes and/or the BC Catholic, please remember to check the boxes on the registration form. For those already registered, any changes such as your address, tel. #, etc., please contact the Parish Office at 604 942-7808. Pre-Auth Debit (PAD) is a good option for your giving. **Regular Sunday contribution** is taken on the **1st of each month** and **2nd Collection** is taken on the **15th of each month**.\*\*\*Anyone who would like to receive an emailed copy of the Sunday bulletin, please email the office. The office will NOT share your email. Thank you.

### Archbishop Carney High School

School Office | (604) 942-7465  
Email | office@acrss.org  
Principal | Len De Julius  
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WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, Dec. 17|3rd Sunday of Advent (Gaudete Sunday)

9:00am / 11:00am / 4:00pm- Parishioners

MONDAY, Dec. 18| “O Sacred Lord”

7:00am Nette Aragon  
8:30am Gloria Samuel+

TUESDAY, Dec. 19 | "O Flower of Jesse's stem"

4:30pm CWL

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 20 | “O Key of David”

9:00am Tony, Margaret, & Greg Lambert

THURSDAY, Dec. 21 | “O Radiant Dawn”

7:00am Mike Bowen  
8:30am Edward Davies

FRIDAY, Dec. 22 | “O King of all the nations”

7:00am David Ratcliffe+  
8:30am Lou Choquette

SATURDAY, Dec. 23| “O Emmanuel”

9:00am Jesus H. Monroy, Jr. +  
5:00pm Steve Humar

4th Sunday of Advent

COMMENDING OF THE SICK

We commend to your prayers the sick of the Parish, including:

Shirley Armillotta, Larry Bowen,  
Lou Choquette, Nora Criss, Ernestine Craig,  
Alicia Kerssens, Venessa Miller, Vincent Roma,  
Lynn Van Der Mark, & Peter Walton

TODAY



2024 Calendars, sponsored by our local funeral homes, will be made available during the Christmas holidays (not before) Thank you!

2024 CHURCH DONATION ENVELOPES

The 2024 Envelopes are available in the Vestibule (not the same # as 2023!). Please **DO NOT use 2024 envelopes until Jan 2024.** Thank you!

THIS WEEK

Last Chance for 2023 Advent Confessions  
Confessions begin @ 7:00pm

Mon., Dec.18th - Our Lady of Fatima- Coquitlam  
Tues., Dec.19th - St Luke's Parish- Pitt Meadows  
Wed., Dec. 20th - St Joseph's Parish- Port Moody  
Thurs., Dec. 21st - St Clare's Parish- Coquitlam  
Fri., Dec. 22nd - St Pat's Parish- Maple Ridge

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Eugenio Farrinella whose funeral Mass will be here at Assumption Church on Tuesday, Dec. 19th, @ 10:30am.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Elvira Matro whose funeral Mass will be here at Assumption Church on Friday, Dec. 22nd, @ 11:00am.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Dolores Pagtakhan whose funeral Mass was here at Assumption Church this past Friday, Dec.15th, 2023

K of C News

**Knights of Columbus Christmas Hamper Toys & SHARE Toy Drive:**  
**Sat., Dec.23rd - delivery of Annual Christmas Hamper Campaign.**

NEXT WEEK

**SECOND COLLECTION:** Monday, Dec. 25th,Christmas Offering, Monday, Jan.1st, New Year's Day offering - To support needs of the parish expenses. Thank you for your support!

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

*Masses of Christmas, The Nativity of the Lord*  
*4th Sunday of Advent*

Sat., Dec.23rd - 5:00pm

Sun., Dec.24th - 9:00am & 11:00am ( No 4:00pm Mass)

*Christmas Eve*

Sun., Dec.24th -6:00pm(Mass for families with small children)  
9:00pm & 12:00 Midnight

*Christmas Day*

Mon., Dec.25th - 9:00am & 11:00am

**\*\*\*Please note that due to the extra Vigil Masses of Christmas Eve, there will be no Evening Mass on Christmas Day\*\*\*\***

*New Years, Solemnity of Mary, The Mother of God*

*New Years Eve*

Sat., Dec.30th - 5:00pm

Sun., Dec 31st- 9:00am & 11:00am ( No 4:00pm Mass)

Sun., Dec.31st- 6:00pm

Eucharist Adoration for the New Year-11pm to 12 Midnight

*New Years Day*

Mon., Jan. 1st - 9:00am & 11:00am

*Weekday Masses*

Tues., Jan. 2nd - 4:30pm Thurs., Jan. 4th - 8:30am

Wed., Jan. 3rd - 9:00am Fri., Jan. 5th - 8:30am & \*7:00pm

*Masses for the Epiphany of the Lord*

Sat., Jan., 6th - 5:00pm

Sun., Jan., 7th 9:00am,11:00am & 4:00pm

**\*\*\*Please note during Christmas Season there will be No 7:00am Masses Mon/Thurs/Fri. The 7am Masses will resume Mon., Jan.8, 2024.\*\*\***

**PARISH OFFICE will be closed from Tues., Dec. 26th to Fri., Dec 29th.The office will re-open on Tues., Jan.2nd, 2024.**

**(For any Sacramental emergencies, please call Fr. James @ 604 942-7808 ext. 2002) or Fr. Babu @604-942-7808 ext.2003**

PARISH NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS



**Assumption Young Adults 18-35**  
**Wed., Jan 10th,2024 - CS Lewis Soup Group.**

Next year, Assumption Young Adults is launching our first-ever book club! Along with the Dominican Sisters, we will be reading through and discussing CS Lewis' "The Four Loves." Grab a copy and a hot bowl of soup and join the discussion! More details to follow.



PARISH ONGOING

PROJECT ADVANCE

Thank you to all parishioners who have already donated to this year's Project Advance appeal. In order to meet the overall goal of **\$190,000**, every donation matters. If you have not contributed this year you can help make our dream of a cooler Church in the summer become a reality we are only **\$3146.00** from meeting our goal. To date we have reached **\$186,854 from 306 donors**. Your support will now help our own parish special project which this year includes the completion of the air cooling unit to the current HVAC system in the church. There are only **2 weeks left to donate to Project Advance** before the end of the year. Don't forget to make your 2023 donation online at [projectadvance.ca](http://projectadvance.ca) or through the parish office during office hours.

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

As we are about to begin RCIA, we are asking parishioners to consider inviting family, friends, neighbours, or colleagues who are Catholic adults who are missing some of the sacraments of initiation or are Christian curious about the Catholic Church & its teachings, or have no religious background and want to learn more about the Church. This program allows adults to learn more as they are curious without the commitment to be initiated into the faith if they are not ready! We will accompany each person according to where they are at. **RCIA classes on Thursday evenings starting @7pm in the Parish Centre.** Please contact the parish office if you are interested or have questions at 604-942-7808 or [assumptionofmary@shaw.ca](mailto:assumptionofmary@shaw.ca)

BAND OF BROTHERS



Men helping men walk together in their Faith journey. We invite you to attend our Band of Brothers gatherings. The Band of Brothers is a group of men that come together to help and guide each other to living our Catholic Faith. The Band of Brothers meet at Our Lady of Assumption Church **every Sunday 7:00am- 8:30am**. We focus on praying the rosary, watch a faith enrichment video, share, have an open dialogue and support each other in all areas of our Catholic life. Our door is open to all men of all ages. If you are interested, please contact Stephen at: 604-868-3538 or [unserfamily@gmail.com](mailto:unserfamily@gmail.com)

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FATHERS AND SONS CLUB

**Once a month (normally the 3rd Sunday of the month), Fathers and our boys, ages 7-13 (grades 2-8),** gather for a couple hours playing sports and games, having fun enjoying each other. The purpose of the Father Son. Club is to not only as Fathers, bond with our sons, but to connect with other dads who desire their boys to become men of integrity... men of good and strong character. Part of our program gives older boys and young men to provide some mentoring to the boys. If you're interested in getting involved or joining the club, please register at [www.fatherson.club](http://www.fatherson.club).

Faith sharing in Chinese- anyone interested, please contact Helen Tam: [helentam2472@gmail.com](mailto:helentam2472@gmail.com)

ASSUMPTION PICKLEBALL

Pickleball for all adults (19 & up) and skill levels. Every **Monday night from 7pm till 9pm** at Our Lady of the Assumption School gym. Everyone is welcome to join. Don't forget to bring your own paddle and water bottle but f you are new to the sport we do have a few extra paddles for you to use. **There is a drop-in fee of \$2 per person.** For further info contact **Stephen Unser @ 604-868-3538**



Adult Faith Formation at home

We encourage our Parishioners to visit the great Catholic online resource: **FORMED**. Our Parish code to access **Formed.org is F7DPJB**. Important: Do not sign up as an individual. Our Parish access code provides more content than an individual subscription. **Rooted presents a beloved tradition in a new light. This new 22-episode series guides Catholics through a daily Advent reflection using the Jesse Tree model traditionally practiced by families.** Each seven-minute episode introduces the ancestors of Jesus Christ, shares a Scripture passage, and offers an engaging, practical reflection. Hosted by Dr. Scott Hefelfinger. Episodes begin on December 3, the First Sunday of Advent, and end on December 24, the Fourth Sunday of Advent.



Bereavement Ministry

**Heartfelt thanks to parishioners and local funeral homes for your support of the OLA Bereavement Ministry in 2023. You helped us ensure that no has to grieve alone. Thank you.**

OLA Grief & Loss Support Group will not meet December 19, 26. The group will resume January 9, 2024. You are not alone. For grief support over Christmas season email: [olasupport@shaw.ca](mailto:olasupport@shaw.ca) a volunteer will reply to your email.