



**MABUHAY ! BIENVENUE !
WELCOME !**
to The
**NOTRE-DAME-
DES-PHILIPPINES
CATHOLIC
MISSION**

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MISSION - VISION

We envision a welcoming Mission-driven community, sustained by the abiding faith in God and Christ-like love of fellowmen, where Filipino cultural and religious traditions are lived and practiced with dignity; where diversity of gifts and talents is embraced, strengthened by the commitment and relationship we build- nourished by the Eucharist, prayer, education and apostolic services.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

Wednesday – Sunday
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday - 11: 30 a.m.

*(Pilipino Mass on the last Sunday
of the month)*

Wednesday - 6:00 p.m.

*(Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help
recited before the Mass)*

Friday - 6:00 p.m.

*(Novena to the Holy Child – Señor Sto. Niño
recited before the Mass)*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
every First and Third Friday of the month
before the Mass.

MISSION CATHOLIQUE NOTRE-DAME DES PHILIPPINES CATHOLIC MISSION
13 APRIL 2014
PASSION SUNDAY

PARISH INFORMATION & STEWARDSHIP

NOTRE-DAME-DES-PHILIPPINES CATHOLIC MISSION (Filipino Catholic Mission of Montreal- FCMM)

The first and only Canonically installed Filipino Catholic Mission in North America (Missio cum cura animarum).

Established on December 10, 1989 by the late Paul Cardinal Gregoire to serve the spiritual and religious needs of the growing Filipino Catholics in the Archdiocese of Montreal.

As a non-territorial Parish, the Notre Dame des Philippines Catholic Mission technically encompasses all Filipino Catholics residing in Montreal and in the suburban areas, but respects the rights of the people to stay in their respective geographical parishes if they so wish. Their presence at liturgical services is always welcome and financial support is appreciated.

PRESBYTERAL TEAM

PASTOR: Rev. Fr. Francisco Alvarez, P,M,E,

PARISH FISCAL: Sr. Luz Paderanga, O.P.

DIRECTOR FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Sr. Celia Piala, O.P.

ADULT FORMATOR: Mr. Fruan Tabamo

PASTORAL ASSISTANT: Mr. Jose Aracena

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Acurantes, Flor	St. Martha's Club
Alejandro, Nelson	Knights Of Columbus
Ambayec-Wong, Bernardita	Catechetics
Bernabe, Marites	Missionary Animation Action Club
Caldito-Ballares, Erlinda	Secular Franciscans
Foz, Malou	Kawan Ng Panginoon Prayer Group
Foz, Norma	Worship
Guia-Foz, Rhodora	Youth
Jalea, Bernadette	Secular Franciscans
Mejia, Narciso	Knights Of Columbus
Monteiro- Pavico, Precilla	Kawan Ng Panginoon Prayer Group
Palisoc, Loreta	St. Martha's Club
Quirapas, Marites	Evangelization
Rosialda- Licerio, Nerie	Parents' Support Group
Silva-Kardos, Fredina	Parents' Support Group
Sunio, Maritess	Catechetics
Tadeo, Imelda	Family Life
Tadeo, Filemon	Family Life
Tuvida, Noemi	Legion Of Mary
Umali, Fe	Family Life
Umali, Henry	Family Life

PROPERTY CUSTODIAN: Mr. Jose Tolentino

BOOKKEEPER: Mr. Carmelo Villanueva

WEBMASTER: Mr. Narciso Mejia

BULLETIN EDITOR: Mr. Jose Aracena

ADMINISTRATORS

CHAIRMAN: Rev. Fr. Francisco Alvarez, P,M,E,

SECRETARY: Ms. Maria Teresa Ambayec

TREASURER: Mr. Pedro Diaz, Jr.

BOARD MEMBERS:

Mr. Quirino Seraspe, Jr.

Mr. Eduardo Ruiz

Mr. Felix Cambaliza, Jr.

Mrs. Helen Aguila-Diwa



THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Infant Baptisms are celebrated at the FCMM on Saturdays @ 10:00am except on the first

Saturday of the month when the Pre-Baptismal Class is held. Parents **must** schedule the baptismal date in the Parish Office and attend the Baptismal Preparation Class

Pre-registration for this class is required.

Baptism should be conferred in the first few weeks after the birth of a child.

Godparents **must** be practicing Catholics.



ADULT BAPTISM, FIRST EUCHARIST & ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adults interested must contact the DRE, Sr. Celia at the Parish Office for details and information.



THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples should contact the parish office to make an appointment with the parish

at least six months in advance of any wedding date to begin preparation. Couples **must** attend the Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation Cla



YOUR OFFERINGS

- FOR THE WEEKEND OF APRIL 06, 2014
totalled \$ 1, 949.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace.

I Peter 4:10

PARISH INFORMATION

This permanent calendar outlines meetings and ministries and Church Organizations that meet on a regular basis. Please check with the appropriate ministry for weekly changes to this schedule

EVERY SUNDAY:

- 9:00 a.m. – Christian Life Education for Children (Sunday School)
- 9:00 a.m. – EVANGELIZATION Seminar and BIBLE DISCOVERY for Adults
- 2: 00 p.m. – Kawan ng Panginoon Prayer Group Outreach

EVERY FIRST SUNDAY:

- 2:00 p.m. – Catechetical Ministry Meeting

EVERY SECOND SUNDAY:

- 7:00 p.m. – Family Life Ministry Meeting

EVERY THIRD SUNDAY:

- 2:00 p.m. – Secular Franciscan Order (Our Lady of the Philippines Fraternity) Meeting

EVERY FOURTH SUNDAY:

- 9:00 a.m. – Knights of Columbus (Council 13585) Meeting

EVERY WEDNESDAY:

- 7:30 p.m. – Legion of Mary (Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Praesidium) Meeting

EVERY SECOND FRIDAY:

- 7:30 p.m. – FAITH SHARING MEETING animated by the Kawan Ng Panginoon

EVERY FIRST SATURDAY:

- 10:00 a.m. – Pre-Baptismal Classes

POLICY FOR MASS INTENTIONS: The FCMM accepts offerings for Mass intentions. Those wishing to have a Mass said for a particular person or cause should contact or come to the Parish Office during regular working hours. On Sundays, if unable to pre-register, they **must come 30 minutes before the Mass** and register their intention/s with the Ministry of Offerings

FCMM's Policies regarding Mass Intentions

*Suggested offering - \$15.00 (minimum amount, but more is accepted) (make payable to FCMM)

*The intention can be for a deceased person or a living person. Does not need to be Catholic.

* The Intention can be for another need of the Church: i.e. world peace, vocations to the priesthood and religious life, conversion of sinners, etc.

*A specific Mass time and date can be requested,

*The Mass intention is usually mentioned during the prayers of the faithful, but even if it is not, the Mass if offered for the intention will be posted in the bulletin.

* Each member of the faithful may offer the Mass for his or her own intention. The merits of the Mass are infinite.

*Mass Intention Offerings are **not** tax-deductible items. Donations and Special Mass sponsorships **are**.

POLICY FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Deadline: 11 days prior to the Sunday you'd like your article to be considered for publication.

Format: Typewritten/ Word format e-mail is preferable

Send articles to Butch by e-mail @ jhnaracena@gmail.com

Note: Articles must be approved prior to appearing in the bulletin. We reserve the right to edit articles.

WELCOME TO THE FCMM !

In imitation of Jesus Christ, we welcome all people to worship and celebrate God's all-inclusive love with us. Whoever you are, wherever you are in your life, we thank you for choosing to be here with us !.

REFLECTIONS

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion



We prefer happy endings, but today we are led from the joy of welcoming Jesus into Jerusalem, up to the crucifixion and burial of Jesus in the tomb.

Not pretty but pretty real.

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, the intentional journey we take as a community to enter into not only the passion of Jesus, but to enter into our own stories of passion, betrayal by fickle friends, sorrow, agony and even death – so that we might experience resurrection.

Please do not let the secular world rob you of the graces of this week. In times past the world seemed to slow down and it was easier on a certain level to make this week holy. Now, it clearly has to be a personal commitment that each one of us makes. We have to choose to pause from our normal, busy routine and to give this week to God. We have to choose to pray, to meditate upon what Christ did for us, and to take part in the beautiful liturgies prepared for us.

The moods created are as mixed as our lives. We have some days of glorious happiness, of success and joy and also sad days of contradiction and failure.

Let this week speak to you and truly be a 'holy week'.



"Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. Those preceding Him as well as those following kept crying out, 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'" ~ Mark 11: 8-10

REFLECTIONS



This week is the holiest week of the Church year because it commemorates the “hour” of Jesus. This is the hour he had been moving toward all his life. It was for this hour he came from the Father. He will become sin for us and nail it to a tree. He returns to the Father and promises,

“I go to prepare a place for you so that where I am you also may be.”

Come join with us in liturgical celebration of these great events of Holy Week.

On Holy Thursday we enter into the mystery of being master and servant. To do what Jesus did we need to look at our neighbors and pick up the towel.

With authority grounded in humility, kneel before them and wash off the dirt of daily living. If you are a neighbor in need of washing, lay aside your pride and, like Peter, accept the service of the one kneeling before you—then go, and do likewise. Be blessed as you wash the feet of others and reveal the face of the master through the towel in your hands.

On Good Friday we must see the cross as God's solidarity with men and women in the condition of human suffering—not to eternalize it but to suppress it. The manner in which God seeks to suppress it is not by domination, but by love. Christ lived and preached this new dimension. The cross is the symbol of human power—and the symbol of Jesus' love and fidelity. Love is stronger than death, and power collapses before it. The loyalty of the cross, then, the love on the cross, has triumphed. The name for this is resurrection. Easter is the grand celebration of some really good news. The really good news is that first the women and then Peter came to the tomb of Jesus' burial and did not find Jesus.

Though filled with fear the women then become the confident proclaimers of Jesus' resurrection. Peter is soon filled with “amazement at what has occurred.” At the empty tomb amazement is the only reaction but it will be followed by faith, understanding and carrying out the mission. As we renew our baptismal promises we can do no better than to have that followed by faith, understanding and working with the risen Jesus in the work the Father has given us to accomplish.

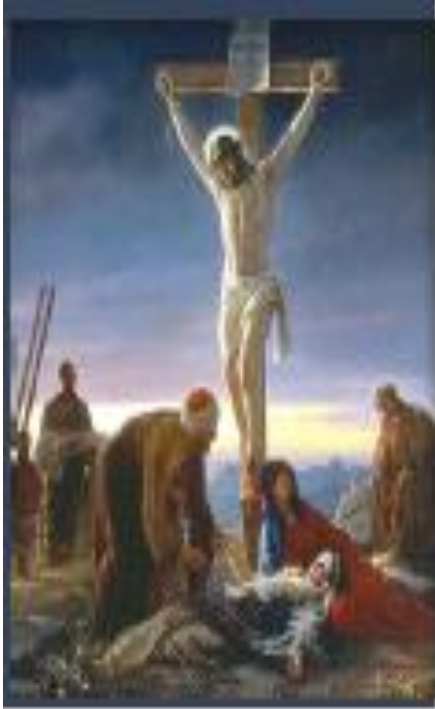


**The MOST HOLY DAYS of the Church's
Liturgical Year are UPON US !
WELCOME to all who are visiting the
FILIPINO CATHOLIC MISSION OF MONTREAL
at this time.**

Be assured of our fraternal prayers for all of you !

ANNOUNCEMENT

THE GUILT OF US ALL



As we observe the passion and death of Jesus, we must remember that no one ethnic or religious group of people is responsible for the death of our Savior. He died voluntarily for the sins of all people "at the hands of evildoers" so that we might be saved from eternal death. The use of the words "the Jews" (or similar expressions) in the gospel accounts of Christ's death does not mean that the Jewish people killed Jesus. In the Gospel of John, for example, it is not even clear who "the Jews" that seek Jesus' death are. Certainly Jesus, his mother Mary, the apostles, and most, if not all of the disciples, are also "the Jews." In fact, everyone in the gospel account except Pilate, his wife, and his soldiers are Jews. (Simon was probably a Jew from Cyrene, perhaps in Jerusalem for the holy day. And scripture tells us that Joseph of Arimathea was "a disciple of Jesus," but it doesn't necessarily mean that he wasn't Jewish - he owned a grave in Jerusalem.) To think that the gospel means that the Jewish people - then and now - are responsible for the death of Jesus (and thus today are to be coerced to convert, blamed or condemned) is wrong. It is sinful to twist the sacred scriptures for any purpose of hate, bigotry or prejudice. It is better to recall the words of the

prophet Isaiah that we hear on Good Friday: "He was pierced for our offenses, crushed for our sins...the Lord laid upon him the guilt of us all." Copyright © 2001 Archdiocese of Chicago: Liturgy Training

HOLY WEEK 2014 - SCHEDULE OF SERVICES



APRIL

13 (PASSION SUNDAY)	*Blessing of Palms before the 11:30 a.m. Mass
17(HOLY THURSDAY)	8:00 p.m. - MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (to be followed by a Solemn Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament)
18(GOOD FRIDAY)-	10:00 a.m. - GOOD FRIDAY REFLECTIONS 1:00 p.m. - STATIONS OF THE CROSS 3:00 - CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION
19(HOLY SATURDAY)	11:00 a.m. - LINIS- SIMBAHAN 8:00 p.m. - EASTER VIGIL MASS
20(EASTER SUNDAY)	11:30 a.m. - The Rite of " SALUBONG " before the MASS OF THE RESURRECTION

Come join us in the Liturgical Celebration of these great events of Lent and the Paschal Triduum here at the FCMM. REMEMBER TO BRING SOMEONE WITH YOU !

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

RCLIA

(RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

sessions is being conducted by our DRE,
Sr. Celia Piala, op. every Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Anyone
interested in
completing their sacraments of initiation ~ Baptism,
Confirmation or
Eucharist ~ is welcome to join . If you have questions,
please come to the FCMM Office or
contact Sr. Celia @ mariaceliamagas@yahoo.ca



**SUPPORT OUR YOUTH MINISTRY
AS THEY RAISE FUNDS FOR THE
FILIPINO CHURCH ON THE
OCCASION OF ITS SILVER
JUBILEE.**

**SIX (6) GROUPS OF YOUNG
PEOPLE FROM THE MINISTRY
HAVE BEEN CREATED TO
PARTICIPATE IN A 'NON-
COMPETITIVE' COMPETITION
AMONG THEMSELVES TO SELL
TICKETS @ \$2.00 EACH AND TO
COME UP WITH INNOVATIVE
AND FUN IDEAS TO RAISE
MONEY
FOR THE FCMM.**

**FIRST CANVASSING
MAY 3, 2014
FINAL CANVASSING
OCTOBER 25, 2014**



PRAISES, PRAYERS AND PETITIONS

We join in the *Thanksgiving Intentions* of: **OFELIA MEJIA, JOSIE BAUTISTA, MARITES**

QUIRAPAS, JARED VISARIO, HENRY UMALI, SISLYN UMALI, JOSE ARACENA, CLEO FEDERIZO, VICENTE TADEO.

Your prayers are humbly requested for *all the sick and suffering* members of our Mission community and their loved ones especially: **FR. FRANCISCO ALVAREZ pme, FR. ROGER BEGIN pme, FR. GERARD LOISELLE, pme, SR. LUZ PADERANGA op, MSGR. ANDRE DESROCHES, ALFREDO PADERANGA SR., ANNIE MOJADO, ELECITA ARACENA, BALDOMERA AMBAYEC, JULIA PERLAS-TAN, JOSEFINA BANGALAN, DAWN DELA PAZ, JOSIE LIMLENGCO, CARMENCITA TRIVINIO, BERNARDINO FERNANDO, ANTONIO FOZ, VICENTE TRIVINIO, FR. GEORGES MORIN, ofm..** May God bring them healing and peace.

Remember also all of our *deceased relatives and friends*, especially: **LIBRADA BANAWA, ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY** and those dying everyday in battles and calamities around the world. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

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**THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS
FOR APRIL 2014**

** Ecology and Justice. That governments may foster the protection of creation and the just distribution of natural resources.*

** Hope for the Sick. That the Risen Lord may fill with hope the hearts of those who are being tested by pain and sickness.*

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOOD FRIDAY IS A DAY OF FAST & ABSTINENCE



FASTING- to limit yourself to one full meal during the day so as to experience hunger-

applies to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59.

ABSTINENCE- to abstain from meat and all meat products- applies to all Catholics 14 and over.



MASS of CHRISM - (Mary Queen of the World Cathedral)

On Wednesday, April 16th, 7:00 p.m., Archbishop Christian Lepine will celebrate the **MASS OF CHRISM** with the Bishops and

priests of the Archdiocese of Montreal. At this Mass, the Holy Oils, used in the administration of the sacraments will be blessed and consecrated. Priests renew their dedication to Christ and their commitment to serve God's people.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY PLACES

Your help is needed now, as in the days of Saint Francis, to protect the Holy Places of the Holy Land. Even more important, your help is needed to protect the Holy Name of Our Lord in this troubled land which He chose for His birth, sacrificial death and victorious resurrection.



Please be generous in preparing your Offering. A special collection will take place during the 3: 00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion on April 18th , Good Friday.



HELP PREPARE THE CHURCH FOR EASTER !!!

Join with us in a special labor of love! Many volunteers are needed on **Holy Saturday, April 19th** at **11:00 a.m** to transform

the Church for the most glorious solemnity of Easter. More hands makes lighter work!!! THANKS IN ADVANCE.



THE EASTER VIGIL will be held at 8 p.m. on Sat. April 19 this year. Many people decide not to attend the Vigil because "it is too long." Anyone who has attended will tell you that it is

about thirty minutes longer than our Sunday Mass but apart from that, it is the most beautiful liturgy in the Church. Ranking highest among the celebrations of the liturgical year, it should rank highest in the spiritual life of the faithful. Easter Vigil is the time that we welcome new members into our parish community. St. Augustine called the Easter Vigil the "**Mother of All Vigils.**"

Do yourself a favor. Do not miss it again !



EASTER is already upon us.

Why not bring a friend or relative with you next week. What a beautiful gift to God!

HOSANNA!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the **LORD**



Let us go forth praising JESUS our Messiah, welcoming him into the holy city of Jerusalem. **HOSANNA!**