

MISSION - VISION

We envision a welcoming Missiondriven 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. MABUHAY ! BIENVENUE ! WELCOME ! to The NOTRE-DAME-DES-PHILIPPINES CATHOLIC

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> 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.

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CATHOLIC MISSION

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NOTRE-DAME-DES-PHILIPPPINES 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 Alejandro, Nelson Ambayec-Wong, Bernardita Bernabe, Marites Caldito-Ballares, Erlinda Foz. Malou Foz, Norma Guia-Foz, Rhodora Jalea. Bernadette Meiia. Narciso Monteiro- Pavico, Precilla Palisoc, Loreta Quirapas, Marites Rosialda- Licerio, Nerie Silva-Kardos, Fredina Sunio, Maritess Tadeo. Imelda Tadeo, Filemon Tuvida. Noemi Umali, Fe Umali, Henry

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PROPERTY CUSTODIAN: Mr. Jose Tolentino BOOKKEEPER: Mr. Carmelo Villanueva WEBMASTER: Mr. Narciso Mejia BULLETIN EDITOR: Mr. Jose Aracena

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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 <u>must</u> 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 <u>must</u> 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 <u>must</u> attend the Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation Cla



"For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 5:20

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

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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

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 (but more or less 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 <u>not</u> tax-deductible items. Donations and Special Mass sponsorships <u>are</u>.

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 !.

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REFLECTIONS



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's First and Second Readings teach about wisdom. In the Second Reading, Paul speaks of God's wisdom as mysterious, and often hidden from those who consider themselves wise. This is because pride can prevent us from listening to God. But because only God can see the future, only God really knows what's best for us.

The First Reading begins with a parallelism—a form of Hebrew poetry in two lines that conveys the same

message two different ways: "If you choose you can keep the commandments, they will save you; if you trust in God, you too shall live." The second half o f e a c

h l i ne s a y s approximately the same thing: "they will save you," equals "you too shall live." In the same way, the first half of each line conveys the same idea, which tells us that choosing to keep the commandments is a form of trust in God. When we choose to keep the commandments, we are admitting that God's wisdom is more trustworthy than our own.

God's wisdom often seems to be the opposite of what we are conditioned to think. For example, Jesus said that if you want to be great, you must put others first; if you want to win a conflict with your neighbor, you have to win him over with reconciliation. But the most counter-intuitive wisdom is what Jesus did on the cross—he achieved victory through self-sacrifice.

When we submit to God's will, we must often sacrifice our own will. We have a choice—trust ourselves, or trust God. Saint Paul's advice to us is not to trust what our eyes and ears tell us is the wisdom of the world, but instead to trust what the Holy Spirit has revealed to us from God.

-from "At Home with the Word" Liturgy Training Publications



NO MONEY, NO MISSION

Occasionally Catholics ask, "Why is the Church always talking about money?" They may think that the Church is wealthy and can do without the financial support of individual Catholics. If the Church were supported by government grants or special funds from the Vatican that might be true. The principal source of funding for the Church to perform all its ministries must be all of us. Everyone can give, though not all can give the

same amount. We are called to support the Church financially in three ways. The first is with our commitment to God to support our local parish through our weekly offerings. Based upon the weekly collection, the pastor and finance council must cover all parish expenses. Our money in the collection basket ensures that we can serve and be served as Christ calls us.

The second way is a donation or pledge to our diocese to fund ministries and programs that are too costly or complicated for any single parish to provide. The more we support our diocese, the more we ensure that the Church can train future priests and provide education, social services, and marriage and family services—to name but a few.

The third way is through gifts that we choose to give to second collections, which benefit various causes in our parish, our diocese, or beyond. These are causes that the Church says are worthy of our support. We decide which ones we wish to support and with what amount as we are able. We, as the Body of Christ, can only fulfill our mission if there is money to pay the way. Let's all do our part, for the love of God.

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NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



(RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS) sessions will be conducted by our DRE, Sr. Celia Piala, op. starting FEBRUARY 16 Anyone interested in completing their sacraments of initiation ~ Baptism, Confirmation or Eucharist ~ is welcome to join us. If you have questions, please come to the FCMM Office or contact Sr. Celia @ mariaceliamagas@yahoo.ca



are now available for pick-up after each Mass. For inquiries, please call the FCMM Office during regular working hours (514 –3875292)

CELL PHONE ALERT - In order to maintain a prayerful atmosphere, please make sure that all cell phones, pagers, etc. are turned off during Mass. Please remember the sanctity of the Holy Mass when you enter the Church. Thank you!

SILENCE - The 20 minutes preceding the Sunday service, from 11: 10 a.m. onward, is used to recite the Holy Rosary and by many, to quietly prepare their hearts and minds for worship. Therefore, we ask that every effort is made to enter the church quietly and maintain silence while waiting for the service to begin. We will begin to try to enforce this rule on SILENCE. Please don't get offended if your attention is called. Thank you !

CLEANLINE\$\$ – Please help us maintain the cleanliness of the Church. Avoid stepping on the kneelers and make sure you leave your pews tidy. Thank you.



"Merciful and gracious is the Lord, slow to anger and abounding in kindness."

- Psalm 103

The SANCTUARY LAMP this week is burning for the GLORY OF GOD and AS THANKSGIVING offered by TONY & NORMA FOZ.



PRAISES, PRAYERS AND PETITIONS

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. May God bring them healing and peace.

Universal: That the Church and society may respect the wisdom and experience of older people.

For Evangelization: *That Priests, Religious, and Lay People may work together with generosity for evangelization.*

MASS INTENTIONS

The Sacrifice of the Mass contains within it all of the graces of God and all that man can do to worship Him. Stop by or call the FCMM office (514 - 387 - 5292) during normal business hours and have a Mass offered for your intention.