



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
02 FEBRUARY 2014
THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

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-Ballaes, 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 Class

Stewardship

YOUR OFFERINGS

- FOR THE WEEKEND OF JANUARY 26, 2014
totalled \$ 2, 166.00

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.

1 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 (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 **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



Today, as we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple, we are invited to concentrate on Jesus, the Light of all Nations.

His consecration to the Lord reminds us also of our own consecration to Him on the day of our baptism. Like Jesus, we too, are expected to live in an attitude of constant self-offering in the service of the Kingdom.

Like Jesus, we too are expected to appreciate life and do our best to promote it in all its potentials, and to protect it from all attacks and whatever endangers or harms it.

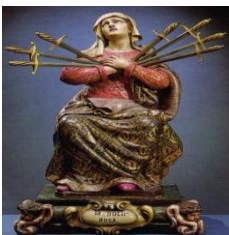
In this Eucharist, as we celebrate Pro-Life Sunday, let us renew our commitment to love life and to make amends for all the profanations and attacks it constantly suffers.

COMMEMORATION, OFFERTORY AND PROPHECY

The “presentation” of a male firstborn in the Temple was both an expression of *gratitude* for the sparing of the Jewish firstborns in Egypt, and a profession of *faith* in God as the source of all life. Strictly speaking, the presentation was a consecration of the child to the Lord. But the possibility of “redeeming” him through an offering, in many cases, made the rite just a little more than a pious formality. Not so in the case of Jesus. His presentation in the Temple was a solemn *consecration* and a real *offertory*. It expressed in a ritual manner the deepest reality of the purpose of Jesus’ very existence – to be totally consecrated to the service of the Father. His “presentation” in the Temple was an anticipation and a prophecy of his self-offering on Calvary for the salvation of all men. God, who had spared the Israelite firstborns in Egypt, would not spare his own firstborn Son, but would hand him over for us all. (See *Rom 8:32* and *Jn 3:16*.)

For her part, Mary, his mother, was part of that sacrificial offering not only in the Temple, but also on Calvary, as Simeon prophesied: “Suffering, like a sword, will pierce your heart.” (*Lk 2:35*. See also *Jn 19:25*.)

WORD AND LIFE PUBLICATIONS



O Blessed Mother, the sword is already in your heart. You foreknow the future of the Fruit of your womb. May our fidelity in following Him through the coming mysteries of His public life bring some alleviations to the sorrows of your maternal heart.

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



Pro-Life News You Can Use

"The fight for the right to life is not the cause of a special few, but the cause of every man, woman and child who cares not only about his or her own family, but the whole family of man."

-Dr. Mildred Jefferson, Pro-life Physician

- By 16 weeks of life, a baby in the womb is the size of an avocado, weighing around 4 ounces and is about 4 1/2 inches long. He or she has begun to grow toenails.
- By 21 weeks, the baby in the womb is around 10 inches long and has developed eyebrows and eye lids.



(RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

sessions will be conducted by our DRE, Sr. Celia Piala, op. 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 @

mariaceliagemas@yahoo.ca

BEFORE FEBRUARY 16



If you are Catholic, older than high school and have been thinking about investigating how to receive your Confirmation, you've found it! Sessions will be held by Sr. Celia Piala, op soon. New folks are welcome at any time... but NOW is a GREAT time to start with the formation process. Call Sr. Celia at the FCMM Office (514) 387-5292 or

mariaceliagemas@yahoo.ca for more details

BEFORE FEBRUARY 16

World Marriage Day Celebration



**Sunday, Feb. 9, 2014
"Love One Another"**

World Marriage Day, which is held each year on the second Sunday in February, honors the lifelong commitment of husband and wife. The commandment given to us by Jesus in John 15:12 is to love one another.

Loving one another as husband and wife is a daily decision, simple but challenging. It is an ongoing process of learning about each other and how to accommodate differences so that both spouses can feel satisfied and grow in love for each other. For helpful insights and suggestions on how to love one another more fully log on to the Catholic Bishops (USCCB) marriage resource website:

www.foryourmarriage.org.

Be prepared to find videos along with interesting articles for couples in every stage of marriage including the challenges facing couples today: unemployment, parenting, balancing work and family, care giving, etc.



and **SANCTUARY LAMP SPONSORS**



We are giving you the opportunity to donate flowers or light a candle in memory of family members or friends. If you would like to donate flowers for the weekend liturgies or sponsor the Sanctuary Lamp candle near the Tabernacle for a week. Come to the FCMM Office and let us know of the weekend you would like. We will then place the notice in the bulletin... "Flowers this week are donated by.....in memory/honor of....." and "The Sanctuary Lamp this week is burning in memory/honor of....."



PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

**SUNDAY, February 9, 2009
2:00 p.m.- Blue Room
HOSTS: Catechists/ PSG**

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REFLECTIONS



PRAISES, PRAYERS AND PETITIONS

We join in the *Thanksgiving Intentions* of: LANDIO & MHATET RUBIO, DIVINA GRACIA BITANGCOR,

AARON & ABUGAIL ANNOBIL, AURORA AQUINO, ISABEL REY, JHUN & DORIE PAVICO, JUN, JUDITH and KATHLEEN DIAZ, OUR LADY OF THE PHILIPPINES FRATERNITY.

Please join in lifting up the *special intentions* of: HANNAH PAMBUAN MOJADO, ADELAIDA VILLACORTA.

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.

Remember also all of our *deceased relatives and friends*, especially: ADELAIDA & MARCELINO PALITIC, MARIANO SIMPRANO PERLAS JR., JULIA PERLAS, CLAUDE JAMIESON, ELODIE JAMIESON, ANTONIO TAN, ROSITA AGUILA, RAFAELLA, PIO & MARCIANA MANIGAO, 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 FEBRUARY 2014

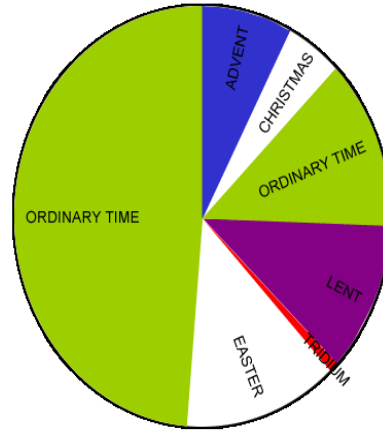
Universal: *That the Church and society may respect the wisdom and experience of older people.*

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

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



Ordinary Time: Winter A Sense of the Season

What do the words Ordinary Time mean? Dorothy Day said, "The words 'Ordinary Time' in our prayer books put me in a state of confusion and irritation. To me, no

time is ordinary." She was right. The Ordinary in Ordinary Time refers to ordinal—counted—time, not to a lack of something to celebrate. The Roman document, General Norms for the Liturgical Year and Calendar, says: "Apart from those seasons having their own distinctive character [Advent, Christmastime, Lent, Triduum and Eastertime], 33 or 34 weeks remain in the yearly cycle that do not celebrate a specific aspect of the mystery of Christ. Rather, especially on the Sundays, they are devoted to the mystery of Christ in all its aspects." (#43)

How do we celebrate "the mystery of Christ in all its aspects"? We gather every Sunday. Sunday is our original feast day. Christians have gathered every Sunday—the day of Christ's resurrection, the first day of the week—ever since there were Christians.

Each year there are two blocks of Ordinary Time, one in the winter between Christmastime and Lent, and the other in summer and fall, from Pentecost through Christ the King. When we gather on Sundays in Ordinary Time, as always, we hear the scriptures proclaimed. We systematically read through the gospels. The first readings from the first testament of the Bible were chosen for their relationship to the gospel passages. The second readings come from the various letters of the second testament of the Bible. The mystery of Christ "in all its aspects" unfolds.

What is the heart of our Sunday celebration? We do our Eucharist; that is, we do our thanksgiving. We praise and thank God for all creation; we pray for the whole world, as we remember Christ's life, death and resurrection. We share the bread and wine, the body and blood. We are sent forth to be the body and blood of Christ in our homes, our workplaces, our neighborhoods, our towns, our cities, our country, our world.

"What happens in our churches every Sunday is the fruit of our week. What happens as the fruit of the week past is the beginning of the week to come. Sunday is simultaneously a point of arrival and departure for Christians on their way to the fullness of the kingdom. This is not ordinary at all. This is the fabric of Christian living."

(Saint Andrew Bible Missal [Brooklyn: William J. Hirten Co., 1982.])
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