



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
23 NOVEMBER 2014
SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST, OUR KING (Last Sunday of the Liturgical Year A)

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: Mrs. Malou Foz - Malabuyoc

ADULT FORMATOR: Mr. Fruan Tabamo

PASTORAL ASSISTANT: Mr. Jose Aracena

PASTORAL COUNCIL

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

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. Fredina Silva-Kardos



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 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.



YOUR OFFERINGS

- FOR THE WEEKEND OF NOV. 16, 2014
totalled \$1, 224.00

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.

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 !.



Today, the last Sunday of the liturgical year, we honor Jesus Christ as King of the Universe and our King. We gather to celebrate not only his triumph and glory, but also his justice. Today's Gospel tells us that, as the Judge of all human beings, he will base his irrevocable decision on the way we have treated our neighbor. He, in fact, considers as done to himself whatever we do to our brothers and sisters.

On this Solemnity of Christ the King we also thank the Lord for all the blessings he has granted us in the course of the liturgical year now about to end. In particular, we thank him for the innumerable spiritual graces. Let our Eucharist today, then, be a hymn of glory and thanks to Jesus, the only King of our hearts, and a renewal of our allegiance to him.



The Decisive Issue at the Last Judgment

A personal judgment at the end of life and a universal judgment at the end of time come as no surprise. **Man was created free but also "accountable."**

Everyone will have to account to the Eternal Judge for the way he/she has used His gifts and opportunities.

However, what comes as a surprise in the dramatized account of the Last Judgment presented by Jesus is the "limited scope" of accountability. Though

granting that **the instances mentioned by the Judge** are not exhaustive, the fact remains that they **are all and only about our attitudes/actions toward people. Not a single question about our attitude toward God.** This is surprising indeed for – after all – wasn't Jesus the one who taught his disciples to pray, who wanted them to pray *always* (see Lk 18:1), and who himself spent hours in prayer? (See Mt 6:9 and Lk 6:12.) And was he not the one who stated that the greatest commandment is to love God with all one's heart, soul and mind? (See Mt 22:37-38.) And yet, today, we seem to learn from him **that what will matter in the end will be only the way we treat our neighbor, especially the needy!** Only the second group of commandments seems to hold Reflecting further, however, the surprise ceases. Actually, we find it could not be otherwise. *With the Incarnation, God has become a brother to every human being.* It is not just a matter of proximity and relation, but a **matter of effective identification. In addition to loving God in Himself, we have also to see, love, and serve God in our neighbor.** "Whatsoever you do to the least of my brothers, that you do unto me!" (See Mt 25:40.) The Last Judgment is the mystery of the Incarnation brought to its utmost practical consequences. It is not that God and our love for Him have been "left out." They are "in" as an indispensable prerequisite. But the Gospel for today reminds us that our love for God has to be proven through the way we treat people, especially the people we dislike and those we usually avoid: the hungry, the sick, the unpleasant, the convicts These are some of the categories of people in whom it is so difficult to see Christ, the all-holy God. To see and serve Christ in them demands not only **mercy and generosity**, but an immense **faith** as well. **The Final Judgment will be a judgment on our practical acceptance of the Word who became "flesh,"** a judgment on our "Yes" to the God steeped in our very frailty and needs.

REFLECTION



Anticipating The Liturgical Year 2014-2015

"Seasons and days that we name let us take all that it is to be Christian and express it in songs, in stories, in dances, in colors and textures and more. To do this, and do it over and over through the years, is the way a people passes on faith from generation to generation. It can happen only within a people, not in the abstract. The stories we tell and all the other rites of the seasons are open enough, ambiguous enough, to remain strong year after year. They are my story, our stories."

The Liturgical Calendar : A New Year – Year B, the Gospel of Mark

Different than academic or secular calendars, the Liturgical Calendar begins every year with the First Sunday of Advent. We close the Liturgical Year with today's celebration of Christ the King, completing the end of our 2013-2014 journey with the Gospel of Matthew.

Next week, we begin our journey with the Gospel of Mark on the First Sunday of Advent, on November 30 this year. The Gospel of Mark, written around 70 C.E., is the earliest of the four canonical Gospels. It is evident that Mark was writing for a community suffering persecution, and he places a great deal of emphasis on the suffering and death of Jesus. Jesus assures his followers that they will be blessed in this life and in heaven, though "with persecutions."

The Gospel according to Mark is built around the question of Jesus' identity. Taken as a whole, the story that Mark's Gospel tells begins by proclaiming "Jesus Christ, the Son of God" (Mk 1:1), reaches a turning point at Peter's confession of Jesus as the Christ (8:29), and comes at the end to the centurion's confession of Jesus crucified: "Truly, this man was the Son of God!" (15:39). Mark charts the whole journey disciples must walk in order to understand who Jesus is, and finally to be joined with him in his death and Resurrection.

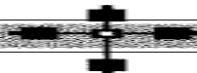
Advent

"Advent has a twofold character: as a season to prepare for Christmas when Christ's first coming to us is remembered; as a season when that remembrance directs the mind and heart to await Christ's second coming at the end of time. Advent is thus a period for devout and joyful expectation."

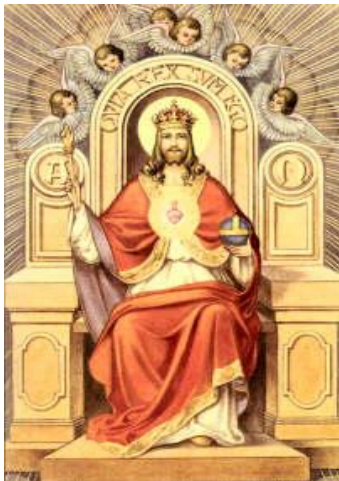
—General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar, 39

Christmas

"Next to the celebration of the Paschal Mystery, the Church holds most sacred the memorial of Christ's birth and early manifestations. This is the purpose of the Christmas season." —GNLYC



Act of Dedication of the Human Race to Jesus Christ, The King



Most sweet Jesus, Redeemer of the human race, look down upon us humbly prostrate before you. We are yours, and yours we wish to be; but to be more surely united with you, behold each one of us freely consecrates himself today to your Most Sacred Heart. Many indeed have never known you; many, too, despising your precepts, have rejected you. Have mercy on them all, most merciful Jesus, and draw them to your Sacred Heart.

Be King, O Lord, not only of the faithful who have never forsaken you, but also of the prodigal children who have abandoned you; grant that they may quickly return to their Father's house, lest they die of wretchedness and hunger. Be King of those who are deceived by erroneous opinions, or whom discord keeps aloof, and call them back to the harbor of truth and the unity of faith, so that soon there may be but one flock and one Shepherd. Grant, O Lord, to your Church, assurance of freedom and immunity from harm; give tranquility of order to all nations; make the earth resound from pole to pole with one cry:

***Praise to the divine Heart that wrought our salvation;
to it be glory and honor for ever. Amen.***

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

***The Notre-Dame-des-Philippines Catholic Mission of Montreal
25TH Anniversary Celebration***

**WE REMEMBER ... WE CELEBRATE ... WE BELIEVE
THERE IS MORE !**

December 04 - 06, 2014

7:30 p.m.

TRIDUUM OF MASSES in honor of The Immaculate Conception

December 07, 2014

11:00 a.m.

SOLEMN CONCELEBRATED JUBILEE MASS

Main Presider: His Excellency, Most Rev. Christian Lepine
Archbishop of Montreal

2:00 p.m.

SILVER JUBILEE LUNCHEON

La Plaza Reception Hall, 777 University Street, Montreal

**JOIN US as we begin the year-long celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the
Canonical Installation of Montreal's Filipino Church.**

***AN ANNIVERSARY BOOKLET** on the parish is published each time we mark a milestone anniversary, not just as a souvenir publication but also as a seed for the future. The keeping and enhancement of our parish history is not a chore but a joyous endeavor.

Therefore, we call on those parishioners who remember and wish to contribute to our historical enhancement, to please submit informative facts and recommendations in writing to the FCMM office or to FRUAN TABAMO, or JUN DIAZ.

Significant memorable photos are also encouraged and will be returned after they are scanned and catalogued for posterity. From among those gathered materials will be the featured items in the forthcoming 25th Anniversary Booklet.

For Anniversary Booklet Advertisement and Dedication rates, please contact Mr. Jun Diaz.

*** TICKETS to the Jubilee Luncheon :**

- \$ 50.00 per person.

- For those aged under 12 yrs. old - \$ 25.00

- Under 5 yrs. of age - FREE

(Available from the Administrators or the FCMM Office)

GET YOUR TICKETS NOW !

DEADLINE FOR PAYMENT:

November 16, 2014

***MASS SPONSORSHIP** for the Triduum and Fiesta Masses is highly encouraged. Those interested may contact the FCMM Office.



NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS



- A Special Assembly of FCMM parishioners will be held on

Sunday, November 30, 2014, after the 11:30 Mass to elect two (2) new Administrators to serve for a term of three years.

Mr. Quirino Seraspe Jr. and Ms. Ma. Teresa Ambayec finish their terms this December. We are most grateful for their service and guidance. Mr. Seraspe is finishing his first term and may be re-elected. Ms. Ambayec, on the other hand, is finishing her second term and as such may not be re-elected anymore.

To be eligible for nomination as an FCMM Administrator, one must be a Filipino, over 18 yrs of age, a practicing Catholic and active supporter of the FCMM. The position of FCMM Administrator has a big task in the Mission integral to its existence. This early we ask you to consider people who can help the FCMM. Please help us find good Administrators. Thank You.



As flu season approaches, please consider getting immunized against the flu. If you do become unwell, please stay home and take care of yourself.

- At the sign of peace please be careful when shaking someone's hand, for some folks with arthritis or with eczema, a firm grip can be painful.
- Some folks are very sensitive to scented products, such as cologne or perfume, so please try to refrain from wearing them when in large groups i.e. at Mass or other parish functions.



HELP PREPARE THE CHURCH FOR THE JUBILEE MASS !!!

Join with us in a special labor of love! Many volunteers are needed on **Saturday, December 6th at 11:00 a.m** to transform the Church for the Big Silver Anniversary Mass the next day. More hands makes lighter work!!! THANKS IN ADVANCE.

POPE FRANCIS TWEETS:



Let us seek to live in a way that is always worthy of our Christian vocation.



PRAISES, PRAYERS AND PETITIONS

We join in the *Thanksgiving Intentions* of : **PEARL DARIO. MR. & MRS. DANTE TABAMO, ALYSSA KAYE BAUTISTA, THE FAITH**

SHARING GROUP.

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, 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, JOHNNY PALISOC.** May God bring them healing and peace.

Remember also all of our **deceased relatives and friends**, especially : **MARCOS OLARTE, CRISTETA, IGNACIA BAUTISTA, APOLONIA VALENZUELA, CLEMENTE UMALI, FELISA UMALI, 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.



SPECIAL INVITATION:::::



Join us on December 4, 5, and 6 (Thursday, Friday and Saturday @ 7:30 p.m. for the **TRIDUUM MASSES** in honor of **The Immaculate Conception, Patroness of The Filipino Mission.** Rosary will be recited at 7:00 p.m.