



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

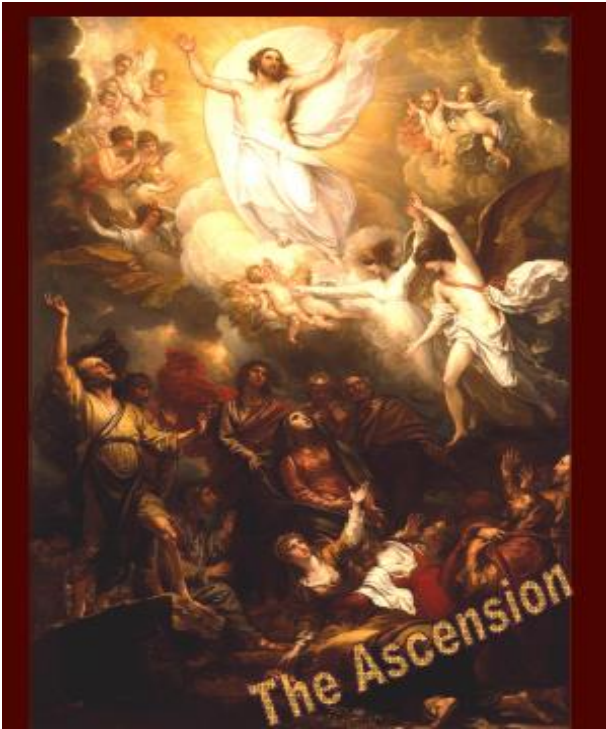
*(Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help  
recited before the Mass)*

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  
**17 MAY 2015**  
**SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD**



Today we recall the Lord's Ascension into heaven and the beginning of the Church's mission to create a CIVILIZATION OF LOVE through the spread of the GOSPEL OF LIFE. We also observe the World Communications Sunday. We thank the Lord for the wonders of social communication and pray for those involved in the Media apostolate.

At the same time, let us not forget that only the message of Christ's love and his Spirit can really bring people closer through bonds of mutual respect, solidarity and dedication to promote justice and peace.



## **STARING INTO THE SKY**

We have choices to make in this Christian life. One choice is to be frozen, like the disciples just as Jesus ascends into heaven. They stand there and stare up into the sky, probably waiting for Jesus to return to them immediately.

Too often we, too, take this stance. We stare into the sky, waiting to discover the presence of the Lord. Unfortunately, this choice will yield few results, if any. It is the Lord himself who summons us to opt for a second choice. That choice involves us turning our gaze from the sky to the world around us. He says, "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations . . . And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age" (Matthew 28:19, 20).

## **GRACE BUILDS ON NATURE**

A seminary theology professor was always reminding his class of this second choice with the words, "Gentlemen, remember that grace builds on nature." It is through the world around us - through those God has planted into our experience - that God will be revealed. People who are involved in the Church's work of Christian initiation learn this through their ministry. As they listen to the stories of people who are experiencing deep conversion, they begin to meet the Lord in new ways. It is as if the Lord Jesus is being born again right before their very eyes. Perhaps in the past you have heard today's Gospel mandate and cast it aside saying, "Oh, Jesus really meant those words for priests, and I'm certainly not a priest." Perhaps today's feast is the opportunity to realize that these words are meant for each one of us. If grace does build on nature, let's open our eyes to possibilities of discovering Christ all around us, rather than staring blankly into the sky.



**SUPPORT !!!**  
**The SEARCH for the 2015**  
**FCMM KING and QUEEN OF**  
**ANGELS**

**FIRST CANVASSING: MAY 30, 2015**



**PRAYER TO SAINT ANTHONY OF PADUA**

*Saint Anthony of Padua, you endured much discouragement in your life before finding your calling. Help us to find patience in our own lives, and to trust God to lead us where we need to go.*

*You preached by example; help us show others through example the truth of our faith. Amen.*

St. Anthony of Padua is one of the most famous disciples of St. Francis of Assisi. He was a famous preacher and worker of miracles in his own day, and throughout the eight centuries since his death he has so generously come to the assistance of the faithful who invoke him, that he is known throughout the world.

JOIN US FOR THE TRIDUUM of MASSES and FEAST DAY CELEBRATION OF ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA here at the FCMM. June 10 – June 13 @ 7, 00 p .m.



**YOUR OFFERINGS**

For the Weekend of MAY 10 ,2015 = \$ 1, 314. 00

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY !**



**PRAISES, PRAYERS AND PETITIONS**

We join in the *Thanksgiving Intentions* of: **JOSHUA & JUSTIN, HELEN AGUILA, MELISSA ROSE LOCQUIAO, BOBBY, CHERRY & CHRISTOPHER PERLAS, RYAN EUSEBIO, THE ROLF C. HAGEN INC.**

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: **RAMON CUASAY, SATURNINO QUIRAPAS JR., JUAN TUVIDA, MARINA ALEJANDRO, JUANA TADEO, MARCIANA & PIO MANIGAO, FELISA UMALI, MA. LORETO DIMACULANGAN, EMILIANA & AUREA REOLO, PAZ ARCEGA, 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.

