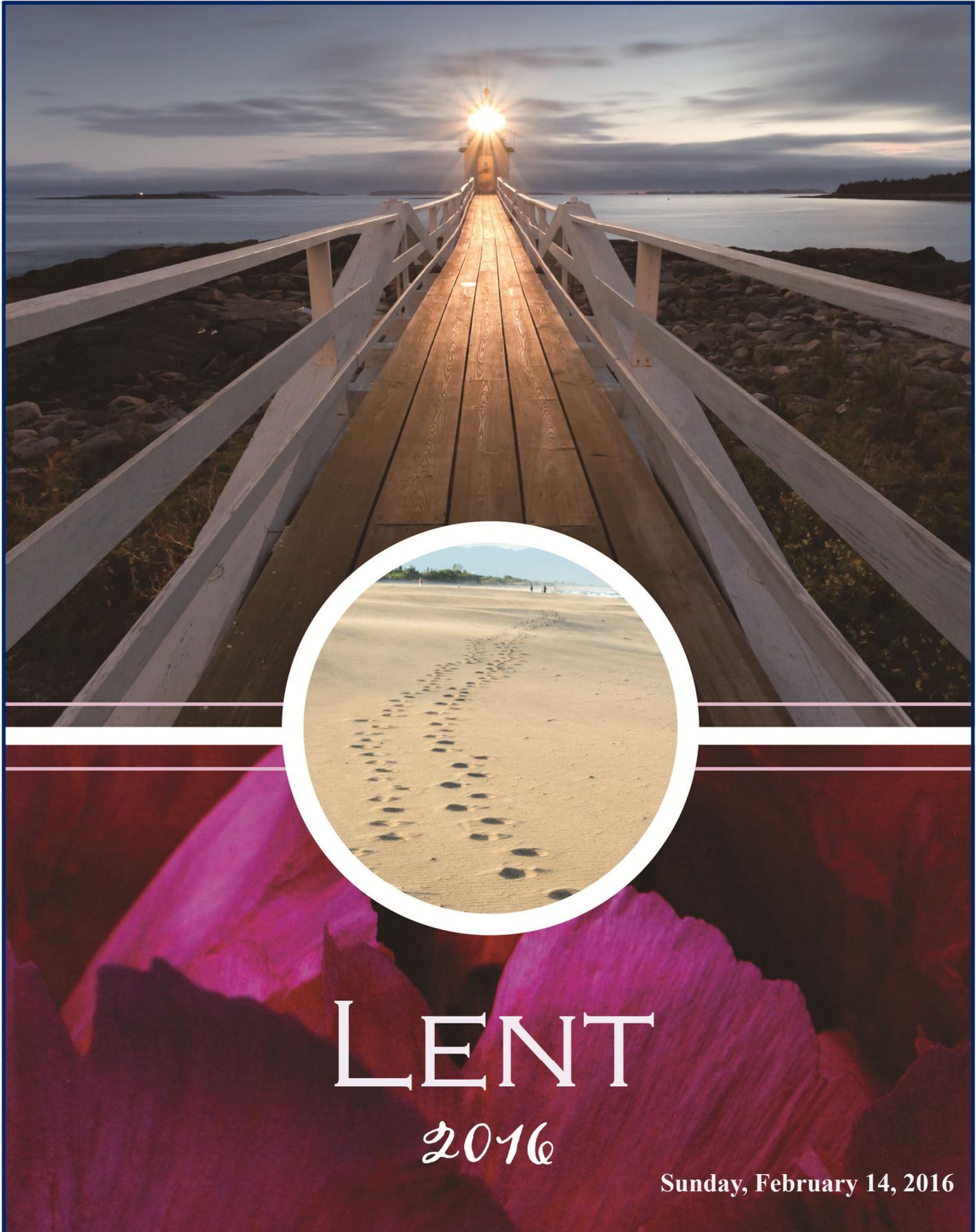


ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH



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2016

Sunday, February 14, 2016

# Welcome

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247 Jeannette Hamann

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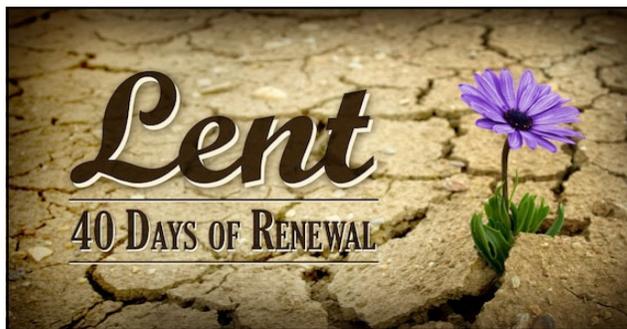
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Reading, Rice Bowls, and Activity Materials are available in the Narthex.

Attend Daily Mass at 6:30am in Motherhouse Chapel or 8am in Church

Participate in the **Stations of the Cross**:

Feb 12: 2:30pm and 7:00pm - Chapel

Feb 19: 2:30pm - Chapel and 7:00pm - Chapel

Feb 26: 2:30pm – Church and 7:00pm –Passion Pantomime – Adults, Teens & Youth - Church

Mar 4: 7:00pm – “Perspective of Simon Peter” – Church

Mar 11: 2:30pm – “Scriptural Stations” – Church and at 7:00pm – “Mary’s Way” – Church

Mar 18: 2:30pm – “Mary’s Way” – Church and at 7:00pm – “Flash Mob” Stations – Adults, Teens & Youth – Church

During Lent, everyone is invited to *one minute of silence* at Noon (and/or 6pm) for prayer and reflection.

All are invited to attend the **“Day of Reflection”** – Saturday, March 5, 8am-3pm

Tuesday Night Mass in Church: 7-7:30pm (except for March 1, Mass will follow Penance Service at the St. Joseph’s Chapel at the Most Precious Blood Motherhouse)

#### Thursday Evening Presentations:

**“Fill My Cup, Lord”** – Church, 7pm-8:30pm  
February 18 – “Cup of Resentment, Fill it with Forgiveness” – Fr. Mitch

February 25 – “Cup of Fear & Worry Over Control, Fill it with Trust” – Fr Mark

March 3 – “Cup of Pain & Thanksgiving, Fill it with Hope” – Mickie McCool – This will also coincide with: “Prayers for Healing and Hope”

March 10 – “Cup of Brokenness, Fill it with New Life” – Mary Marchant

March 17 – “Cup of Criticism, Fill it with Encouragement” – Cathy Pescarino

#### Attend Prayers for Healing and Hope:

Thursday, March 3, 7pm in Church along with the one of the Thursday evening Lenten presentations.

#### Attend our Lenten Penance Service:

Tuesday, March 1, 7pm at the Most Precious Blood Motherhouse – St. Joseph’s Chapel, followed by Mass.

Attend Eucharistic Adoration/Devotions on Tuesdays 8:30am-6:30pm in Chapel

Visit our 24 hour Prayer Chapel (Northwest door ramp entrance-code to enter: 3721)

Participate in praying the rosary on Sundays before each Mass in Chapel

Attend the Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 4-4:45pm or, during Lent only, Tuesday’s from 6:15-7pm



*May you find Christ here . . .  
May you bring Christ to the world.*

During Catholic Schools week, the children of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Day School created blessing bags filled with personal care items for the patients and families of Cardinal Glennon Children’s Hospital. In partnership with the HOPE Pantry at Cardinal Glennon, the Assumption School Community wanted to provide as much comfort as possible to those families who were admitted unexpectedly, or who have to stay longer than anticipated at the hospital. We send these blessing bags, with our prayers, in an effort to not only live our Parish Mission, but also to embody our school mission of “Learning, Loving and Living Christ!”

**This Week At Assumption**

**Sunday, Feb 14**

**RCIA Rite of Sending**  
All Masses

**RCIA**  
8:00am Hall C

**Sunday Pre School**  
10:00am School

**Monday, Feb 15**

**Lector Training**  
7:00pm Church

**Parish Council**  
7:00pm Conference Room

**Bible Study**  
7:00pm Meyer Room

**CRHP Women**  
7:00pm Room D/E

**Tuesday, Feb 16**

**Eucharistic Adoration**  
9:00am - 6:30pm Chapel

**PSR**  
6:00pm School

**PHD/Benediction**  
6:30pm Chapel

**Lenten Evening Mass**  
7:00pm Church

**First Communion Parent Meeting**  
7:00pm Hall C

**Athletic Association**  
7:00pm Meyer Room

**Wednesday, Feb 17**

**Bible Study**  
1:45pm Meyer Room

**PSR**  
6:00pm School

**Bible Study**  
7:00pm Meyer Room

**Wednesday Feb 17 (con’t)**

**Extreme Teen Bible Study**  
7:00pm Church

**CRHP Men**  
7:00pm Conference Room

**Thursday, Feb 18**

**Grief Support**  
7:00pm Meyer Room

**Lenten Presentation:**  
Cup of Resentment, Fill it With Forgiveness  
7:00pm Church

**Friday, Feb 19**

**CRHP Men’s Retreat**

**Stations of the Cross**  
2:30pm & 7:00pm Chapel

**Fish Fry**  
5:00pm KC Hall

**Saturday, Feb 20**

**CRHP Men’s Retreat**

**Children’s Liturgy of the Word**  
5:00pm Church

**Sunday, Feb 21**

**CRHP Men’s Retreat**

**RCIA**  
8:00am Hall C

**Sunday Pre School**  
10:00am School

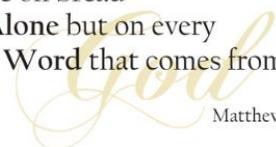
**Special Prayer Intentions**

Would you like prayers for a special intention throughout the Men’s upcoming “Christ Renews His Parish” retreat next weekend – February 20-21? Please find in the back of the church boxes marked “Prayer Intentions” for you to make your intention...and please know that your intention will be earnestly prayed for throughout the “CRHP” retreat weekend. If you would like your intention to remain anonymous please simply don’t use any names.

**Baptismal Preparation Class**

All parents are required to participate in a class of Pre-Baptismal instruction before having their child/children baptized at Assumption. For expectant parents it is often better to attend this class before baby is born. Call the Parish Office at 240.3721 to schedule a class.

Man does not  
Live on bread  
Alone but on every  
Word that comes from



Matthew 4:4

PRAYER • PARTICIPATION • GENEROSITY

S T E W A R D S H I P

*“I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given to me.” (Deuteronomy 26:10)*

This line from the Old Testament offers two challenges. First, do you give to God from your “first fruits”, the best that you have to offer, or do you give from what is leftover? Second, do you remember that everything you have has been given to you by God? Ask God for a grateful and generous heart, every day.

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### Save the Date

Coming March 18-20

#### Valu Foods Truckload Sale!

The Valu Foods truck will be on Assumption's parking lot selling restaurant quality foods at wholesale prices. Don't miss this opportunity to stock up your freezer.

### Financial Peace University

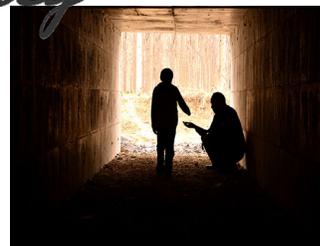
Learn to handle your money "God's way" using principles found in scripture.

A 9 week course incorporating lessons from Dave and his staff on various topics including: Savings, Budgeting, Real Estate, Retirement and more. Begins Wednesday, February 17, 7pm, St. Joseph Radio café' in Harvester and facilitated by parishioner Susan Prinster 636.940.0426. Or go to [daveramsey.com](http://daveramsey.com) for more information or to sign up for the classes.

### The Jubilee Year of Mercy

The Church is commissioned to announce the mercy of God, the beating heart of the Gospel, which in its own way must penetrate the heart and mind of every person. We must pattern our behavior after the Son of God who went out to everyone without exception. In the present day, as the Church is charged with the task of the new evangelization, the theme of mercy needs to be proposed again and again with new enthusiasm and renewed pastoral action. Our language and our gestures must transmit mercy, so as to touch the hearts of all people and inspire them once more to find the road that leads to the Father. In our parishes, communities, associations and movements, in a word, wherever there are Christians, everyone should find an oasis of mercy." – excerpts from Francis, Bishop of Rome, Servant of the Servants of God

*Mercy*



**Prayer:** God of Mercy, we pray for conversion of hearts, for peace in our own hearts and peace among all Your children. Give us the grace to continue the work of building a "beloved community" where we can all join hands for the common good. Amen.

**Action:** Attend the Sacred Conversations on Race, February 23, 7pm on the 3rd floor of the Motherhouse to work for one, beloved community.

### Calling ALL Adult Men of our parish!

Christ Renews His Parish 'CRHP' Retreat is **next weekend - Feb. 20-21!** Guys... give yourself a weekend you won't forget. Come and be spiritually renewed while enjoying awesome fellowship, making new friends, and sharing faith with fellow men of our parish. It is an experience worth your time! There is still time to sign up... call Casey Logue at: 636.262.3908 or Email: [Clogue6@gmail.com](mailto:Clogue6@gmail.com) for more information and reserve your spot today! Or go to our parish website at [www.assumptionbvm.org](http://www.assumptionbvm.org) to register online!



This is an awesome way to begin your Lenten journey! YOU WILL BE GLAD YOU DID! Some of the guys had this to say:

"10 blessings I RECEIVED from attending the CRHP retreat" . . .  
 New relationships at Church  
 I'm a better Father  
 I made new friends and they like sports, too!  
 Re-energized  
 Deepened my relationship with Christ  
 Clarity  
 I'm a better Husband  
 Reprioritized the things I value  
 I'm back to going to church regularly  
 I have a new positive perspective on a challenging issue in my life

If you are new to the parish or been a part of our parish for a long time, single, married, young or old... we challenge you to avoid creating a reason not to come and sign up for the upcoming retreat TODAY!

**Save the Date!**

Annual Vino Van  
Gogh,  
Art and Wine  
March 19, 2016,  
Hall C



**Assumption 24/7 Men's Club**

Hey guys! The 24/7 Men's Club is having a bowling night!! Join us Thur, Feb 25, 6:30-9pm. We have reserved lanes at The Brunswick Zone (St Peters). It's cold out. What else do you have to do but join us for some good friendship and fellowship. Hope to see you there.



**Food Pantry Needs**

**Today, Feb 14,** is St. Vincent De Paul Food Sunday. At this time the pantry is in

need of the following items: powdered milk, fruit juice, applesauce, canned pears, jello, pudding, saltine crackers, frostings, paper towels and dish soap. Grocery store gift cards are always welcome.

Thanks for your continued support of our pantry.

**Attention All Servers!!**

Consider signing up to serve at any of the Masses during Holy Week & Easter Sunday. There is a signup sheet in the working sacristy with the times and availability. We need servers for:

- Holy Thursday, March 24
- Good Friday, March 25
- Easter Vigil, March 26
- Easter Sunday, March 27.

Please talk with your parents before signing up and plan to arrive 30 minutes before the Mass you are serving at.

**Reminder:** After serving any Mass, all albs must be buttoned and hung back up on a hanger and put back in the closet after use! Albs should never be put on the floor!



The Dinner Auction is Assumption School's largest fundraiser of the year. It's a fabulous party for Parishioners and School Parents and their friends to celebrate the parish, eat delicious food, dance and shop for fantastic goods and services.

You are what make this auction a success. Parishioners donate wonderful, creative experiences that make up the bulk of the silent and live auction. Parishioners set up and decorate and, parishioners solicit and procure the donated items such as gift certificates for restaurants, hotels, and personal services that make up the backbone of the Auction. Please come and support Assumption School. It's the party of the year and you don't want to miss it! For questions and more information contact Kirsten Mulvaney-Auction Chair at 314.583.2233 or [kirstenmulvaney@gmail.com](mailto:kirstenmulvaney@gmail.com).



# ASSUMPTION CHURCH'S

## \$10,000 RAFFLE

- Winner will receive \$10,000!
- The remaining \$20,000 will be donated to the "For Our Children" capital campaign to help reduce the debt from our school addition.

**\$100 PER TICKET**

The winning ticket will be drawn on **February 27** at our Anniversary Year Finale!

HURRY...ONLY 300 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD!

Contact the Parish Office to purchase your raffle ticket, or you may pay online by visiting [www.assumptionbvm.org/resources/news/10-000-raffle.aspx](http://www.assumptionbvm.org/resources/news/10-000-raffle.aspx)

Questions? Contact Sharon Aubuchon at 636-544-1490

WINNER NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN. IN THE EVENT ALL 300 TICKETS ARE NOT SOLD, THE WINNER WILL RECEIVE A PRORATED AMOUNT. RAFFLE WINNER WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO DONATE PRIZE MONEY BACK THE NIGHT OF THE EVENT.

Last Call For Tickets - Only 60 tickets remaining!!!

**Mass Intentions**

**Sunday, Feb 14**

8:00am Doris Beste  
 10:00am Sharon Lathrop  
 12:00pm People of the Parish

**Monday, Feb 15**

6:30am Ruth Olendorff  
 8:00am Respect Life Apostolate

**Tuesday, Feb 16**

6:30am Robert Sachs  
 8:00am Carmela Bamert  
 7:00pm Dave Tabaska

**Wednesday, Feb 17**

6:30am Judy Hebenstreit  
 8:00am Loretta Wilson

**Thursday, Feb 18**

6:30am Living & Deceased Parents &  
 Relatives of Sisters  
 8:00am John Boyd

**Friday, Feb 19**

6:30am Frances Melliere  
 8:00am Kak Eisenbath

**Saturday, Feb 20**

9:00am Leonard Falk  
 5:00pm Mark Tobiasz

**Sunday, Feb 21**

8:00am Herbert Simon  
 10:00am Stacey Christman  
 12:00pm People of the Parish



*Please pray for the repose  
of the soul of:*

Sr Madeline Reiners, CPPS  
of Our Parish Community



Thank you to Fr Mitch,  
the servers and all who  
helped make the fune-  
ral liturgy for Eileen

Mennemeier so beautiful.  
*The Mennemeier Family*

**Club 50+**

Join us on Monday, Feb 22 at  
7:00pm, Hall C. Our entertainment  
for the evening is "Those Three  
Guys". They are retired and sing  
and play for their own pleasure -  
guitar, mandolin, and banjo. We are  
fortunate to have them as our guests  
and hope to have a nice turnout.  
Questions: Call Martha  
636.294.3367

**Readings for the Week  
Feb 15 - Feb 21**

**Mon:** Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10,  
15; Mt 25:31-46  
**Tue:** Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19;  
Mt 6:7-15  
**Wed:** Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13,  
18-19; Lk 11:29-32  
**Thu:** Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps  
138:1-3, 7c-8; Mt 7:7-12  
**Fri:** Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt  
5:20-26  
**Sat:** Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-  
8; Mt 5:43-48  
**Sun:** Gn 15:5-12, 17-18; Ps 27:1, 7-  
9, 13-14; Phil 3:17 - 4:1 [3:20 -  
4:1]; Lk 9:28b-36

**Around Town**

M C Gentemann Special Olympics 4  
Man Euchre Tournament, O Fallon  
KC Hall, Sat, Feb 20, 7:00pm. For  
more info contact Dennis Henson  
314.540.1295

Salad Luncheon BUNCO. Ladies  
KofC Of O'Fallon #2269 March 6.  
\$15.00. For info or tickets call Deb-  
bie at 636.240.8918

St Dominic HS (O Fallon) Alumni  
Basketball Tournament. Mar 17-20  
For more info: stdominichs.org/  
alumni-events.html

**Server Schedule**

**Saturday, Feb 20**  
5:00pm Drew Kuykendall  
Megan McNeese  
Marissa McNeese

**Sunday, Feb 21**  
8:00am Jimmy Norris  
Justin Rothermich  
Luke Rothermich  
10:00am Maddie Poropat  
Matthew Lewis  
Pricila Fuentes  
12:00pm Kendal Willie  
Benjamin Repaso  
Delsin Puchalski

**Stewardship  
Our Gifts to God and Parish**

We are grateful to you for your presence, your participation,  
and your financial support of Assumption Parish.

	Jan 10	Jul 1, 15 - Jan 10, 16
Envelopes (511)	\$ 24,408	\$ 810,506
Online Giving	\$ 0	\$ 131,231
Loose	\$ 944	\$ 36,053
Total	\$ 25,352	\$ 977,790
		Budget 1,000,453

It takes an average weekly collection of \$36,000  
to sustain our parish mission.

*"Every man according as he purposes in his heart, so let him give;  
not grudgingly, or of necessity, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2Cor 9:7"*

## Assumption Youth Ministry



**This Lent try something a little different.  
Check out these apps to help:**

- Laudate (iOS, Android) - from Daily Readings, Rosary or Liturgy of the Hours this can help plug you in to even more ways to pray
- Mary (iOS, Android) – journey with Our Lady through Lent in this beautiful way to approach her Son.
- Confession (iOS, Android) – this app develops an examination of conscience based on age/sex/vocation and walks you through the sacrament.

### Feb

**17** – Bible Study in Church – Join Fr. Mark as he helps us listen to the powerful words we'll hear on Sunday.  
Church 7-8:30pm

**21** – LUKE 18 TEAM MEETING – Sophia House Disciples 1:30-3:30 - Core Team 3:30-5:30

**24** – XTT – Another incredible night of coming together to pray, sing, laugh, dance....it just doesn't get any better than this!!!! Hall C 7-9pm

**28** – LUKE 18 TEAM MEETING – Meyer Room/Hall C 1:30-3:30pm

### March

**2** – STUDIP – Come hang out with other high school teens at the Sophia House (North corner of our main parking lot) where we play games, catch up and basically just hang out to build community. 7-8:30

**5-6** – LUKE 18 Team Overnight

**9** – Xtreme Teen – Another stellar night of taking our faith to the next level. It just keeps getting better. Bring someone to share it with! Hall C 7-9pm

**10-12** – LUKE 18 RETREAT!!!!

**16** – Bible Study – God's Word ALIVE. Come find out how. Church 7-8:30pm

**23** – Xtreme Teen – Tonight we'll be experiencing Divine Mercy. Will you??? Hall C 7-9pm

**30** – NO EVENT – Spring Break – ENJOY!

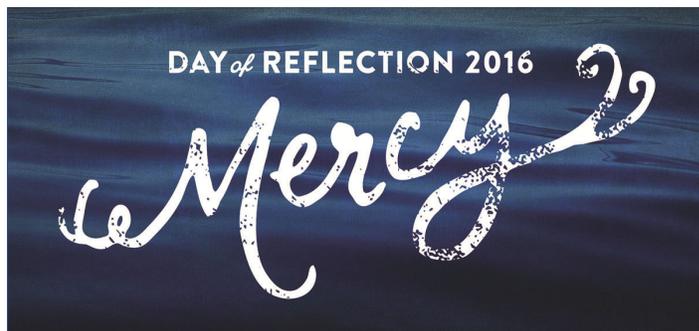
Email: [abvmyouth@gmail.com](mailto:abvmyouth@gmail.com)

Phone: 636.485.5221

Like us on Facebook: Assumption Church Youth Group

Follow us on twitter: [@ACYG\\_Youth\\_Ministry](https://twitter.com/ACYG_Youth_Ministry)

INSTAGRAM: [acyg.youthministry](https://www.instagram.com/acyg.youthministry)



The fourth annual Assumption Parish Day of Reflection will be held from 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. on **Saturday, March 5**. Registration begins at 7:30am and the program begins at 8am

This one-day event drew 200 people last year, and this year's Day of Reflection is sure to feed your faith during this holy season of Lent! Great speakers, great fellowship, and lunch will be provided!

Seating is limited. Please RSVP today by emailing Mickie McCool at [mymccool@gmail.com](mailto:mymccool@gmail.com) or call 314.610.5651.

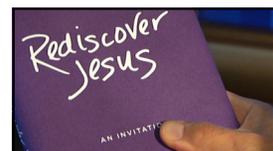
## Forty Days of Lent

If you are interested in marching at the abortion clinic for 2 hours with a partner once a week or even just one or two times during Lent please call Sylvia 636.979.8803.

## Rediscover Jesus - Lenten Program

This Lent participate in a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that is based on Matthew Kelly's bestseller *Rediscover Jesus*. Copies of the book *Rediscover Jesus* are available in the Narthex for those who want to participate in the program.

Each day you'll get an inspirational email with a short video featuring Matthew Kelly and a member of the Dynamic Catholic Team. Throughout Lent, they will guide you through each of the 40 chapters in *Rediscover Jesus* and share simple ways to bring Jesus into your everyday life. The program is free! All you have to do is sign up at [DynamicCatholic.com/Lent](http://DynamicCatholic.com/Lent)





Last weekend the RCIA team met with each individual to explore the direction in which their faith journey is leading them.

Starting with Ash Wednesday, we begin our Lenten journey and the period of Purification and Enlightenment. In the RCIA process, there are four distinct periods: Pre-Catechumenate, Catechumenate, Purification and Enlightenment, and Mystagogy. During the period of Purification and Enlightenment, the focus becomes a stronger emphasis on the spiritual and mystical life, through reflection and meditation, in preparation for the Sacraments.

This weekend at all the Masses, we will celebrate the Rite of Sending with the men and women in the RCIA process. We will ask them if they are ready to begin their final period of preparation for Sacraments; we'll ask their sponsors if their candidates and catechumens are ready for Sacraments, and finally, we will ask you, the congregation, if you are willing to support them through your prayers and example. In the afternoon, these same men, women, and sponsors celebrate the Rite of Election at the Cathedral with the Bishop.

Today, prayer cards will be passed out with the name and picture of each of our candidates and catechumens on them. We are asking each one of you - every man, woman and child - to take a prayer card and pray for that person throughout all of Lent. Then we'd like to ask you to write a note of support on each card and turn them in by March 13, and we will give them to our candidates and catechumens that weekend during their Retreat Day. There will be a basket in the back of church for you to put the cards in.

Please continue to pray for the men and women in our RCIA process and for their sponsors.

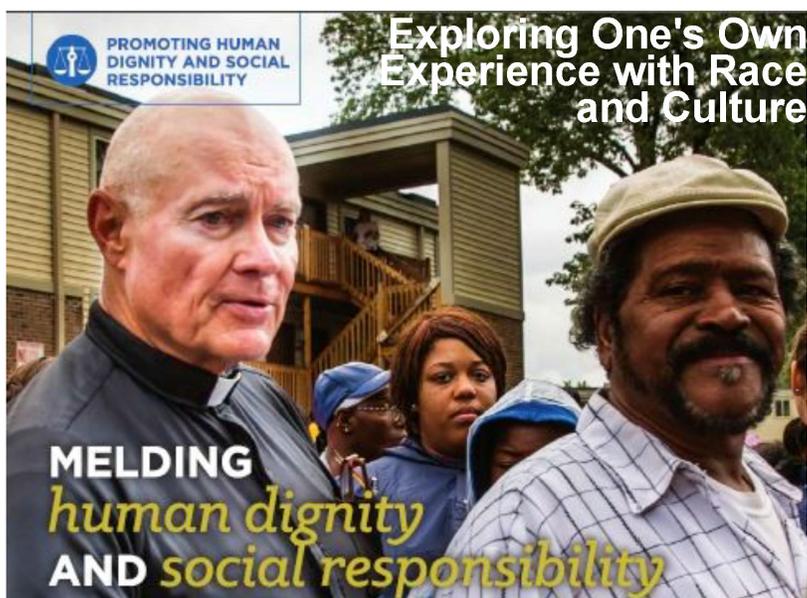
## These Forty Days

These forty days of Lent are for us a mirror of Jesus' own forty days in the desert. Even Jesus, the beloved Son of God on whom God's favor rests, needed a time of preparation; a time of purification. We trust that our hope will never be disappointed; and we are willing, through fasting and prayer, to cultivate our hope in Christ.

Let us use this season of Lent to instill habits of mind and soul which will sustain us for all the other seasons to come. Is it five minutes of silent prayer each morning? Is it 30 minutes of refreshing exercise three days each week? Is it one date night each month with our spouse or dear friend? Let us find what truly nourishes our soul and give ourselves that gift this Lent.

Please take a copy of REDISCOVER JESUS, along with other materials to assist your prayer during Lent. As each one of us seeks to be renewed, our whole community will be blessed. I also commend to you Chris, Sarah, Elizabeth, Lizzy, Angie, Theresa, Brianne, Kim, Gayle, Karen, Jim, Scott, Jeff and Blake, our catechumens and candidates who will enter the Church at Easter. Please pray for all of them, and choose one to pray for in a special way every day during Lent.

Commending you and our mission to Mary, our Mother, *Fr Mitch*



### SACRED CONVERSATIONS ON RACE

Last month over 24 St. Charles County congregations, including Assumption, St. Cletus, St. Charles Borromeo, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Sisters of the Precious Blood and St. Peter met for a conversation on race. Our next event, titled Exploring One's Own Experience with Race and Culture will take place at CPPS Motherhouse Conference Room on Feb 23 and Mar 29, 7:00pm.

The experience will be led by two trained facilitators. The experience will be interactive, nonjudgmental and respectful of your own experience and understandings. Aligned with Pope Francis' call for inclusiveness, this will be a starting point for all of us. Fact and research yet prayerful, this will help in our own way of thinking and build empathy and understanding for us as God's people. For more information contact: Sr. Ellen Orf: [elorf@cpps-ofallon.org](mailto:elorf@cpps-ofallon.org).



## Life, Peace, and Restorative Justice

*Following Jesus, Practicing the Gospel: First Sunday of Lent (Luke 4:1-13)*



### Reflection Questions:

- When did you hear God say to you, “You are my beloved son/daughter?”
- How are you tempted like the nonviolent Jesus to despair, domination, and doubt, and how can you reject those temptations? How can you live according to the word of God, trust God and God’s way of nonviolence, and worship the living God more and more?
- How can you go forth like the nonviolent Jesus into the culture of violence and announce God’s reign of justice, peace, and nonviolence?

### Prayer

Dear God of Peace, help me claim my true identity as your beloved son/daughter, that I might fulfill my vocation to be your peacemaker. Help me to reject the temptations of violence, of despair, domination, and doubt, as Jesus does in the desert. Help me to trust you, take you at your word, live according to way on nonviolence, and worship you alone. Help me to

go forth like Jesus to proclaim the coming of your reign of justice, peace and nonviolence, a new world without war, poverty, racism, sexism, nuclear weapons, and environmental destruction. Amen



### Faith In Action

- Spend some time alone in nature, sharing solitude with Jesus, and choose with him to live always in peace and nonviolence as the beloved child of God.
- Make a list of things that give you hope, and ways you can choose to live in hope.
- Journal about your relationship with the God of peace, your image of God, and your image of yourself in the light of God. How does that relationship inform your work for justice and peace?

## Attention All Ministries

We now have a **GREEN TEAM** that is here to help you *Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle*. Co-coordinators Wendy Prakop and Bruce Prinster want to attend your meetings and events and help you learn how to reduce waste, purchase smarter, and manage all your waste in an environmentally friendly way. When they or one of their **Green Team Ministers** introduce themselves to you at your meetings, please welcome them and work with them to better care for our community and our world.

Just a few points:

- In the spirit of conservation, the parish will no longer purchase any plastic water bottles. Please bring your own reusable water bottle or use a pitcher of water and a paper cup. We are researching where these should be purchased.
- Recycling: paper, plastic, aluminum, cardboard, cans should be placed in a clear plastic liner and taken to the **Green Recycle Bin** behind the gated trash area. Plastic liners are currently in the janitor’s closet or the kitchen or hanging on the sides of trash cans.
- Food waste and Styrofoam can go in a black liner in the trash bin inside the gated area.
- If you begin a meeting on our campus, please tend to waste management as part of your plan.
- Pre-planning is great! Invite Wendy and Bruce to put a plan in place ahead of time, or ask for a **Green Team** member to attend your event.

If you or anyone in your ministry would like to volunteer to be point person within your committee, please have them contact Wendy and Bruce.

### Email Co-coordinators:

Wendy Prakop, [wprakop@charter.net](mailto:wprakop@charter.net) or  
Bruce Prinster, [bprins01@yahoo.com](mailto:bprins01@yahoo.com)

## Assumption School Spring Auction

Assumption School’s Spring Auction is approaching. The date is set for April 16! We are looking for donations of all kinds! Do you have a vacation home to share, frequent a restaurant that would donate a gift card, have a connection with an entertainment destination, own your own business, enjoy employer matching gifts? We are looking for new items valued at \$25 or more, gift cards of any value and even cash donations. Also, if you would like to volunteer to help with the auction during the days leading up, the setup, or work the night of the auction, we welcome your assistance. Please contact Kirsten Mulvaney at 314.583.2233 or [kirstenmulvaney@gmail.com](mailto:kirstenmulvaney@gmail.com).



SAVE THE DATE

*A Night in Disguise*  
MASQUERADE BALL

**ASSUMPTION SCHOOL  
DINNER AUCTION**

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 2016  
6:00 PM - 10:00 PM

COCKTAILS  
BUFFET DINNER  
SILENT & LIVE AUCTIONS  
DJ & DANCING



**CELEBRATION OF THE MASS**

**Weekend Masses**

Saturday 9:00am  
(Motherhouse Chapel)  
Vigil 5:00pm  
Sunday 8:00am  
10:00am  
12:00pm

**Daily Mass**

Weekdays 6:30am  
(Motherhouse Chapel)  
8:00am

**RECONCILIATION**

Saturday 4:00-4:45pm

**BAPTISM**

2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 1:15pm. Required Preparation Class. Call 240.3721 to register.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL**  
636.272.4758 (Helpline)

**CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE**

Those preparing for marriage should contact the rectory at least one year in advance. One party must be a registered member of Assumption and living an active, practicing Catholic life. Contact Christine at the Parish Office.

**RITE of CHRISTIAN INITIATION of ADULTS**

(RCIA) Process through which adults are initiated into the Catholic Church by Baptism or Profession of Faith. For information Missy Lowrey 314.630.3983.

**PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION**

Religious instruction in the Catholic faith. Call Derlene Hirtz, 636.240.1020 for information or to register.

**CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME**

For inactive Catholics returning to Church. For more information call Steve King, 699.9961 or Dee King 734.3437.

**MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION**

For one-on-one grief support, contact Kris Bohn at 379.8567, and for information regarding our grief support series, which is held twice per year, contact Lynn Crews at 294.0821.

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**ASSUMPTION SCHOOL**

Principal: Genny Callier  
636.240.4474

**BULLETIN NOTICES**

Submit to Parish Office by Tuesday 9:00am

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