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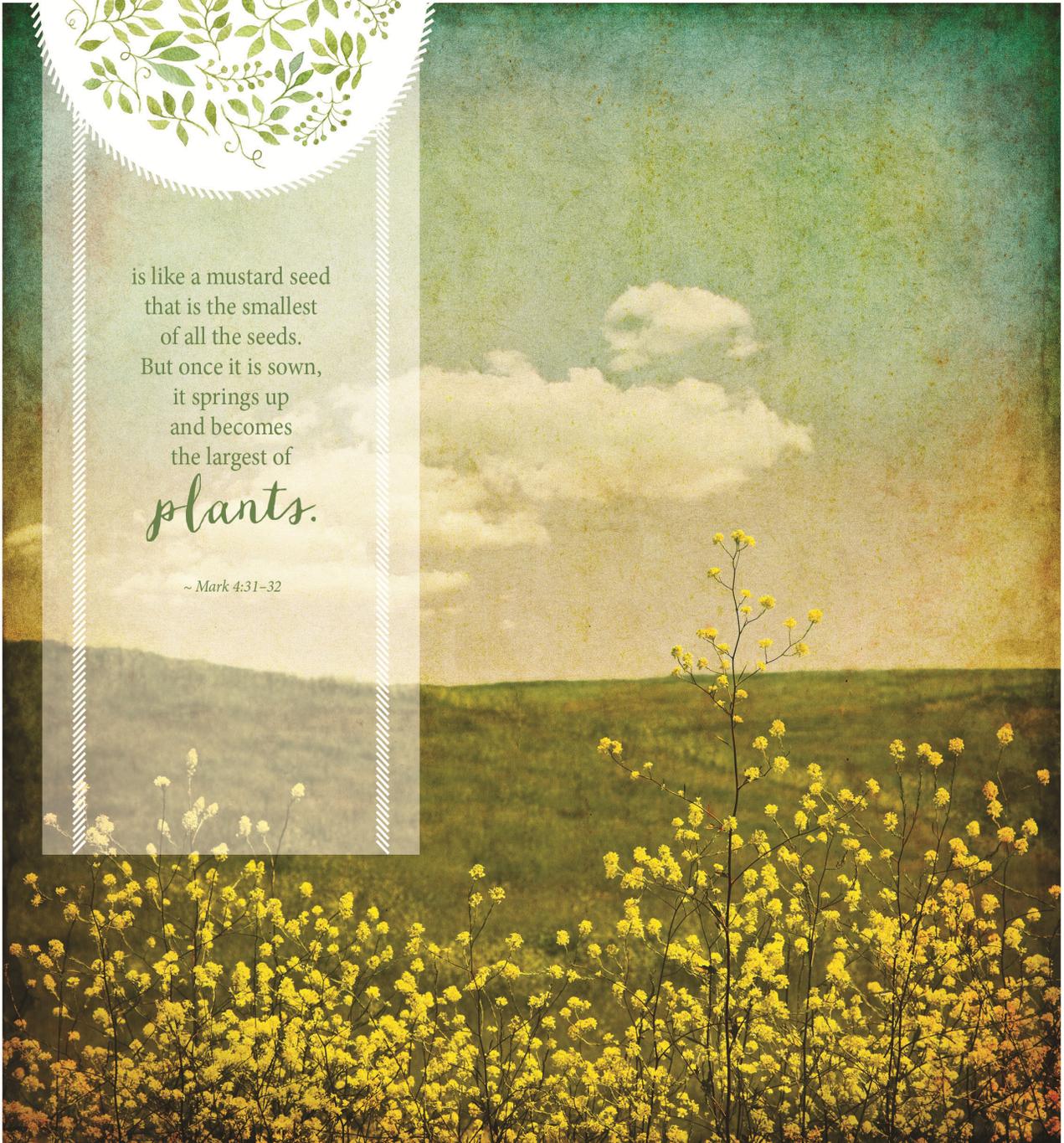
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



The Kingdom of God

is like a mustard seed
that is the smallest
of all the seeds.
But once it is sown,
it springs up
and becomes
the largest of
plants.

~ Mark 4:31-32



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Preparing for Pope Francis's Encyclical: Caring for Creation and the Poorest Among Us

Pope Francis is gearing up to release his Papal Encyclical on the environment this summer and will make the humanitarian and spiritual case for acting on climate change. The much-anticipated teaching document will be the first from a pope to be devoted entirely on creation and human relationship with it. The encyclical is likely to reference such themes as: the possible causes of global warming; the human toll on climate change; the need to repair our relationship with the natural world; the call to view environmental advocacy as an opportunity for dialogue and evangelization; and a gospel call to peoples of all faiths to make lifestyle choices to reduce the existential threat to human beings from anthropogenic climate change.

In September, the Pope will travel to the U.S. where he'll address the U.N. as world leaders gather to agree on a new set of sustainable development goals. Pope Francis is calling on the global faith community to discern, not simply on whether our lifestyles are promoting care for creation, but also whether our social, economic, and political choices protect the interests of the poorest among us.

**“... We need to see, with the eyes of faith, the beauty of God's saving plan,
the link between the natural environment
and the dignity of the human person.”
- Pope Francis, January 18, 2015**

Reflection

- How does human action fail to respect nature and have an effect on inequality and increase what Pope Francis describes as, “globalization of indifference” and “economics of exclusion?”
- If you believe humans are the main cause of global warming, do you think you contribute to global warming and, if so, how?

Prayer For the Environmental Common Good

As we breathe the very air which sustains us, we remember your love, God, which gives us life. Fill us with your compassion for Creation. Empty us of apathy, selfishness, and fear of all pessimism and hesitation. Breathe into us solidarity with all who suffer now and the future generations who will suffer because of our environmental irresponsibility. Move us into action to save our earth and to build your sustainable Kingdom. Amen.

Faith In Action

As you prepare for Pope Francis' encyclical on Creation, take some time to appreciate the beauty of God's gift of Creation.





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

Some of the words used to describe Assumption Parish by our most recent members: Friendly, welcoming, organized, alive, vibrant, community oriented, accepting, prayerful!

Boeing Employee Parishioners and Families!!

The Boeing Company’s Employee Community Fund Bridges Program provides an opportunity to fund a special team project where Boeing employees, retirees and family members come together and make an important difference in our parish family and our community. We are very excited to tell you that we have been approved for \$1,000 worth of supplies for our Boeing Assumption team to use their labor and fellowship to build the wheelchair accessible pathway through “Ellie’s Garden”. This most awesome event will be part of the July 11 “Garden Raising”. An added bonus is a free Boeing t-shirt! Please call or email Victoria Briggs at victoria.j.briggs@boeing.com or 314.518.4048 to sign-up to participate and be part of the Boeing Assumption team.



Today is St. Vincent De Paul food Sunday. At this time the

pantry is in need of the following items: powered milk, boxed potatoes, pancake mix and syrup, grape jelly, tuna helpers, chicken helpers, pasta roni, rice a roni, dish soap, paper towels, window cleaner, toilet bowl cleaner, and multi purpose cleaner. Grocery store gift cards are always welcome. Thank you for your continued support.

Get Connected

We received many requests to join Small Church Communities on Pentecost Sunday, and we are working through that list to make connections, one group at a time. If you long to express your faith, grow in friendship and deepen your relationship with God, consider joining a Small Church Community. Call Mickie McCool in the parish office 636.240.3721 x229 or email MyMcCool@gmail.com.



This Week At Assumption

Sunday, June 14

Baptism
1:15pm Church

Monday, June 15

Fall Festival Planning
6:30pm Room D/E

Parish Council

7:00pm Conference Room

Tuesday, June 16

PHD/Benediction
6:30pm Chapel

Athletic Assoc

7:00pm Room D/E

Grounds Committee

7:00pm Sophia 1

Wednesday, June 17

Extreme Teen Bible Study
7:00pm Church

Sunday, Jun 21

Father’s Day



PRAYER • PARTICIPATION • GENEROSITY

S T E W A R D S H I P

“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive good or evil, according to what he has done in the body.” - 2 Corinthians 5:10

We are all accountable for the gifts God has given us on Earth – our time, talent and treasure. One day each of us will be asked by God what we did with those gifts. How will you respond?

JOIN US FOR A

33 Days to Morning Glory

Small-Group
Retreat

“I’m so glad I was asked to do this program. It has been a beautiful and powerful moment of grace for me.”

— Fr. Steven, MN

Join us for a 6 week small-group retreat in preparation for Marian Consecration. This retreat is based on the popular book by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC, *33 Days to Morning Glory*.

Gain new insights into Marian Consecration, learn how key saints and blessed lived it out, and how you can live it out as well.

Easy As 1-2-3!

1. Read

Read the select readings in the retreat book.

2. Ponder

Ponder the daily reading and questions in the *Retreat Companion*.

3. Meet

Meet regularly with your group.

33 Days to Morning Glory will begin at Assumption the week of July 8. For questions or to register contact Mickie McCool at 636.240.3721 ext 229 or MyMcCool@gmail.com

The 33 Days to Morning Glory Retreat is brought to you by Hearts Afire: Parish-based Programs from the Marian Fathers of the Immaculate Conception (HAPP®).



MARIAN FATHERS OF THE
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION



The retreats for women and men are just around the corner, and you are invited! What? Can't make it? Is it because...

- My current health issues would prevent me from staying overnight.
- Our company has a huge regional meeting the Monday after the retreat and I need to prepare.
- That's the weekend of the big baseball, soccer, basketball game for my child.
- Inside for a whole weekend!?
- If I give up another weekend, I don't think I will ever get stuff around the house finished.
- I don't need to share my faith with a bunch of "strangers." My relationship with just God and me in private is just fine.
- I do enough at the Church already. They will probably just use this as another opportunity to ask me to volunteer for something else.
- It wouldn't be fair to my family to leave for a whole weekend.
- Huggy, touchy, feeling is for other people.
- I only get to hang out with my friends once a week and that happens on Saturday mornings.

Here are the top 10 blessings retreat participants receive during and after the weekend...

New relationships at church
 I'm a better father, mother, friend, person
 I made new friends... good and faithful friends
 Re-energized
 Deepened my relationship with Christ
 Clarity
 I'm a better husband, wife, friend, daughter, son
 It 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

*Do any of the reasons for not attending sound familiar? Or do you have one of your own that didn't make the list? We encourage you to look **beyond your reason** to the blessings **that the weekend could provide** for you and sign up for our upcoming retreats!*

If you are new to the parish, we challenge you to avoid creating a reason for not attending and sign up for our upcoming retreat.

Summer Retreat Dates:

Women's retreat - June 27-28

Call: Tracy Virtue at 314-495-7283 or email llrdhd@yahoo.com

Men's retreat - July 25-26

Call: Jim Wehmeier at 636-485-4291 or email jewehmeier@hotmail.com

Assumption Youth Ministry



**Welcome back to all those who served
at Catholic Heart Work Camp!
Thanks for representing Assumption and spreading
Christ's love to the people of Memphis!**

June

17 – BIBLE STUDY – You know the drill! God's Word + YOU = POWER!! Church 7-8:30pm

24 – XTREME TEEN – Summer, summer, ah summer. Soaking up the sun and the SON! Don't miss it!!! This night we will meet outside or if it's raining in the gym!

July

1 – STUDIP – Come on our and get ready to have a blast...don't miss it! Sophia House 7-8:30pm

8 - XTREME TEEN – Another fabulous night of spiritual food! We know you're hungry...COME AND GET IT!!! Hall C 7-9pm

10-12- STEUBENVILLE CONFERENCE
Springfield, MO

15 – BIBLE STUDY – You don't want to miss another night to soak up God's Word. Fr. Mark is a pillar of knowledge...come let him share it with you. In Church 7-8:30pm

22 – WATER OLYMPICS – Let the games begin....
Outside 7-9pm

Email: abvmyouth@gmail.com

Phone: 636.485.5221

Like us on Facebook: Assumption Church Youth Group

Follow us on twitter: [ACYG Youth Ministry@acygyouth](mailto:ACYG_Youth_Ministry@acygyouth)

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

Are You Someone or Do You Know Someone Who . . .

Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?

Was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist?

We offer an opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Our Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) process sessions focus on the teachings and experience of Church and prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter season. Adults from all faith traditions or no religious background at all, are welcome to participate in our instruction beginning in September. For information please contact Missy Lowery at 314.630.3983.



Packet Pick Up: Students, CITs, and Teachers can pick up shirts and packets with information about class assignments for VBS after all Masses THIS weekend June 13/14.

VBS Week Info: Our bible school week runs June 15-19. Drop off for VBS students is from 8:45 to 9:00 am each day at the student's assigned classroom. Daily pick up will happen in the classroom at 12 pm (following our daily closing assembly). Please be sure to have students and CITs wear their VBS shirts each day.

Please note the upper parking lot gates (lot B) will be closed during VBS week. Please plan to park in lot A, C, or D to drop off and pick up your children from their classrooms. All students must be signed in and out each day.

Parents, grandparents, and friends are invited to join us on Friday 6/19 at 11:30 am for our closing assembly in the church. The children will be showing us some of the songs they learned at VBS. Students will return to their classrooms after assembly to be dismissed (around 12:15 pm).

Save the Date: VBS students and CITs are invited to wear their VBS shirts and perform a song during all masses the weekend of June 20/21- we would like to show our parish family a bit of the fun we had that week! More details will be sent out by email to all participants.

Assumption's Growing Project

This Father's Day, we invite you to honor your dad with a Gift Card from the Growing Project. The Gift Card is free and the donation you make to the Growing Project helps to sustain the lives of our brothers and sisters who suffer. Gift Cards can be picked up in the Parish Office when you make your donation between the hours of 8am and 4pm. Thank you.

Prayer Request: Our farming partners in Bucyrus, Kansas have asked for our prayers. The daily rains have kept the fields so wet that they are four weeks behind in planting.

If you would like to volunteer with the Growing Project Ministry, please contact Sarah Beams, 240.3721 ext 226 or abvmsarah@yahoo.com.

Retreat for Married Couples

Join Jim and Shelly Schneider, fellow parishioners, and Fr. Mitch Doyen at the fourth annual Retreat for Married Couples at Eagle Hurst Ranch in Steelville, MO. The retreat will be held Friday evening, September 25, through noon on Sunday, September 27. Spend time with your loved one, enjoy the beautiful surroundings and grow closer to God... together as a married couple. Paul and Lisa Masek of the St. Louis REAP team will host and speakers include Tony and Jenni Butz. Music and a gourmet dinner by Chef Tom Balk will be featured Saturday night. Cost will be \$260 per couple and includes all meals, lodging and all retreat activities. Call 1.800.25.RANCH to book. Contact Shelly Schneider at schneid5@charter.net or Steve Butz at steve.butz@crawfordbutz.com for more information.

2015 Fall Festival:

Our first planning meeting for this year's festival will be held in Room D/E at 6:30pm on June 15. Please join us if you would like to be a part of the planning committee. This year we are in need of a captain for the following areas; Country Store, Dining Room & Funnel Cakes. If you have any interest in volunteering or would like more information on these areas - please join us, we welcome you!

The Seed Cracked Open

We are the seeds sown by God's grace in every corner of the world. And it is our faith that cracks us open so God's Kingdom can be revealed. Every time we risk to love, every time we sacrifice for another and every time we move forward in the face of fear we participate in God's life fully present in every step of our journey. God so loved the world that he chose to dwell within us, to share life with us in the seed which is destined to be a rich harvest, to be medicine for the nations and to be shade for all who need rest. God is with us. - *Fr Mitch*

THE SEED CRACKED OPEN

*It used to be that when I would wake in the morning I could with confidence say,
"What am 'I' going to Do?"*

*That was before the seed cracked open.
Now Hafiz is certain:*

*There are two of us housed in this body,
doing the shopping together in the market
and tickling each other while fixing the
evening's food.*

*Now when I awake all the internal
instruments play the same music:*

*"God, what love-mischief can 'We' do
for the world today?"*

(Hafiz, a Sufi poet, expressed in poetry love for the divine, and the intoxicating oneness of union with it.)



Mass Intentions

Sunday, June 14

8:00am Kenneth Lang
 10:00am Tony Trautman
 12:00pm People of the Parish

Monday, June 15

6:30am Respect Life Apostolate
 8:00am Jackie Alt

Tuesday, June 16

6:30am Connie Loomis
 8:00am Ray Ell

Wednesday, June 17

6:30am Vocations
 8:00am Joe Meyer

Thursday, June 18

6:30am Living & Deceased of
 Scego & Schwarczyk Families
 8:00am Thomas Angus

Friday, June 19

6:30am Joseph Kovarik
 8:00am Albert Mennemeier

Saturday, June 20

9:00am Living & Deceased Parents &
 Relatives of CPPS Sisters
 5:00pm Duane Manor

Sunday, June 21

8:00am Deacon Don Wussler
 10:00am William Dubuque
 12:00pm People of the Parish



We pray for the repose of the soul of:

Ray O'Daniels
 Grandfather of Christa Heath

Ron Shoffstall
 Brother-in-law of
 Elaine Kinkelaar

*May God welcome them home,
 fill them with peace, and bless those
 who will miss them.*

Club 50+ News

You are invited to join us Monday, June 22, 7:00pm, Hall C. Entertainment for the evening will be the Jim Edwards Nostalgia and Magic Show. Jim is a versatile performer with something for everyone. Questions call Martha 636.294.3367.



Save the date!
 Saturday August 29, is

the date of this year's Assumption Golf Tournament. The tournament will be held at Incline Village Golf Course, shotgun start at 1:00pm. All proceeds go to Assumption School.

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

- Mon:** 2 Cor 6:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2b, 3-4; Mt 5:38-42
- Tue:** 2 Cor 8:1-9; Ps 146:2, 5-9a; Mt 5:43-48
- Wed:** 2 Cor 9:6-11; Ps 112:1bc-4, 9; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
- Thu:** 2 Cor 11:1-11; Ps 111:1b-4, 7-8; Mt 6:7-15
- Fri:** 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30; Ps 34:2-7; Mt 6:19-23
- Sat:** 2 Cor 12:1-10; Ps 34:8-13; Mt 6:24-34
- Sun:** Jb 38:1, 8-11; Ps 107:23-26, 28-31; 2 Cor 5:14-17; Mk 4:35-41



**Crusader Run
 Save The Date!**

Join us Saturday September 12, 8:00am. For more information visit:

<http://www.fleetfeetstlouis.com/racing/highlighted-races/crusader-run>

Volunteers will be needed on the day before the race and race day. To volunteer contact Scott at 636.240.8041 or 314.249.5091 or scott.wilcox@centurytel.net.

Night at Busch Stadium

The Sisters of the Most Precious Blood are sponsoring a Night at Busch Stadium on June 26. Cards vs Cubs at 7:15pm. Game tickets are \$40 with special group seating in the outfield loge sections 328-331. Bus transportation is available from Assumption's parking lot. Cost : \$15.

Ticket order form available: www.cpps-ofallon.org or call 636.240.6010.

**Stewardship
 Our Gifts to God and Parish**

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

	May 24	Jul 1, 2014 - May 24, 2015
Envelopes (532)	\$ 23,327	\$ 1,404,155
Online Giving (1xMonth)	\$ - - -	\$ 207,662
Loose	\$ 915	\$ 61,301
Total	\$ 24,242	\$ 1,673,118
		Budget 1,700,292

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"



YOUNG ADULT GROUP NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK!

Come out to cheer on the River City Rascals!

Just bring an old blanket or chair, buy a \$7.00 lawn seat and come meet us out there!

 Now follow Assumption's Young Adult Group for updates of upcoming events on **Facebook!** Just search "Assumption Young Adult Group" and click "Join."

SATURDAY,
JUNE 27TH

GAME STARTS
AT 6:35 PM

\$7.00

AGES: 20-40

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Music by Local Born
Matt Wynn
As seen on American Idol!



Beers on Tap

Horseshoe Tournament
Starts at 2:00

Cardinal Game vs Kansas City
Shown on TV at 1:15



When: Sunday June 14th 1:15 – 7:00 PM
Where: Knights of Columbus Hall
202 W 3rd St O'Fallon MO
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!
(Five Dollar Cover Charge for Adults)

Auction Baskets
Drawn at 4:00 PM

Pull Tabs

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.

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 Janet 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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