

# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

MAY 11, 2025

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

## Welcome!

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Weekday Mass

Monday-Friday: 6:30am, 8am  
Saturday: 8am

#### Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil: 5pm  
Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12pm, 5:30pm

#### Confessions

Monday-Friday: 7:30-7:50am  
Saturday: 4-4:50pm or by  
appointment  
Sunday: by appointment

#### Holy Days

Vigil for Feast: 5:30pm  
Feast Day: 6:30am, 8am and 7pm

## Parish Information

403 N. Main Street  
O'Fallon, MO 63366  
Parish Office: 636-240-3721

Parish Office Hours:  
Monday-Thursday: 8am-4pm  
Friday: 8am-3pm



## HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

MARY IS  
THE MOTHER  
WHO WATCHES  
OVER US,  
HER CHILDREN,  
ON OUR  
JOURNEY  
THROUGH LIFE,  
OFTEN WEARY  
AND IN NEED,  
ANXIOUS THAT  
THE LIGHT OF  
HOPE NOT FAIL.

CHRISTUS VIVIT, NO. 48

## SACRAMENTS AND PARISH INFORMATION

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office, 636-240-3721. Select Option #2.

### BAPTISM

Baptism is scheduled every Sunday at 1:15pm. Baptism preparation class is required. Call Angie Gloriod, ext 235.

### CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Office six months in advance. One party must be a registered member of Assumption and living an active, practicing Catholic life. Contact Angie Gloriod at the Parish Office, ext 235.

### CONFIRMATION

Preparation begins in September for students entering eighth grade. For more information, call Holly Woytus, 636-240-1020.

### FIRST COMMUNION

Preparation begins in September for students entering second grade. For more information, call Holly Woytus, 636-240-1020.

### FUNERALS

Please call Debbie Collins at the Parish Office at 636-240-3721, ext 221.

### CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (formally RCIA)

Process through which adults are initiated into the Catholic Church by Baptism or Profession of Faith. Contact Missy Lowrey, 314-630-3983.

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O'Fallon, MO 63366  
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Hello,

As I am writing this, I am looking forward towards the Conclave to elect our new pope that began on Wednesday, May 7, and I'm hoping that by the time you read this, we have a new pope. Of course, various news media have been printing conjectures about the new pope and all the factors that might affect the election, and I am sure will continue after the pope is named. Some people freely engage in this, and others consider it being too political with the selection of a religious leader and that we shouldn't speculate or discuss this at all but simply wait and pray for the selection. I'm probably somewhere in the middle. I don't think I am going to influence the selection with my personal choices – and I don't want to form opinions that will make me less receptive of whoever the new pope will be – but I think this is also an opportunity to grow in our understanding and appreciation for the universality of the Church.



This universality is most obvious in the change in the geography of the Cardinal electors that has been well publicized over the past few weeks. Instead of the high concentration of Italians, and then Europeans, and then those from Western countries, this conclave has significantly increased numbers from Central and South America, Asia and Africa. This not only makes us aware of our need to consider the Missionary Church, but also how some of these areas are no longer missionary and might look at areas that have been traditionally more Catholic and consider it could use some missionary help.

Considering what we want in a new pope can also be a very good thing, if we are open to recognize not only our personal needs, but also the needs of all the Church. If we are not open to talk about some of this, we can often just internally continue to build up our own desires and may not even be open to listen to God in recognizing our needs. We also have to be open to recognize that even if some of our desires are good, that the needs of others can be more important, especially when the pope has responsibility on a global scale. Realizing that while God is unlimited, we live in a world of time and space that does have limitations and that the Pope is called to lead us in realization of both our limited, and unlimited natures.

I'm hoping that in our new pope, I will be happy with some of the characteristics that are known about him, enlightened by characteristics that I hadn't considered as much as I should have, and open to the ways God will work through him to unite us to one another and to God.

And even the election of a new pope shouldn't distract us from something we are celebrating today – Mother's Day. The pope may help form the Church, but our mothers have an even greater influence on directly forming each of us. Thank you to all the mothers in our parish and of our parishioners, may we show them the love and respect that they deserve for all they have done for us.

Peace and happy Mother's Day,

*Fr. Nick*

### ASSUMPTION PRAYER CHAPEL



Adoration is available 24/7 in the Chapel (the old church) by using the code at the north transit entrance. You can call or come to the Church Office to receive the code. **Please note: the doors will be locked from 11am-2pm on Tuesdays for safety protocol.**

EXPOSITION is on Tuesdays 9am-10pm, and available through the Rosary at 6:15pm, followed by our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions. Exposition continues until 10pm.

During Eucharistic Exposition, when the Eucharist is in the monstrance and exposed, an adorer must be present. If you are interested in being an adorer, visit [assumptionbvm.weadorehim.com](http://assumptionbvm.weadorehim.com) to sign up and choose a time. Thank you!

### PRAY THE ROSARY BEFORE WEEKEND MASSES

Please join us in Church 30 minutes before each weekend Mass for the Rosary (except 5:30 pm Mass on Sundays). We gather and pray before the Holy Family Statue.

### IN LOVING MEMORY OF

**Robert Bittick**  
of our parish family

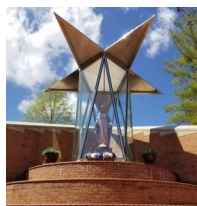
**Mary Firle**  
of our parish family



**We pray for God's blessing on all mothers;**  
our mothers both living and dead, spiritual mothers, godmothers, foster mothers, stepmothers and expectant mothers.

We especially pray for women who long to be mothers or who have lost children in miscarriage and stillbirth or have experienced the death of a child after birth no matter what age. We entrust the care of all mothers to Mary, the mother of our Lord, who understands the joys and sorrows of motherhood.

### MARY QUEEN OF PEACE SHRINE MASS WEDNESDAY, MAY 14, 7PM



Please join us on Wednesday, May 14 at 7pm for an outdoor Mass at the Mary Queen of Peace Shrine, located at 301 Coronation Drive, O'Fallon, (Corner of Civic Park Dr and Imperial Dr past Sigmund Auto Service).

Fr. Nick Kastenzholz will preside the Mass, followed by the rosary and divine mercy rosary (weather permitting). Please bring a lawn chair.

For more information, call Sylvia Kiphart, 636-978-8803.

### GOODBYE TO SEMINARIAN JOEY GRIGGS

Last weekend, Assumption had to say goodbye to our faith-filled seminarian, Joey Griggs. This up-and-coming priest has been with us since September 10, 2024, helping with the celebration of Sunday Mass and assisting the Life Teen Youth Ministry. His last day was Sunday, May 4, 2025, and we are forever grateful for his time and spiritual leadership at Assumption over the last several months. Please keep Joey in your prayers as he continues his studies at [Kenrick-Glennon Seminary](#).

*Father, thank You for the generosity of seminarian Joey Griggs. Safeguard him as he prepares for priesthood. Enflame his heart with love so he will be an ardent and gentle shepherd for Your Church. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.*



## INTRODUCING OUR ASSUMPTION BOARD OF EDUCATION NOMINEES WE NEED YOUR VOTE BEFORE MAY 15!

Be sure to cast your vote in the spring Assumption School Board Election! Ballots are being accepted through Thursday, May 15 for the 5 candidates who graciously accepted the nomination to run for the Board of Education 2025-2026 school year. **Please read the descriptions of each nominee.**



**Samantha DeMille:** I'm a parent of a 7th and 3rd grader and have been an active part of our school community for eight years through roles on the PTO, Auction Committee, and as a room parent. Professionally, I lead Strategic Engagement for Plant Biotech at Bayer and hold a master's in Communication, with a focus on communication, engagement, and feedback. I'm passionate about creating a safe, inclusive environment and believe my strong communication skills, collaborative mindset, and unique perspective can make a positive impact. I'd be honored to bring that experience to the Assumption Board of Education



**Jenny Sander:** My name is Jenny Sander and I am honored to be nominated as a candidate for the Assumption Board of Education. My husband, Tim, and I have been Assumption parishioners since 2007. We have two daughters who have been enrolled at Assumption since preschool, our oldest is now in fourth grade and our youngest is in first grade. My background is in professional counseling however I made a career move into the healthcare technology space as a solutions manager shortly after receiving my master's degree. I feel that my educational and professional background serve as a benefit to the Board because I have been trained to listen, educate and offer solutions to my internal and external customer base that make their day-to-day lives easier and more efficient. Outside of my 9-5 job, my primary role is being a mom to my girls. Whether it be as an assistant coach on their volleyball team, co-leading their Girl Scout troop, cheering them on from the sidelines, or just listening to them give me the rundown of their day, they are my number one priority and the biggest reason why I am interested in serving on the Board. Our family loves Assumption and our girls will be enrolled for several years to come so I am extremely invested in the future of our school and what positive changes can be made to better support our children and families. Assumption's biggest asset is the community that is involved in our school and parish. I would be honored to be a vocal advocate for that community to offer solutions that ensure our Assumption alumni look back at their experience as educational, faith filled, and fun.



**Brian Peterson:** As a dedicated and passionate advocate for academic excellence and faith-based education, I am seeking your support to serve on the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary School Board of Education. With a deep commitment to our Catholic values and a strong desire to help every student thrive, I bring a collaborative spirit, fresh perspective, and a focus on transparency, innovation, and student success. I will work tirelessly to support our teachers, engage our families, and ensure our school remains a nurturing, faith-filled environment where all children are encouraged to grow intellectually, morally, and spiritually. Together, we can continue building a strong foundation for our children's futures.

<b>Mass Times and Intentions</b>	<b>SUNDAY 5.11.25</b>	<b>MONDAY 5.12.25</b>	<b>TUESDAY 5.13.25</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 5.14.25</b>
	8:00am People of the Parish 10:00am George Dames 12:00pm MC and Marge Gentemann 5:30pm Marge Collins	6:30am Russell Kiefer 8:00am Monique Moyer (special intention)	6:30am Priests Intention 8:00am John and Rachel Akerley	6:30am Sr. Mary Venard Lebeau 8:00am Norm Ochsner
<b>Reconciliation</b>	By Appointment			
		7:30-7:50am Church or by appointment	7:30-7:50am Church or by appointment	7:30-7:50am Church or by appointment

**BOARD OF EDUCATION NOMINEES (cont'd)**



**Jeni Willis:** I am seeking a position on the Assumption School Board because of my deep commitment to Catholic education, my strong roots in the Assumption community, and my desire to help our school continue to thrive. As a teacher at Assumption since 2007, a parent of three children in the school community, and an active parishioner since 2011, I bring a well-rounded and informed perspective grounded in both faith and service. My involvement in MOPS, PTO, CRHP, and a previous term on the School Board reflects my dedication to supporting students, teachers, and parents alike. Additionally, my leadership experience on the St. Dominic High School Board of Directors and my upcoming role on their faculty equip me with a strategic outlook that I believe will benefit Assumption as it continues to grow. I am passionate about ensuring that Assumption remains the most well-rounded elementary school in our area, and I would be honored to serve the community in this role.



**Christopher DeMille:** I would like to be considered for the Assumption School Board. I'm a proud parent of a 7th and 3rd grader, both of which have been at Assumption since Kindergarten. My background as an accountant and financial analyst for global companies has equipped me with a strong foundation in finance and budgeting. With a Master's degree in Communications, I also bring a unique blend of financial acumen and effective communication skills. I'm committed to supporting our school in a strategic, transparent, and student-focused way and would appreciate the opportunity to be considered for a school board position elevating our students.

**Read the description of each nominee and choose three of your favorite candidates.**

- ◆ **VOTE ONLINE** by scanning the QR Code **or**
- ◆ Fill out a write-in ballot and place it in the ballot box on the table in the Church Narthex. You may also drop it off at the Parish Office drop box outside.



For more information about the election, contact Scott Dillon, Assumption School Board Vice President/President Elect, [sjdillon32360@gmail.com](mailto:sjdillon32360@gmail.com).

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**BOARD OF EDUCATION NOMINEES 2025**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Samantha DeMille**                      \_\_\_\_\_ **Brian Peterson**                      \_\_\_\_\_ **Christopher DeMille**

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**THURSDAY 5.15.25**  
 6:30am Lester Wood  
 8:00am Harold Adams

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7:30-7:50am Church  
 or by appointment

**FRIDAY 5.16.25**  
 6:30am Ray Sommerkamp  
 8:00am Kevin Schneider

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7:30-7:50am Church  
 or by appointment

**SATURDAY 5.17.25**  
 8:00am Bill Hilleman  
 5:00pm Grumwicz and  
                   Nikonowicz families

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4-4:50pm Church  
 or by appointment

**SUNDAY 5.18.25**  
 8:00am Judy Grieshaber  
 10:00am People of the Parish  
 12:00pm Andy Benny and  
                   Evelyn Astegno  
                   (special intention)  
 5:30pm John Mendel

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By Appointment



**50 PLUS CLUB EVENTS**

**FAMILY BINGO NIGHT:  
THIS MONDAY, MAY 12 | 6:30PM**

Join us for a round of BINGO family fun in the Assumption Parish Center! The 50 Plus Club and Twin Oaks Senior Living are planning a Family BINGO Night, and all are welcome to attend. Registration is not required.

Twin Oaks will provide the BINGO supplies, prizes, and the caller; and the 50 Plus Club will be selling light refreshments and snacks, including homemade baked goods, candy, chips and non-alcoholic beverages.



Questions? Contact Kim Thornhill at 918-381-7459.

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**ACT II THEATER NIGHT:  
THURSDAY, MAY 15 | 7:30PM**

The 50 Plus Club will attend Act II Theater's performance of "Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike" at the St. Peters Cultural Arts Center.



Vanya and Sonia have spent their lives in quiet sacrifice, caring for their family's farmhouse while their glamorous sister, Masha, basks in movie stardom. When Masha returns home with her much younger boyfriend, Spike, chaos erupts. Old wounds are reopened, futures are uncertain, and hilarity ensues, all under the ominous predictions of their quirky housekeeper, Cassandra. Throw in a surprise costume party, voodoo dolls, and a charming young actress named Nina, and you've got a riotous weekend of family drama and unexpected romance.

We have 10 tickets available for \$5 each. Contact Linda Lambing at 314-599-8429.

**LIVING ROSARY IN THE CHAPEL  
MAY 24, 9AM**

After the 8am Mass in the Church, join us in the Chapel to say the rosary. If you would like, you may bring a flower for our Blessed Mother Mary.

Leaders of the Rosary, please contact your team and submit your list of team members to Sylvia.

For more information, you can contact Sylvia Kiphart, 636-978-8803.



**FIRST QUARTER 2025  
ST. VINCENT de PAUL  
ASSISTANCE**

Parishioners of Assumption. A note of thanks for the generosity and continued support of the Assumption SVDP conference.

We received 212 request calls the first quarter of the year. Your generosity allowed us to support 189 families—a total of 464 people in need. The top requests continue to be housing, utilities, transportation, and food.

We have seen an increase of calls from those on fixed incomes. A greater number are caring for extended families.

We also had a wonderful response to our request for new members. We have added six new members to assist us in responding to those in need in our area.

Thank you again for your generosity.

The Assumption SVDP Team

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**ST. VINCENT de PAUL  
FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP**

Your St. Vincent de Paul team has had an increase in calls and we are preparing to stock up for the summer months when children are not receiving school meals.

The pantry is running low on these following items:

- ◆ Canned hams, stew, pork
- ◆ Pancake syrup
- ◆ Canned Vienna sausages
- ◆ Cereal
- ◆ Canned SPAM
- ◆ Microwave popcorn
- ◆ Canned chili with pull tab lids
- ◆ Jelly
- ◆ Taco items (seasoning packets, shells, etc)
- ◆ Cookies and snacks
- ◆ Canned pasta with pull tab lids
- ◆ Shampoo
- ◆ Suddenly Salad pasta
- ◆ Liquid dish soap
- ◆ Instant potatoes
- ◆ Razors
- ◆ Canned fruits
- ◆ Deodorant
- ◆ Paper towels
- ◆ Cleaning supplies

Please check expiration dates before donating. You can drop off your donation in the wooden container in the Narthex. The donation box is for food or other requested items.

Thank you for your generous and continued support!  
Your Assumption St. Vincent de Paul Team.

JUBILEE OF CHOIRS  
FEATURING ASSUMPTIONS 10AM ADULT CHOIR  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 14 | 6:30PM

The Jubilee of Choirs is back, and features our very own 10am Adult Choir, Wednesday, May 14 at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, located at 8 West Highway D in New Melle. Join Father David Skillman for 6:30pm Mass and then enjoy an evening of Music of Holy Week of Easter featuring Assumption's Choir and other liturgical musicians from several surrounding parishes.

For more information, contact Immaculate Heart of Mary Church at 636-398-5270.

Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Presents

JUBILEE OF CHOIRS  
MASS & CONCERT  
MUSIC OF HOLY WEEK & EASTER



ASSUMPTION ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

**Athlete's Mass | May 18:** Calling all athletes and coaches! Wear your jerseys to 10am Mass and join us for the Blessing of the Athletes! We will be celebrating our athletic community and players with a special blessing and prayer card again at Mass. Athletes will be bringing up the offertory, and the three new City/County Championship banners will be on display in the Church Narthex. We hope to see you there!

**Soccer and Volleyball sign-ups are open now through June 1.** Soccer ranges from Pre4-8th grade. Volleyball (boys & girls) ranges from 3rd grade to 8th grade.

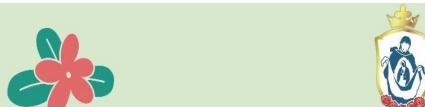


To register, visit [Teamsideline.com/sites/cyncnorthwest/current-programs](https://www.teamsideline.com/sites/cyncnorthwest/current-programs).

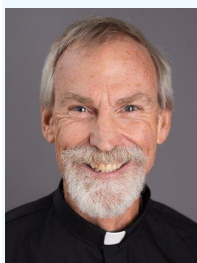
Volunteers must register separately from players. We are always looking for coaches.

For questions about soccer:  
[assumptionbvmsoccer@gmail.com](mailto:assumptionbvmsoccer@gmail.com).

For questions about volleyball:  
[asmpvolleyball@gmail.com](mailto:asmpvolleyball@gmail.com).

  
**TASTE of SAINT JUAN DIEGO**  
**Sunday, May 18 12pm**  
Enjoy food from  
El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Panama, Puerto Rico, & Venezuela  
Traditional main dishes, deserts, drinks and dancing!  
Saint Juan Diego Parish  
1400 N. Main St. O'Fallon, MO 63366  
(636) 240-4556  
"Here It Is Recounted"

## DEACON BOB HENNEKES' ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD MAY 24 AND MASS OF THANKSGIVING, MAY 25

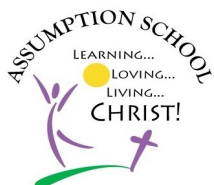


Our very own Deacon Robert Hennekes will be ordained to the priesthood on Saturday, May 24, 2025, at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis with Archbishop Mitchell T. Rozanski presiding.

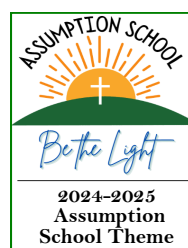
The Ordination Ceremony will begin at 10am and a reception/receiving line for the newly ordained priest will immediately follow. Livestream will be available online at <https://bit.ly/DeaconBobOrdination>.

On Sunday, May 25, Father Hennekes will celebrate at Assumption Church his first Mass, called Mass of Thanksgiving, at 5:30pm. Pray with us as we celebrate Father Hennekes' ordination to the priesthood, and then join us for a reception following Mass in the Parish Center.

### PRINCIPAL'S PEN



On Friday, May 16, we will hold an awards ceremony for our eighth grade students. Many students are receiving awards and scholarships from the High School that they will be attending this fall. On Tuesday, May 20, these eighth graders will graduate during a special graduation ceremony and Mass. As we close out this year, we send our heartfelt congratulations to the eighth grade class as they prepare for graduation. Whether you have been part of the Assumption

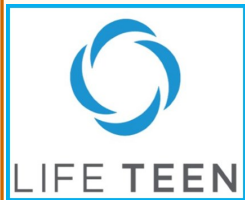


family since preschool or joined us along the way, we hope you have created lasting memories that you will carry with you always. You have each made a special mark on our school, and you will forever hold a place in our hearts. May God bless you in all your future endeavors and guide you as you take the next steps on your journey.

Help me in wishing our eighth grade students the best of luck during finals as they close out their time here at Assumption and congratulate our soon to be GRADUATES!

Blessings,  
Mrs. Jamie Burbridge





### HELLO FROM ASSUMPTION YOUTH MINISTRY!

It has been a powerful semester of ministry, from our Luke 18 Retreat, to welcoming our rising freshmen to the Life Teen community, our 8<sup>th</sup> graders receiving their Confirmation and welcoming Olivia to the Catholic Church at Easter Vigil! We are so proud of how our teens continue to dive deeper into their Catholic faith through prayer and service.

We will take the rest of May to plan and prepare for an incredible summer of ministry. Please pray for us and know that we are praying for you!



#### 2025 EVENTS:

- June 1–7: EDGE Camp Hidden Lake
- June 23–27: Life Teen Leadership Conference
- July 18–20: Steubenville Youth Conference
- July 27–August 2: Life Teen Camp Covecrest

#### Follow us on Social Media:

##### Instagram:

@assumption\_life\_teen and @assumption\_edge

##### Facebook:

Assumption Life Teen and Assumption EDGE

#### QUESTIONS? Contact **Becky Whitaker**,

Director of Youth Ministry; Life Teen Youth Minister  
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**Alejandro DeHerrera**, EDGE Youth Minister (Middle School)

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### SIGN UP NOW FOR AN EASIER WAY TO GIVE ONLINE



We are excited to introduce a new, easier way to give to the Church! You can now give simply and easily using Pushpay for your tithes, offerings, and special gifts! It has lower transaction fees, it's easier to use, and has a convenient mobile app.

We've official launched this new platform and would appreciate anyone on our old online giving sites to migrate over to this new site, which can be found on our website, [assumption.bvm.org](http://assumption.bvm.org) under "About Us" and then to "Online Giving."

Pushpay currently accepts Visa, MasterCard, ApplePay, American Express, and Discover, as well as ACH (bank account) gifts.



If you have pre-scheduled your gifts on our old online giving platforms (CDM+ and OSV), we can help you cancel your old account when you make the transition to Pushpay.

If you have any questions, please call Mark Vogt in the Parish Office (636-240-3721, extension 225).

### CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (FORMERLY RCIA)

So the question becomes, what are we doing here? After months and months of a full catechesis, what is left? The neophyte as our newly baptized will be called for the next year, means newly planted or newly rooted. During the next few weeks we will help them to focus on how these sacraments are related to where they are on their journey and how to keep them "watered" so they don't lose sight of what they have been given. We talked about Mystagogy and what it meant and why it is so important.

Last Sunday's session was spent on looking at the parable about the sower from Luke 8:4-15. We then talked about the Eucharist. We ended with a word, thought, or phrase that came to mind when reflecting on the Eucharist. There were so many different responses: going to daily mass, peace, content, completeness, accountability, wholeness, light.

### OUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

Weekly Offertory	April 20, 2025	YTD 7/1/24-4/20/25
Actual Collections	\$41,184	\$1,958,794
Budget Target	<u>\$65,000</u>	<u>\$1,875,000</u>
Surplus / (Shortfall)	\$(23,816)	\$83,794

<u>Loan taken out in 2013 for expansion of our school</u>	
Original Loan	\$3,306,127
Current balance owed	\$310,758
Monthly payment	\$20,923

*Last expected payment will be in July 2026.*



**The Bible Teaches It** (Mal 3:10-12)  
**We Believe It** (Acts 4:32-36)  
**God Honors It** (Gen 14:18-20)  
**TITHING**

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

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### OFFICE INFORMATION

#### ADDRESS/PHONE/HOURS

403 N Main Street, O'Fallon MO 63366  
 636-240-3721 Parish Office  
 Hours: Monday–Thurs 8am–4pm  
 Friday 8am–3pm

**ASSUMPTION SCHOOL**  
 636-240-4474

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL**  
 636-272-4758 (Helpline)

#### BULLETIN NOTICES

Submit to Parish Office  
[Bulletin.assumption@gmail.com](mailto:Bulletin.assumption@gmail.com)  
 by 9am on the Tuesday before Sunday's  
 edition (five days prior)

#### SOCIAL MEDIA

Website: [assumptionbvm.org](http://assumptionbvm.org)  
 Instagram: @abvmofallon  
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#### PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Religious instruction in the Catholic faith.  
 Call 636-240-1020 for information  
 or to register.

#### MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

For one-on-one grief support, or  
 information regarding our grief support  
 series, which is held twice per year,  
 contact Lynn Crews at 314-578-0741.