


# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



But I say to you,  
Love your enemies,  
bless them that curse you,  
do good to them that  
hate you, and pray for  
them which spitefully use  
you, and persecute you;

Matthew 5:44

## FEBRUARY 19, 2023

### Sacraments and Parish Information



#### BAPTISM

Scheduled every Sunday at 1:15pm. Baptism preparation class is required. Call 636-240-3721 ext 235 to register.



#### CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

Those preparing for marriage should 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 at the Parish Office, xt 235.



#### ANOIDTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office 636-240-3721



#### RITE of CHRISTIAN INITIATION of ADULTS

(RCIA) Process through which adults are initiated into the Catholic Church by Baptism or Profession of Faith. For more information, call Missy Lowrey 314-630-3983.



#### RITE of CONFESSION

Weekdays 7:30 - 7:50am Church  
Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45pm Church  
Or by appointment



#### FUNERALS

Please call the Parish Office 636-240-3721



#### CONFIRMATION

Preparation begins in September for all students who are entering 8th grade. Please contact Ann Marie Quan at 636-240-1020 for more information.



#### FIRST COMMUNION

Preparation begins in September for all students who are entering 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. Please contact Ann Marie Quan at 636-240-1020.

# Welcome

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MO 63366

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*Hello,*

Lent starts again this Wednesday, and with it another set of days of fasting and abstinence. Traditionally Lent is known as 40 days of fasting before Easter, but there are some problems if you get out a calendar and start counting the number of days from Ash Wednesday to Easter. Not that I don't trust this, but most liturgists didn't get the best grades in math class, and also it is always good to know the reason why something may be different than we expect.

First, if you count from Ash Wednesday to Easter Sunday you will get 4 days for Ash Wednesday up to the First Sunday of Lent, and then 42 days for the 6 weeks of lent, totaling 46 days, so we know that is wrong. But Sunday's are not counted as days of Lent since they, like Easter, are celebrating the resurrection of Christ. It wouldn't be a day that was proper for fasting or penance since we are celebrating Christ's Resurrection. So  $46 - 6 = 40$ , that wasn't so hard. But it also brings up arguments I have heard in many households, if you gave something up (your fast) or are doing something daily for Lent should you also maintain that practice on Sunday? As Sunday's are not meant to be days of penance or fasting it would make sense that you do not. But at the same time, depending on what you have chosen it may be appropriate. An example a friend gave me was that if you know you have the habit of swearing and were going to make a special effort by giving that up for Lent, that would seem like a good thing to also give up on Sundays. But if you gave up ice cream, maybe having some on Sunday is a way of appropriately celebrating that day, just don't think you have to clean out the whole container.

Talking about Sundays though can also bring up another topic, what about special feast days? Then it depends on how high a feast it is. St. Patrick's Day is a feast day, but it doesn't take precedence over our Lenten practices (see the Lenten regulations for particulars about that this year). But two days that normally fall during Lent that are Solemnities, days when we even override the Sunday Lenten practice and we recite the Gloria at Mass. These are the Feast of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary (March 19<sup>th</sup>) and the Feast of the Annunciation (March 25<sup>th</sup>). These are some of the things you learn in the seminary. But this year, since the Feast of St. Joseph falls on Sunday it doesn't get skipped but actually gets transferred to that Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, instead of just letting the Sunday replace it.

One other conflict that comes up at times is the Sacred Triduum, which begins on Holy Thursday with the celebration of the Lord's Supper and ends the evening of Easter Sunday. Officially, Lent ends when we start the Triduum, but we realize that up to the Easter Vigil itself we are still in preparation for Easter, so those days still count in our 40 days of Lenten preparation. Hopefully that may answer a few questions, but don't get too legalistic and always remember that whatever our Lenten practices, we should be trying to grow closer to Christ.

Peace,

*Fr. Nick*





"...living the truth in love, we should grow in every way into Him...from whom the whole body, held and joined together by every supporting ligament brings about the body's growth and builds itself in love."



*Ash*  
**Wednesday**

## FEBRUARY 22nd Masses/Service Times

**Ashes will be distributed  
at the following:**

6:30am Mass  
8:00am Mass  
12:05pm Prayer Service  
7:00pm Mass



## CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH ~ Men's RETREAT!!



CRHP is a process designed to make us more aware of God's presence in our daily lives.

This renewal experience allows us to discover how our walk of life is interwoven with our journey of faith.

All too often we become creatures of habit and allow our busy schedules to crowd out the time needed for spiritual growth.

### **Men's Retreat: March 11-12**

Contact: Mike Vohsen, [mike.vohsen@gmail.com](mailto:mike.vohsen@gmail.com) or (314) 951-4733

**This is *your* time... this is *your* invitation... reserve *your* spot to experience this AWE-some weekend! Sign up TODAY!**

## ARCHDIOCESAN LENTEN REGULATIONS

*"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him." (John 3:16-17)*

The Church has always helped us fulfill these words of Jesus by prescribing very definite penance for all Catholics, so that we too might have Eternal life. Accordingly, the Pope and the American Bishops have outlined obligatory fast and abstinence as follows:

**Ash Wednesday (February 22, 2023), all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday (April 7, 2023)** are days of *abstinence* (refraining from meat) for all Catholics *from age 14 onwards*. On these two days, *fast*, as well as *abstinence*, is also obligatory for those *from the ages of 18-59*. Abstinence means refraining from meat. Fast means one full meal a day, with two smaller meals and nothing between meals (liquids are permitted). No Catholic will lightly excuse himself or herself from this obligation.

**Feast of Saint Patrick (March 17, 2023)** falls on a Friday during Lent this year. Feasts of the Church are meant to be a day of celebration and rejoicing, so on this Friday, March 17, 2023, the faithful of the Archdiocese of St. Louis are dispensed from abstaining from meat should they choose to celebrate the Feast of Saint Patrick.

We should strive to make all days of Lent a time of prayer and penance





"For thus says the Lord: When you call Me, and come and pray to Me, I will listen to you. When you look for Me, you will find Me. Yes, when you seek Me with all your heart, I will let you find Me..."

Jeremiah 29:10-



### Assumption Adoration Chapel

Adoration at Assumption is available 24/7 in the old church by using the code at the North transit entrance. (please call the parish office for the code, 636-240-3721)

**EXPOSITION** is on Tuesday and begins after the 8:00am Mass. We are always in need of Adorers. Sign up at: [assumptionbvm.weadorehim.com](http://assumptionbvm.weadorehim.com)



Lisa and Missy taught the RCIA session on Catholic Social Teachings. Lori lit the candle to start the session.



This weekend we conclude our study of the Sunday Liturgy in order to prepare for the final period in our program, The Period of Purification and Enlightenment. The readings this weekend calls us to love as God loves. We are called not only to love as God loves, but to love *with* God's love. It is in the community of the Church that we find our strength. No one can live Christianity all alone. It is a gradual process through which the Spirit of God "perfects" us. Is there anyone for whom you bear hatred in your heart? In what ways do you live by the rule "An eye for an eye"? Now is the time that we prepare for Rite of Sending/Election, to be held next weekend, taking stock and individual discernment with team.

"The period of purification and enlightenment, which the rite of election begins, customarily coincides with Lent. In the liturgy and liturgical catechesis of Lent the reminder of baptism already received or the preparation for its reception, as well as the theme of repentance, renew the entire community along with those being prepared to celebrate the paschal mystery in which each of the elect will share through the sacraments of initiation. For both the elect and the local community, therefore, the Lenten season is a time for spiritual recollection in preparation for the celebration of the paschal mystery" (RCIA 138).

"This is a period of more intense spiritual preparation, consisting more in interior reflection than catechetical instruction, and is intended to purify the hearts and minds of the elect" and to enlighten their minds and hearts "with a deeper knowledge of Christ the Savior" (RCIA 139).

### IN LOVING Memory

Larry Dean Hernandez  
Son of Larry and Charlotte Hernandez

Sherry Waligurski  
Niece of Raymond Waligurski

Frances Loepker  
Mother of Mary Martens

#### Mass Times/Intentions

#### Reconciliation

#### MONDAY 2.20.23

6:30am Robert & Loretta Schwartz  
8:00am Janet Smith

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

#### TUESDAY 2.21.23

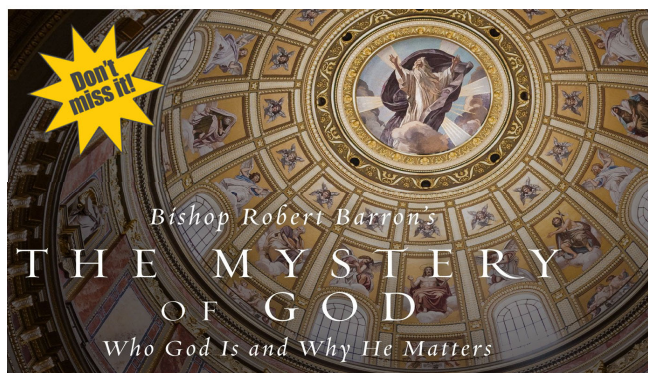
6:30am Priest Intention  
8:00am George & Sarah Bathon

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

#### WEDNESDAY 2.22.23

6:30am Priest Intention  
8:00am Christopher Scholten  
7:00pm Priest Intention

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



**This Lent come join us for Bishop Barron's study series,  
THE MYSTERY OF GOD!**

During these 7 weeks, we will examine *Who God Is* and *Why He Matters*. We will examine and discuss items such as: *Atheism* and *What We mean by God*, *The Paths to God*, *Providence and the Problem of Evil*.

**Evening Sessions** ~ Mondays, Feb. 20 - April 3, 7-8:30pm, Meyer Room (Bob & Liz Allmeyer).

**Morning Sessions** ~ Tuesdays, Feb. 21 - April 4, 9 -10:30am, Meyer Room (Marlaine Wood).

The cost is \$20 which covers the price of your book. There are limited books so please register to reserve your copy. Call Bob or Liz Allmeyer 636 240-8638 or Marlene Wood 636 359-4699.



**PRAYER:**  
A heart to heart with God "Our strength comes from the Eucharist"

**P**ayer



**FEBRUARY 24th**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY!**

**5:00-7:00pm ~ Dine In and Take Out**

\$15 - Fish dinner, includes 3 sides  
 \$14 - Fish Dinner, Dine in Senior rate  
 \$10 - Sandwich plate, includes 1 side  
 Children, 13 and under \$5

202 W. 3rd Street, O'Fallon

**Knights of Columbus News:**

-Every Tuesday: Queen of Hearts. Current Jackpot is over \$10,000! Doors open at 5:00pm, Drawings at 7:00pm. Food and beverages available for purchase.

-Mouse Races: March 4th. 7:00pm

-Euchre Tournament: March 18th

-Looking for a spot to host your next event? Contact us for Hall Rental options.

For more details on any event, visit us on Facebook or [www.thecompass2269.com](http://www.thecompass2269.com).



**LOVE MORE, PRAY MORE**

Is your family hurting? Calling all grandparents, parents, friends to come join us to pray a very special Rosary for your hurting family, pray for your friends, grandparents pray for your children or grandchildren, pray for all the young people in our parish, community and nation. Let us turn to our heavenly mother to intercede for us with Jesus before the throne of our Father.

Meet in our chapel, Sunday, Feb. 26th at 4:30pm. For more information, please contact Barbara Stettner at [creativebarb@charter.net](mailto:creativebarb@charter.net).



**PRAY, PRAY, PRAY ~**

**Every Tuesday in Chapel!**

Begins at 6:15pm followed by Perpetual Help Devotions and Benediction.

**THURSDAY 2.23.23**

6:30am Henry & Jackie Morgan  
 8:00am Loy Dames

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

**FRIDAY 2.24.23**

6:30am People of the Parish  
 8:00am Tom Boschert

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

**SATURDAY 2.25.23**

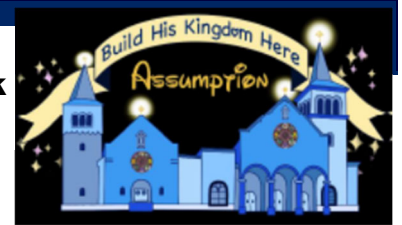
8:00am Priest Intention  
 5:00pm Lorraine Wilhelm

4:00 - 4:45pm Church  
 Or by appointment

**SUNDAY 2.26.23**

8:00am Clarence Thessen  
 10:00am Ron Hanebrink  
 12:00pm People of the Parish  
 5:30pm Priest Intention  
 By Appointment





### From the Principal's Pen

Youth Formation



**FORMATION**  
Continuous conversion of mind and heart  
"Following Jesus is the work of a lifetime"

**Did You Know?** The first Catholic school that opened in the United State was called St. Mary's School in Philadelphia, in 1783. After some time, the enthusiasm and curiosity for Catholic education grew and the nation noticed a massive inflow of Catholics from all over the world. By the 1920s, more than 6,000 Catholic elementary schools accepted and enrolled almost two million students and employed 42,000 teachers. By the latter half of that century, enrollment grew, even more, reaching double the number of students. Ever since Catholic schools have been widely perceived and established as a viable means of education. Catholic Schools Week is the observance of catholic masses, assemblies, special luncheons, open houses, collecting donations, contests to raise money for charity and activities for students, parents, religious, teachers/staff, and community. The quality and distinction of Catholic schools can be seen through these, especially for the young, those who will attend and enter school.

### How Did Assumption Celebrate Catholic Schools Week: Focus on Community



**Helping St. Vincent DePaul!** Our focus community organization is St. Vincent DePaul and during the entire week, our families (students) will participate in **SHOWER the people with LOVE** by collecting donations with anything used in the shower... shampoo, conditioner, bath gel, shave gel, razors, wash cloths, soap, feminine hygiene products, body spray, toilet paper, deodorant, mouth wash, tooth paste, tooth brushes, etc. At the end of the week, we took all of our donations to SVDP so that the community can be served.



**CHANGE for the GOOD CHALLENGE.** A table with bins for each class will be set up in the front foyer. Students can place COINS into their class bin for positive points and dollars into other bins for negative points. This year we contributed \$3,332 to St. Vincent De Paul, thanks to the generosity of our families and students!



**STUDENTS, accompanied by parents, made trips to our Fire and Police departments, and**



City Hall, to deliver baskets of goodies and posters of appreciation.

**THANKING PARENTS for sending their children to Assumption:** Parent Muffin Mania - Faculty and staff gave each driver a muffin!



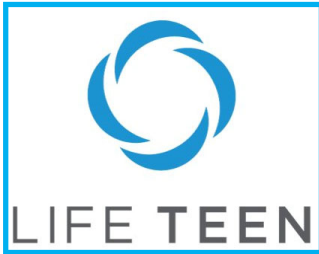
### The Week of Celebration!

Part of our week long celebration of Catholic schools is to celebrate all people in our community – each day is assigned a group to celebrate. **Monday: Parents**, **Tuesday: Clergy**, **Wednesday: Faculty/Staff**, **Thursday: Community**, and **Friday: Students**. Each day our students were allowed to dress out of uniform to celebrate each group within our community.

Friday was a day filled with fun, laughter, and challenges: gaga pit tourney for older grades, movies and popcorn for lower grades, Trivia for Middle School, FREE lunch to all students, dress down for students. BINGO for everyone, and the day closed with a Prayer Service – blessing the throats (it was the feast of St. Blaise) and announcing the dollar amounts being donated to St. Vincent, the amount of goods given through the “Shower the Community”, and announcing the winners of the gaga pit tourney and the Trivia contest.

*It was a great week and I give thanks each day that I am able to be part of this joyous community!*

*Pat Hensley*



**Hello from Assumption Youth Ministry!** We have seen the Holy Spirit move in such beautiful ways in our teens and middle school youth so far this semester.

Preparations are well under way for our **Luke 18 Confirmation Retreat coming up in early March** – our teens are hard at work preparing to serve our 8<sup>th</sup> graders and help them grow closer to the Lord. Please pray for our teens and everyone involved with putting on this incredible weekend!

Our **Summer Retreat Dates** are now locked in and **registration is open!** Summer Retreat spots are **first come, first serve.** To reserve your spot, please turn in the release form with a \$50 nonrefundable deposit by March 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Sunday, February 19**

**No Life Teen: Luke 18 Lock-In Planning Weekend**



## 2023 Save the Dates:

**March 3-5: Luke 18 Retreat**

**June 26-30: Life Teen Leadership Conference**

**July 7-10: Steubenville Youth Conference**

**July 23-29: Life Teen Camp Covecrest**



Youth Formation

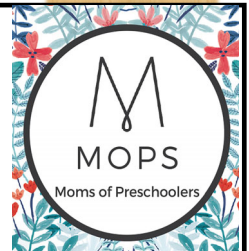


## MOPS Spring Service Project: Alleluia Baskets

Led by Karen Mesler, what started out as an eighth grade classroom service project in 2004, has bloomed into a ministry that has given out almost 44,000 Easter baskets to area children and seniors in need. Find out more about Alleluia Baskets at [alleluiabaskets.org](http://alleluiabaskets.org).

We will be collecting items during the month of February. Baskets are given to children all the way from **infant to teenager** and some baskets are given to seniors in need. Below are some suggested items for donation if you feel led to give. Please drop your items in the container in the Pre-function Area of the Parish Center.

Easter basket	Blanket/soft toy	New socks
Book	Indoor activity/toy	Art project
Plastic eggs	Outdoor activity/toy	Snack item
Pencils/pens	Journal	Stickers
Highlighters	Sippy cup	Flashlight
Bath pouf	Candy	Nail polish
Puzzle	Puzzle book	Bubbles



Connect with us on Social Media:

**Instagram:**

@assumption\_life\_teen // @assumption\_edge

**Facebook:**

Assumption Life Teen // Assumption EDGE

**QUESTION?** Contact **Becky Whitaker, Dir of Youth Ministry**

636-240-3721 ext. 243 or [becky.assumptionlt@gmail.com](mailto:becky.assumptionlt@gmail.com)



**MORE NEWS ABOUT OUR SCHOOL... MATH Comparison from Quarter 1 and Quarter 2 :**

The graph below represents student scores in math by grade level. In order to read the results, you first select a grade level, then see that there are 2 bars for that grade. **The first bar represents Quarter 1 of this year.**

Looking at the first bar, check the percentage of GREEN (which are students that are **BEYOND** the knowledge expected in reading for that grade), then BLUE (which represents the students that are **AT** where they are expected to be), YELLOW (which represents students who are **VERY CLOSE** to where they are expected), or RED (which represents students that are **NOT** where they are expected to be).

NOW... Take the 1<sup>st</sup> bar and compare it to the 2<sup>nd</sup> bar (showing Quarter 2): Are there more students in GREEN? If so, then, students moved up from the BLUE into the GREEN. Where is the BLUE? If this shows more then, students from YELLOW improved and moved to BLUE. Are there more students in Yellow? The students who were in RED, moved into the YELLOW. Where is RED? If the RED is less in Quarter 2, then some students improved and moved into YELLOW.

In reviewing all grade levels, our students are growing steadily and are moving into the GREEN (knowing beyond what is expected at that grade level) or into other higher levels of understanding and knowledge. For those who are having difficulty (in the RED), we continue to provide 1-1 and small group sessions with our Learning Consultants. **Being in the RED group doesn't mean these students aren't capable – it means they learn differently and once shown other methods of learning and understanding, learn what is needed.**

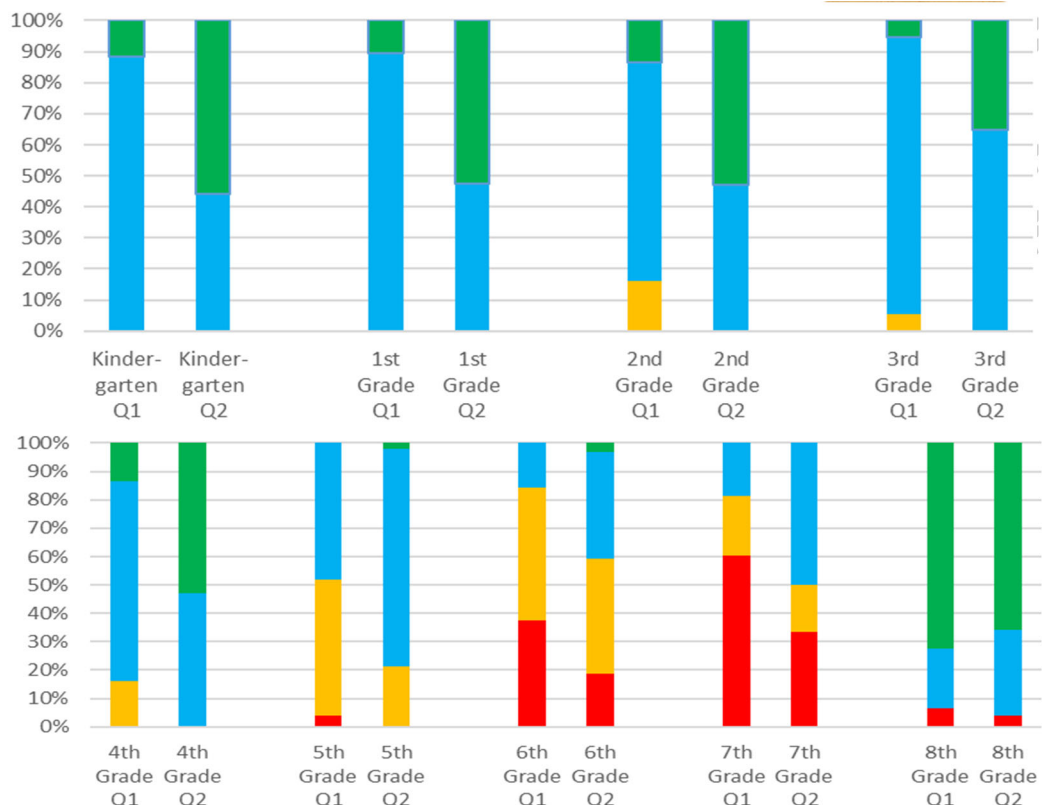


### Mathematics Improvement by Grade

Quarter 1 through  
Quarter 2

% of total students

- Beyond Expected
- As Expected
- Getting Close to Where They Should Be
- Not as Expected



## Our Gifts to God and Parish

### Weekly Offertory

February 5, 2023

YTD 7/1/2022 - 2/2023

Actual Collections	\$	40,898	\$	1,225,205
Budget Target	\$	46,000	\$	1,242,500
Surplus / (Shortfall)		(5,102)	\$	(17,295)

STEWARDSHIP  
*a way of life*

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

### TITHING

#### Loan taken out in 2013 for expansion of our school

Original Loan	\$	3,306,127
Current balance owed	\$	988,349
Monthly payment	\$	20,923

*Last expected payment, August 2026*

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





**HOSPITALITY:**  
Christian  
kindness  
"We are ALL  
hospitality  
ministers"

Hospitality



Please join us for fellowship and desserts on Monday, February 27th at 6:30pm.

We will be entertained by Jeff Lefton, famous for his Comedy Magic show.

All are welcome! Don't miss your chance to see this fun show.



**2023 Fall Festival News:** It's not too early to start thinking about the annual Assumption Fall Festival planned for Saturday, Sept. 30th and Sunday, Oct. 1st. Please keep us in mind when doing your spring cleaning...we are always looking for NEW seasonal decorations and household items, and NEW home goods and décor for our County Store. For more information, call Lisa Serino at 314-479-1097.



Catholic Relief  
Services and

numerous other organizations are supporting emergency relief efforts in both Syria and Turkey. These organizations are working in coordination with local authorities in bringing displaced people to safe spaces and distributing hot meals and clothing. The needs of those impacted by earthquake will continue to evolve throughout the rescue process.

To help provide immediate and long term aid to those recovering from the disaster, Archbishop Rozanski is asking parishes to participate in collecting funds for their needs. We will have collection containers in the Narthex for your generous donations.

Let us continue to pray for the people in Syria and Turkey and all who are supporting the rescue efforts.

# AUDITIONS!

*Miss Patti's Musical Theatre Company*

## SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL

**WHEN:** Monday,  
February 27th. 6-9PM

**WHERE:** Assumption  
Church Parish Center

**WHO:** Students in Grades  
7th-12th for Main Cast

Students in Grades  
4th-6th for Jr Chorus

**SHOW DATES:**  
April 13th-16th

If call backs are  
needed, they will be  
Tuesday, the 28th. If  
not, that will be our  
first rehearsal.

**Interested?**  
Please contact  
Patti Stoltman at  
singmamma3@gmail.com  
for more information  
or to register!

## PREVENT & PROTECT

### Safe Environment Program

Archdiocese of St. Louis



As of December 31, 2020, the old Virtus system that used to show compliance has been eliminated. The Archdiocese Safe Environment program is now using the program, **Prevent and Protect** to verify Compliance. All those who work, volunteer or coach, in any way, with our children, the vulnerable or elderly at Assumption Parish must be in compliance with the Archdiocese.

### This is **MANDATORY!**

If you have not already, please register NOW, into the Prevent and Protect system where you will submit an updated background check, and complete and submit all the Code of Conduct sections. Attending a Protecting God's Children Workshop is also needed to complete Compliance.

Go to our website, [www.assumptionbvm.org](http://www.assumptionbvm.org), then go to Resources and scroll down to the Protecting God's Children link where you will find instructions on how to register into the Prevent and Protect system. If you have any questions please contact Lynn Crews at 314-578-0741 or [lynn.assumption@gmail.com](mailto:lynn.assumption@gmail.com)



"...living the truth in love, we should grow in every way into Him... from whom the whole body, held and joined together by every supporting ligament brings about the body's growth and builds itself in love."  
- Ephesians 4:15-16

Adult Formation



The family of Lawrence Margrabe wishes to thank Fr. Nick, Lynn Crews, the ladies that prepared the luncheon and anyone else that helped to make our family's funeral a special tribute to him. We greatly appreciate your kindness at this difficult time.

*Sherry & Mindy Margrabe*

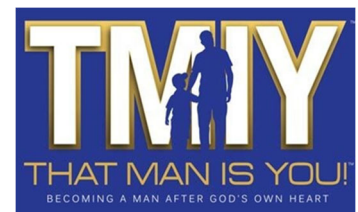
### The Sisters of the Most Precious Blood

offer an Open House Tour of their beautiful historic chapel and heritage area. For more information or to schedule a tour contact Sr. Cecile Gunelson at 636-293-8013. Located at 204 North Main Street. O'Fallon. Use the entrance at Main and 3<sup>rd</sup> street and take the first right. Parking is available on the south side of chapel. Chapel is handicapped accessible.

**Holy Men of God – TMIY** is back again this weekend, and we have one final session on St. Joseph with Dr. Miravalle. Why yet another week on St. Joseph?? Our world, our Church, our families need the example and intercession of St. Joseph NOW MORE THAN EVER! God is making him known!

### February 25 – The Shadow of the Father

- Speaker: Dr. Mark Miravalle
- The Perfect Icon of the Father
- St. Joseph's Appearance at Fatima
- Papal Proclamation of St. Joseph
- Custodian of the Redeemer
- Devotion to St. Joseph
- Litany of St. Joseph



Where: Lower Hall of the Kof C Hall on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Time: Breakfast 7:15 AM, Video 7:30  
Discussion 8:00, Out the Door by 8:30 AM  
Questions: Call Deacon Richard @ 314-397-2433  
Or email: [DeaconRichard@charter.net](mailto:DeaconRichard@charter.net)

### OFFICE INFORMATION

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Hours - Mon-Thu 8:00am-4:00pm  
Fri 8:00am-3:00pm  
**ST VINCENT DE PAUL**  
636.272.4758 (Helpline)  
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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, contact Kris Bohn at 636.795.2611, and for information regarding our grief support series, which is held twice per year, contact Lynn Crews at 314-578.0741.