

# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 3, 2024



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### SACRAMENTS AND PARISH INFORMATION

#### **ANOIDTING OF THE SICK**

Please call the Parish Office, 636-240-3721. You can leave a message after hours.

#### **BAPTISM**

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

#### **CONFESSION**

Weekdays 7:30–7:50am; Saturdays 4–4:45pm; or by appointment.

#### **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.

#### **FUNERALS**

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

#### **RITE of CHRISTIAN INITIATION (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.

# Welcome

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Hello,

This week I am including a summary of our mid-year finances. The table to the right has a summary of our actual vs. budgeted finances for the first 6 months of this fiscal year. As you can see at the bottom, over the first six months we pretty much broke even (-\$16, 503), which is good, but considering what was budgeted (-\$292,833), it is very good. Of course, we would always like to be in the positive, but considering the amount we are still paying off on our loan and the increases in costs that were projected in our budget, I am very happy with our first six months.

The biggest factors that have affected our finances in these first six months are the following:

- ◆\$90,000 grant from the Archdiocese to support teachers raises last year (this was a one-time grant to help parishes and to better compensate our teachers).
- ◆\$57,000 offertory above budget. This was a combination of support for our parish as well as a significant bequest from Fr. Ron Rubbelke's estate.
- ◆\$44,250 variance in tuition and fees. This is mostly due to having 13 students above our budgeted amount in our school. This is a good trend that we need to continue.
- ◆\$54,474 variance in capital expenditures. This was primarily due to two expenses, an additional \$27,000 for Chromebooks and laptops in our school and \$21,000 to replace the HVAC units for two classrooms. The extra expense for the computers was due to a change in buying them instead of leasing, so this extra expense will decrease our expenses over the next couple of years. Thirteen additional HVAC units will eventually need to be replaced in our school as they age.

I am grateful for the continued generosity of our parishioners, the dedication of our school families, and the efforts of all of our staff in their service to our parish and stewardship of our finances. I think these numbers also remind us of the importance of our continued financial support of our parish, remembering the parish in our wills, our need to continue to support our school, the archdiocese's support of our parish and school, and constant expenses that are involved in maintaining our parish. Please feel free to contact me or Mark Vogt, our Business Manager, if you have any questions about our budget and finances.

Peace,

Fr. Nick



	Actual 7/1/23 - 12/31/2023	Budgeted 7/1/23 - 12/31/2023	Variance*
Capital Campaign Revenue	\$ 2,652	\$ 4,498	\$1,846
Tuition and fees	\$ 1,043,597	\$ 999,347	\$44,250
Sunday offertory and other	\$ 1,595,289	\$ 1,476,660	\$118,629
<b>Total Income</b>	\$ 2,641,538	\$ 2,480,505	\$161,033
Personnel	\$ 1,608,345	\$ 1,687,257	\$78,912
Supplies	\$ 267,330	\$ 264,395	\$2,935
Fees and Services	\$ 65,873	\$ 83,515	\$17,642
Occupancy	\$ 262,945	\$ 297,121	\$34,176
Loan interest	\$ 21,924	\$ 25,205	\$3,281
Insurance & Archdiocese	\$ 290,052	\$ 294,444	\$4,392
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$ 2,516,469	\$ 2,651,937	\$135,468
<b>Net Ordinary income (loss)</b>	\$ 125,069	\$ (171,432)	\$296,501
Investment fund earning	\$ 48,342	\$ 22,500	\$25,842
Endowed gifts	\$ 2,658	\$ 2,168	\$490
Capital campaign revenue	\$ 792	\$ -	\$792
Capital expenditures	\$ (110,674)	\$ (56,200)	\$54,474
<b>Net income (loss)</b>	\$ 66,187	\$ (202,964)	\$269,151
Loan principal payments	\$ (82,690)	\$ (89,869)	\$7,179
<b>Surplus (deficit)</b>	\$ (16,503)	\$ (292,833)	\$276,330

\*red variances represent results that are worse than expected

\*all others are better than expected



## 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.

EXPOSITION is on Tuesdays after the 8am Mass, and available through the Rosary at 5:15pm (during Lent), followed by our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions.

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, please sign up at [assumptionbvm.weadorehim.com](http://assumptionbvm.weadorehim.com). Many are coming, but not signing up. Thank you!

## IN LOVING MEMORY OF

**Denny Tiemeyer,**

husband of Denise Tiemeyer  
funeral mass March 4, 10:30am

**Herman Mennemeyer,**

of our parish family  
funeral mass April 2, 10:30am

## THANK YOU

The family of Nancy Hoff would like to thank everyone involved in her funeral Mass and luncheon. To Fr. Nick Kastenholz and Deacon Fred Volansky for the beautiful service, Elizabeth Smith and Parker Bishop for the amazing music, and to the volunteers for the delicious luncheon.

Thank you,  
Jim Hoff and family



Hello again,

I am continuing to comment on 'the Search' series to see how we can further evangelize ourselves and be ready to evangelize others. This week we look at the fourth episode and we start to get more specific, the episode is titled "**Who is Jesus?**" (log onto 'Formed.org', **Sign In** if you have been on this site before, **Sign Up** if this is your first time—then go to the Program 'the Search'.)

The most beautiful part of this story is this: we can know God's love, personally. This is the person of Jesus. But how did this seemingly insignificant carpenter born into poverty in a dusty corner of the Roman Empire become the most pivotal figure in all of history? Christianity isn't simply a philosophy for life—the center of Christianity is a person. We look at the life of Jesus and what he came to do. Ultimately, we need to decide if Jesus really was who he said he was. We can't sit on the fence. Because if Jesus really was who he said he was, we need to make him the Lord of our lives, and everything changes. (Formed's introduction to this episode.)

This week's episode looks into what we know about Jesus and how we know it. Last week talked about our relationship with God, but now we are seeing that God became man so that we could have a relationship with Him that we couldn't otherwise. Taking a moment to ask some questions that we might have, that others might have and we may be able to answer or discuss to go from Jesus as a man who lived in history, to Jesus as God and man, to having a relationship with Jesus.

Peace,

*Fr. Nick*



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #2269 EVENTS



**Fish Fry:** Enjoy the Knight's famous fish dinner every Friday during Lent: **March 8, 15, 22, & 29 from 5–7pm.** They have some of the best Cod and Catfish around! Carryout or dine-in! \$15 dinner includes three sides. \$14 dine-in Senior Rate. Kid's meal \$5. All proceeds benefit local charities.



### Queen of Hearts | Every Tuesday

All are welcome to the weekly Queen of Hearts every Tuesday. Doors open at 5pm with drawing at 7pm. Food and beverages available for purchase.



### Euchre Tournament | March 9, 7pm

Join us for the annual MC and Marge Gentemann Euchre Tournament. This is our 25<sup>th</sup> year for this event! This year's proceeds will go toward Special Olympics! Doors open at 6pm. The cost is \$15 per player. A cash bar will be available for drinks. Players will keep their partners. For more information, please contact Dennis Maher at 636-399-6039.



## Preparing Your Heart for Easter

**JOIN ASSUMPTION FOR  
40 DAYS OF PRAYER,  
FASTING AND ALMSGIVING  
THIS LENTEN SEASON.**

**Sunday Lenten Special Rosary Prayed:**

March 3, 10, & 17 at 4:30pm (Chapel)

**Tuesday Eucharistic Exposition:**

March 5, 12, 19 & 26 from 9am–6pm (Chapel)

**Tuesday Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions:**

March 5, 12, 19 & 26 at 5:15pm (Chapel)

**Tuesday Evening Mass:**

March 5, 12, 19, & 26 at 6pm in the Chapel  
Come pray with us every Tuesday during Lent (Chapel)

**Friday Fish Fry at the O'Fallon Knights of Columbus Hall:**

March 8, 15, 22, & 29 from 5–7pm  
Carryout or dine-in available! \$15 dinner with 3 sides.  
\$14 dine-in Senior Rate. Kid's meal \$5.

**Friday Afternoon Stations of the Cross:**

March 8 at 2:40 p.m. (Church)  
March 15 “Stations of the Shadows” (Chapel)

**Friday Evening Stations of the Cross:**

March 8, 15 (Chapel) and March 22 (Church) all at 7pm

**Reconciliation Weekend:**

Friday, March 15 from 6–9 p.m. (Church), and  
Saturday, March 16 from 9 a.m.–3:30 p.m. (Chapel)

**Passion Play:**

March 22, Friday, at 11 a.m. (Church)  
Assumption seventh-grade students perform the  
Passion Play according to the Gospel of John.

**Easter Egg Hunt:**

March 24 after the 8am, 10am and noon Masses.  
Children ages 12 and under! The hunts are free and will  
start 10–15 minutes after each Mass. Donuts, juice, milk,  
and water will be available. Donations are welcome. All  
proceeds will help support and fund the annual  
Assumption Easter Egg Hunt.

**Mass of the Lord's Supper:**

March 28, Holy Thursday, at 7 p.m. (Church)  
(No 6:30am or 8am Mass)

**Life Teen Walk the Way Stations of the Cross:**

March 29, Good Friday, at 3 p.m. (Church)

**Good Friday Service:**

March 29 at 7 p.m. (Church) (No 6:30am or 8am Mass)

**Holy Saturday Easter Vigil:**

March 30 at 8 p.m. (Church) (No 8am or 5pm Mass)

**Sunday Easter Mass:**

March 31 at 8 a.m., 10 a.m., and noon (Church),  
(No 5:30pm Mass) and 8:15 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. (Chapel)

### SPECIAL INTENTION LENTEN ROSARY SUNDAY'S DURING LENT IN THE CHAPEL | 4:30PM

Calling all grandparents, parents, and friends, join us to pray a very special rosary for your hurting family, friends, children, grandchildren, and all young people in our parish, community, and nation. Let us turn to our Blessed Mother to intercede for us with Jesus before the throne of our Father. You will be invited to place your prayer intentions at the altar.

For more information, please contact Barbara Stettner at [creativebarb@charter.net](mailto:creativebarb@charter.net).

**Mass Times and Intentions****Reconciliation****SUNDAY 3.3.24**

8:00am Marlene Pieper  
10:00am Anthony Potts  
12:00pm People of the Parish  
5:30pm Frank and Betty Ryan

By Appointment

**MONDAY 3.4.24**

6:30am Rosie Prinster  
8:00am Dennis Hummel

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

**TUESDAY 3.5.24**

6:30am Jackie and Hank Morgan  
8:00am Ray Waligurski  
6:00pm Priests Intention  
(Chapel during Lent)

7:30–7:50am Church

**WEDNESDAY 3.6.24**

6:30am Collin Clay  
8:00am George Grelle

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

## ATTENTION MEN OF ASSUMPTION PARISH:

Our Church and our World needs you, man of God!



Due to technical difficulties with "That Man Is You," we will be showing "The Search" videos until the regular videos for TMII are available again.

Join us **March 9** in the lower hall of the Knights of Columbus building for "**The Search—Episode 5.**" Our start time is **7:15am** with breakfast, a short video, table discussion, and then we'll have you on your way by **8:30am.**

### This week's session: "Who is Jesus?"

Speaker Chris Stefanick

- ♦ The most beautiful part of this story is this: we can know God's love, personally. This is the person of Jesus.
- ♦ But how did this seemingly insignificant carpenter born into poverty in a dusty corner of the Roman Empire become the most pivotal figure in all of history?
- ♦ Christianity isn't simply a philosophy for life – the center of Christianity is a person.
- ♦ We look at the life of Jesus and what he came to do.

For more information, contact Deacon Richard at [DeaconRichard@charter.net](mailto:DeaconRichard@charter.net) or 314-397-2433.

## RETROUVAILLE—ST LOUIS WEEKEND MARCH 15-17

### What is Retrouvaille?

The word Retrouvaille (pronounced re-tro-vi) is a French word meaning rediscovery. The program offers tools needed to rediscover a loving marriage relationship.

### Do you need RETROUVAILLE?

Has your romance failed?  
Do you argue without reaching resolution?  
Are you more like roommates than soulmates?  
Have you grown apart?  
Retrouvaille can help you.

Register at [helpourmarriage.org](http://helpourmarriage.org) or 800-470-2230 (24-hour confidential hotline.)

Questions? Contact Tom & Kerry at 314-753-2022



## WEDDING ASSISTANTS NEEDED

If you enjoy weddings (and not crashing them) and working with couples on their special day—we need you! Assumption Parish is currently looking for beautiful wedding assistants to help once or twice a month with:



- ♦ assisting with the rehearsal,
- ♦ preparing the church before the ceremony,
- ♦ assisting on the day of the wedding.

**We will even train you!** Those interested, please contact Sue Snyder at [suzannegremaudsnyder@gmail.com](mailto:suzannegremaudsnyder@gmail.com) or 314-496-7790 for more information.

**Easter Egg HUNT**

**BASKET DONATIONS**

The Assumption Men's Group is in need of baskets for the 8th Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday. Please place basket donations in the bins before Friday, March 22. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

### THURSDAY 3.7.24

6:30am Priests Intention  
8:00am Karl Schalk

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

### FRIDAY 3.8.24

6:30am Priests Intention  
8:00am Hilary W. Jurgens

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

### SATURDAY 3.9.24

8:00am Nicole Moyer  
5:00pm Rose Aiello

4:00–4:45pm Church  
or by appointment

### SUNDAY 3.10.24

8:00am Priests Intention  
10:00am Rosemary Dickes  
12:00pm William "Bill" Uthoff Jr.  
(special intention)

5:30pm People of the Parish

By Appointment



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE 10AM CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD



We have had a very successful relaunch of Children's Liturgy of the Word. Last week we were blessed with 34 children in attendance. As you can see from the attendance, **we need more volunteers.**

We are looking for adult volunteers to serve as **catechists, timekeepers, and general classroom support** to help keep the children focused on the Word. You do not have to be related to the children or have children attending or even have children, in order to help.

If you have are already "Protecting God's Children" certified, you can start helping immediately. Please just accompany the children as we process downstairs. If you are not, that can easily be taken care of through training at your convenience.

Please give prayerful discernment in supporting this important Children's Ministry. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please contact Maria Tadlock at [Shmilyrt@charter.net](mailto:Shmilyrt@charter.net) or 636-734-2817.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP



The St Vincent De Paul team call volume continues to remain high. At this time, the pantry is very low on the following items:

- ♦ Canned pears
- ♦ Canned mixed fruit
- ♦ Saltine crackers
- ♦ Tuna Helper
- ♦ Sugar (no larger than 4lb bags)
- ♦ Sloppy Joes
- ♦ Beef Stew
- ♦ Taco Shells
- ♦ Mustard
- ♦ Vegetable Oil
- ♦ Canned hams or other canned meats

**Please note: the pantry is OVERSTOCKED on corn, green, beans, and all other beans.**

For those who prefer the convenience of online shopping, we have an easy to use QR Code and a link to the Assumption Parish St. Vincent de Paul Amazon Shopping List. Simply hover your smart phone camera over the QR Code to be taken to the shopping site or you can visit <https://qrco.de/beSJHT>. We will update items as our needs and Amazon stock varies.



## DECLINE TO SIGN AND CONTINUE TO PRAY TO KEEP MISSOURI PRO-LIFE

Do not be fooled into signing a petition to get a constitutional amendment on the 2024 ballot to legalize abortion. **As a**



**Parish, we also are asked to pray to keep Missouri Pro-Life. Our Respect Life Apostolate ministry and other parishioners gathered in the Chapel last weekend to pray together, but you can do this on your own. In addition, to praying topping the list, here are other things you can do:**

- ♦ **Pray:** Be bold and confident in asking our Good Lord's help in stopping these pro-abortion initiative petitions.



- ♦ **Walk with Moms:** Partner with your local pregnancy help center to walk with them. Go to [walkingwithmomsstl.com](http://walkingwithmomsstl.com).
- ♦ **Decline to Sign:** DO NOT SIGN a petition to allow abortion to be enshrined in the state constitution on the fall 2024 ballot.
- ♦ **Promote Voter Registration:** Encourage young people and other new voters to register.
- ♦ **Help Those Wounded by Abortion:** Encourage those affected by abortion to reach out for compassionate help and healing at [archstl.org/hope-healing](http://archstl.org/hope-healing).
- ♦ **Attend Missouri Right to Life "Keep Missouri Pro-Life!" Action Day Noon Rally, Tuesday, March 12, at the Missouri State Capital—First floor Rotunda in Jefferson City to hear Claire Culwell, International Pro-Life speaker and twin abortion survivor tell her story.**



## RCIA: THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS



This weekend at the 8am Mass, we will celebrate the “First of three Scrutinies.” For the next two weeks we will use the Lectionary’s “scrutiny readings” from Year A at the 8am Mass. The Cycle A readings for the Scrutinies are rich in baptismal imagery; therefore, only for the Elect. Today was water, (woman at the well) next week is light (Man born blind), and the following week is life (Lazarus). The purpose of the Scrutinies is **“to uncover, then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful”** in the hearts of the Elect and to **“strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good.”** (*Quotes from Ritual Text for Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, paragraph #141*)

We learn from Jesus’ dialogue with the woman at the well three absolute truths about salvation:

- ♦ Salvation comes only to those who recognize their desperate need for the spiritual life they do not have. Living water can be obtained only by those who recognize that they are spiritually thirsty.
- ♦ Salvation comes only to those who confess and repent of their sin and desire forgiveness. Before this immoral woman could embrace the Savior, she had to concede the full burden of her sins.
- ♦ Salvation comes only to those who take hold of Jesus as their Messiah. For the absolute truth is that salvation is found in no one else (John 14:6; Acts 4:12). (GotQuestions.org)

The scrutinies are among the most ancient prayers in the Christian liturgical tradition. As early as the second century, Christian communities would help those who had been chosen for Baptism to prepare for their initiation by laying on hands and by prayers for protection and deliverance from evil. Today we continue to celebrate these powerful rituals. We also understand today that our prayers for protection from evil are not limited to those engaged in the catechumenal process. Just as our entire community is called to journey with the elect throughout the Lenten season, we recognize the need we all share for freedom from evil and its effects. We urge you to prepare for the celebration of the scrutinies in a personal way by discerning what it is in your own life that needs to be freed from sin’s bondage.

Because our rituals proclaim who we are, we must take care in how we use them with the baptized candidates (those baptized in other religions). We are called upon to keep clear the difference in the two groups. The rites for the Elect make clear that they will become a new creation through the Sacrament of Baptism. When appropriate ritual distinctions are kept, we become more aware of how the baptized candidates are already one with the faithful because of their baptism. The Lenten journey of the baptized candidates, though still a focus of special pastoral care has much in common with the Lenten renewal of the faithful accomplished through prayer, works of charity, and celebration of the sacrament of Penance.

Prayer cards for the elect are available in the back of church. Please remember to take one home and keep them in your prayers throughout the season of Lent. We urge you to prepare for the celebration of the scrutinies in a personal way by discerning what it is in your own life that needs to be freed from sin’s bondage.





## PRINCIPAL'S PEN

### National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) Induction

On February 9, the Assumption National Junior Honor Society inducted its new members. With all students present at church, the prayer service and program began at 2:40pm, with current members reviewing the pillars of membership into the society. Mrs. Mary Kay Brandt and Mrs. Yvonne

Dierkets, co-moderators, along with faculty committee members, reviewed applications for this honor.



This is a faculty conferred honor, meaning, the decision of acceptance is determined by the faculty, based on leadership qualities (observed by faculty), student's grades, discipline record (observations in classroom as well as recorded discipline), character (based upon classroom observations, and service provided by the student to the school and/or community).

The NJHS is the nation's leading organization established to recognize outstanding middle-school students. Assumption's NJHS Chapter, was initiated in August 2019, with its first members inducted in February, 2020.



### We wish to congratulate the following inductees to the Assumption National Junior Honor Society:

Sena Akpovo	Annabelle Begley	Melody Gagliano	Noah Kleckner
Arilyn Baker	Justin Dowdy	Olivia Howe	Margaret McCulloch
Madison Bardgett	Daniel Duffy	Timothy Johnson	Lucy Nelson
			Isabella Roberts

### Assumption Summer Camps June 3 through July 12, 2024

Assumption teachers and staff are so excited to kick off our 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Kids Summer Camps! Camps will run from June 3 through July 12. Our Kids Summer Camps are week-long interest-based camps geared towards the children of Assumption Parish entering preschool through eighth grade for the 2024-2025 school year. We provide half-day camps in both the morning and afternoon, as well as several full-day options to help your child find or grow in their God given talents. Our hope is that this site offers all the information you may need to plan a balanced summer with fun and relaxation for everyone in the family.

We are making registration for our summer camps, including Vacation Bible School, easy. Registering and paying for camps and VBS can now be done all in one place. Scan the QR Code to register and learn about each.



Thanks for reading about Assumption.

God Bless,  
Dr. Pat Hensley







## HELLO FROM ASSUMPTION YOUTH MINISTRY

Luke 18 Preparations are coming to a close and we are getting ready to welcoming our 8<sup>th</sup> graders to this incredible retreat. The teens are hard at work, preparing to give testimonies, lead discussions, and pray. Please pray for us! Here's what's going on this week.

### Sunday, March 3 | Life Teen: Final L18 Prep 6:30pm – 8:45pm in the Parish Center

All teens are invited to join us for a great night of fun, community and prayer! We will continue our preparations for the Luke 18 Retreat. Expect fun, food, and an opportunity to reflect on how God invites us to know him. We can't wait to see you there!

### Wednesday, March 6 | EDGE: Art Show 6pm – 7:30pm in the Parish Center

All 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join us for a night focusing on questions about God. Youth can expect fun, faith and fellowship. See you there!



### SAVE THE DATES:

March 8–10: Luke 18 Confirmation Retreat

May 5: Main Street Live—Life Teen Talent Show

July 12–15: Steubenville Youth Conference

July 29–August 3: Life Teen at Camp Covecrest and (New This Year) EDGE at Camp Hidden Lake!

#### Connect with us on Social Media:

##### Instagram:

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

##### Facebook:

Assumption Life Teen // Assumption EDGE

**QUESTIONS?** Contact **Becky Whitaker**, Director of Youth Minister  
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**Alejandro DeHerrera**, Middle School Youth Minister  
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## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS DURING MARCH

As stewards of the monetary gifts that God has bestowed on us, we should give back to His Church and to other worthy causes. During the month of March, please support the general needs of the parish through the Sunday offertory, and consider the following specific causes and needs:

- ♦ **Easter Flowers:** Make our Church and Chapel joyous and bright for the Easter season! Your contribution will help pay for the numerous Easter lilies and other spring flowers that make our worship spaces inspiring and beautiful.
- ♦ **March 10: Catholic Relief Services:** When disasters occur outside our country, CRS provides relief and resettlement; development projects to improve living conditions for the poor; legal and support services for poor immigrants; peace and reconciliation work for people suffering from violence; and advocacy on behalf of the powerless.
- ♦ **Good Friday, March 29—Holy Land:** This collection supports the preservation of holy places in the Holy Land, as well as pastoral, charitable, educational and social works in the region.
- ♦ **Easter Sunday, March 31—Regina Cleri:** This collection supports the Regina Cleri Community, an independent living retirement home for priests of the Archdiocese of St. Louis. The resources and amenities at Regina Cleri Community provide a safe, comfortable and joyful environment in which our retired priests thrive.
- ♦ **Cemetery Care:** Contributions support the maintenance of our cemetery and columbarium, honoring the memory of our loved ones and others who came before us.
- ♦ **St. Vincent de Paul:** Your contribution provides direct help to the poor in our local community. Since 1845, Vincentians have met face-to-face with individuals and families in poverty to provide support and help them through the most desperate times. Through your generosity, you help people struggling to survive, providing: clothing, shelter, food, medicine and more.

If you use online bill payment through your bank, please send a separate payment for the fund(s) of your choice and specify the name of the cause in the memo field of your payment instructions.

Thank you

## OUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

Weekly Offertory	Feb. 11, 2024	YTD 7/1/23 - 2/11/24	<u>Loan taken out in 2013 for expansion of our school</u>	
Actual Collections	\$54,565	\$1,399,079	Original Loan	\$3,306,127
Budget Target	<u>\$34,000</u>	<u>\$1,303,000</u>	Current balance owed	\$703,091
Surplus / (Shortfall)	\$20,565	\$96,079	Monthly payment	\$20,923
			<i>Last expected payment, August 2026</i>	



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.

If you would like to give online, please go to:  
[assumptionbvm.org/Our-Parish/Online-Giving](http://assumptionbvm.org/Our-Parish/Online-Giving)  
 or scan the QR Code



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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 Tuesday 9am

## SOCIAL MEDIA

Website: [assumptionbvm.org](http://assumptionbvm.org)  
 facebook.com: @assumptionparish  
 @assumption media

## 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.