

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

Hallelujah!

He has risen!

MARCH 31, 2024

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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Happy Easter,

Today we celebrate Christ's resurrection and recognize the love and the life that he offers each of us. Hopefully we complete our Lenten journey and come into the Easter season not dwelling on our sins, but more aware of them. Only if we are aware of them can we be open to God's forgiveness of them, to overcome the temptations that have led us to them in the past, and to realize the new growth, the new life, the true joy that God wishes for each of us.



Saturday night, at the Easter Vigil, we were able to celebrate the sacraments with many who have been going through preparation through RCIA and in other means this year. Some of whom were baptized, or welcomed into the Church, Confirmed, and received the Eucharist. Congratulations to:

Andrea Berdugo

Conner Grossmann

Mady Ludwig

Payton Niedringhaus

Brian Peterson

Nicole Russom

Ben Douglas

Nick Lehmann

Cody Luttrull

Kimberly Perry

Shawna Pridgeon

We are grateful to have been with you on your journey and you with us. We look forward to continuing to grow with you, as you are all now fully initiated with the sacraments of the Church, the body of Christ.

I am also grateful for all who came to celebrate Easter with us here at Assumption Parish. Whether you are here every week, or only a few times a year, if you are a long time parishioner or just in town on vacation, thank you for coming to celebrate Easter with us. Your being here has made our celebration greater and we hope that you are able to be with us again in the future. May you experience and share the love of God with others this Easter and may the joy of Easter be with you today, and every day.

Peace and Joy,

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.

EXPOSITION is on Tuesdays after the 8am Mass, and available through the Rosary at 6:15pm, 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 and choose a time during the day. Thank you!

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Barbara Montero

mother of Barbara Thomas
funeral Mass April 1, 10:30am (Church)

Herman Mennemeyer

of our parish family
funeral Mass April 2, 10:30am (Church)

Raymond Trautman

brother of Dottie O'Brien
funeral Mass April 6, 10:30am (Church)

Patricia Jarosz

Sister of Dennis (Anna) Funkhouser



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #2269 UPCOMING EVENT

Queen of Hearts | Every Tuesday

All are welcome to join us for the weekly Queen of Hearts Raffle every Tuesday. It's your chance to win big! Doors open at 5pm with drawing at 7pm. Food and beverages available for purchase.



ATTENTION MEN OF ASSUMPTION PARISH:

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



Men, the videos are fixed! Please join us next weekend for a terrific Session of TMIY. Our Church and our World needs you, man of God!

Join us **April 6** in the lower hall of the Knights of Columbus building. Our start time is **7:15am** with breakfast, a short video, table discussions, and then we'll have you on your way by **8:30am**.

This week's session: "The Kingdom is Like a Dragnet"

Speaker Fr. Leo Patalinghug

- ♦ Jesus as a Fisher of Men
- ♦ Separation of Good from Bad
- ♦ Why Am I Not Getting Anything Out of Church?
- ♦ Hunger for the Kingdom
- ♦ Do You Have Good Bait?
- ♦ Feeding Your Family

For more information, contact Deacon Richard at DeaconRichard@charter.net or 314-397-2433.

DAY OF PRAYER | PRO-LIFE CHAIN APRIL 7 | 1-2PM

Join us in front of our Chapel to pray the rosary to end abortion. Let us put our faith into action on this Day of Prayer. Prayers can change the world. We will have signs in the Chapel to choose from and then stand outside.

FALL FESTIVAL NEWS COUNTRY STORE ITEMS NEEDED

Attention Crafters! The Country Store would love to have some of your creations to sell at the Fall Festival this year. Please consider making your items now in time for our festival on October 5 & 6. Thank you for your generous donations!



SUPPORT OUR RETIRED PRIESTS

**'You are a priest
FOREVER'**

EASTER SUNDAY COLLECTION

Your gift to the 2024 Special Collection
for Retired Priests supports our priests'
lifelong ministry.

MARCH 31, 2024

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SCAN TO GIVE



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NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE

As part of Eucharistic Revival, Assumption will be collecting non-perishables for the BOXES OF MERCY service initiative beginning the weekend of Easter, March 31–May 1.



The Pilgrims making the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage, from the West Coast to the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, IN, will deliver the basic needs items to refugee families in St. Louis, as they arrive in our area, July 5–7.

Refugees in the St. Louis area come from many countries around the world with very little to begin their new lives. On your way into Church over the next several weeks, please consider donating basic needs donations in the box located in the Narthex.

Thank you for your donations. This initiative would not be possible without your help.

To register and for more details about the St. Louis events and the National Eucharistic Congress in Indiana happening July 14–21, visit archstl.org/eucharistic-revival.

NON PERISHABLES DONATIONS LIST

rice
flour
sugar
baking powder
baking soda
vinegar
cooking oil

can opener
measuring spoon
measuring cups
mixing bowl
baking utensils
cooking utensils

kleenex
cotton balls
paper towels
bar soap
tooth brush
tooth paste
hair brush
hair comb

small first aid kit

\$10 or \$25 Gift cards for
drug store / grocery store /
gas station

scissors
pencils
pens
rulers
notepads
wash cloths
hand towels
kitchen towels



Mass Times and Intentions

Reconciliation

SUNDAY 3.31.24

8:00am Betty Bruegenhemke (Church)
8:15am People of the Parish (Chapel)
10:00am Ruth and Tony Ell (Church)
10:15am Adam Skotniski (Chapel)
12:00pm Shirley Mackey (Church)
5:30pm No Mass

MONDAY 4.1.24

6:30am Barbara Montero
8:00am Ron Denen

7:30–7:50am Church
or by appointment

TUESDAY 4.2.24

6:30am Jean Phillips
8:00am Thomas Steitz
(special intention)

7:30–7:50am Church
or by appointment

WEDNESDAY 4.3.24

6:30am Carolyn Kenning
8:00am Mason Keeven

7:30–7:50am Church
or by appointment

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**APRIL 5-7 | ST. PETERS, MO**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter presents weekend experiences for married couples to rekindle romance, enhance meaningful communication, and deepen and renew commitment.

Sign up now as space is limited! For more information or to apply, go to wwme.org, or call Terry and Eric Engholm at 314-649-7317.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**APRIL 7**

There will be a special Divine Mercy Sunday Mass at

St. Charles Borromeo Parish
601 N. 4th St.
St. Charles, MO.

Adoration and Confessions begin at 2:30pm, the Divine Mercy Chaplet begins at 3pm followed by the Glorious mysteries of the Rosary, and Mass at 4:30pm.

TRIVIA NIGHT BENEFITTING BIRTHRIGHT ST. CHARLES**APRIL 13 | 7PM**

Join us at Duchesne High School Performing Arts Center for an evening of fun and fellowship and a chance to win cash prizes. The cost of \$25 per person or \$200 for table of eight includes beer, wine,

soda, and water. Doors open at 6:30pm, trivia begins 7pm.

Bring your own food and snacks to share at your table. Start working on your trivia game, gather your teammates and register.

Go to <http://bidpal.net/fobtrivia2024> to purchase tickets or call Genny Glosier, 636-947-3523 or Susie Choinka, 314-341-0288.

SPRING CHORAL CONCERT**APRIL 14, 3PM | CHAPEL**

The Choral Arts Singers invite you to join us in our 52nd year of musical performance as we present our annual Sprint Concert in the Chapel.

“A Season of Shadow, A Season of Light” features Sing For Joy by Handel, songs about fathers dancing, terrible tales, little lambs and a Testament of Freedom (a passage from Thomas Jefferson). Come one, come all, for an afternoon of delightful entertainment.

Admission is free, but donations are welcome to help the Concert Arts Association continue their efforts of bringing musical enjoyment to our community. We look forward to singing for you again!

For additional information about the concert, the choir, or if interested in joining the Choral Arts Singers, contact Bonnie Lang at 636-887-2899, visit our website, concertarts.org or Facebook (Choral Arts Singers).

FAMILY BINGO NIGHT IS FUN FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY!**APRIL 22 | 6:30-8:30PM**

Get ready for another round of BINGO family fun in the Assumption Parish Center! The 50+ Club and Garden

View Care Center are planning a Family BINGO Night, Monday, April 22 on Earth Day, and all are welcome to attend!

Bring a friend and join us for this two-hour event! Garden View will provide the BINGO supplies, prizes, and the caller; and the 50+ Club will be selling light refreshments and snacks, including homemade baked goods, candy, chips and non-alcoholic beverages.

Assumption Family BINGO Night is free and registration is not required.

For more information, contact Kim Thornhill at 918-381-7459 or Liz Allmeyer at 636-240-8638.

THURSDAY 4.4.24

6:30am Carolyn Kenning

8:00am Mamie and Antonie Prinster

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

FRIDAY 4.5.24

6:30am Vocation to the Priesthood and Religious Life

8:00am Judy Ruether

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

SATURDAY 4.6.24

8:00am Jim Webb

5:00pm David Rothermich

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

SUNDAY 4.7.24

8:00am Michael D. Jurgens

10:00am People of the Parish

12:00pm Thomas Steitz (special intention)

5:30pm Doris Bergkoetter

By Appointment

BLOOD DONORS SAVE LIVES**GIVE BLOOD
APRIL
1 THROUGH 30**CHOICE OF GIFT CARD, DONATION
TO THE FEATURED CHARITY, OR
BONUS POINTS TO STORE!

Assumption Catholic Church

Sunday, April 14 9:00 am - 1:30 pm**Parish Hall 405 North Main Street***Appointments preferred.***To schedule an appointment, scan QR code****call ImpactLife at 800.747.5401****or go to bloodcenter.org/group, grp #9007**

SAINTS AND SISTERS TRIP TO ST. LOUIS WEDNESDAY, MAY 8



Come board a bus at the St. Peters Rec-Plex for a ride to St. Louis. Your daycation begins at the Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. Enjoy the rich history, the beautiful architecture, and artisan detail of this historic building, which has been placed on the National Register of Historic Buildings. See some of the original parlor wood flooring, beautiful stained-glass windows, graceful staircases, historic china, and much more.

Lunch is a special treat. Enjoy a Lebanese cafeteria-style lunch in the Cedars Banquet Hall at St. Raymond's Maronite Catholic Church in downtown St. Louis. The Cedars is a proud recipient of

The Wedding Wire Couple's Choice award since 2013. Their famous Wednesday lunches sponsored by the St. Raymond's Ladies Society has been bringing people together in downtown St. Louis every Wednesday afternoon for great Lebanese food and fellowship since 1979.

After lunch, we will visit Mt. Grace Convent, home to the Pink Sisters, a cloistered contemplative missionary religious congregation who dress in rose-colored habits.

People of all ages are welcome. Trip cost is \$109 which includes bus ride, tours, and lunch.

To reserve your spot or for more information, contact Jill at 636-477-6600 x1624!



THE WESTERN VICARIATE

EVANGELIZATION 201
WORKSHOP

Learn practical ways to live out our response to God's invitation to share the Good News through our words and actions.

4/13-St. Francis Borgia,
Washington 9am-12pm

4/27-All Saints,
St. Peters 9am-12pm

5/4-Sacred Heart,
Troy 9am-12pm

5/11-St. Joseph,
Manchester 9am-12pm

5/18-Immaculate
Conception,
Dardenne Prairie
9am-12pm

Attendance at Evangelization 101 is
NOT required to attend
Evangelization 201

REGISTRATION
NOW OPEN

ATTEND THE LOCATION
THAT WORKS BEST
FOR YOU



<https://forms.gle/FSqMEvjnWkSzwq5z6>



Western Vicariate of the
ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS

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RCIA: THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN
INITIATION OF ADULTS

The RCIA team offer our thanks to all those present for the 8am Masses for the past four Sundays, and our parish community as a whole, who prayed for and with our candidates and our elect during the RCIA Scrutinies. Please continue to pray for our elect and candidates as they enter their final week of preparation for the sacraments of initiation.

As we near the end of the period of Purification and Enlightenment, we see the candidates developing a positive awareness of the baptism they have already received. The baptized candidates participate in the reflections on the Lenten Scriptures with the elect and share in all the spiritual preparations for and reflections on the Scrutinies. The candidates are called to undertake with the whole Church the spiritual tasks of coming to a deeper awareness of both "the mystery of sin, from which the whole world and every person longs to be delivered," and the mystery of Christ the Redeemer who fills the spirit of the believer with living water, light, and life (RCIA, 143). Participation with the community of faith in the common Lenten disciplines of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving is also important for the candidates.

The profound celebration of Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday and a spiritual retreat for us. Please pray for us as we begin this final week of the journey to the Easter sacraments. The community, too, is reminded that this is a week of intense preparation to renew their own baptismal commitment. If you have not turned in your prayer cards, please do so today.

FUNERAL LUNCHEON
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are a caring individual who loves cooking and has a strong desire to serve others, consider becoming a Funeral Luncheon Volunteer. **With hearts of compassion, these beautiful women and men of our parish prepare and serve the post-funeral meal for our grieving families.**

Split into nine teams, groups of volunteers assist every six weeks or so, and prepare one of these popular dishes on the day of a funeral:

**Cole slaw; Veggie tray & ranch dressing;
Mostaccioli; Potato/pasta salad; Deviled eggs;
Jello/fruit salad**

If you are interested in assisting with this pillar of Hospitality/Service at Assumption, please contact Patti Begley at cpbegley@gmail.com.

calling all
creatives

Grab your booth for the
St. Paul Maker's Market
on
SATURDAY • MAY 4 • 9am-2pm
before they are gone!

APPLICATIONS
NOW AVAILABLE

ladiesodality@st-paulchurch.org

PRINCIPAL'S PEN

2024 High School Acceptance

CBC - Christian Brothers College

Colby Arnold
Riley Kirn
Anthony Mininni

Fort Zumwalt High Schools

Sena Akpovo
Cemia Harvey
Kayla Roberson
Ray Ryan
Colin Sullivan
Claudia Woodside

IWA - Incarnate Word Academy

Alice Dempsey
Brooklynn Douglas
Victoria Douglas

SDHS - St. Dominic High School

Rina Baker
Hayden Brock
Jack Chitwood-Urish
Matthew Cook
Timothy Dang
Daniel Duffy
Dominick Finazzo
Chase Gantner
Harlow Gantner
Talon Gantner
Maggie Gaynor
Bradlee Greco
Vivienne Grossman
Vaida Gruenloh
Hadley Igo
Sam Illy
Timothy Johnson
Hayden Korte
Makenzie Kratzer
Elizabeth Lifritz
Addison Markelz
Finley Merritt
Luke Mills
Sam Molitor
Thomas Reiter
Alyssa Sargent
Ivy Schenk
Celia Schnetgoecke
Vince Tabbachi
Maria Thessen
Charlotte Thomas
Ella Walsh
Gavin Wille
Danica Willis

Assumption Students Share Donuts with Dads

On March 14 and 20, the morning began at 6:45 a.m. in the school cafeteria for many students and their Dads, as Assumption School celebrated Donuts with Dads. This one-hour, inaugural event was just another way to show our appreciation to our loving Assumption families.

God Bless,
Dr. Pat Hensley



Assistant Principal Announcement

It is with pleasure that I announce that Jamie Welby will be the Assistant Principal for the 2024-2025 school year. Jamie has over 25 years of experience in Catholic education and has been a dedicated teacher at Assumption for the past seven years. I believe that Jamie will work collaboratively with administration, teachers and staff, to support the vision and mission of Assumption School. I want to thank the interview committee, Holly Woytus, Joan Ryan, Bess Kleckner, and Sandy Renaud for your time and dedication to Assumption. Please join me in welcoming Mrs. Jamie Welby to our school leadership team, and continue to support her with your prayers and words of encouragement in her transition.

Many Blessings,
Jamie D. Burbridge





HAPPY EASTER FROM ASSUMPTION YOUTH MINISTRY

We had an incredible Luke 18 Retreat weekend recently. God moved in powerful ways in our teens and 8th graders—we had so much fun diving into prayer, community and joy! We welcomed the 8th graders to the Life Teen community with incredible turnout, wild joy and powerful prayer. We can't wait to see how God continues to move! Here's what our week looks like:

Sunday, March 31 | No Life Teen: Easter Sunday

**Wednesday, April 3 | EDGE: The Artist
6–7:30pm in the Parish Center**

All seventh and eighth graders are invited to join us for an EDGE Night digging into why we were created. Expect fun, faith, and fellowship! We can't wait to see you there.

COMING SOON:

**Sunday, April 7 | Mission West
6:30–9pm in the Parish Center / Sanctuary**

Teens from parish youth ministries in our area and beyond will be gathering together for Mission West: a powerful night of community and prayer, with the reminder that our Catholic faith is so much bigger than just our individual youth ministries. This event is free to all and will include dinner, powerful sharings on Divine Mercy, and Adoration with Confession and Worship.



SAVE THE DATES:

April 7: Mission West

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

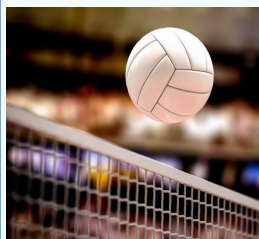
QUESTIONS? Contact **Becky Whitaker**,

Director of Youth Minister; Life Teen Youth Minister
636-240-3721 ext. 243 or beckywhitaker@abvmtech.org

Alejandro DeHerrera, Middle School (EDGE) Youth Minister

636-240-3721 ext. 333 or alejandrodereherra@abvmtech.org

ASSUMPTION ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION



Is your child interested in playing any sports? Soccer and Volleyball will be starting late April/early May. Check out the current Registrations at teamsideline.com/sites/cyosaintcharlesmo/current-programs.



At this year's CYC Sports Department's 66th Annual Awards Dinner on Wednesday, April 10, **Doug Meyer** is being honored with the **2024 CYC Coach Service Award!** Please join us in congratulating Doug in his achievement and in being a roll model for the young athletes in our parish!

Earlier this year, our President Mike Bardgett and Vice President Matt Schlueter announced that they'd be ending their tenure on the Athletic Association Board. We'd like to take a moment to thank you both for your time supporting the Athletic Association and our Parish Family. At this time we'd like to announce that Amy Coble has been installed as the new Vice President. We welcome Amy and look forward to working with her.

For any of those interested in the President position, or for those who'd like to take on a more active roll in the Athletic Association, we would love to have you join us at our monthly meetings on the third Tuesday of the month, or please email assumptioncyc@gmail.com.

For more information about the Athletic Association, please check out our website at: <https://sites.google.com/view/assumptioncyc/home>, or follow us on Facebook (Assumption Athletic Association).

OUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

Weekly Offertory	Mar. 10, 2024	YTD 7/1/23 - 3/10/24
Actual Collections	\$40,153	\$1,546,230
Budget Target	<u>\$45,000</u>	<u>\$1,462,500</u>
Surplus / (Shortfall)	\$(4,847)	\$83,730

<u>Loan taken out in 2013 for expansion of our school</u>	
Original Loan	\$3,306,127
Current balance owed	\$686,199
Monthly payment	\$20,923

Last expected payment will be in August 2026, thanks to our annual Ensuring Parish Viability grant of \$75,000 which was renewed by the Archdiocese in March 2024.



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
 or scan the QR Code and create an account.



SCAN ME

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 Friday 8am–3pm

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

BULLETIN NOTICES

Submit to Parish Office
Bulletin.assumption@gmail.com
 by Tuesday 9am

SOCIAL MEDIA

Website: 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.