

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

MAY 5, 2024

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

GO AND BEAR
FRUIT THAT WILL
REMAIN.

— JOHN 15:16 —

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,

Last Wednesday, May 1, was the feast of St. Joseph the Worker. Honoring St. Joseph has existed throughout the history of the Church, with March 19 having over a 500-year history as a feast day for St. Joseph with it currently being identified as the Feast of St. Joseph, Spouse of Mary. May 1 we might think more about Mary and have a May Crowning celebration, which are not bad to do, but I thought I would give Joseph a little boost to get this feast day that has only existed since 1955 a little more attention. I don't think Mary will begrudge Joseph this attention.



May 1 was picked by Pope Pius XII for a special reason, in response to "May Day" celebrations for workers as a communist or socialist celebration. I remember growing up during the Cold War and the May Day Parade pictures from the Soviet Union with large military parades with soldiers, weapons, tanks, and missiles. Actually the origins of May Day really goes back to Chicago in 1886 and the fight for an eight hour work day, but the important point for us and what Pope Pius XII was trying to emphasize is what is the proper way to look at our work, and St. Joseph was a good way to do this.

Joseph is identified in the Gospels as a carpenter. This is an occupation where you build things, from furniture to houses. It is very easy to see the value provided by this occupation that is useful to people in their daily lives. Most consider that this would have put his family in what today we would call a fairly common socio-economic bracket. Not the richest people, but usually able to get work and to provide for themselves and their family. That is another title that goes with Joseph and also with the title of "worker", "provider".

Work itself can be good if it is a participating with and caring for God's creation. But it is also a means of providing for oneself and one's family. Joseph, as the husband of Mary, adopted father of Jesus, protector of the Holy Family, would also provide for their well-being and the material goods they need to survive. This is a basic part of who we are as human beings that we need food and shelter and clothing that are secured through work and trade. Recognizing Joseph in this light hopefully helps us see the appropriate way in which it is also a part of our lives. Work is not something that is to be considered beneath us, but rather a way in which we, like Joseph, are obedient to God. Accepting responsibilities that he entrusts to us, helping to participate in God's plan for all of us.

As we celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker, let us be grateful for our opportunities to work as well as the work of others. Let us recognize the dignity of work in all of our lives through the reminder of St. Joseph.

Peace,

Fr. Nick

CALENDAR PLANNING MEETING TUESDAY, MAY 7, 6:30PM | HALL C

MAY 2024

SUN	MON	TUE
5	6	7 6:30PM
12	13	14

We are having a parish facilities calendar meeting on Tuesday May 7 at 6:30pm. Representatives from any parish ministry, organization, or group that uses our facilities are invited and would hopefully know what events or needs they may have for the coming fiscal year (June 2024-June 2025.) If you are aware of particular events, please email Debbie Orf (debbieorf@abvmtech.org) a brief description of the event, the space needed, and the time when this may occur before the meeting so we are aware of possible conflicts going into the meeting.

Hopefully this will help us use our facilities in the best ways for our parish mission and our parishioners and avoid unnecessary conflicts.

Peace again,

Fr. Nick

BULLETIN NOTICE

Bulletin articles need to be **submitted to the editor by 9am on the Tuesday before the Sunday** (five days prior). Requests will be reviewed and published as space allows.

Send article to bulletin.assumption@gmail.com.

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!

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

Mary Burroughs
of our parish family

Elise Scott
granddaughter of Theresa Potts

Michael Cahill
brother of Mary McAteer

Alan Kirn
husband of Diana Kirn
Visitation: May 11, 9:30am (Church)
Funeral Mass: May 11, 10:30am (Church)

Jeanne Smith
wife of Walter Smith
Visitation: May 15, 9:30am (Church)
Funeral Mass: May 15, 10:30am (Church)

Carole Beauvais
wife of the late James Beauvais
Visitation: May 18, 9:30am (Church)
Funeral Mass: May 18, 10:30am (Church)

THANK YOU

Thank you to Msgr. Dennis Stehly and everyone involved with the beautiful funeral Mass for Alvin Hunsel. I also would like to thank those who served us the delicious lunch following the ceremony.

Thank you,
Pat Hunsel and family


**PANCAKE BREAKFAST
HOSTED BY THE MEN'S GROUP
SUNDAY, MAY 5**


Join us for a pancake breakfast after the 8am and 10am Mass in the Parish Center. We will have pancakes, sausage links, orange juice, chocolate milk, and regular milk. Donations will gladly be accepted. Registration is not required, but we ask that you RSVP at abvmmensgroup.org/upcoming-events/pancake-breakfast-1 to help us estimate the amount of food needed.



Got questions? You can contact the Men's Group at assumptionmensgroup@gmail.com.



If you are new to the parish, visit our hospitality table to register and pick up an Assumption Welcome Packet. We are so excited you are here!

**OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE
SHRINE MASS
WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 7PM**


Please join us for an outdoor Mass at Our Lady Queen of Peace Shrine located at 301 Coronation Drive, O'Fallon, MO. (Corner of Civic Park Dr and Imperial Dr passed Sigmund Auto Service)

Fr. Nick Kastenholtz 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.

ASSUMPTION NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK

TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR PICKUP TODAY



If you purchased Cardinals tickets for Assumption Night at the Ballpark, please don't forget to pick up your tickets at the table in the Narthex **THIS WEEKEND** after Mass! If you marked on the registration form that you'd like

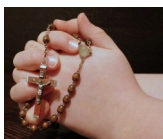
to pick up tickets at Life Teen, they will be available on Sunday, May 5 during Life Teen, and tickets will go home in Assumption School student's book bags on Monday, May 6.

The raffle winners were drawn after the bulletin went to print, so we'll recognize the winners in next week's bulletin. If your name was drawn for any of the fun Cardinal giveaways listed below, your prize will be available when you pick up your tickets.

- ♦ Marty Passes for four to a 2024 game Cardinals game
- ♦ Four pregame field passes to watch the Cards batting practice before the game
- ♦ Cardinals Tote with Mike Shannon T-Shirt
- ♦ Nolan Arenado Bobblehead and Mike Shannon T-shirt
- ♦ Ryan Helsley Bobblehead and Mike Shannon T-shirt
- ♦ Elf Bobblehead and Mike Shannon T-shirt
- ♦ Mike Shannon T-shirt
- ♦ Mike Shannon T-shirt

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Nancy Gomer at 636-240-3721, ext. 239. Thanks for your support! **GO CARDINALS!**

ASSUMPTION RESPECT LIFE APOSTOLATE (PRO-LIFE) MINISTRY LIVING ROSARY IN THE CHAPEL SATURDAY, MAY 11, 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.

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

50+ CLUB ANNUAL FRIED CHICKEN DINNER MAY 20, 6:30PM | HALL C



Join us for a night of fellowship at our annual fried chicken dinner event! Homemade cookies and desserts will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share! Consider bringing cole slaw, fruit salad, lettuce salad, baked beans, macaroni and cheese, potatoes, green bean casserole, jello salad, or cooked vegetables. Any side you enjoy with fried chicken would be a welcome addition!

Not a member? You can join the night of the meeting if you'd like to participate. Dues are \$15 per person.

Questions? Contact Kim Thornhill at 918-381-7459 or thornhillproductions@gmail.com.

50+ CLUB TRIP TO LANCASTER, PA SEPTEMBER 15—21

RSVP AND PAYMENT IS DUE MONDAY, MAY 6

The 50+ Club will be taking another bus trip through Diamond Tours September 15–21.

The trip includes:

- ♦ Motorcoach transportation to Lancaster in the heart of Pennsylvania
- ♦ 6 nights lodging
- ♦ 10 meals: 6 breakfasts, 4 dinners
- ♦ Admission to "Daniel" at the original Sight and Sound Theater
- ♦ Admission to a show at The Magic and Wonder Theater
- ♦ Admission to The Amish Experience and Jacob's Choice at the F/X Theater
- ♦ Guided tour of Lancaster
- ♦ Visit to Kitchen Kettle Village
- ♦ Admission to Hershey Chocolate World in Hershey, PA
- ♦ Guided tour of Philadelphia and more!

\$969 double occupancy with \$75 deposit due by May 6. Separate charge of \$72 for trip insurance.

For more information, please contact Linda Lambing at 314-599-8429.

	SUNDAY 5.5.24	MONDAY 5.6.24	TUESDAY 5.7.24	WEDNESDAY 5.8.24
Mass Times and Intentions	8:00am John Rothermich 10:00am Rosemary Dickes 12:00pm People of the Parish 5:30pm Paul and Angeline Siemer	6:30am Amon and Marylou Owens 8:00am Bruce Kreycik	6:30am Lee and Anne Yadon 8:00am Ed Schoenherr	6:30am Joseph Cunetto 8:00am Judy Ruether
Reconciliation	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

ST. VINCENT de PAUL FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP



The Assumption St Vincent de Paul conference has been supporting neighbors within our parish boundaries for over 64 years. We even expanded our coverage to include the territory formerly of St. Barnabas Parish in the fourth quarter of 2023. The majority of

our neighbors that we assist are working single parents, the homeless, and the elderly/disabled that are on a fixed income. Your donations assist the Assumption conference in providing not only the basic needs (food, clothing, and shelter), but also needs that help them, help themselves, (gas and car repairs.)

We thank all our parishioners for your generosity. The demand for assistance continues to increase and we are asking for you to consider using a new online method to donate. Please scan the QR code to link directly to the churches online giving system. If you don't have an account, you must create one before submitting your online donation. No amount is too small and any assistance is a blessing.



Thank you for your consideration,
The Assumption St. Vincent DePaul Team

BRING COMFORT AND COMPANIONSHIP TO SOLACE HOSPICE CARE PATIENTS



Join the Solace Hospice Care team as a patient-visiting volunteer! You will brighten the days of those living with a terminal illness and help our team provide exceptional care. Our patients live in private homes, nursing facilities and assisted living facilities in O'Fallon, St. Peters, St. Charles, and St. Louis City and County. No healthcare or hospice experience is required and visiting schedules are flexible. We look forward to collaborating with you!

For more information, contact Sharon Christopher at 636-220-4050 or schristopher@solacehospicecaremo.com or visit us online at solacehospicecaremo.com.

DIVORCED AND SEPARATED HEALING PROGRAM

STARTING MAY 6

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION DARDENNE

The Divorced and Separated Healing Ministry (DASH) provides support for those whose relationship has ended in divorce or are in the midst of separation. Support includes spiritual healing and provides resource material dealing with forgiveness, anger and letting go.

We will meet regularly to walk with individuals during this challenging time. Call Bob Lenac, 636-294-4001, or Maureen Zvanut, 314-799-3843 for more information.

PRO-LIFE MASS AND ROSARY

MAY 18 | 8:15AM

ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH

Join St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church family (2 Seton Ct., St Charles MO 63303) on Saturday, May 18, as Fr. Vordtriede will be celebrating the 8:15 a.m. Mass.

The rosary will be said before Mass. All are invited to attend and bring a friend.

FR. JIM BENZ

50th ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

MAY 19, 11:30AM



Fr. Jim Benz, who served the people of Assumption Parish from 1979-1985, will celebrate his 50th anniversary as a priest at the 11:30am Mass at **Sts. Joachim & Ann Parish, 4112 McClay Road, St. Charles, MO 63304**. He would like you to join him for this Mass and the reception that immediately follows in the parish's school cafeteria.

So that the people of Sts. Joachim & Ann may sufficiently prepare for this reception, please RSVP at, signupgenius.com/go/frbenz50, or call the Sts. Joachim & Ann Parish Office at 636-441-7503.

Fr. Benz requests that, if you are so inclined to recognize his Golden Jubilee with a gift, please make a contribution to the charity of your choice.

THURSDAY 5.9.24

6:30am Sandra Doussard
8:00am Rose Marie Orf

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

FRIDAY 5.10.24

6:30am Joe and Peggy Davis
8:00am Kevin Hale

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

SATURDAY 5.11.24

8:00am MC and Marge Gentemann
5:00pm Karen Brady

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

SUNDAY 5.12.24

8:00am Monique Moyer
10:00am Betty Bruegenhemke
12:00pm People of the Parish
5:30pm Denny Tiemeyer

By Appointment

RCIA: THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS



*In his Passover Christ opened to all men the fountain of Baptism. He had already spoken of his Passion, which he was about to suffer in Jerusalem, as a "Baptism" with which he had to be baptized. The **blood and water** that flowed from the pierced side of the crucified Jesus are types of Baptism and the Eucharist, the sacraments of new life. From then on, it is possible "to be born of water and the Spirit" in order to enter the Kingdom of God. **See where you are baptized; see where Baptism comes from, if not from the cross of Christ, from his death.** There is the whole mystery: he died for you. In him you are redeemed, in him you are saved. (CCC 1225)*

Last weekend we shared stories of our baptism. This weekend, we conclude our RCIA Mystagogy period with discussion on Confirmation. The very existence of this final stage following the sacraments implies that the sacraments are not an end but a beginning. From this point on, the new Catholics will continue in a life of ongoing conversion. Called to a life of holiness, the Christian can always deepen in the daily joy and struggle of more fully cooperating with God's grace. Since next Sunday is Mother's Day, we will not have a session. Pentecost Sunday, May 12 ends our process for this year. We plan to have a special blessing and send off for our group at the 8am Mass.

RUN FOR LIFE AND LEARNING BENEFITING BIRTHRIGHT COUNSELING, ST. LOUIS JUNE 1 | CREVE COEUR LAKE



Join us at Creve Coeur Lake on June 1 for a chip-timed 6K Run/Walk, 1 Mile Fun Walk/Run, and ¼ Mile Kids Run with FREDBIRD.

Scan the QR Code with your cell phone camera to register or donate. Or you can visit runsignup.com/run4lifeandlearning.



Proceeds enable women who are financially stressed by an unplanned pregnancy to continue their education and secure better lives for themselves and their families.

For sponsorship opportunities, please email run4lifeandlearning@gmail.com.

THANK YOU



Thank you to all the members of our parish family that came out for Family Bingo on April 22! Everyone had a great time! Thanks also to Garden View for supplying the prizes, bingo caller, and bingo cards. Special thanks to the members of the 50+ Club that baked and donated cookies and brownies, candy, chips, soda, and bottled water to sell during bingo!

BLESSINGS AND THANKS TO OUR DEDICATED SEMINARIANS

Farewell and blessings to our AMAZING seminarians, Chase Riecker and James (Jimmy) Fitzsimmons... Sunday, April 28, was their last day serving at Assumption Parish.

The up-and-coming priests have been helping us celebrate Mass on Sundays since September 2023 and assisting with our Life Teen Ministry on Sunday evenings, and we are so grateful for all they've done to support us and the Church.

May God bless and keep them as they continue their spiritual journey to priesthood at [Kenrick-Glennon Seminary](https://www.kenrick-glennon.org/). We will miss you!



O'FALLON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #2269

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. **The jackpot has climbed to \$13,900!**

A GIFT OF LIFE CAN YOU HELP?

Hi fellow Assumption Parishioners, my name is Mark Lewandowski. My sister, Monica, is searching for a living donor due to chronic kidney disease and imminent kidney dialysis with an uncertain future.

If you are interested in learning more about her story, please access her Facebook link below, or you can contact her at 941-416-1417.

facebook.com/monica.lewandowski1

Thank you!
Mark Lewandowski

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America,
and to the Republic for which it stands,
one Nation under God, indivisible,
with liberty and justice for all."



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR TROOPS

Service Members on Our Prayer List:

David Baine
Cooper Grupe
Jeffrey Northway
Miranda Gerringer
Connor Smith
Sydney Smith
Alex Struckoff
Scott Boatright
Brenden Seibert
Jason Nickell
Garrett Einggeli
Anna Bello
Brian Cole
Thomas Townsend
Virginia Brawley
Aaron Davis
Samuel Davis
Justin Dimitry
Marissa Johnson
Drew Huskey
Gabriel Gage

Joseph Gibbons
Sabrina Huddleston
Jason Jones
Dustin Hesscamp
Blaine John Brady
Caleb McDowell
Alex Murphy
Calvin Pieper
Ellie Prinster
Caroline Victor
Colin Emge
Robert Rodamaker
Christopher Schneider
Tanner Swafford
Graham Mullin
Austen Thomas
Cody Wade
Shaun Brown
Alexander Boden
Christopher Weber
Shaun Brown D.O.

Son of Larry and Elizabeth Baine
Grandson of Mary Lou Becker
Grandson of Mary Lou Becker
Granddaughter of Keith and Jean Boal
Nephew of Keith and Jean Boal
Niece of Keith and Jean Boal
Nephew of Keith and Jean Boal
Son of Mary and Don Boatright
Grandson of Larry and Shirley Boyer
Nephew of Larry and Sue Buehler
Grandson of John and Sherry Busken
Niece of Tina Cay
Grandson of Henrietta Cole
Grandson of Lorraine Cully
Granddaughter of Walter and Pat Curtis
Son of Tim and Tammy Davis
Son of Tim and Tammy Davis
Nephew of Gary and Jan Doerr
Great Granddaughter of Ruth Ell
Son of Karla and Bret Falkner
Nephew of Madeline and Larry Gage
and Grandson of Julitta Gage
Grandson of John and Sharon Gibbons
Granddaughter of Maribeth Huddleston
Grandson of Joyce Hunn
Grandson of Joyce Hunn
Grandson of Larry & Dolores Lanteigne
Great Grandson of Larry & Dolores Lanteigne
Grandson of Larry & Dolores Lanteigne
Grandson of Howard and Carol Pieper
Granddaughter of Henry and Norma Prinster
Granddaughter of Henry and Norma Prinster
Great Grandson of Ruth Rothermich
Great Grandson of Clarence Schneider
Son of Shelly and Jim Schneider
Grandson of Marilyn Shaffer
Grandson of Norbert and Mary Stoverink
Son of Jeanine Thomas
Son of Mike and Beth Wade
Nephew of Angela Ward
Grandson of Bob and Jan Weber
Grandson of Bob and Jan Weber
Son of Rick and Andrea Wild

Do you have family or friend who are currently serving in the Armed Forces? If so, we would like to pray for them by name as a community!

To **add** or **remove** a name from our list, please call the Parish Office, 636-240-3721.

Thank you for your prayerful support to help keep our troops serving our country safe!

PRINCIPAL'S PEN

Assumption Sends Two Students to Chicago for History Challenge



The Great History Challenge is an event offered to schools throughout the United States. The event is a fun, exciting national academic competition. Of the thousands of students across the country who competed in the Great History Challenge online, **only a select few scored high enough to qualify for the Live Regional Event that took place on April 18 at Westminster Academy.**

Assumption had 16 students who qualified for the LIVE challenge, with two of those students now moving to the next level, traveling to Chicago over Memorial Day weekend for the National Championship! Congratulations to **Quinn Rinearson** and **Sam Moliter**. Please pray for them as competitors of the **National Champion in Social Studies.**

At the three-day National Championship, Sam and Quinn will compete against students from across the country to answer questions and earn points. At the end of the day, the organization crowns a single National Champion in each grade division from the 6th Grade, 7th Grade, and 8th Grade.



Playing Domino's with Cereal Boxes



With the encouragement of our National Junior Honor Society, our students rallied to gather over 1000 boxes of cereal which will be donated to local charities throughout the St. Charles community in May, 2024.

The great cereal challenge was exciting as the NJHS lined the boxes along the halls to develop a dominoes effect with boxes. Students cheered along with faculty and staff, as the boxes fell, one after another along the halls, around corners and past the students who sat and watched.

Fourth Graders Learn About Banking at St. John's

Our Fourth Graders, with Mrs. Harvey and Mrs. McDonald, leading the way, went to the local branch of St. John's Bank to see first hand how a bank operates. St. John's Bank is a locally owned, community-oriented bank serving individuals and businesses in northwestern St. Louis and St. Charles Counties.

Students were able to go into the vault, learn how the vault works, see lock boxes and understand why they are used, and also saw the Board Room, where meetings are held. Separated into groups, students had a chance to see close at hand the operation of computers in banking, how the tellers provide services to customers, and meet the bank employees. Thanks to St. John's Bank, our students learned many important aspects of the banking industry.



Book Fair Success | Thank You Grandparents

Our Grandparents Day Book Fair made \$6,000 in two hours, of which we get 40% (\$2,400.) We were able to purchase \$1,200 in books for the classrooms. The other \$1,200 is being used to outfit an Early Childhood library component of the X-treme lab. Thank you Grandparents, for your generosity!



Thank you for reading about Assumption School

God Bless!

Dr. Pat Hensley



HELLO FROM ASSUMPTION YOUTH MINISTRY

This Sunday is our final Life Night of the Spring Semester. It has been an incredible year of community, prayer, and ministry. Please pray for our teens as they finish out their academics and for our team as we prepare for summer ministry! Praise the Lord for how He is continuing to move in the young Church. Here's what our week looks like:

**Sunday, May 5 | Life Teen | Main Street Live
6:30–9pm in the Parish Center**

All teens are invited to join us for our long-anticipated Main Street Live Talent Show! Teens and their parents can expect delicious dinner, the talents of our community on full display, and a night of celebration of all things Assumption Life Teen. We can't wait to see you there!



SAVE THE DATES:

May 18: Assumption Night at the Ballpark
St. Louis Cardinals Game

June 2: Life Teen Summer Kickoff

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

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS DURING MAY

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 May, please support the general needs of the parish through the Sunday offertory, and consider the following specific causes and needs:

- ♦ **May 12, Catholic Communications:** This appeal supports the Church's evangelization efforts in relation to television, radio, internet, and other media, as well as special projects of the Catholic press.
- ♦ **May 28, Catholic Home Missions:** This appeal strengthens the Catholic Church in the United States, particularly those dioceses in financial need. Funds are used for evangelization, religious education, maintenance of mission parishes, training of seminarians and lay ministers, and ministry with ethnic groups.
- ♦ **Respect Life:** The Respect Life Apostolate at Assumption strives to build a Culture of Life through prayer services and education on pro-life issues and events.
- ♦ **Education Fund:** Contributions to the Education Fund are used to provide tuition assistance to parents that want a Catholic education for their children but can't afford it.
- ♦ **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	April 14, 2024	YTD 7/1/23 - 4/14/24
Actual Collections	\$42,465	\$1,789,549
Budget Target	<u>\$45,000</u>	<u>\$1,665,500</u>
Surplus / (Shortfall)	\$(2,535)	\$124,049

Loan taken out in 2013 for expansion of our school

Original Loan	\$3,306,127
Current balance owed	\$668,956
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:
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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
 by Tuesday 9am

SOCIAL MEDIA

Website: assumptionbvm.org
 facebook.com: @assumptionparish
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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.