

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

*This
is my body,
This
is my blood.*

JUNE 11, 2023 ~The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

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.



ANOINTING 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.



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 Holly Woytus at 636-240-1020 for more information.



FIRST COMMUNION

Preparation begins in September for all students who are entering 2nd grade. Please contact Holly Woytus at 636-240-1020.

Welcome

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www.assumptionbvm.org

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Hello,

Today we celebrate the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Corpus Christi. This is always a good time to reflect not only on what we believe about the Eucharist, but also how we can talk about that, to communicate that belief to others.

One phrase to start with is the Real Presence, that Jesus Christ is truly present in the host and chalice we receive at Communion. "In the celebration of the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and the instrumentality of the priest. The whole Christ is truly present -- body, blood, soul, and divinity -- under the appearances of bread and wine, the glorified Christ who rose from the dead. This is what the Church means when she speaks of the "Real Presence" of Christ in the Eucharist."

(USCCB website, <https://www.usccb.org/eucharist>)

"Take; this is my body"

—Mark 14:22

The presence of
Christ in the
Eucharist is real, true,
and substantial.

"Jesus awaits us
in this sacrament
of love." (St. John
Paul II, *Dominicae
cenae*, no. 3)

"It is called: Eucharist,
because it is an action of
thanksgiving to God."
(CCC, no. 1328)

Eucharist "makes
present the one
sacrifice of Christ the
Savior." (CCC, no. 1330)



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This fact itself is a miracle (a sign or wonder that can only be attributed to divine power), but we will also hear people talk about Eucharistic Miracles (usually referring to a physically demonstrable change to the host and wine that cannot be explained through natural science, such as the host appears to bleed and scientific testing identifies the physical presence of human blood or human heart tissue). I mention this because like other miracles (such as curing from some disease that we cannot scientifically explain and divine intervention had been asked for) the fact that someone was not miraculously cured does not mean

God is not with this person who was not healed. When we celebrate Mass, we need to be conscious of this miracle, this sacrifice that Jesus has made for us that is present at the altar. Then aware of this, our actions, words, and thoughts should reflect it as we receive the Eucharist, the words we use when we talk about the Eucharist, and how we act in the presence of the Eucharist in the tabernacle or during adoration. If we live as we believe, hopefully this will help others to also recognize Christ and His Real Presence in the Eucharist.

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." - Ephesians 4:15-16

Adult Formation



Corpus Christi Procession

Today, Sunday, June 11th, the Church celebrates the feast of *Corpus Christi*! Join us for a procession with the consecrated Host placed in the Monstrance after the **12:00 pm Mass**, following Communion and prayer. Procession will take place to three altars set up on our campus—at the cross from our first church—at the outdoor classroom—and in our cemetery. We will pause and offer a prayer at each of these altars. We will then process to the Assumption Chapel where the Eucharist will be exposed for Adoration. The golf cart will be available for those who need assistance. We do hope you will join us!

Assumption Ministries Need Your Assistance!

Fall Festival: If you like having fun and want to assist with one of the largest attractions at the Fall Festival, then we need you! The festival committee is looking for a Haunted Hayride Captain to oversee this popular event, Saturday, September 30th. The Haunted Hayride Captain would work with Assumption Life Teen, ticket takers and hayride drivers to make this another spook-tacular event again this year!

Duties include:

- Decorating with props the "scare zone" or route the wagons travel, which includes three "scare scenes"
- Coordinating with ticket takers and drivers the loading and unloading wagons from dusk to 10 pm.
- Coordinating with Life Teen to remove all of the props from the "scare zone"

The festival committee is also in need of a captain to oversee Traditional Hayrides on Sunday, October 1st.

If interested in assisting with either hayride captain positions, please contact Fall Festival chair, Russ Schaller at (314) 608-6551.

Christmas in July Backpack Program: Two volunteers are needed to help with the Christmas in July Backpack collection this year. Call or text Gina Ostermeyer at (314) 913-9601 if interested.

Advent by Candlelight: We are seeking a team of five or six women who are interested in organizing and hosting the annual Advent by Candlelight event, which has a mission of bringing women of the parish together to rekindle faith for the holy seasons of Advent by providing an evening of fellowship, music, and prayer. Event planning must begin no later than September. Contact Nancy Gomer at (636) 240-3721 ext. 239 if interested.





"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 29:10-13

Prayer

Awaken to the Divine: Contemplative Reflections to Transform Your Spirit

*A 5-Day Silent Guided Retreat
led by Paul Coutinho*



Paul Coutinho is a recognized international scholar who blends Spirituality and Psychology and brings an Eastern flavor to Western spirituality. He has done doctoral studies in Psychology and has a doctorate in Historical Theology from St. Louis University. He leads regular workshops and retreats that respond to the heart's restless quest for the Divine and a desire to live the fullness of life. Paul is the author of several books, including *Awaken to the Divine: 52 Contemplative Reflections to Transform Your Spirit*.

5 - 9 JULY 2023

9:00am check-in Wednesday through
Sunday afternoon departure

Commuter: \$350
Overnight: \$500

Register by June 23 at:
www.mercycenterstl.org

Every spiritual tradition lays out a path for spiritual awakening. Some call it enlightenment, others bliss. It is the quest of humans of every age to grapple with the existential question: Who am I? What is the purpose of life? Jesus experienced awakening at his baptism, St. Paul at Damascus, and St. Ignatius at Manresa. This retreat will help us to find our own path to Awakening Divine Consciousness in our everyday life.

MERCY CONFERENCE AND RETREAT CENTER

2039 NORTH GEYER ROAD - SAINT LOUIS, MO 63131 - 314-966-4686 - MERCYCENTERSTL.ORG

Mass Times/Intentions

Reconciliation

MONDAY 6.12.23

6:30am Deceased of Ralph
Humphries Family
8:00am Mary Jane Schalk

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

TUESDAY 6.13.23

6:30am William & Viola Vogt
8:00am Catherine Waidmann

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

WEDNESDAY 6.14.23

6:30am Priest Intention
8:00am Jacqueline Alt

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



COME TRAVEL WITH US!

We are taking a motor coach trip to Pigeon Forge, Gatlinburg, and the Smoky Mountains in Tennessee on Monday, October 30th—November 3rd.

Cost: \$665 per person, double occupancy.

Cost includes 4 breakfasts, 4 dinners, 6 shows, and a guided tour through the Great Smoky Mountains!

Deposit of \$75 per person is needed to Linda Lambing by **June 13th**. Final deposit due August 14th.

Please contact Linda at (314) 599-8429 with any questions.



PRAYER:

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

Prayer



Quilters Wanted!

Quilts of Valor Eastern Missouri is a non-profit group that makes and presents quilts to military veterans. We meet 2 or 3 times a month to hand

quilt, and we are looking for additional quilters. If you would like to join us, here is a partial list of dates and locations. Questions or more information, call Mary Jo Edson at (636) 577-3663

Wednesday, June 14th—Sacred Heart Church, Troy

Wednesday, June 28th—Assumption Church, O'Fallon

Wednesday, July 12th—Elks Lodge, Warrenton

Thursday, July 27th—St. Peters Church, St. Charles

Thursday, August 31st—VFW, Washington, MO

Wednesday, September 20th—St. Gianna, Wentzville

Tuesday, October 10th—Dardenne Presbyterian Church

Wednesday, October 25th—St. Paul KC Hall, St. Paul

Desert Day: I really need a day of prayer and quiet! Desert Days at the Sanguis Christi Spirituality Center of the sisters of the Most Precious Blood are just that. Come to the quiet and beauty of St. Joseph Chapel at 204 North Main, O'Fallon, MO on, **June 20, July 19, or August 17, 2023 from 9:15 am - 3:15 pm.**

The day will begin and end with prayer. The remainder of the day is solitude, quiet, reflection, and rest. The opportunity to talk with a spiritual director is also available. Lunch is provided and we ask a free will offering. For more information or to register contact Sr. Mary Cecile Gunelson, CPPS at 636-293-8013 or by email at mccgunelson@cpps-ofallon.org

Our Lady Queen of Peace Shrine Mass!

PLEASE JOIN US for Mass at Our Lady Queen of Peace Shrine located at 301 Coronation Dr, O'Fallon, MO 63366. (The Shrine actually faces Civic Park Dr.) Masses held on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:00pm.

June 14th Fr. Dane Westhoff will be presiding.

Please bring a lawn chair. Masses will take place "Weather Permitting". For information call, Sylvia at 636-978-8803.



THURSDAY 6.15.23	FRIDAY 6.16.23	SATURDAY 6.17.23	SUNDAY 6.18.23
6:30am Alan Frankosky Special Intention	6:30am Priest Intention	8:00am Pam Blalock	8:00am Marvin Birkemeier
8:00am Frank & Mary Muenks	8:00am John Rothermich	5:00pm Frances Vomund	10:00am Ron Hanebrink
7:30 - 7:50am Chapel Or by appointment	7:30 - 7:50am Chapel Or by appointment	4:00 - 4:45pm Church Or by appointment	12:00pm Shirley Mackey
			5:30pm People of the Parish
			By Appointment

**FORMATION**

Continuous
conversion
of mind and
heart

"Following
Jesus is the
work of a
lifetime"



From the Principal's Pen

**Class of 2023****Congratulations to each of our graduates!**

"You have learned much, and grown greatly. May God guide and direct you to a bright and blessed future!" Anonymous

Christian Brothers College: Carter Boschert Declan Jeffries, Gavin Virtue, Jack Voland

DeSmet Jesuit High School: Thomas Hughes

Duschene High School: Evan Kundel

Incarnate Word Academy: Nora Bertel, Lauren Fischering

St. Dominic High School: Peyton Roberts, Olivia Roberts, Grant Giesmann, Emily Frazier, Audrey Meyer, Isabella Boss, Mitchell Begley, Ethan Koenig, Ania Koch, Emma Wise, Lucas Gandolfo, Nolan Struckmann, Meagan Davies, Elizabeth Wilson, Isabelle Woytus, Charlotte Bland, Jacob Horstmann, Meagan Davies, Sophia Burnett, Elena Pescarino, Skylar Simpson, Benjamin Heckart, Owen Larkin, Piper Bishop, Madeline LoCascio, Henry Heiney, Nathan Swain, Madelyn Mannebach, Nathan Willcockson, Aleko Politis, Ava Howe, Chase Morris, Lillian Hoermann

Fort Zumwalt: Sam Fontana, Isabella Fontana, Elijah Davis, Jenna LaBarge, Santiago Felix, Olivia Finley, Isabella Land, Ana Ramirez

4th Grade tour of St. Johns Bank and Trust – O'Fallon, MO

St. Johns Bank is a locally owned, community-oriented bank serving individuals and businesses in northwestern St. Louis and St. Charles Counties. Assumption 4th graders were the first group to ever tour St. Johns, thanks to Mrs. Harvey who previously worked at the bank. The day was spent meeting with differing department heads to understand how a bank works, how to open savings accounts, where people keep their valuables in a safe deposit boxes, and see the vault. The teachers, Mrs. Harvey and Mrs. Tecklenburg both believe that teaching their 9 year old students about the importance of a bank, saving money, and spending wisely will prepare them for their future.

Did you know that by age 3, your kids can grasp basic money concepts? By age 7, many of their money habits are already set. At that age students will begin to understand not just quantities of money but their value. They'll be able to differentiate between the value of a dime and a quarter, and comprehend that an amount of money can only buy so much. By age 8, kids can begin to differentiate between wants and needs. Congratulations to our 4th graders and our teachers in the beginning steps for Financial Literacy!



Thanks for reading about our School! Pat Hensley



LIFE TEEN

Happy June from Assumption Youth Ministry!

We had a great Summer Kickoff! We talked about Freedom and how it can impact our lives. Waterwars is next for June 11th!

We will not have LT on June 18th but we will be having a Baptism for baby Ephraim at the 5:30 mass.



June 22– Steubenville Parent & Teen Meeting

June 23– Field Trip: Mass & the Muny

June 26 –30– Life Teen Leadership Conference

July 7 –10–Steubenville Youth Conference

July 13–LT Camp Parent & Teen Meeting

July 23– 29 –Life TeenCap Coverest

If you are going to any of the conferences please make sure you get all of your paper-work done. It will be here before you know it. Contact Alejandro through Flocknote or GroupMe in the parent or teen chats.

Know of our prayers for you!

Alejandro DeHerrera and Becky Whitaker



Youth Formation

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
Alejandro DeHerrera - Middle School Youth Minister, ext. 333
edgelifeteenalejandro@gmail.com

National Pro-Life Women's Conference,
June 23rd – 25th
St. Charles Convention Center

The Archdiocese of St. Louis Respect Life Apostolate is co-sponsoring the **National Pro-Life Women's Conference at the St. Charles Convention Center, June 23-25**. The conference takes place during the one-year anniversary of the Dobbs v. Jackson decision which overturned legalized abortion in Missouri and other states. Educating, affirming, empowering, and activating women to build a Culture of Life in their community and beyond, the conference features inspiring presentations by some of the most well-known women leaders in the country. They include pro-life author and advocate *Abby Johnson*, *Lauren Muzyka*, *Angela Minter*, and more.

The conference also offers opportunities for prayer, fellowship, and friendship for women by women in the pro-life movement that promises to be unrivaled and unforgettable. On Saturday of the conference, *Most Rev. Mark S. Rivituso*, Auxiliary Bishop of St. Louis, will celebrate Holy Mass and priests of the Archdiocese will be available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Use promotional code "RLA2023" for \$10 off the online registration price:
<https://prolifewomen.com/>



"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace."

- 1 Peter 4:10

Hospitality

Pack the Pool!

Sts. Joachim & Ann Care Service is holding a summer food drive on Friday, June 23rd from 9am—4pm at 4116 McClay Rd.

Help us fill our inflatable pool with summer snacks and kid-friendly foods for our clients with children home for summer vacation!

For a list of items we are specifically looking for, visit our event page at www.jacares.org/events/

Please call (636)441-1302 ext. 6684 or email jmueller@jacares.org with any questions you may have.



Our Gifts to God and Parish

Weekly Offertory

	May 21, 2023	YTD 7/1/22 - 5/21/23
Actual Collections	27,494	\$ 1,809,533
Budget Target	\$ 37,000	\$ 1,818,000
Surplus / (Shortfall)	(9,506)	\$ (8,467)

<u>Loan taken out in 2013 for expansion of our school</u>	
Original Loan	\$ 3,306,127
Current balance owed	\$ 835,019
Monthly payment	\$ 20,923

Last expected payment, August 2026

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

*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



Inaugural Knights of Columbus Charity Sporting Clay Classic

Sponsored by The O'Fallon Knights of Columbus #2269

Come join us for this inaugural Charity
Clay Classic. Proceeds from the main
event will benefit our Charity
Outreach. The Flurry proceeds will
support Missouri Disabled Sportsmen

JUNE 17, 2023

BLACK HAWK HUNTING RESERVE
2259 BREVATOR RD
OLD MONROE, MO 63369

8AM REGISTRATION
9AM COMPETITION START



BOOK NOW

Contact Del Carr

(636) 544-2752

delmccarr@gmail.com

www.thecompass2269.com

EVENT INFORMATION

- \$400 Per Four Person Team
- 2 Flights
- Scramble Format
- Raffles, prizes, and other contests

EVENT SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE

DONATIONS NEEDED

Knights of Columbus is
collecting water bottles for
the 4th of July parade.
Donations can be left at the
Knights Hall, across
the street from
Assumption.



23rd Annual Golf Tournament

The Falls Golf Club | Saturday, August 26th, 2023

**Sponsor
Opportunities
Available**

Event Details:

4 Person Scramble

11:30-12:45 Registration and Lunch

1:00 Shotgun Start

6:00 (approximately)- Dinner and Awards following Golf

Men and Women of all ages and abilities are Welcome!

Entry Fee Includes:

Golf, Cart, Mulligans, Skins, Lunch, Dinner, All Beer, Water, and
Soda throughout the event.

Questions on Sponsorship, please contact Michael Bigler
mb22417@bjc.org or text/call (314) 915-5968



Team Registration

Cost \$125 per Player* (\$500 per Team)
Registration and payment is only availa-
ble via the Assumption School website
under Activities:
<http://assumptionbvmschool.org/>

- Registration Fee must be paid online by August 15th
- Registration Fee is \$150 after August 15

Attention: Men of Assumption Parish!

You're invited to attend the first meeting of the **ALL NEW** Assumption's Men's Group. The meeting will be held in Hall B at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 14. Men 18 and older are welcome!

Fr. Nick will kick things off and we'll have refreshments for all. What do **YOU** want in a men's group? This is your chance to fellowship and create the men's group you want.

For more information, please contact: Kelly Gessert (kelly.gessert@gmail.com), Chris Smith (christopher_smith@hotmail.com), Mike Bigler (mjb7203@bjc.org) or Derek Menne (dmenne79@gmail.com).



Assumption Adoration Chapel

Adoration is available 24/7 in the Chapel (the old church) by using the code at the north transit entrance. EXPOSITION on Tuesday begins after the 8:00am Mass and is available through the Rosary at 6:15pm, followed by Perpetual Help Devotions. Please sign up at assumptionbvm.weadorehim.com.



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- Ephesians 4:15-16

Adult Formation

BLINGO

Thursday, June 22, 2023

Doors open 5:30pm—Blingo starts 6:30pm

Bingo with Park Lane Jewelry Prizes

Admission \$15

Includes 8 Rounds of BLINGO

Extra sheets of 4 cards available

SNACKS ARE WELCOME—CASH BAR AVAILABLE

RAFFLE BASKETS AND 50/50

Cash - Check Accepted

Proceeds benefit local Charities and Causes

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary 2269

O'Fallon Knights of Columbus Hall

202 West Third Street, O'Fallon, MO 63366

Reservations Appreciated

Contact: Margie Prinster—636-577-1369

E-mail: Margerry1@gmail.com



St. Vincent De Paul NEEDED FOOD ITEMS:



Canned peaches, canned oranges, canned pears, canned mixed fruit, applesauce, canned hams, corn beef hash, SPAM, Vienna sausages, jelly, vegetable oil, raisins, Pop Tarts, canned pasta with pull top lids, canned chicken with pull top lids.

NEEDED NON-FOOD ITEMS: liquid dish soap, laundry detergent, dryer sheets, facial tissue, toilet paper.

We are always in need of grocery store gift certificates and gas cards!

IN LOVING MEMORY

Rita Kirchner, of our parish family

Abbey Senior Health in O'Fallon, MO is looking for help!

Part Time Activity Assistant:

Must have a cheerful disposition and a compassion to work with the elderly. Duties include helping with parties, games, crafts, happy hours, bingo, and wheelchair transportation to a variety of events and activities. Some parts of the job are physical. No experience required.

Please contact Aliesa Moore (636) 240-5754 ext. 381



Athletic Association News!

Signups for Volleyball and Soccer will open, **NOW through June 30th**. Signups are on the Team Side-line page.

For information, go to:
<https://sites.google.com/view/assumptioncyc/home>



OFFICE INFORMATION

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636.240.3721 Parish Office

Hours - Mon-Thu 8:00am-4:00pm

Fri 8:00am-3:00pm

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

636.272.4758 (Helpline)

ASSUMPTION SCHOOL: 636.240.4474

BULLETIN NOTICES

Submit to Parish Office

(Bulletin.assumption@gmail.com)

by Tuesday 9:00am

WEBSITE: www.assumptionbvm.org

facebook.com/@assumptionmedia
[assumptionparish](http://assumptionparish.com)

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.