

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

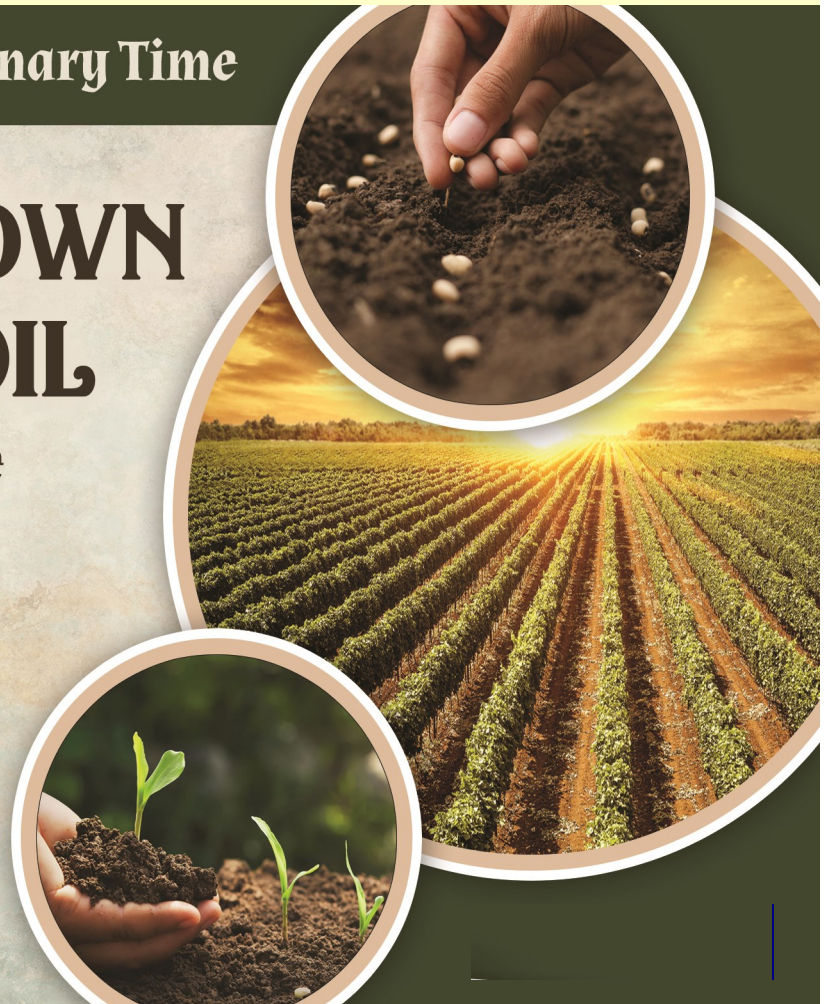
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

THE SEED SOWN ON RICH SOIL

is the one who hears the
word of the kingdom
and understands it,
who indeed bears fruit
and yields a hundred
or sixty or thirtyfold.

Matthew 13:23

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JULY 16, 2023

Sacraments and Parish Information



BAPTISM

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



CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

Those preparing for marriage should contact the parish office six months in advance. One party must be a registered member of Assumption and living an active, practicing Catholic life. Contact Angie at the Parish Office, xt 235.



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office 636-240-3721



ORDER of CHRISTIAN INITIATION of ADULTS

(OCIA) 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

**403 N. Main St. O'Fallon,
MO 63366**

www.assumptionbvm.org

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Pastor

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Denise Hoehne 314.954.3192

Parish Council

Abvparishcouncil3721@gmail.com

School Board

abvmschoolboard@gmail.com

Hello,

This is the last full week for Msgr. McCumber here at Assumption. I am grateful for all he has done over the past six years for all of us here. For many he was able to celebrate their baptisms, weddings, and funerals with you—others he has trained as servers—taught in different classes offered—even amused some with a joke here or there. For Fr. Patrick and I, he welcomed us to the parish four years ago and has been someone to share our work and home with.

I ask that we all keep him in our prayers as he continues his ministry at Mary Magdalene in Brentwood Parish and Our Little Flower Parish, and ask that he also keep us in his prayers.

Peace,

Fr. Nick

P.S. Next weekend we will have a missionary preaching at all of the Masses, Fr. Daniel Vogt. The information below tells you a little about his work in Guatemala.



Dear Sisters and Brothers in the Risen Christ,

In the appeal that I am making the weekend of July 22-23, I need to raise funds to continue the important ministry that has been my life for the past 35 years. Since arriving in Guatemala as a missionary I have witnessed the effects of extreme poverty on families, especially indigenous children: poor health, stunted growth, slow learning, emotional problems, among them. It has been my goal to help as many families as possible to improve their living conditions, and through Qeqchi Partners we have been able to provide Healthy Homes to hundreds of rural villagers.

A Healthy Home consists of providing 1. Clean drinking water using durable and low cost filters we make, 2. Concrete floors replacing dirt and 3. Flush latrines replacing

PROVIDING CLEAN WATER, HEALTHY HOMES, HEALTH SERVICES

Improving the Quality of Life of Q'eqchi' Mayas in Guatemala

Your Donation Can Change Our Lives ~ Every Dollar Counts

- \$50 Supplies a Household with a Water Filtration System
- \$300 Builds a Concrete Floor Replacing Existing Dirt Floor
- \$400 Provides a Flush Latrine



**Qeqchi
Partners**



Watch our Video on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=41thUyj2hWA>

Donate Online www.qpworks.org/give or by mail

to **Qeqchi Partners, P. O. Box 169 Sewickley, PA 15143-0169**



borne illness like malaria and dengue. Also, a Healthy Home offers a safer and cleaner environment for child mental and emotional development as well as a reduction in adult depression and illness.

We need YOU to help us. A donation of \$50 allows us to make and install a clean water filter in a rural home, thereby providing clean drinking water. A donation of \$300 allows us to provide a concrete floor for a family home. For a \$400 donation we can provide a flush latrine for a family.

Please remember your little sisters and brothers in Guatemala, and respond today. See our website www.qpworks.org and make your donation.

May God bless your generosity,



**Please join the
Week 7
Pilgrimage of Beauty**

Wednesday, July 19

Immaculate Conception
Dardenne Prairie, MO

7-8pm



Pilgrimage of Beauty

St. Charles

Each visit will feature a prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, a short history of the church tour, followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. This is a wonderful opportunity to recognize and appreciate the truth and beauty of the Sacrament of the Eucharist as it is mirrored in the beauty of the treasures of the church!

The journal "A Passport to the Eucharist" will be given to participants and enable them to record their reflections after each visit!

5 **St. Peter**
Wednesday, July 5,
7-8 PM
221 First Capitol Dr.,
St. Charles, MO 63301

3 **St. Paul**
Wednesday, June 21,
7-8 PM
1223 Church Rd.,
St. Paul, MO 63366

1 **Assumption of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**
Wednesday, June 7,
7-8 PM
403 North Main Street,
O'Fallon, MO 63366

6 **Shrine of St. Rose
Philipppine Duchesne**
Wednesday, July 12,
7-8 PM
619 N 2nd Street, St.
Charles, MO 63301

7 **Immaculate Conception
Dardenne Prairie**
Wednesday, July 19,
7-8 PM
7701 Town Square Ave.,
Dardenne Prairie, MO 63368

4 **All Saints**
Wednesday, June 28,
7-8 PM
7 McMenamy Rd.,
St. Peters, MO 63376

2 **Immaculate Conception**
Wednesday, June 14, 7-8 PM
110 Maryknoll Rd.,
Old Monroe, MO 63369



Visit bit.ly/3Vu98yf
or Scan the QR code to sign up!



"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

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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, 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.

**SAVE THE
DATE
50 Plus club**

meets
Monday, July 24th
at 6:30pm.



IN LOVING MEMORY

Josie Calloway, sister of Peter Bommarito
&
Clyde Klump, father of Jackie Kretschmer



"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



"THESE SIGNS WILL ACCOMPANY THOSE WHO BELIEVE... THEY WILL LAY HANDS ON THE SICK AND THEY WILL RECOVER."
-MARK 16:17

Healing Service

EXPERIENCE GOD'S SUPERNATURAL LOVE

Praise & Worship

Gospel Presentation - Blocks*Declarations*Decrees

Corporate Prayer for Healing

Individual Healing Ministry - Prayer Teams

+ + + Dcn. Mark Guilford 314-807-6454 or marksangel1221@gmail

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July 21, 2023 / 6:45 - 8:45pm

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**Immaculate Conception of
Dardenne**

7701 TOWN SQUARE AVE.
DARDENNE PRAIRIE, MO. 63368

Mass Times/Intentions

Reconciliation

MONDAY 7.17.23

6:30am Priest Intention
8:00am Kristi Nickles & Family,
Spec. Int.

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

TUESDAY 7.18.23

6:30am Special Int.—J. Scholten
8:00am Deacon Bill Walbridge

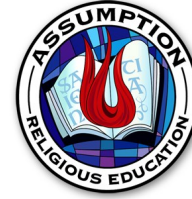
7:30 - 7:50am Chapel
Or by appointment

WEDNESDAY 7.19.23

6:30am Priest Intention
8:00am Norbert Rothermich

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

PSR Registration is now Open!



Sessions available on:

Tuesdays 6:15-7:30 pm

Wednesdays 6:15-7:30 pm

**Registration Enrollment Forms due by
August 1st**

Tuition Rates for 2023-2024:

1 Child.....\$250

2 Children.....\$365

3 or more Children...\$485

Additional Sacrament Fee...\$25

PSR Class begins with All PSR Family Mass
and Open House on September 5th.

Regular PSR Class Schedule begins on
September 12th/13th

Please contact Director of Religious Education, Holly Woytus with questions or to
register at

(636) 240-1020 or hwoytus@abvmtech.org



PRAYER:

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

Prayer

3rd Annual SVDP Backpack Drive!



'Christmas In July'

OUR WONDERFUL ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY would like to provide
our neighbors in need with backpacks and school supplies to start the 2023-2024 school
year!

We NEED your help!

Christmas Trees will be set up in the Narthex of Church, now through July 23rd.

During the backpack drive we are asking parishioners to take a tag with 'school' items of
need. The tags are broken into categories, Grades K-2, 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12. Tags will have a
list of the supplies needed for each specific age group. We ask you to purchase and fill a
backpack with the needed supplies, **attach the tag TO THE BACK PACK** and then re-
turn them to church the weekends of July 23rd and 30th.

♦ **The idea is similar to that of the Giving Tree at Christmas time, but in July
with School Supplies!**

♦ **If you have questions, please contact
Deborah Meyer at 636-293-2643 or email
dmeyer1143@gmail.com**

♦ **We thank you for your generosity to
make this a success!!**



THURSDAY 7.20.23	FRIDAY 7.21.23	SATURDAY 7.22.23	SUNDAY 7.23.23
6:30am Rick & Paula Smith 8:00am Jacqueline Alt	6:30am Priest Intention 8:00am Sam Garland	8:00am Karen Brady 5:00pm People of the Parish	8:00am Marvin Birkemeier 10:00am Deacon Bill Walbridge 12:00pm Priest Intention 5:30pm Mark Stelzer
7:30 - 7:50am Chapel Or by appointment	7:30 - 7:50am Chapel Or by appointment	4:00 - 4:45pm Church Or by appointment	By Appointment



Formation

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

RCIA

As our 2023 RCIA closed at Pentecost, we still have work to do for the coming year. Our focus now is preparing for the next session which begins in August. There is no down time to bring others to know our Jesus. How can you help? You can evangelize and invite people to "come and see". Let them experience how we worship... see how we pray... hear how Jesus "shows up" in our everyday lives and shows us how to love. Although we have a specific date in August to talk with inquirers, we continue to seek out those who are struggling in their lives or just need to build a better relationship with Jesus. Don't stop being the light and guide others to learning more about our faith. No one should ever take a break from God, his glory, and the mission he gives each of us. When we break for the summer — from Sunday school, small group, community outreach, or wherever you serve in our church — God still calls us to seek him with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength.

God has given us the great privilege to share the good news of Jesus Christ with those who we come in contact with. That person who has walked past you in the grocery store, a friend's house, your neighbor, in a sports arena? He or she may never have heard the gospel of Jesus. You may be the first one to share it with them. Remember that the Holy Spirit will go with you, and will touch hearts and change eternities through your faithfulness.

Paul writes in **Romans 1:16**, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes." When our hearts overflow with the grace of Christ, we gladly share this love with those who have not yet tasted such a sweet deliverance.

We ask everyone in the church to pray for those who are seeking God, and if they know anyone who is thinking about becoming Catholic, to be the person who extends the invitation. Please contact Missy Lowrey, RCIA Coordinator at 314-630-3983

Come Grow with Us!



You Can Give Your Child the **BEST** Education!

Assumption Catholic School O'Fallon offers
MoScholars Scholarships & Tuition Assistance

Register Now!

assumptionbvmschool.org

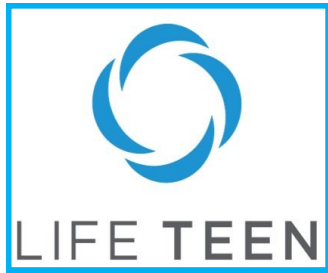
Secure your

child's future today!

Assumption school tuition assistance and MoScholars Scholarships of \$6,375 are available to eligible students for the 2023-24 school year!

Contact Assumption Principal,
Dr. Patricia Hensley at
(636) 240-4474 to tour
our school today.





Happy Summer from Assumption Youth Ministry! We are in the midst of a great summer of ministry – between Life Nights, Field Trips and Summer Retreats – we have been on the move! We just got back from the Steubenville Youth

Conference in Springfield, MO where our teens dove into what it means to have our relationship with God as the true refuge and center of our lives.

One of our teens, Logan, lectured beautifully at the closing Mass with Archbishop Rozanski and another of our teens, Brooke, powerfully shared her testimony of joining the Church from the main stage to the crowd of 5,000 people! We are so proud of Logan and Brooke and all of our teens for entering into their faith and being willing to share it with others.

On a personal note, I want to thank Alejandro, Parker and our incredible core team for ensuring that our ministry continued while I was out on maternity leave. We have an incredible community and your support- whether it was meals, helping with office tasks or watching Ephraim – have meant so much to us.

Thank you! -Becky & James



Youth Formation

Sunday, July 15 - LT Water Wars
6:30 – 8:45 p.m. in the Parish Center

2023 Save the Dates:

July 20: LT Party at the Park
July 23-29: Life Teen Camp Covecrest
September 10: LT Fall Kick Off



Connect with us on Social Media:

Instagram:

@assumption_life_teen // @assumption_edge

Facebook:

Assumption Life Teen // Assumption EDGE

QUESTIONS? Contact **Becky Whitaker**, Dir of Youth Minister
636-240-3721 ext. 243 or becky.assumptionlt@gmail.com
Alejandro DeHerrera - Middle School Youth Minister, ext. 333
edgelifeteenalejandro@gmail.com



HOSPITALITY:
Christian
kindness
"We are ALL
hospitality
ministers"

Hospitality

2023 FALL FESTIVAL NEWS

Save the dates now and be sure to join us for another exciting lineup of music, food and fun at the **2023 Assumption Fall Festival, Saturday, Sept. 30, and Sunday, Oct. 1!**



Please keep us in mind when getting rid of garage sale items. New or very gently used items are needed to resell at our Country Store, Décor and More festival booths this year! These items are 100% profit for the Parish, and your donations are kindly needed. Donations can be placed in the plastic totes located in the pre-function area of the Parish Center, or make arrangements with Lisa Serino at (314) 479-1097 or Sue Snyder at (314) 496-7790.

The Festival Committee is in need of a Captain to oversee Traditional Hayrides and a Captain of Haunted Hayrides! Please contact Fall Festival chair, Russ Schaller, at (314) 608-6551 for more information.

Backed by popular demand, **Almost Famous** will return as our musical headliner attraction on Saturday. The incredible band that played at the Parish Appreciation Dinner last year, **The Bright Side**, will play all afternoon on Sunday.

Festival sponsorships are available now! If you want to get your business seen, consider supporting our fundraising efforts by becoming a festival sponsor of the grand event this year. Those interested should contact Nancy Gomer, Director of Communications and Marketing at (636) 240-3721 x239 for all the details.



23rd Annual Golf Tournament

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

Event starts at 11:30am with registration and lunch. Team registration is \$125 per player/ \$500 per team. Registration includes Golf, Cart, Mulligans, Skins, Lunch, Dinner, All Beer, Water, and Soda throughout the event.

Registration due by August 15th on the Assumption website under "Activities" Please contact Michael Bigler with any questions at mb22417@bjc.org or text/call (314) 915-5968

All proceeds benefit Assumption Catholic education programs



Celebrating 19 years
of Catholic Retreats
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2004 - 2023



Mid-life Singles: Are you looking for a renewed sense of purpose & belonging? Register today for a life-changing REFLECT weekend retreat at La Salle Retreat Center, Wildwood, MO (35 min from downtown St. Louis), on July 21-23, 2023. Take a chance and get involved... you won't regret it! Early bird cost is \$240 including meals and a single room.

Visit www.ReflectRetreat.com, e-mail reflect.stlouis@gmail.com, or call (314) 283-0044 for details.



Summer is in full bloom! As we enjoy the blossoms in summertime, may we reflect on the garden of our Faith with its many blessings. Cultivating a beautiful garden takes some time and effort. Likewise, tending to the garden of our Faith will be enriched by tuning in often to Covenant Network Catholic radio. Our programming, which includes daily Holy Mass, the Rosary, the Divine Mercy Chaplet, live call-in shows and much more, will help nourish the garden of your Faith. Listen to KHOJ 1460 AM or 102.9 FM or on the Covenant Network app or anytime at OurCatholicRadio.org.

Thank you and God bless you,
Claire Doyle
314-752-7000
OurCatholicRadio.org



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Provide a Catholic Education to Local Students in Need.

Reserve Today

Tax Credits are Available to
Individuals and Businesses

TTEF-STL.org/MOScholars



"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

Service

Assumption Blood Drive – August 1st !



Assumption Parish will be hosting another blood drive and you are encouraged once again to consider making a donation of the *Gift of Life*. ImpactLife will be in the parish hall on **Tuesday, August 1, 2023, 3:00pm – 7:00pm**, and we look forward to welcoming you there and accepting your donation of the Gift of Life! If you have not donated blood since June 5, you are eligible to donate at this drive. **Donations must be by appointment**

only.

To schedule go to www.bloodcenter.org/group; #9007, or call ImpactLife at 800-747-5401 for assistance in scheduling. Parish coordinator, Mary Anne Robinson, can also be reached at 636-541-2823 to assist with scheduling.



Our Gifts to God and Parish

Weekly Offertory

	June 25, 2023	YTD 7/1/22 - 6/25/23
Actual Collections	27,364	\$ 1,978,905
Budget Target	\$ 33,500	\$ 2,000,000
Surplus / (Shortfall)	(6,136)	\$ (21,095)

Loan taken out in 2013 for expansion of our school

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.*



Thank you for all the support of our Heritage and Freedom Food booth and for your donations and support of our parade entry!

Come visit us on Tuesdays at the Hall for our Queen of Hearts raffle. The current jackpot is over \$21,000! Food and beverages are available for purchase each week. Doors open at 5p. Drawings occur at 7pm.

Calling all Knights and Ladies Auxiliary members. July 30th is a Fifth Sunday Mass. Please make plans to join us at the 8am Mass that day.



Service

"...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



ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS
Office of Child and Youth Protection

Attention New Hires, New Teachers, and All Sport Volunteers

All those who work, volunteer or coach, in any way, with our children, the vulnerable or elderly at Assumption Parish must be in Compliance with the Archdiocese in order to continue participation in your ministry work.

This is **MANDATORY!**

Please go to our website; www.assumptionbvm.org, select "Resources" and locate Protecting God's Children link to find instructions on how to register into the Prevent and Protect system.

If you have any questions or concerns about status, please do not hesitate to contact

Lynn Crews at (314) 578-0741 or lynn.assumption@gmail.com

Pray the Rosary Before Weekend Masses:

Please join us in Church 30 minutes Before each weekend Mass for the Rosary. We gather and pray before the Holy Family Statue.

St. Vincent De Paul NEEDED FOOD ITEMS:

FOOD ITEM NEEDS: Jelly, applesauce, pancake mix and syrup, Tuna Helper, Sloppy Joe's, instant mashed potatoes, pasta sides, rice sides, tomato paste, canned meats, canned pasta with pull top lids, canned pears, canned peaches, canned oranges, mayonnaise.

We are also in need of gift card to Aldi's or Walmart, preferably in \$20-\$30 amounts.

Thank you for your generosity.



Birthright
St. Charles

Call for Volunteers

Have you felt like doing more for the pro-life

cause? Helping mothers? The Unborn.

Birthright of St. Charles will be training volunteers to do just that- here in your community. Could you be the one the Lord is calling to support a mom in need and help save a baby from abortion? Please prayerfully consider attending a training to find out more. Our time requirement is one half day each week. Simply complete a volunteer application at www.birthrightstcharles.org, under the "How You Can Help" tab and we will follow up.

OFFICE INFORMATION

403 N Main Street, O'Fallon MO 63366
636.240.3721 Parish Office
Hours - Mon-Thu 8:00am-4:00pm
Fri 8:00am-2:00pm

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.org

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.