

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

YOUR LOVE
IS *eternal.*
DO NOT
FORSAKE
THE WORK OF
YOUR HANDS.
Psalm 138

AUGUST 27, 2023

Sacraments and Parish Information

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office at 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 at the Parish Office, 636-240-3721, ext 235.

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, ext 235.

CONFESSION

Weekdays 7:30–7:50am;
Saturdays 4:00–4:45pm;
or by appointment.

CONFIRMATION

Preparation begins in September for all students who are entering 8th grade.
For more information, call Holly Woytus, 636-240-1020.

FIRST COMMUNION

Preparation begins in September for all students who are entering 2nd grade.
For more information, call Holly Woytus, 636-240-1020.

FUNERALS

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

RITE/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.

Welcome

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Hello,

Tomorrow, August 28, we have the feast day of a bishop and doctor of the Church who is considered one of the great figures in Western civilization, St. Augustine. However, we also have today, August 27, the feast day of another renowned saint, his mother, St. Monica, and I think I would like to focus on her instead.

As I said, St. Monica was Augustine's mother, and this undoubtedly brought her more notoriety than she would have had if he were not her son. But I think it would be fair to say that she would have more likely been a saint without his help, than he would have been a saint without her help, even if she may not have gotten as much publicity and we wouldn't know as much about her as we do from Augustine's writings.

Probably the most common and best way to think about Monica is as a faithful wife and mother, faithful to her husband and children, and faithful to God. Her husband, Patricius, is identified as a pagan with an uncontrolled temper and who could be violent, and his mother who lived with them is described in a similar manner. They had at least three kids we know of, Augustine, Navigius, and Perpetua, but she is said to have favored Augustine, her eldest, (of course, we are hearing this through Augustine's writings.) While none of her children were baptized as children, all of the family would eventually become Christians.

We know most about Augustine of course, and how difficult he was up to his mid 30's, but Monica was still working on him and praying for him until he did finally convert and become Christian. But Navigius and Perpetua were also baptized (without all of the difficulties we know about with Augustine) and both entered religious life. However, probably the most impressive would be the conversion of both her husband and her mother-in-law before they would die. We realize that it is ultimately up to one's own free will to choose to follow Christ or not, but the efforts, example, and the prayers of those around us can be critical in helping us come to that choice.

I hope that as we remember St. Monica we are encouraged by her faithfulness, her perseverance, and her influence on the lives of those around her to be open to God's call. Hopefully she may also inspire us to consider how we can do that for others in our lives. RCIA/OCIA (Rite/Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) is starting in September; maybe there is someone we know who just needs that invitation today.

Peace,

Fr. Nick



Turning Sixty with Style
Sunday, Aug. 27

60

Happy Birthday
 Father Nick!



Full of light, you are a
 gift from God and a
special Pastor to all,
 touching the lives of
 so many at Assumption...
 May God's blessings and
 kindness surround you
 on your birthday and
 all the days of your life.

BISHOP VISITS ASSUMPTION

The Most Reverend Mark S. Rivituso, JCL, V.G., Auxiliary Bishop of the St. Louis Archdiocese celebrated the Saturday Vigil Mass with us on August 19. The Bishop is hoping to get around to all areas of the diocese, but Assumption was fortunate enough to have gotten to the top of his list.



ASSUMPTION ADORATION CHAPEL

Adoration is available 24/7 in the Chapel (the old church) by using the code at the north transit entrance. EXPOSITION is on Tuesday after 8 am Mass, and is 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 adorers must be present. Please sign up at: assumptionbvm.weadorehim.com

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

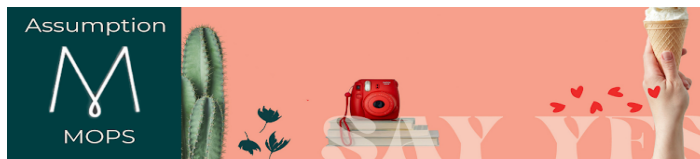
Sarah Stuerman, mother of Ann Gessert
 John Stuerman, brother of Ann Gessert

50+ NEWS
ICE CREAM FELLOWSHIP
MONDAY AUGUST 28 | 6:30PM



Please join us for our summer ice cream gathering. We will provide the ice cream and all the toppings! We have scheduled a U.S. base Hawaiian group to perform. Please keep them and all those affected by the fires in Hawaii in your prayers, especially as we gather this month.

Donations will be accepted and presented to their charity of choice. Any questions, please contact Bob or Liz Allmeyer at 636 240-8638.



WHAT IS MOPS?

Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) is a faith based organization where mothers from pregnancy through kindergarten can find community, connection, & coffee!

WHAT WE OFFER

- Breakfast + Coffee
- Childcare
- Speakers + Discussion Groups
- Opportunities to serve
- Mentors
- Playdates + Mom's Night Out
- Friendship
- SO MUCH MORE!!!

WHEN WE MEET

2nd and 4th Wednesdays Every Month
 9:15 - 11 AM
 August - May
 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin
 Mary Catholic Church
 403 N. Main Street, O'Fallon, MO 63366

WE ARE IN NEED OF
 Childcare Volunteers in Nursery on the
 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month
 from 9-11:15. If interested, please see
 contact information below.

CONTACT US

Meredith Huhman 573-680-4701
 assumptionofallonmops@gmail.com

**ATTENTION MEN
 OF ASSUMPTION
 PARISH:**



Are you looking to:

- deepen your relationship with God?
- be a better husband?
- become a more loving father?
- build friendships with other like-minded men?
- seek to be the best man you can be?

Then Come Join Us for "That Man is You!" (TMIY)

Our Fall Session will start September 9. The Theme this Year is "Thy Kingdom Come."

Visit youtube.com/watch?v=fbNcWE-km4c to watch a short trailer video.

Saturday Mornings: Lower Hall of the O'Fallon Knights of Columbus Hall on 3rd St.

- 7:15 am: Breakfast—Please RSVP to ensure enough food
- 7:30 am: An awesome video
- 8:00 am: An amazing discussion
- 8:30 am: Out the door and ready for your day

If you've never been to TMIY yet, all are welcome! Come and see! If you've been before, then you know how valuable these sessions are ... bring a friend!

Questions and RSVP: contact Deacon Richard Tadlock, DeaconRichard@charter.net

Harvest Moon

Parish Appreciation
 Dinner & Dance
 Saturday, Sept. 9

DOORS OPEN immediately following 5PM Mass
 Enjoy a complimentary turkey & sausage dinner with all the trimmings, beer & wine, and live music performed by The Bright Side - the same band that played last year!
MUST BE 21 TO ATTEND

Detach & return to collection basket, parish office, or call Carol Woerheide at 636-240-2691.

PLEASE RSVP NO LATER THAN SEPT. 3

NAME: _____
 PHONE: _____
 #OF PARISHIONERS ATTENDING: _____

Please bring non-parishable food items for Assumption SVDP Food Pantry

Mass Times and Intentions

Reconciliation

SUNDAY 8.27.23

8:00am Pauline Cox
 10:00am People of the Parish
 12:00pm Bob Matonis
 5:30pm Priest Intention

 By Appointment

MONDAY 8.28.23

6:30am Priest Intention
 8:00am James "Curly" Heinsz

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

TUESDAY 8.29.23

6:30am Priest Intention
 8:00am Cecil Bess

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

WEDNESDAY 8.30.23

6:30am Priest Intention
 8:00am Deacon Bill Walbridge

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

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA NATIONAL COLLECTION

Next weekend, **September 2-3**, the archdiocese will be taking up the National Collection for **Catholic University of America**. Catholic University is a national research university with over 5,700 undergraduate and graduate students in more than 250 academic programs in the heart of Washington, D.C. By giving to the collection, you are supporting future Catholic leaders, both religious and lay, who are being formed by an exceptional, faith-rooted education and the University's various research and training initiatives that support dioceses and parishes in responding to the most pressing needs of their faithful. The Catholic Project—an initiative that aims to heal the breach of trust many have experienced as a result of the crisis in the Church, a master's program in Ecclesial Administration and Management, and a credentialing program that prepares recent graduates to serve as campus ministers are a few examples how the University is serving the Church and nation.

Scan the QR code on the provided envelopes or visit: futurecatholicleaders.givecatholictogether.org to learn more. If you are an online giver, please consider a separate gift for the Catholic University through your bank or our online giving platform.

ASSUMPTION GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP | BEGINS SEPTEMBER 7



It is hard to imagine that there could be any life at the other end of our grief.

Assumption Parish's Grief Support Team cordially invites those of you, 18 years of age and older, who are grieving the death of a loved one, to our upcoming Grief Support Series.

Our first session will begin at 7pm on **Thursday, September 7** in the Meyer Room. Together we will share a Journey of Hope after the loss of a loved one. Remember that Grief Shared is Grief Diminished.

To register or for any additional information please contact: Lynn Crews at 636-294-0821, 314-578-0741 or lynn.assumption@gmail.com. **Please register by Tuesday, September 5.**

BLUE MASS | SEPTEMBER 10 | 10AM HONORING ALL FIRST RESPONDERS

**And remembering those who gave
their all on 9/11/2001**

Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Services
and their families are invited to join us for Mass
on **Sunday, September 10 at Assumption**
honoring all First Responders for all that you do.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AUDITIONS

The Knights of Columbus Christmas Pageant Auditions have been set for **September 19 and 20 from 5-6 pm** in the School Music room. All kids K-8 from the Parish are invited to audition for the show. Not sure if your child is a little Angel? We need tons of shepherds too!

If for some reason, you can't make one of the audition nights and you want your child to participate, or you have other questions, feel free to call or text Ken Thornhill, 918-430-8035 or gocurtis28@gmail.com.

RCIA/OCIA: THE RITE/ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

As St. Peter wrote to the earliest believers: **"Set apart Christ as Lord in your hearts and always be ready to give an answer to anyone who asks you to give a reason for the hope that is in you, but do it with gentleness and reverence"** (1 Peter 3:15). Fr. Nick held an Overview of the Catholic Church this past week for those who have shown an interest in knowing about the Catholic Church/Faith. For the past several weeks we have asked you to seek out individuals who might want to attend this session and our result was a great group of people attending. We have completed our evangelizing period so this Tuesday, August 29 at 7pm in the Meyer Rooms, we start our precatechumenate period (or inquiry period). It's still not too late for anyone interested in this program to join us.



For more information, please contact Missy Lowrey, RCIA Coordinator at 314-630-3983.

THURSDAY 8.31.23

6:30am Priest Intention
8:00am Geraldine Cooper

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

FRIDAY 9.01.23

6:30am Priest Intention
8:00am Vocations to the Priesthood
and Religious Life

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

SATURDAY 9.02.23

8:00am Delores Boal
5:00pm People of the Parish

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

SUNDAY 9.03.23

8:00am Pauline Cox
10:00am Michael Salas
12:00pm Shirley Mackey
5:30pm Priest Intention

By Appointment

ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL

ONLY 5 WEEKS OUT! If we all work together,
we can make this the BEST Church fundraiser ever!

September 30 and October 1



DONATIONS STILL NEEDED

CAKE WALK Donations:

We need many store-bought snack cakes for the Cake Walk! Some favorites include Cosmic Brownies, Zebra Cakes, Entenmann's, and Hostess cupcakes. Drop off donations at the Parish Office between 8am-4pm, Monday through Thursday or 8am-2pm on Friday. **Homemade cakes and baked goods can be dropped off at the Parish Center, Friday, September 29–Sunday, October 1. Questions? Please call Ann Gessert, 314-322-5696.**

LIQUOR AND GIFT CARD Donations:

Drop off popular liquor bottles and your favorite gift cards at the Parish Office during office hours!

KIDS GAME PRIZE Donations

Three ways to donate!

- **Shop the Assumption Amazon Wish List page** and have your purchased items delivered directly to the Games Captains. For all the details, click on the QR code:
- **Purchase full-size candy bars** and drop them off at the Parish Office.
- **Donate cash** and we will do the shopping for you!

Questions? Call Vanessa Markelz at 618-980-8817



COUNTRY STORE DÉCOR AND MORE Donations:

We are always looking for NEW and VERY GENTLY USED seasonal decorations, household items, home goods, and other nice items to resell at the country store. Just place these items in the orange bins in the pre-function area of the Parish Center any time before the Festival. **Also, keep in mind that if you make tasty treats, breads, and jams, we will need plenty of them, but not until the Friday before the festival.**

Got Questions? Please call Lisa Serino, 314-479-1097 or Sue Snyder, 314-496-7790.

DESSERTS Donations:

As in year's past, we are asking each household to donate two pies or desserts for weekend dinner. **Drop your delicious donations at the Parish Center anytime Friday, September 29 and Saturday, September 30.**

FALL FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHT

Calling all parishioners! The volunteer registration
for the Fall Festival is now available!

Please be sure to assist with this year's festivities, Saturday, September 30 and Sunday, October 1. The opportunities are endless and include, assisting at the food tent, sandwich stand, hayride drivers, ticket attendants, raffle sales, kids games and inflatables, cake walk, barrel rides and much more!

Scan the QR code with your phone and choose the date, time, and festival activity you'd like to work! Registration sign-up will be available after mass!



Return the tickets and money to the Parish Office or drop in collection basket

Assumption Fall Festival
Raffle: Win 2 Electric Bikes!

SUNDAY ~ October 1, 2023

\$15 Each; 4 for \$50; or 10 for \$100

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Phone: _____

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Assumption Fall Festival
(2) Quilt Raffle!

SUNDAY ~ October 1, 2023

\$2 Each OR 3 for \$5

Win a Queen Size Quilt or Baby Quilt

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PRINCIPAL'S PEN



SAFETY DAY AND FACULTY TRAINING

Again, this year, our faculty and staff were fully trained through the Tier One Safety Initiative. The police, Archdiocesan representatives, and the program staff came to Assumption on Wednesday the 9th of August. The training involved a full-blown "Intruder Drill", with the police sounding a non-bullet gun, so that teachers and staff could hear the sound, then adults began barricading their doors, pulling curtains and blinds, turning off lights and going to the safety spot in their rooms. Throughout the process, the training team talked our faculty and staff through the procedures on what and how to approach this type of situation - knowing that difficult decisions need to be made.

Each faculty and staff member received their certification on Safety through the diocese. On August 15, our K-8 graders were introduced to all of our drills. These included the fire drill (completed ten times per year), the tornado and earthquake drills (completed two times per year) and the intruder drill (completed two times per year). Teachers followed the Safety Lesson Plans in our Emergency Guidebook, then showed the appropriate age-level film for that drill (from the diocese), and lastly, we completed the drill as an entire school. In addition, this coming week, all students will experience what is called a "reverse drill" which has teachers/staff sounding an air horn to signal immediate return to the building.

To help our Middle School students regarding safety in school, we have adopted the Sandy Hook's Promise program, which will become part of our social-emotional program run through Missy Neiswander (Counselor). See below for more information. Soon, I will have a completed Safety Brochure for all families to keep. This will provide important information regarding our safety procedures, which are also outlined in the Parent Handbook online (website).



ASSUMPTION BEGINNING THE SANDY HOOK PROMISE PROGRAM TO MIDDLE SCHOOL



The Sandy Hook Promise, "*Say Something*" program, teaches middle and high school students to recognize the warning signs of someone at-risk of hurting themselves or others and how to say something to a trusted adult to get help. The mission of Sandy Hook Promise is to educate and empower youth and adults to prevent violence in schools, homes, and communities. Through our proven, evidence-informed *Know the Signs* programs and sensible, bipartisan school and gun safety legislation, we teach young people and adults to recognize, intervene, and get help for individuals who may be socially isolated and/or at risk of hurting themselves or others.

Research has proven that Sandy Hook Promise programs effectively teach youth and adults how to prevent school violence, shootings, and other harmful acts. Students and educators learn how to identify at-risk behaviors and intervene to get help. These early-prevention measures empower everyone to help keep schools and communities safe.

The *Say Something* program aligns seamlessly with any school's existing social-emotional learning (SEL) curriculum, instruction, and programming. Students build essential SEL competencies, including how to empathize with others and seek help when needed (relationship skills) and how to identify problems and analyze situations, as well as solve problems in an ethically-responsible manner (responsible decision-making). Miss Neiswander runs the Assumption Social-Emotional Program and will be incorporating this program.

Parents of Middle School Children will be sent a permission slip prior to the program beginning, and those unable to participate, will be allowed to sit elsewhere during the program.

I'm looking forward to keeping you updated on our future excitement, projects and events!

God bless you and yours, and thanks for reading about Assumption,
Pat Hensley

WHY ATTENDANCE IS IMPORTANT...

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Missing a day of school here and there may not seem like much, but absences add up!

<p>When a student misses 2 days a month...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> They will miss 20 DAYS a year. They will miss 30 HOURS of math over the school year. They will miss 60 HOURS of reading & writing over the school year. They will miss over 1 YEAR of school by graduation. 	<p>When a student misses 4 days a month...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> They will miss 40 DAYS a year. They will miss 60 HOURS of math over the school year. They will miss 120 HOURS of reading & writing over the school year. They will miss over 2 YEARS of school by graduation.
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FALL BIBLE STUDY BEGINS SEPTEMBER 12

Becoming a praying person begins not with us but with God. In this 7-week series we will study six people of prayer whose stories are told in the bible. Reading and observing how they became people of prayer in their circumstances may spur us to discover God's grace for becoming praying people in our situations. God does meet us where we are! Let us discover prayer as a deeper discovery of Christ in us. We can't wait to gather together once more!

To insure we have enough books please contact Bob or Liz Allmeyer or Marlaine Wood with the time.

Tuesday mornings, 9-10:30am Meyer room. Marlaine Wood, 636-359-4699 or marsamsarwin@aol.com

Tuesday evenings, 7-8:30pm Room D/E. Liz and Bob Allmeyer, 636-240-8638 or lizallmeyer@gmail.com

**** note new day of week for evening.**

ASSUMPTION RESPECT LIFE APOSTOLATE (PRO-LIFE) MINISTRY

The Assumption Respect Life Apostolate (Pro-life) Ministry is looking for new members. We meet every two-three months and we invite you to come and be a part of prayer and ministry in helping to save a baby from abortion. We are the body of Christ here on earth. If interested, please call Sylvia Kiphart, 636-978-8803.

Fundraiser Lunch | September 21 | 11:30 am

Our Pro-life Ministry is supporting Our Lady's Inn Maternity Homes for a fundraiser lunch at Defiance Ridge Vineyards. Our Lady's Inn is a maternity home that has served as a life-affirming alternative to abortion for women who have chosen life for their unborn babies. For 40 years, these families have been housed and supported in their efforts to live healthy and productive lives, achieve educational goals, gain employment, and secure stable housing. Join us for food, friends, and fun. Tickets are \$55 each for a table of eight. If interested, please contact Sylvia Kiphart, 636-978-8803.

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE SHRINE MASS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 7PM

Please join us for an outdoor Mass at Our Lady Queen of Peace Shrine located at 301 Coronation Drive, O'Fallon, MO. (The Shrine actually faces Civic Park Dr.)

Mass will begin at 7pm, followed by the rosary (**weather permitting**). Fr. Mark Whitman will preside. Please bring a lawn chair. This will be our last outside mass until May 2024. Thank you to all who came this summer.

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

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED



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|------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| ◆ Cereal | ◆ Breakfast bars |
| ◆ Jelly | ◆ Applesauce |
| ◆ Pancake mix and syrup | ◆ Canned peaches |
| ◆ Tuna with pull top lids | ◆ Canned pears |
| ◆ Tuna Helper | ◆ Canned mixed fruit |
| ◆ Canned beef stew | ◆ Sloppy Joes |
| ◆ Canned hams | ◆ Canned beef stew |
| ◆ Canned Spam, any other
canned meats | ◆ Canned hams |
| ◆ Snack/Saltine crackers | ◆ Canned Spam, any
other canned meats |
| ◆ Sugar (no larger than 5lb bags) | ◆ Rice sides |
| ◆ Popcorn, cookies, snacks | ◆ Pasta sides |
| ◆ Taco shells and seasoning
packets | ◆ Boxed potatoes |
| | ◆ Men's disposable
razors |

We are always in great need of gift cards to Aldi's or Walmart, to allow our neighbors in need to purchase fresh milk and eggs.

Please check the expiration dates before donating.

Thank you for your generosity,
Your St. Vincent De Paul Team

PREVENT & PROTECT
Safe Environment Program
Archdiocese of St. Louis

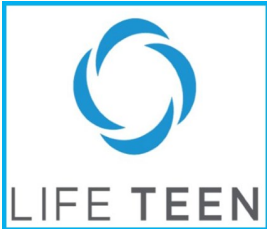


All those who work, coach, or volunteer in any way with our children, the vulnerable or elderly here at Assumption Parish, must be in Compliance with the Archdiocese in order to continue participating in your ministry work. **This is MANDATORY!**

Please go to our website; 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, lynncrews@abvmtech.org or 314-578-0741.

HELLO FROM ASSUMPTION YOUTH MINISTRY



We just completed a great summer of ministry—between Life Nights, Field Trips and Summer Retreats—we have been on the move! We are so grateful for how the Lord continues to meet us where we are and calls us to do more. We are looking forward to our Fall Semester.

Life Teen is currently on a break until we start up with Fall Kick Off on September 10. This much needed recharge time gives us the opportunity to plan and serve our community well this semester, as well as recognizing that the first few weeks of school are incredibly action-packed for our teens. Please pray for us and our teens as we move towards our Fall Semester!



2023-2024 Save the Dates:

August 30: EDGE Core Formation Nights

September 8-9: LT Core Retreat

September 10: LT Fall Kick Off

September 30: LT Haunted Hayride at the Fall Festival

November 10-12: LT Fall Retreat at Marianist Retreat Center

March 8-9: Luke 18 Retreat

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
636-240-3721 ext. 243 or beckywhitaker@abvmtech.org

Alejandro DeHerrera, Middle School Youth Minister, ext. 333
alejandrodereherra@abvmtech.org

Our Gifts to God and Parish



Weekly Offertory	Aug 6, 2023	YTD 7/1/23 - 8/6/23
Actual Collections	\$45,914	\$212,939
Budget Target	<u>\$42,000</u>	<u>\$248,000</u>
Surplus / (Shortfall)	\$3,914	\$(35,061)

The Bible Teaches It (Mal 3:10-12)
We Believe It (Acts 4:32-36)
God Honors It (Gen 14:18-20)

TITHING

Loan taken out in 2013 for expansion of our school	
Original Loan	\$ 3,306,127
Current balance owed	\$ 802,576
Monthly payment	\$ 20,923
Last expected payment, August 2026	

*We are grateful to you for your presence,
your participation, and your financial
support of Assumption Parish.*

OFFICE INFORMATION

403 N Main Street, O'Fallon MO 63366
636.240.3721 Parish Office
Hours: Monday-Thurs 8am-4pm
Friday 8am-2pm

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 9am

WEBSITE: assumptionbvm.org

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@assumptionmedia

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.