# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## OCTOBER 13, 2024

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



# 28<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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They were exceedingly astonished and said among themselves, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus looked at them and said, "For human beings it is impossible, but not for God. All things are possible for God." - Mk 10:26-27

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#### SACRAMENTS AND PARISH INFORMATION

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office, 636-240-3721. Select Option #2.

#### BAPTISM

Baptism is scheduled every Sunday at 1:15pm. Baptism preparation class is required. Call Angie Gloriod, 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 Gloriod at the Parish Office, ext 235.

CONFESSION

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

#### CONFIRMATION

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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. For more information, call Holly Woytus, 636-240-1020.

FUNERALS

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

#### CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (formally RCIA)

Process through which adults are initiated into the Catholic Church by Baptism or Profession of Faith. Contact Missy Lowrey, 314-630-3983.

## Welcome

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#### Hello,

Thank you all for a great Fall Festival.

Russ Schaller was our always positive leader with a strong team that accepted different areas of the picnic to organize and recruit volunteers who stepped up to work in the many ways needed. We had beautiful weather that helped the many who attended to enjoy the food, music, games, and rides. We will let you know when we get the final numbers on the amount of money that was raised for the parish, but I already know it was a success in the community it strengthened with the many



opportunities it provided for us to get together for work, play, and relaxation.

As we put away the things from this year's festival, we also start making some notes for next year. Please consider if you might be a part of our festival committee for next year, many hands make light work. Thanks again for leading, working, and participating.

I would also like to thank everyone who has made donations to the **Disaster Relief** Offerings that are going through Catholic Charities to get support to those in need as quickly and directly as possible. I know that as I am writing this, Florida is looking at Hurricane Milton approaching their shores, let us continue to aid them financially and with our prayers.

Peace, Fr. Nick

## STEWARDSHIP BROCHURES

Thank you to those who have filled out and returned the stewardship brochures in church. If you have not, I would ask that you consider doing so and return them to the container in the main entrance (Narthex). I hope they are a means by which you can see how God is calling you to use your gifts to build our parish community.

## **ADULT FAITH SERIES NOW THROUGH NOVEMBER 7**

## THE WILD GOOVE

This fall we are having another video/discussion series to help us grow in our faith. The Wild Goose, with Fr. Dave Pivonka (discovering a deeper

relationship with the Holy Spirit). "Wild Goose" was a term that the ancient Celts had for the Holy Spirit. A moderator will show the video and help get our discussion going at two times each week.

Tuesday mornings 9–10:15am (Parish Hall, Meyer 1 & 2)

Thursday evenings 6:30-7:45pm (Parish Hall, Hall C)

Consider coming to watch and talk with fellow parishioners or watch with a group you know. You can find the videos on the Formed.org website by going under the Programs column to Faith Formation. The Wild Goose will be on that page along with the Search that we viewed last winter, and many other series.

## 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 and Benediction to close.

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 <u>assumptionbvm.weadorehim.com</u> 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

**Elizabeth Gerst** mother of Mary Gerst sister of Barbara Kline

James O'Brien sister of Cathy Penn

**Eula Quevreaux** 

of our parish famiily





## MARRIAGE BANNS

2) Anthony Stein and Genefona Lopera

## THANK YOU

Thank you to the funeral luncheon committee that gave of their time and service for Dennis Bange's luncheon, and thank you to all the hands that prepared the food. God bless all of you!

Betty Bange and Family





## O'FALLON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #2269 UPCOMING EVENTS

Tootsie Roll Drive after all Masses next weekend October 19 and 20.

Food Drive next Sunday, October 20, 9am-12pm in the Church parking lot.

Night at the Races: Come join us for our annual Night at the Races on Saturday, October 26! Doors open at 6pm and races start at 7pm. Cost is \$25 per person or \$200 per table of 8. This includes



unlimited Bud Light draft, wine, soda, water, and \$10 in starter racing dollars. Tickets are available at our Tuesday Night Queen of Hearts or scan the QR Code to purchase online.

Fish Fry begins November 1. More details will be coming soon.

Weekly Queen of Hearts every Tuesday. Doors open at 5pm <u>with</u> drawing at 7pm. Food and beverages available for purchase. **This week's jackpot is \$8,622**.



## ATTENTION MEN OF ASSUMPTION PARISH

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



Join us **Saturday**, **October 19** in the lower hall of the Knights of Columbus building for another fantastic session of TMIY. Our start time is **7:15am** with breakfast,

a short video, table discussion, and then we'll have you on your way by **8:30am.** 

#### <u>This week's session: "Lust—A Colossal Distortion"</u> Speaker: Steve Bollman

- Temptation began outside of Adam and Eve
- The External Struggle got placed internally within us at the Fall
- ♦ Love....and the Brain's Reward System
- Pornography: Virtual Infidelity
- Embracing Small Daily Martyrdoms
- The Story of St. Augustine, His Inner Conflict and Transformation

If you have any questions, contact Deacon Richard at <u>DeaconRichard@charter.net</u>.

## **EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF** HOLY COMMUNION TRAINING SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19, 10AM



#### Ministers of Holy Communion is a Pillar of Prayer-St. Francis.

Mission Statement: As Assumption Ministers of the Holy Eucharistic at the Table of Life, we reverently distribute the Body of

Christ to all the faithful that we may become one as the Body of Christ for the entire world.

Is God calling you to participate in the distribution of the Body or Blood of Christ to our parish community? There is a great need/opportunity to become a part of the Ministry of Holy Communion.

Training will be in the Church at 10am on Saturday October 19. At 11am, additional information will be provided to ministers who take Communion to our brothers and sisters in private homes or in care facilities. The training will end with a Question and Answer period.

If you would like to participate, contact Mary Keen at 636-699-0407 or at <u>mlkeen155@icloud.com</u>. We welcome parishioners who are new to the ministry as well as existing ministers who feel as though the training would benefit them.

#### ASSUMPTION BLOOD DRIVE OCTOBER 20, 9AM-1:30PM NORTH PARKING LOT



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 have their Donor Bus in the north parking lot, and we hope you will stop by! If you have not donated blood since August 26, you are eligible to donate at this drive.

Donations must be by appointment only to accommodate social distancing. To schedule an appointment, you can visit bloodcenter.org/group,

using group code 9007, scan the QR Code, or contact ImpactLife at 800-747-5401. Parish coordinator, Mary Anne Robinson, also can be reached at 636-541-2823 to assist with scheduling.







## **50 PLUS CLUB NEWS**

Our next 50 Plus Meeting will be Monday, October 28 at 6:30 pm. It's time to pay your dues! \$15 cash or check per member. Linda Lambing will collect the dues.

New Members Welcome! Come and check us out! We have a fun group of members. Many are from Assumption but not all. We made some new friends on the Bus Trip to Pennsylvania. You can join at the

October 28 meeting and you'll be entered to win two tickets to "Once Upon A Mattress" at Act 2 Theater in St. Peters. Our group will attend the show November 7.

Activities Coordinator Needed! Who'd like to head up the events for this group? I'd like to see us have speakers, but also monthly day trips, outings, and lunches in addition to our meetings. Please contact Kim Thornhill at 918-381-7459 or thornhillproductions@gmail.com

Christmas Party: It's time to plan our Christmas party! I will be looking for feedback regarding location, menu, and entertainment. I have some ideas!

See you on October 28! Kim Thornhill

|                | SUNDAY 10.13.24                                     | MONDAY 10.14.24                         | TUESDAY 10.15.24                        | WEDNESDAY 10.16.24                      |
|----------------|---|---|---|---|
| Mass Times and |   | 6:30am Poor Souls in                    | 6:30am Joshua Fenner                    | 6:30am Priests Intention                |
| Intentions     | 10:00am Steven Uttecht<br>12:00pm Rosalie Iannicola | Purgatory<br>8:00am Helen M. Jurgens    | 8:00am Blanche Nanney                   | 8:00am Ginny Bonnell                    |
|                | 5:30pm Rosa Ballester                               | o.oouni melen m. ourgeno                |   |   |
| Reconciliation | By Appointment                                      | 7:30–7:50am Church<br>or by appointment | 7:30–7:50am Church<br>or by appointment | 7:30–7:50am Church<br>or by appointment |

## ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY CHRISTMAS ADOPT-A-FAMILY PROGRAM Please return Sponsor Form by October 20



## Now is the time to discern your desire to help others during the Christmas season.

The Assumption St. Vincent de Paul organizes a Christmas program each year that provides assistance to needy and homeless families in our area. An important part of this is pairing these neighbors with our parishioners who are willing and able to provide gifts to these families for Christmas.

If you are interested in purchasing gifts for a family or individual, please complete the form below and drop it in the collection basket or at the Parish Office. After receiving your form, we will match you with one of our families or individuals in need and send you their wish list!

#### We suggest <u>two gifts</u> per family member, with each gift ranging from \$20-\$40. (For example, if you adopt a family of 4, that cost could be \$160–\$320.

Please drop off your form at the Assumption Parish Office or drop in the collection basket at Mass. <u>Forms are due NO LATER THAN SUNDAY,</u> <u>OCTOBER 20</u>.

If you have any questions or need more information, please call Linda at 636-248-6385.

#### Thank you so much for your generous help!

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| Email:   |                     | SAMX          |  |  |
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| Street   | City/Zip            |               |  |  |
| You/Group would like to sponsor: A family w/children               | A senior            | No preference |  |  |
| The <b>MAXIMUM</b> number of family members you would like in your | r sponsored family: |               |  |  |

**THURSDAY 10.17.24** 

6:30am Priests Intention 8:00am Brett Kline

7:30–7:50am Church or by appointment

FRIDAY 10.18.24 6:30am Priests Intention 8:00am Tommy Hobday

7:30–7:50am Church or by appointment **SATURDAY 10.19.24** 8:00am Paula Marie Lukos 5:00pm Frances Vomund

4:00–4:45pm Church or by appointment

#### SUNDAY 10.20.24

| 8:00am  | William Rebello      |
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| 10:00am | People of the Parish |
| 12:00pm | Dennis Bange         |
| 5:30pm  | Earl Pollard         |

By Appointment

## Knights of Columbus <sup>#</sup>2269 Ladies Auxiliary 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Fashion Show ~ NOVEMBER 6, 2024 ~



Fashions by: Michelle's

*Whimsicals by:* Talented Friends of the Ladies Auxiliary

Assumption Church—Father Joe Kempf Hall 403 N. Main Street, O'Fallon, MO

Doors Open: 4:30 PM ~ Dinner: 6:30 PM

Table of 8 - \$280 ~ Individual Ticket \$35

Silent Auction - Raffles - Gift Shop - Lottery Tree - etc.

For more information, contact Rosemary Pieper at 636-240-8262, or Margie Prinster at 636-577-1369

Funds raised benefit local Charities and Causes, with emphasis on those who need us the most.

## CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (FORMERLY RCIA)

Topic for the day is **Salvation history**. The Bible's salvation history largely establishes the direction of its movement. To return for a moment to the simplest outline of salvation history, we begin with creation, with God as the Creator and all that he makes declared to be good; God created man to image God's rule over the earth, but man rebelled and fell under divine judgment.

God's choosing of those whom he would save is everywhere in Scripture described as an act of grace. It is a choice grounded solely in God himself without reference to anything in us. From eternity he set his love on us and determined to bring us to glory. (Ephesians 1:3-6)

Salvation History is **God's plan to save mankind from sin and lift the human family to the glory of Heaven**. This plan unfolds through Abraham, Moses and David, and comes to its fulfillment through Our Savior Jesus Christ. It then continues through the work of the Church until Christ comes again.

Stories, stories, stories, Who were Adam, Eve, Abraham, Moses, David, and Noah?

## ST. VINCENT de PAUL FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP



The St. Vincent de Paul team has continued to experience a high call volume from our neighbors in need. The Food Pantry is in need of the following items:

- ♦ cereal
- ♦ beef stew
- ♦ tuna in pouches
- canned pears with pull top lids
- chicken noodle soup
- canned meats with pull top lids (vienna sausages, tamales, tuna, etc)
- $\blacklozenge$  shampoo
- paper towels.

Please check expiration dates before donating.

You can also scan the QR code here or on the SVdP donation box in the Narthex. These will direct you to an Amazon shopping list set up specifically for Assumption's SVdP food pantry. Just scan, purchase, and it will be delivered to SVdP.



Thank you for your generous and continued support! Your Assumption St. Vincent de Paul Team.

## TWIN OAKS SENIOR LIVING RECEPTIONIST NEEDED

Twin Oaks Senior Living is looking for a full time receptionist who is comfortable with computers for our O'Fallon location.

If you have a heart for seniors and want to belong to an exceptional work family, this "job" is more of a



family, this "job" is more of a calling than it is work.

Please contact: Kim Bauer at 314-575-2144 or kim@toseniorliving.com.

## 2024 FALL FESTIVAL HUGE SUCCESS

The Assumption Fall Festival Committee extends a huge thank you to all who helped pull off another successful festival this year. We are filled with much gratitude for those who volunteered their time and talent, brought in donations, and attended the two-day event. We anticipate more than 2,000 guests attended the festival this year.

Because of your hard work, dedication, and support, the popular fundraiser made a huge impact on our parish and the community.

- $\blacklozenge$  We sold 550 haunted hay ride tickets
- sold so much food at the Ultimate Sandwich Stand on Saturday night that we had to purchase more for Sunday
- sold all 400 brisket dinners on Sunday
- and awarded to prize winners all donations for the Cakewalk and kids games.

For this, we are sincerely grateful for your support in making our event a resounding success.

What did you think? We want to hear from you! Please visit our website at <u>assumptionbym.org</u> and let us know how we did by taking the short, three–question survey and answer these following questions. Or contact Nancy Gomer at 636–240–3721 ext. 239 with your answers.

- 1. What did you like most about the festival?
- 2. What did you not like about the festival?
- 3. How can we improve the overall event?







While we had many big raffle winners at the event, two states games have gone unclaimed:

#10438 Arizona and #13321 Rhode Island

for your payout.

If you have either of these tickets, please bring it to the Parish Office





Congratulations to all our festival raffle winners, which include:

- Brent Walker won the 5k/School Tuition Mega Raffle
- Christine Kline took home \$382.50 in the 50/50 Raffle
- Angie Thessen won the first place Queen Quilt Raffle and Jan Glenzy won the second place Twin Quilt Raffle
- Vinny Zwilling and Kyle Moss each won a Liquor/Gift Card Basket

Anyone interested in coming to the Fall Festival wrap-up meeting at 6:30pm, Tuesday, October 29 in the Parish Center in Hall C are welcome to attend!

Visit the Assumption Facebook page or click on the QR Code to view the photos taken at this year's event.



#### October 13, 2024

## PRINCIPAL'S PEN 🔪



At Assumption we are committed to providing safe, meaningful, and educational trips that align with our curriculum and enhance the learning journey. Field trips offer our children a unique opportunity to expand their understanding beyond the classroom, providing hands-on experiences that enrich their academic growth and foster personal development.



Our Third Grade classes participated in a "Money Doesn't Grow on Trees" field trip to the Magic School Theme House. Students engaged in hands-on activities where they earned paychecks, made consumer choices, used teamwork and learned how members of a community depend upon each other during this hands-on, financial literacy educational program. Following private exploration of the Children's Village, students participated in a guided classroom-based program where they formed a "family" and worked together to make appropriate personal budget decisions about their wants and needs.

Through experiences like this, it is our goal to help students connect with their local environment, cultivating a sense of community and responsibility. We want students to learn not only about the world around them but also about their place in it, encouraging them to become thoughtful and informed citizens.

Enjoy pictures of the Third Grade's Magic House experience:

Many blessings, Jamie Burbridge













## HELLO FROM ASSUMPTION YOUTH MINISTRY!

It has been so powerful to see how the Lord is moving in our youth during Fall Semester so far! Our teens and middle schoolers are entering into prayer and community in stunning ways—the young Church at Assumption is alive and well! Please pray for us and know that we are praying for you.

#### Sunday, October 13 | Life Teen: Go Figure 6:30–8:45pm | Parish Center

All high school teens are invited to join us for a night focusing on vocations, discernment, and the universal call to holiness. Expect food, fun, community, and powerful prayer. We can't wait to see you there!





#### Wednesday, October 16 | EDGE: Crumpled 6–7:30pm | Parish Center

All 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join us as we continue our EDGE semester with a night on Original Sin and why we need Baptism. We can't wait to see you there!

#### **COMING SOON!**

#### November 15-17 | Life Teen Fall Retreat: Forever Young | Marianist Retreat Center

All high school teens are invited to join us for an impactful weekend of prayer, community, good food, and the Sacraments focusing on childlike faith. We will be at the beautiful and restful Marianist Retreat Center in Eureka, MO. Registration can be found on our website and the linktree in our Instagram bio. Retreat cost is \$150 per teen. If funding is an issue, please let us know – no teen is ever turned away.



#### 2024-2025 EVENTS:

November 15–17: Life Teen Fall Retreat

March 7–9: 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; Life Teen Youth Minister 636-240-3721 ext. 243 or <u>beckywhitaker@abvmtech.org</u>

Alejandro DeHerrera, Middle School (EDGE) Youth Minister 636-240-3721 ext. 333 or <u>alejandrodeherrera@abvmtech.org</u>

## AREA PARISHIONERS COME TOGETHER IN PRAYER TO DEFEAT AMENDMENT 3

Parishioners from seven parishes put their faith in action, Sunday, October 6, and prayed the rosary to end abortion. More than 110 parishioners from Assumption, ICD, St. Paul, St. Joseph, Immaculate Heart of Mary, St. Cletus and All Saints lined Main Street for two hours during the Fall Festival to pray that Amendment 3, on the Noveber 5 ballot, does not pass, which would allow abortions in Missouri. Led by our Pro-Life Respect Life Apostolate Ministry, the group reminds us that prayer can change the world and help us secure Missouri's ban on abortion.



These men and women are planning to come together again prior to the election to pray in the Chapel from 3–5pm, Sunday, November 3, Monday, November 4, and on election day, November 5. Please join them and contact Sylvia Kiphart at 636-978-8803 for more information.



## OUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

Weekly Offertory Actual Collections Budget Target Surplus / (Shortfall) Sept 22 2024 \$28,360 <u>\$40,000</u> \$(11,640)



The Bible Teaches It (Mal 3:10-12) We Believe It (Acts 4:32-36) God Honors It (Gen 14:18-20) TITHING YTD 7/1/24 - 9/22/24 \$466,814 <u>\$480,000</u> \$(13,186) Loan taken out in 2013 for expansion of our schoolOriginal Loan\$3,306,127Current balance owed\$441,932Monthly payment\$20,923Last expected payment will be in May 2026.

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: assumptionbym.org/Our-Parish/Online-Giving

or scan the QR Code and create an account.



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

## **OFFICE INFORMATION**

BULLETIN NOTICES Submit to Parish Office Bulletin.assumption@gmail.com by 9am on the Tuesday before Sunday's edition (five days prior)

#### SOCIAL MEDIA

Website: <u>assumptionbvm.org</u> Instagram: @abvmofallon Facebook.com: @assumptionparish Youtube: @assumptionmedia1 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.