

# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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



*Blessed is the one who trusts in the Lord,  
whose hope is in the Lord.  
He is like a tree planted beside the waters  
that stretches out its roots to the stream.*

Jeremiah 17:7-8

*Sixth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time*

February 17, 2019

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## Sacraments/Other Information



### BAPTISM

2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 1:15pm. Required Preparation Class. Call 636-240-3721 ext 235 to register.



### 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.



### CONFIRMATION

Preparation begins in September for all students who are entering 8th grade. Please contact Ann Marie Quan at 636-240-1020 for more information.



### CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

Those preparing for marriage should contact the parish office at least one year 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.



### FUNERALS

Please contact Amanda Suchara, Funeral Coordinator, 636-577-3776, to make final arrangements.



### FIRST COMMUNION

Preparation begins in September for all students who are entering 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. Please contact Ann Marie Quan at 636-240-1020.



### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office 636-240-3721

# Welcome



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abvmparishcouncil@gmail.com

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## Do Not Be Afraid

Most often, when people ask about the Beatitudes, we turn to Matthew 5:1-12. Less often, we turn to Luke 6, which is our Gospel for today. Perhaps Matthew's poetry is more appealing; or could it be because Matthew does not follow his beatitudes with woes? We know in our hearts that our lives are more like the ebb and flow of blessings and woes, than the longed for peace which is far too fleeting in our hectic lives. Yet, our souls continue to encourage us, perhaps even beg us, do not be afraid of holiness! It will not take away your joy, but instead, you will be more faithful to your deepest self. Our mind and heart looks for many other things; the work of the spiritual life is to discern all the desires of the heart, satisfying as much as possible those desires which lead to communion.

I do not believe we ought to seek to be hungry, poor or persecuted. However, there is a great distance between abject poverty and the comforts which we have come to expect. In both sermons, on the Mount in Matthew and on the Plain in Luke, Jesus is teaching us that God is present with his love in every circumstance of our lives. Precisely when we are most vulnerable is the moment God can reach us with His abiding love. When we are tempted to guard ourselves against ways that unsettle us it is harder to be inspired to put all our gifts at the service of others.

Lent is just around the corner. Now we can begin recognizing the things in our life which may be a shield against vulnerability, therefore limiting our capacity to grow in intimacy with the Lord. In the Beatitudes it seems that Jesus is saying, 'learn from Me' and won't you consider:

Letting go of merits  
Trust God in times of sorrow  
Hold lightly to possessions  
Keep on trying to be holy  
Love God with all your heart  
Take joy in being a child of God and  
Take persecution in stride.

Fr. Mitch





**HOSPITALITY:**  
 Christian  
 Kindness  
 "We are ALL  
 hospitality  
 ministers"

Hospitality

**WELCOME . . . Fr. Peter Faimega, THIS Weekend!!**

Fr. Peter Faimega will join us as presider and preacher at 5:30pm Mass, this Sunday, February 17. Many of you have visited Fr. Peter at his new Parish, All Saints; and Fr. Peter has visited here to help for confessions from time to time. This, though, is the first time he has been here to preside at Eucharist. Thank you for loving him during his year as a Deacon with us. Join me in welcoming him home. God bless Fr. Peter and his priestly ministry.



**Greeter & Usher Ministry**  
*Help make the connection!*

***"This sounds like ME!!!"***  
*Loves prayer; happy in gatherings of people; committed to community worship; likes positive, uplifting church celebrations and preparing feasts and seasons; wants to hear, spread, and live the Word of God; open to working with Deacons and Priests. You may describe yourself as having good people skills; sometimes willing to be "in the public eye"; have artistic talents and skills (music, art, design); pleasant voice; sensitive, reflective, thoughtful. (Worship/Liturgy)*

***"This definitely sounds like something I could do!"***

- *Mission Statement: We create a welcoming safe atmosphere for worship and help to make sure liturgies run smoothly.*
- **Usher/Greeter**  
*Duties:* Greet and welcome all; to ensure that the environment is conducive to worship; assist the presider in any special request; help families carry gifts at offertory procession; pass baskets at collection time; ensure orderly flow at communion time; pass out bulletins after Mass. This is open to men, women, young adults and teenagers.  
*Time:* Two to three Masses per month; arrive 15 - 30 minutes before Mass time.  
*Special Skills:* To be truly concerned for the well-being of all who attend Mass.

If you read through these two descriptions and feel a nudge within or if someone alongside you said: "I think you have a gift for welcoming people!" Please plan on attending a gathering on Thursday, February 28th in Hall B!! Fr. Nord will be hosting a wonderful evening which will be full of prayer, fellowship, and information about the Usher/Greeter ministry and how it is one of the ways that people find Christ here!

**HOSPITALITY means:**

The friendly and generous reception and entertainment of guests, visitors, or strangers.

**SYNONYMS:**

friendliness, hospitableness, welcome, warm, reception, helpfulness, neighborliness, warmth, warm-heartedness, kindness, kindhearted, congeniality, geniality, sociability, conviviality, cordiality, amicability, amenability, generosity, liberality, bountifulness, open-handedness "Scotland is renowned for its hospitality".

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We would like everyone in the parish to receive a weekly copy of the St. Louis Review and ask every household to subscribe. The annual subscription rate through the parish is \$35. Please use the subscription renewal envelope in your envelope packet and **"make checks payable to Assumption BVM"** (or use any envelope and mark it 'Review'-include your name and mailing address) and return it in the Sunday collection. If you do not wish to receive the St. Louis Review, please mark 'do not want' on the envelope and return it to the collection basket or parish office.



“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

## You're invited to the Seventh Annual Day of Reflection!

The Day of Reflection will be held from 8:00am - 3:30pm on Saturday, March 2nd in the Fr. Joe Kempf Parish Center

This one-day event is a rejuvenating and wonderful way to feed your faith and rekindle your spiritual flame as we enter the holy season of Lent.

Our speakers this year include: **Sue Russ and Deacon Richard Tadlock!** Add a few other reflections, special activities, beautiful music, lunch and amazing fellowship and you've got the recipe for a perfect Saturday!

What are you waiting for? Register today for this free event! Please Email Shelly Schneider at [schneid5@charter.net](mailto:schneid5@charter.net) or call and leave a message at 636.379.2538.

### ASH WEDNESDAY – March 6, 2019

*Ash Wednesday is one of the most popular and important holy days in the liturgical calendar. Ash Wednesday opens Lent, a season of fasting and prayer.*



Ash Wednesday takes place 46 days before Easter Sunday, and is chiefly observed by Catholics, although many other Christians observe it too. Ash Wednesday comes from the ancient Jewish tradition of penance and fasting. The practice includes the wearing of ashes on the head. The ashes symbolize the dust from which God made us. As the priest applies the ashes to a person's forehead, he speaks the words: "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return."

#### The Ashes

The ashes are made from the blessed palms used in the Palm Sunday celebration of the previous year. The ashes are christened with Holy Water and are scented by exposure to incense. While the ashes symbolize penance and contrition, they are also a reminder that God is gracious and merciful to those who call on Him with repentant hearts. His Divine mercy is of utmost importance during the season of Lent, and the Church calls on us to seek that mercy during the entire Lenten season with reflection, prayer and penance.

#### ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES/SERVICES:

**March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019: 8:00am Mass; 12:05 service; 5:30pm & 7:00pm Masses**

#### Bring in your Blessed Palms – Beginning next Weekend Feb. 23/24, 2019!!

Next weekend, leading up to Ash Wednesday, you will notice wicker baskets in the back of church for you to drop off your blessed palms! On Monday, March 4th during the 8:00am Mass, we will have a ceremony and burn the blessed palms to use the ashes made on Ash Wednesday.

## Week at a Glance

	MONDAY 2.18.19	TUESDAY 2.19.19	WEDNESDAY 2.20.19
Mass Time / Intentions	6:30am Respect Life Apostolate 8:00am Karen Brady	6:30am Josephine Caputa 8:00am Irvin Schoene Jr	6:30am Jack Muller 8:00am Carolyn Elfrink
Readings	1st Reading: Gn 4:1-15,25 Gospel: Mk 8:11-13 7:30 - 8:00am Church	1st Reading Gn 6:5-8:1-5,10 Gospel: Mk 8:14-21 7:30 - 8:00am Church	1st Reading: Gn 8:6-13,20-22 Gospel: Mk 8:22-26 7:30 - 8:00am Church
Reconciliation	Old Testament Bible Study 10am Meyer 2	Bible Study, 8:00am Rooms D/E Bible Study Fr. Mitch 9:30am Myr 2	Pastoral Team Mtg 1:00pm Meyer 2
Other Events/Activities	School Faculty 2-4:30pm Hall C	K of C Queen of Hearts 5pm Hall C Bible Study, 6:00pm Meyer 1/2 Perp Help Devotions 6:15pm Chapel Athletic Assoc. 7-9:00pm Rooms D/E	Life Teen 7:00pm Meyer Combined SVDP Meeting 7:00pm SVDP Cntr

Bishop Robert Barron's newest study program

# THE MASS

DATE, TIME, LOCATION	COST / REGISTRATION	CONTACT
Dates During Lent: March 7, 14, 21, 28 April 2, 11 7:00pm-9:00pm , Hall C	There is no cost to you! Please register by March 1, 2019 to Rachel Martin	Rachel Martin at: 636.240.4474 ext. 309 rmartin@abvmtech.org



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



**Please Pray for The Repose of the Soul of:**  
*Frank Gagliano, Father of Mike Gagliano*  
*Thomas Wick, Brother of Linda Doriath*

**PLEASE NOTE:**

Fr. Mitch will be out of town, February 17 - 23.



*Wedding Banns*

Emily Schob & Cody Lutrell



**St. Joseph Chapel of the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood**

**Tour and Prayer:** Many groups choose to tour St. Joseph Chapel of the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood of O'Fallon, Missouri, 204 North Main, in order to view and learn about the magnificent artwork. You may wish to view the City's YouTube video of our chapel prior to your visit. If your group wants more than a tour, "Praying the Chapel Art" (a form of Visio Divina) may be the opportunity you are looking for. Booklets and guides are available to assist individuals and groups in praying the Stations of the Cross, or the Salvation Story Stained Glass Windows (Daylight hours recommended). Other prayer areas include the sanctuary art and the relic chapel. Plan on an hour for each prayer experience. We ask a donation. For more information contact Sr. Mary Cecile Gunelson, CPPS (636-293-8013) or Sr. Theresa Jezl, CPPS (636-515-2883).



Prayer

THURSDAY 2.21.19	FRIDAY 2.22.19	SATURDAY 2.23.19	SUNDAY 2.24.19
6:30 am Deceased CPPS 8:00 am Andy Thornhill	6:30 am Dawn Thornton 8:00 am Margaret Townsend	9:00 am Community Benefactors and Prayer Enrollments 5:00 pm Norma Cochran	8:00 am Ava Reichert 10:00 am Carolyn Elfrink 12:00 pm People of the Parish 5:30 pm Juanita M Kaltenbach
1st Reading: Gn 9:1-13 Gospel: Mk 8:27-33	1st Reading: 1Pt 5:1-4 Gospel: Mt 16:13-19	1st Reading: Heb 11:1-7 Gospel: Mk 9:2-13	1st Reading: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23
7:30 - 8:00am Church	7:30 - 8:00am Church	4:00 - 4:45pm Church	2nd Reading: 1 Cor 15:45-49 Gospel: Lk 6:27-38
CRHP Women 6:00pm Meyer 2 Legion of Mary 7:00pm Hall D/E K of C Men/Ladies Aux 7pm - A/B 1st Comm. Parent Mtg 7:00pm Church	Luke 18 Team Retreat Parish Center	Luke 18 Team Retreat Parish Center	4:00-4:30 & 9:00-9:30pm Chapel RCIA 8:00am Hall C Luke 18 Retreat Parish Center Baptism 1:00pm Church



# Upcoming Women's Retreat March 9 & 10

## WHAT THIS RETREAT DOES:

“...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

- BRINGS TOGETHER** priests and people in a very casual but effective Christian atmosphere of sharing dialogue.
- RECONCILES** the individual with Jesus through personal repentance and conversion.
- ACTIVATES** a Christian community with hope of continuation using effective growth methods.
- STIMULATES** on-going study, prayer, and services groups.
- MOTIVATES** us to possibly be more active within the parish.
- HEALS** the wounds between various factions and spiritualities.
- COMMUNICATES** fundamental truths of faith experiences.
- AFFORDS** traditional-oriented parishioners a comfortable course in change.
- LIBERATES** pastoral leadership for Gospel ministry of shared priesthood.
- ALLOWS** everyone to focus on what unites us - not what separates us.
- INVOLVES** the group to various prayer forms.
- EXPOSES** the parish to effectiveness of shared ministry.
- INVITES** Jesus to be at the center of a Spirit-filled community.

This is not an invitation from the parish or me to be here this weekend... this is an invitation from Jesus... and so we ask that you open your hearts to what He has in store for you this weekend.

**For more information:** [Beth Handshy at: 636.379.6599 or bhandshy@gmail.com](mailto:bhandshy@gmail.com)

**PLEASE NOTE: Time Change for Lent**  
Beginning Tuesday, March 12th, Rosary and Perpetual Help Devotions will begin at 5:55pm, because the Lenten Tuesday Masses will begin at 6:30pm in the Chapel. Please come and pray for the Pro-Life Cause and for Peace and your special intentions.



Why are the RCIA participants dismissed in the middle of the Mass? Adults preparing to be baptized and those preparing for initiation through Confirmation are dismissed at the end of the

**Liturgy of the Word** simply to continue with not only discussing what they have just experienced in the readings, but to offer them information on the formal teachings of the Catholic Church. This continues each Sunday and at the Easter Vigil, and those who are ready will join us at the Table of the Eucharist for the first time.

God's word is their only food during this period. They, along with their sponsors, depart from the Mass to discuss the readings and experience more fully the impact of the Scriptures in their lives. Since the RCIA sessions happen at the 8:00am Mass it's difficult for the parishioners of other Masses to experience the happenings in this awesome ministry within our Church. The sending forth blessings they receive remind us of Jesus sending out his disciples.

We invite you to attend at least one of the 8:00 Masses in order to experience what is happening. Other opportunities will be made available to all in the coming weeks as we enter Lent. Please continue to pray for our sponsors and team members as we help those seeking entrance into our Catholic community at Easter.

*“All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.”*  
~2 Timothy 3:16-17

ENROLLMENT IS NOW OPEN  
AT ASSUMPTION SCHOOL,  
O'FALLON, MO FOR OUR:

# 3Y-6Y (PRIMARY) MONTESSORI CLASSROOM

2019-2020 School year

TO REGISTER PLEASE  
CONTACT THE SCHOOL  
OFFICE AT:  
(636) 240-4474

SPACE IS LIMITED TO 10 CHILDREN



## INFANT/ TODDLER MONTESSORI REGISTRATION

Parents, do you have a child six weeks to thirty-six months old? Are you looking for a safe, loving environment that also approaches your child's development with respect to the dignity of the child's gifts and personhood? At Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary we offer a Montessori approach to teaching infants and toddlers how to develop independence, self-confidence, and an education for life. Come check out Mary's House (we have named our infant/toddler room after our own Mother, Mary) and learn more about this unique environment and if it is the right place for your infant/toddler. Registration is open. For questions please call: Melinda Kruper at 636.240.4474 at ext. 333.



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

Youth Formation

## ANNOUNCING: ASSUMPTION MUSICAL MINISTRY'S MIDDLE SCHOOL AUDITIONS FOR LION KING JR:

MONDAY & TUESDAY, FEB. 25 & 26

(PERFORMANCES are MAY 10 & 11)

FOR DETAILS GO TO: <https://fb.me/Connecting2CHRISTintheARTS>



ASSUMPTION  
LIFE TEEN

### It's Luke 18 Time! February 22 - 24

8th Graders! This overnight retreat weekend is only open to you and is always one of the high points of the year for 8th graders time and again! The retreat is led by our high schoolers because they know what you like best.

To register, please go to the Assumption Life Teen web page and look for the Blue Luke 18 Logo:  
[www.assumptionbvm.org/youth-ministry/life-teen](http://www.assumptionbvm.org/youth-ministry/life-teen)

**Calendar:**

- Sun Feb 17 - Life Night: "+ Healthy Relationships" (Hall C) - 7PM
- Wed Feb 20 - Faith & Film Wednesday (Meyer Room) - 7PM
- Sun Feb 24 - NO Life Night (Luke 18 Retreat)





**SERVICE:**

Love in action  
"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

Matthew 25:40

Service

**READING, RICE BOWLS,**

and **ACTIVITY MATERIALS** will be available in the Narthex beginning Saturday, March 9th!

**ATTEND WEEKLY MASS**  
Mon. - Fri. at 6:30am in the St. Joseph's Chapel & 8am in the Church!

Attend **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION/DEVOTIONS** Anytime 24 hours a day.

Visit our **24 HOUR PRAYER CHAPEL** (Northwest door ramp entrance-code to enter: 3721)

Attend the **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

Mon.- Fri. 7:30am-8:00am Church  
Daily - 4:00pm-4:30pm (Sat. until 4:45pm) Church  
Daily - 9:00pm-9:30pm Chapel

**Come and Pray the Rosary a half hour before Mass in Church**

**"PRAYERS FOR HEALING AND HOPE" Thursday, April 4-7pm in Church.** (This will take the place of our Penance Service. Reconciliation & Anointing of the Sick will be available)

**Attend Ash Wednesday Services - March 6, 2019**  
6:30am St. Joseph's Chapel (MH); 8am Mass; 12:05 Prayer Service and 7pm in the Church

**TUESDAY EVENING MASSES** in the Chapel beginning at 6:30pm

**BISHOP ROBERT BARRON'S**

Series on: **THE MASS**  
Dates During Lent: March 7, 14, 21, 28 & April 2, 11, 7pm-9pm, Hall C. The Program is Free. Register by March 1 to Rachel Martin at (636)240.4474 ext 309 or [rmartin@abvmtech.org](mailto:rmartin@abvmtech.org)

**LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES**

Participate in the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** every Friday in Church! 2:30pm and 7pm (unless noted in the bulletin)

**2019**



**It Is Hard to Imagine That There Could Be Any Life At the Other End of Our Grief**

The Grief Support Group of Assumption Parish cordially invites those of you, 18 years of age and older, who are grieving the death of a loved one, to our SPRING Grief Support Series. Our first session will be THURSDAY, MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup> at 7:00pm in the Meyer Room. Fr. Joe Kempf's video series, "No One Cries the Wrong Way" will be incorporated into each session along with prayer, personal sharing, biblical reflection and social time.

To register or for any additional information please contact: Lynn Crews @ 636-294-0821 or [lynncrews721@gmail.com](mailto:lynncrews721@gmail.com) Registration deadline: TUESDAY, MARCH 5<sup>TH</sup>, 2019



### 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Medjugorje Pilgrimage

Have you heard about Medjugorje? Have you heard about the wonderful experiences people from Assumption had there last year? If you could not go then, here is your opportunity to go this time. Come join us May 30 – June 8, 2019. Fr. Mitch will be coming with us again. To learn more, contact Ray or Diane Gerard at (847) 638-5242, [dgerard77@comcast.net](mailto:dgerard77@comcast.net), or visit [jmjpilgrims.com](http://jmjpilgrims.com).



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### Sacristan Ministry Overview After All Masses – March 2<sup>nd</sup> & March 3<sup>rd</sup>

Is God calling you to participate in the preparation of the Body and Blood of Christ to our parish community that we may become one as the Body of Christ for the entire World?

There is a great opportunity to become a part of the Sacristan ministry prior to the Lenten Season. Please meet in front of the St. Vincent DePaul statue after any mass on Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> or Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> for an overview and quick walkthrough. Please contact: Vicki Briggs 314-518-4048 [victoria.j.briggs@charter.net](mailto:victoria.j.briggs@charter.net) for any questions.

### Eucharistic Ministers Overview After All Masses – March 2<sup>nd</sup> & March 3<sup>rd</sup>

Is God calling you to participate in the distribution of the Body and Blood of Christ to our parish community that we may become one as the Body of Christ for the entire World?

There is a great need/opportunity to become a part of the Eucharistic Minister ministry prior to the Lenten season. Personalized training is provided and will not take more than 20 minutes of your time. Please meet in front of the St. Vincent DePaul statue after any Mass the weekend of March 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please contact: Terry Briggs 314-496-4588 [terry.l.briggs@charter.net](mailto:terry.l.briggs@charter.net) for any questions



### PERFORMING ARTS YOUTH RETREAT

Current high school students are invited to apply by April 15th, for Youth Sing Praise. YSP is a unique musical theatre and retreat camp for teens, where acting, singing, dancing, performing, praying and community building thrive. In just nine days and nights, students audition, learn, and perform a faith-based musical. This year, we are proud to present Andrew Lloyd Webber and Tim Rice's *Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat*. Dates for the camp are June 15-23, 2019. The performance will take place on Saturday, June 22nd, at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows in Belleville, IL. Online application and instructions, and more details at [www.youthsingpraise.com](http://www.youthsingpraise.com) or call 314.NOW.4YSP.

## Our Gifts to God and Parish



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

	February 3, 2019	July 1, 2018-Feb 3 2019
Envelopes (264) & On Line	\$ 48,809	\$ 1,129,329
Loose	\$ 1,047	\$ 39,413
Total	\$ 49,856	\$ 1,168,742

**Needed to sustain our mission \$1,193,600**

**Loan Balance as of 1/31/2019: \$1,677,003**

It takes an average weekly collection of \$37,300 to sustain our parish mission.

*"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1Peter 4:10*

**The Bible Teaches It** (Mal 3:10-12)

**We Believe It** (Acts 4:32-36)

**God Honors It** (Gen 14:18-20)

## TITHING



*So, you're thinking about getting Married...*

**Congratulations! We are excited for you and your families!**  
**Your commitment to love one another is a sign of hope for the world. Your request to be married in the community of the Church is a sign of faith.**

**Where Do We Start?**

You start by calling Angie at the parish office (636.240.3721 Ext. 235) so that we might receive from you the basic information we need and explain the process to you.

**When Should We Call?**

Generally, as soon as the two of you have decided to get married, preferably a year or more in advance, and *before you schedule a hall*. (Note that marriage dates are only tentative until after pre-marriage assessment work is completed.)

**Who Can Get Married At Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish?**

To be married at Assumption Parish, at least one party should be a registered member of Assumption Parish and be living an active and practicing Catholic life.

**When Can A Wedding Be Scheduled?**

Weddings at Assumption Parish may be celebrated on most Fridays and Saturdays of the year, except during Lent. Weddings may be scheduled on Friday evenings or on Saturday's either at 11am or 1:30pm.

**Final Message...** Yes, there is much to plan, and a lot to prepare. But we pray that through it all, you will keep a place in your heart for what really matters. For your wedding is a day, your marriage is forever. The time you spend now praying, talking, forgiving and working on your relationship, sets the *groundwork* for a holy and life-giving marriage: *in good times and in bad, in sickness and in health, all the days of your life.*



**HOSPITALITY:**  
 Christian Kindness  
 "We are ALL hospitality ministers"

Hospitality

**Knights of Columbus Queen of Hearts Raffle!**

February 19, Hall C.  
 Doors open at 5:00pm, drawing is at 6:30pm.  
 The jackpot is \$8,650.  
*Remember...* Proceeds go to support the youth of our parish.

**Estate Planning**

Planned giving allows you to make a significant impact on Assumption, likely at no cost to you during your lifetime. Anyone, even those with a modest estate, can help secure Assumption's future with a planned gift.

We are pleased to have the Roman Catholic Foundation as our planned giving partner. The Foundation works to sustain the local Church for future generations, helping donors identify their giving goals and maximize the impact of their gifts on the ministries they love.

To learn about the many ways you can establish your Catholic legacy and sustain Assumption Parish, please visit [rcfstl.org](http://rcfstl.org) or call Michael Deisbrod, Gift Planning Officer for the Archdiocese, at 314-918-2893.



Our next meeting will be February 25th at 7:00pm in Hall C. It was great to see such a great turn out for the dinner at North High School! We have two entertainers from St. Charles who were referred to me as good entertainment, Erv & Harry Country Music. Join us for music and fellowship. Any questions, please call Martha at 636-294-3367

**OFFICE INFORMATION**

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 636.240.3721 Parish Office  
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 Office Hours - Weekdays 8:30am-4:00pm

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 636.272.4758 (Helpline)

**ASSUMPTION SCHOOL**  
 636.240.4474

**BULLETIN NOTICES**

Submit to Parish Office  
 (peggy.assumption@yahoo.com)  
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