

# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

May 13, 2018

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## ASCENSION SUNDAY

ACTS 1:3-11

May you find Christ here...

...may you bring Christ to the world.

# Welcome



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## The Ascension

Jesus ascends; he is taken up into heaven. He is not taken away from us; he has promised to always be with us. Jesus' ascension into heaven brings heaven to earth. In the power of the Spirit dwelling within us, the very Spirit of God, we have access to eternal life now. Let us choose to live in this power of Christ in us. Let us follow Mary in her mission to bring Christ to the world.

I hope you enjoy this ancient homily; ancient and true.

### From the treatise On the Trinity by Didymus of Alexandria

The Holy Spirit renews us in baptism through his godhead, which he shares with the Father and the Son. Finding us in a state of deformity, the Spirit restores our original beauty and fills us with his grace, leaving no room for anything unworthy of our love. The Spirit frees us from sin and death, and changes us from the earthly men we were, men of dust and ashes, into spiritual men, sharers in the divine glory, sons and heirs of God the Father who bear a likeness to the Son and are his co-heirs and brothers, destined to reign with him and to share his glory. In place of earth the Spirit reopens heaven to us and gladly admits us into paradise, giving us even now greater honour than the angels, and by the holy waters of baptism extinguishing the unquenchable fires of hell.

We men are conceived twice: to the human body we owe our first conception, to the divine Spirit, our second. John says: To all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave power to become children of God. These were born not by human generation, not by the desire of the flesh, not by the will of man, but of God. All who believed in Christ, he says, received power to become children of God, that is, of the Holy Spirit, and to gain kinship with God. To show that their parent was God the Holy Spirit, he adds these words of Christ: I give you this solemn warning, that without being born of water and the Spirit, no one can enter the kingdom of God.

Visibly, through the ministry of priests, the font gives symbolic birth to our visible bodies. Invisibly, through the ministry of angels, the Spirit of God, whom even the mind's eye cannot see, baptizes into himself both our souls and bodies, giving them a new birth.

Speaking quite literally, and also in harmony with the words of water and the Spirit, John the Baptist says of Christ: He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Since we are only vessels of clay, we must first be cleansed in water and then hardened by spiritual fire – for God is a consuming fire. We need the Holy Spirit to perfect and renew us, for spiritual fire can cleanse us, and spiritual water can recast us as in a furnace and make us into new men.

*Fr. Mitch*



**Congratulations!** A Beyond Sunday Academic Capacity Enhancement grant in the amount of \$50,000 has been awarded to Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary School and PSR to implement STREAMing Into God's Creation. We are excited to partner with you to transform Catholic education!





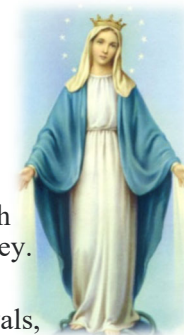
## Assumption's *Legion of Mary* is hosting a Prayer Breakfast

**Saturday, MAY 19** ~Assumption's Legion of Mary is hosting a Prayer Breakfast entitled "Under Mary's Mantle" with guest speaker Maria Romine.

Maria is a Catholic Convert, who loves to share her story of how she fell in love with the Catholic faith and how she has become devoted to Our Lady. Maria will be presenting her conversion story entitled "Under Mary's Mantle" on Saturday, May 19th at 10 am in Assumption's Parish Center, Halls A & B. The Prayer Breakfast is free. Please join us as we listen to Maria's faith filled journey.

The featured speaker, Maria Romine, is an actress, singer, fight choreographer and entrepreneur. She is Owner/Artistic Director of Swords and Roses, an all female sword-fighting troupe that preforms at festivals, conventions and parties. In addition to her own shows, she has choreographed stage fighting for Renaissance Fairs, Passion plays and Live Chess matches. Maria has toured nationally as an actress for Upstage Productions and Theater of the Word, Inc. She has also appeared on a number of televisions shows for EWTN. Maria is a parishioner at Immaculate Heart of Mary parish in New Melle, Mo. where she serves as the president of the Legion of Mary.

Any questions please call Kathy Boyd at 636-240-6920.



### Baptismal Preparation - Catechists

Mission Statement: *We are partners with parents sharing wisdom and knowledge regarding the particulars of the Sacrament of Baptism so they may pass along their Catholic values to their child and embrace their role as their child's primary faith educator.*

Do you have a willingness and a gift to want to share faith with others? If so, please pray about being a Baptismal Catechist! We can assure you that sharing in the life of faith you have already experienced, will be a blessing for young families as they make a decision to baptize their children. Training will be available on June 13th beginning 7:00pm! Contact: Misty Koenig, 314-249-6092.



### Sacristan Needed for the 10:00 am Mass

Sacristans (Pillar of Prayer - St. Francis) Mission Statement: *We are the host, the server, and the guest for the banquet of the Eucharistic celebration, prepared so that our parish community may experience Christ's love and bring Christ to the world*

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. We are most in need for the 10:00 am Mass, but all Masses welcome you.

*Please contact:* Vicki Briggs 314-518-4048 or [victoria.j.briggs@charter.net](mailto:victoria.j.briggs@charter.net)

### This Week At Assumption

#### Sunday, May 13

**Life Teen**  
7:00pm Hall C

#### Monday, May 14

**CRHP Men**  
7:00pm Rooms D & E  
**CRHP Continuation Comm.**  
7:00pm Multi Purpose Room  
**School Board**  
7:00pm Meyer 2

#### Tuesday, May 15

**Bible Study with Fr. Mitch**  
9:30am Meyer 2  
**K of C Queen of Hearts**  
5:00pm Hall C  
**Perpetual Help Devotions**  
6:15pm Chapel  
**Athletic Association Mtg.**  
7:00pm Rooms D/E  
**Crusader Run Planning Mtg.**  
7:00pm Hall A

#### Wednesday, May 16

**Life Teen**  
7:00pm Meyer Combined

#### Thursday, May 17

**CRHP Women**  
6:30pm Meyer Combined  
**Legion of Mary**  
7:00pm Rooms D/E  
**K of C Council Mtg.**  
7:00pm Halls A/B  
**Home Visit Training**  
7:00pm Hall C

#### Saturday, May 19

**Legion of Mary Prayer Breakfast**  
10:00am Hall A/B  
**Children's Liturgy of the Word**  
5:00pm Church  
**Sunday, May 20**  
**Life Teen**  
7:00pm Hall C

### Eucharistic Ministers needed for the Noon Mass

Eucharistic Ministers (Pillar of Prayer - St. Francis) Mission Statement: *As Assumption Ministers of the Holy Eucharist 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 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. We are most in need for the Noon Mass but all masses welcome you.

Personalized training is provided and will not take more than 20 minutes of your time. Please contact: Terry Briggs 314-496-4588 or [terry.l.briggs@charter.net](mailto:terry.l.briggs@charter.net).



## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, May 13

8:00am Margaret Rothermich  
10:00am Pauline A. Kveton  
12:00pm People of the Parish  
5:30pm Bette Lee Warta

### Monday, May 14

6:30am Judy Faletti  
8:00am Elizabeth Luetkenhaus

### Tuesday, May 15

6:30am Lester Wood  
8:00am Herman Poepel

### Wednesday, May 16

6:30am Sr. Alice Regine Zipfel  
8:00am Shawn Reesor

### Thursday, May 17

6:30am Vocations  
8:00am Joanne Murphy

### Friday, May 18

6:30am Francis & Alice McHugh  
8:00am Christine Faletti

### Saturday, May 19

9:00am Sr. Teresa Reichmuth  
5:00pm Janice Snopko

### Sunday, May 20

8:00am Robert Christman III  
10:00am Eileen Mennemier  
12:00pm People of the Parish  
5:30pm Marion Loeffler



**ACTS 2:2-4** – “And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind. . . . And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit.”

## ALL ARE INVITED TO WEAR RED PENTECOST SUNDAY, MAY 20<sup>TH</sup>

On **May 20<sup>th</sup>** the Church celebrates the great feast of Pentecost! We celebrate the gift of the **Holy Spirit** who empowers us to live and love as Jesus, utilizing His very power in this world. The color for Pentecost is **RED** and you will see the priests wear red vestments. We invite everyone to wear **RED** on May 20 if you can do that easily, as an outward sign of our inward openness to the Holy Spirit and belief in His power among us.

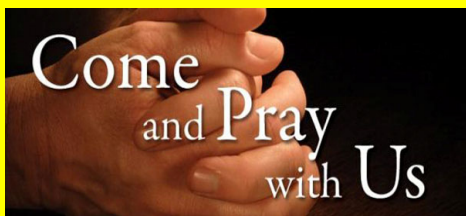
Whether you are able to wear **RED** or not, may people be able to see in our lives the very power of the Holy Spirit alive in our hearts!



## PSR Catechists Needed



Do you hear a calling to share your love of Christ? PSR needs catechists for the 2018-2019 School Year. Current openings include 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades. A small stipend is offered. Please call Ann Marie for more information. (636)240-1020 or email to [ab-vmpsrr@yahoo.com](mailto:ab-vmpsrr@yahoo.com).



**ALL ARE WELCOME! PLEASE COME AND PRAY FOR PEACE AND YOUR SPECIAL INTENTIONS.**

**The Rosary and Perpetual Help Devotions; every Tuesday at 6:15pm in the Chapel.**

***We need you to help continue these important prayers.***

## Assumption Fall Festival Team Needs YOU!!

The Fall Festival Committee is made up of volunteers from our parish who donate time and talent to make this event happen year after year.

We currently have several captain positions open on our committee and are in need of parishioners to fill these positions. Not only is this a great way to meet new people and become involved in our parish community, but your participation will help ensure our Parish's largest event is a success!!

Please contact Aaron Bruns at 913-620-8830 for more information.



ASSUMPTION  
LIFE TEEN

## Save the Dates! Summer Youth Ministry Events:

**Project Life Work Camp** - June 10-15 (\$175)

**Steubenville Conference** - July 20-22 (\$100)

Please email Phil at [phil.assumptionym@gmail.com](mailto:phil.assumptionym@gmail.com) for more info or to reserve a spot!"

## CALENDAR

Sun May 13 - NO Life Night: Happy Mother's Day!

Wed May 16 - WORD Wednesday (Meyer Room) 7pm

Sun May 20 - Life Night (Hall C) 7pm

Wed May 23 - WORD Wednesday Road Trip  
(Location TBD)

Sun May 27 - Life Night (Hall C) 7pm

Wed May 30: WORD Wednesday (Meyer Room) - 7pm

Sun June 3: Life Night Summer Kick-off BBQ! - 7pm

Wed June 6: WORD Wednesday (Meyer Room) - 7pm

Sun June 10: NO Life Night (Project Life begins)

Wed June 13: NO WORD Wednesday (Project Life)

Sun June 17: Life Night (Hall C) - 7pm



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Assumption Life Teen Group

## Readings for the Week ~ May 14 - 20

**Mon:** St. Mathias

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Ps 113:1-8; Jn 15:9-17

**Tues:** St Isadore the Farmer

Acts 20:17-27; Ps 68:10-11, 20-21;  
Jn 17:1-11a

**Wed:** Acts 20:28-38; Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab;  
Jn 17:11b-19

**Thu:** Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11;  
Jn 17:20-26

**Fri:** St. John 1

Acts 25:13b-21; Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab;  
Jn 21:15-19

**Sat:** Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Ps 11:4, 5, 7;  
Jn 21:20-25

**Sun:** Pentecost Sunday

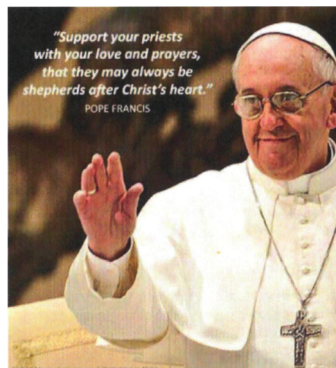
Gn 11:1-9 or Ex 19:3-8a, 16-20b



Last weekend we had our final session for the RCIA process for the past year. Confirmation was the topic. In preparation for Pentecost, we reflected on the gifts of the Holy Spirit and how they are a tremendous help and aid to not only you in your own personal walk with the Lord, but many of them can be also used to help other people out as special needs and circumstances arise in their lives. This final stage known as Mystagogy is important and meant not only for our neophytes but for all of us who are called to a life-long process.

We discover within our hearts an ever increasing desire to truly live and proclaim the Gospel message.

Next weekend we will send our new disciples out into the world with a special blessing at the 8:00 Mass.



**Seven Sisters Apostolate:**  
One Holy Hour,  
One Priest,  
Each Week,  
One Heart of Prayer

The Seven Sisters Apostolate of Assumption is looking for women (and men) who would like to pray for our priests. Seven Sisters is made up of teams of women who commit to praying a Holy Hour on a distinct day of the week for a particular priest, preferably in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament – either in an Adoration Chapel or in front of a Tabernacle – but not restricted to the parish of which the Seven Sister is a member. Although the core teams are made up exclusively of women, men we can use your help also as subs and to provide additional hours of prayer. If you are interested in helping to give this gift of prayer to our priests please contact Kim Lawry at 314-283-8514 or [kimlawry@yahoo.com](mailto:kimlawry@yahoo.com).



## Assumption Parish Appreciation Dinner/Dance 2018, Save the Date: September 15

This year the Parish Appreciation Dinner Dance has been changed from the second Saturday in June to Saturday, September 15th. The Dinner/Dance is free to all parishioners 21 years and older. It includes a delicious dinner, dancing and fellowship with other parishioners and friends. Please mark your calendars to attend this enjoyable event in September!





**IN MEMORIAM :  
REVEREND MONSIGNOR  
RICHARD J. LUBELEY, PA**



Reverend Monsignor Richard J. Lubeley (class of 1949) died Wed., May 2, 2018. Msgr Lubeley was born on Feb. 8, 1921 in Saint Louis, MO, and was ordained to the Holy Priesthood on June 7, 1949 by *then*-Archbishop Joseph E. Ritter. Monsignor Lubeley was the last surviving member of the class of 1949 and the last surviving priest to have been ordained in the 1940's. Father Lubeley was the Pastor of Assumption BVM from 1967 – 1979.



## FALL RETREATS – 2018!

**WOMEN'S RETREAT – SEPT. 8/9**

**MEN'S RETREAT – SEPT 22/23**

**For more information about these amazing retreats please know that there will be team members downstairs after each Mass this weekend to answer any questions.**

**+THEY WILL BE HANDING OUT A  
SMALL GIFT FOR YOU TO TAKE HOME+**

Contact: **Women's Retreat** – Sharon Aubuchon at [saubuchon@centurytel.net](mailto:saubuchon@centurytel.net) or 636.544.1490

**Men's Retreat** – Greg Rackers at [greg.rackers@gmail.com](mailto:greg.rackers@gmail.com) or 636.357.7901

**BLOOD DRIVE** Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center will be here on Sunday, May 20, to accept your donation of the Gift of Life! Please plan to join us in the Parish Center 9:00am – 1:30pm. We will be accepting platelet donations at this drive. If you are interested in donating platelets, please contact Mary Anne Robinson at 636-294-6841 or 636-541-2823. We look forward to seeing you there!

**THE LIVING ROSARY** will be prayed on Saturday, May 19, in the Chapel at 8:15 am. Please bring a flower for the Blessed Mother. Mass will be at St. Mary's Chapel immediately following the Living Rosary. All are invited to come and pray for an end to abortion.

## THE MEANING OF PENTECOST

This is one of the most amazing stories in the world. There is none which should be more interesting to Christian people, for it is the story of the launch of the Christian Church. It is the story of how the Church which had been slowly shaping in the quietness and obscurity of that Upper Room became aware of life and power... and set out upon its mission.

So far, these men and women have been rather ordinary people, their love for Jesus Christ the one thing keeping them together. They were perplexed, terribly timid, and very aware of their weaknesses. Then, as they waited, all of a sudden as it seemed, something happened which changed their personalities. They became aware of a unity which broke down every other barrier. They found themselves in possession of faculties they had never dreamed could be theirs. They lost all fear of people and all thought of themselves. They were *fired with a message*, and a passion to tell people about it, to *spread the good news* of a love which had flooded their lives and carried them off their feet.

### *What did it mean to the apostles' to receive the Holy Spirit?*

It meant that God's power of immediate contact was in their lives. That was the great thing which the Spirit signified for them. They realized that God was in contact with them, was within their very souls. They did not need any kind of outside help. They could go out and face the world and be confident that God would back them up; that somehow His very Spirit was in living touch with theirs, that deep down in the place where the mind did its thinking, the heart its loving, and where courage and hope lies within.

They knew that somehow Jesus was there within them by His Spirit, active and loving and gracious, able to make new men and women of them, able to revive their courage and faith so that they could face anything. That was what the Spirit meant to them.

What a new power it would give us to realize this---that God is within. What a new vitality it would bring to our prayer to realize that He does not stand without us but already manifests Himself in our hearts... to the very urge that sends us to our knees.

What they found was that through Him they possessed a root of life, a spirit alive in their souls, growing up in them, shaping character from within and finding its outlet in a certain way of life and service and in all their attitudes to one another. They found that they could think with His mind and were not slavishly dependent upon His words. The life was in them as an original impulse, breaking out in them in a way of feeling and thinking and doing.

Jesus laid down no rules---He *communicates* a Spirit. And the measure in which we have that Spirit... is the measure of the freedom and reality of our own Christian lives. *Come Holy Spirit, COM*



## Assumption's OUTDOOR Classroom! STREAMing into God's Creation

Assumption Parish has been awarded a Grant from the Beyond Sunday Foundation to construct and implement an outdoor classroom.



This isn't your everyday outdoor classroom! Pope Francis once said, "Education is not about knowing things or taking lessons, but about being able to use three lingos; those of the head, the heart, and the hands." Assumption Parish aims to provide outdoor experiences that encompass physical, intellectual, emotional, social, and spiritual development of all students from the Assumption day school and PSR program. Currently, we provide learning of the head through indoor classroom activities, and learning of the heart through masses and other religious events. We need to provide an outdoor classroom so that students may fully grasp Pope Francis' third lingo, learning of the hands. It is vital to construct the STREAMing into God's Creating outdoor classroom to meet the needs of the whole student intellectually, emotionally, socially, spiritually, and physically through enriching outdoor education. A certified outdoor classroom facilitates better social and physical development, improves fitness and wellbeing, supports creativity and imaginative play, reduces stress, and creates feelings of empathy for nature.

Imagine a space that all grade levels, preschool through eighth grade, can collaborate and learn not only the basic fundamentals of math, science, reading, and writing, but will have the opportunity to pray the rosary and increase their faith and relationship with Mary by adoring the grotto to Mary. Multiple classes will be able to utilize the STREAMing into God's Creation classroom while simultaneously exploring and caring for God's creation through the use of natural Missouri plants and a pollinator garden.

The goal of the classroom is to offer an additional learning environment to meet our students' needs, increase the school's marketability, and be the first CERTIFIED outdoor classroom in St. Charles County. Being certified by *Nature Explore*, which is a collaborative program of Arbor Day Foundation and Dimensional Educational Research Foundation, would meet the three lingos of Pope Francis. In addition, it will increase interest in STREAM careers, increase student productivity, and scores on standardized tests.

### Fast Facts:

- Assumption's Outdoor Classroom will be the first of its kind and the ONLY certified elementary classroom in St. Charles County.
- It will be accessible from the school and via 3rd Street, and will be fenced off.
- Studies show children greatly benefit developmentally from being outdoors.
- Outdoor classrooms blur the boundaries between academic learning and creative play.
- There will be **EIGHT** areas for learning and interaction - Music and Movement, Messy Play, Building, Climbing, Garden, Nature Art, Gathering, Open Area.
- Every subject (religion, math, science, reading and creative writing) will have curriculum for use outside.
- Every grade level will have access to the Outdoor Classroom.
- The entire school will be able to sit in the Amphitheater together.

The first steps for this project are in place, including the \$50,000 grant from the Archdiocese - courtesy of the passion and hard work of both Jennife Wyatt and Kelly Hewitt. We expect construction to begin in May or June with full implementation in August 2018.

## How YOU can help?

## Purchase a Legacy Paver! \$200 per paver

- ♦ Legacy Pavers are a 4 by 8-inch brick and include 4 lines of dedication
- ♦ Pavers will be placed at the entrance of the Outdoor Classroom
- ♦ Limited to 500 pavers, and 97 already have been purchased! Deadline is June 15, 2018
- ♦ Can be purchased online at - [https://e.gesture.com/events/5oL/i/\\_All/4nhK/?search=](https://e.gesture.com/events/5oL/i/_All/4nhK/?search=)
- ♦ **OR** Pick up an order form from the Parish or School Office and return with your check.
- ♦ Questions? Please call the school office at 636-240-4474



## THIS WEEKEND: SVDP Food Pantry Needs You!

THIS WEEKEND, May 12/13 is St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry week. In March, 24 families received much needed food because of your generous support. At this time the pantry needs are as follows:

**NEED:** Pancake mix, pancake syrup, jelly, granola bars, crackers, applesauce, toothpaste, toothbrushes, liquid dish soap, toilet paper, paper towels, cleaning supplies.

**WE ARE OVERSTOCKED ON:** corn, green beans, peas.

Grocery gift cards are always appreciated and allows families to purchase milk, eggs, fresh produce, etc. The pantry collects NON-PERISHABLE items only.

## SVDP Donation Truck ~ Save the Date

Wondering what to do with your used sofa, chair, kitchen table, or bike? The weekend of September 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> there will be a St. Vincent de Paul truck located on our North Parking Lot accepting your donations. More information will be available when the weekend gets closer.

In the meantime please use our SVDP donation bins located on both our North and South Parking Lots to donate your gently used clothing. Thanks for your support!



One of our newer parishioners will be heading to the St. Louis Basilica for the Sacrament of (Adult) Confirmation to be sealed with the gift of the ***"The Holy Spirit"*** on May 20<sup>th</sup>. A couple of us had the beautiful privilege to visit with her as she shared a little bit about her faith journey. She has traveled many roads and has been to many parishes, yet when she came to Assumption, she said: ***"I finally found a parish where I felt the genuine warmth of the people right around me, I could see it in how they treated one another and in how they welcomed me."***

When this wonderful woman came to our parish, she knew no one and desperately needed someone to support her as she made this next step in faith—Adult Confirmation. When asking her questions about some of the people she has interacted with since she has registered here, a name came to mind to her and we said you should reach and ask! Well, a loving parishioner, when asked – and – without hesitation said: ***"I would love to be your sponsor!"***

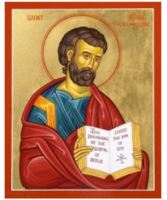
Now, remember, we got to hear a little bit about her life's journey when we met as we talked and shared... and we couldn't be more excited and happy for her to be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit next Sunday as she is already a living disciple of Jesus in how she lives her life for others.

*May you find Christ here...*

*... May you bring Christ to the world.*

## May 13, The Ascension of the Lord

ACTS 1: 1-11; PS 47: 2-3, 6-9; EPH 1: 17-23; MK 16: 15-20



We often cite Jesus' quote from today's Gospel of Mark: ***"Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature."***

This was not a suggestion from the Lord. It was quite frankly a command, and it is one which still holds for each of us. Being an evangelist, being a disciple, being a steward is not a matter of choice for those of us who are Catholic and Christian. It is something the Lord expects of us.

Often, we may like to spend time debating how to do that, but that does not lessen the fact that it is something we are supposed to do. We need to acknowledge that even the original Apostles and followers of Jesus did not do that immediately. We learn that they stayed in Jerusalem for some time, and it seemed to be only when the Church and its followers were persecuted that they began to reach out and truly share the ***"Good News."***

Once Christians accepted that charge from the Lord, they did indeed take the Word of God to all corners of the earth. Look at the Church today. It is incredible how this Church has grown from one Man/God and a small group into what it is today. That does not, however, get us ***"off the hook."***

As much as we may argue about how to carry out this command from Jesus, the fact remains that our very lives need to stand as a representation of what it means to be a Christian, what it means to ***"love one another,"*** what it means to live and to work as a disciple of Christ.

*~ Excerpts from: Catholic Diocese of Wichita*

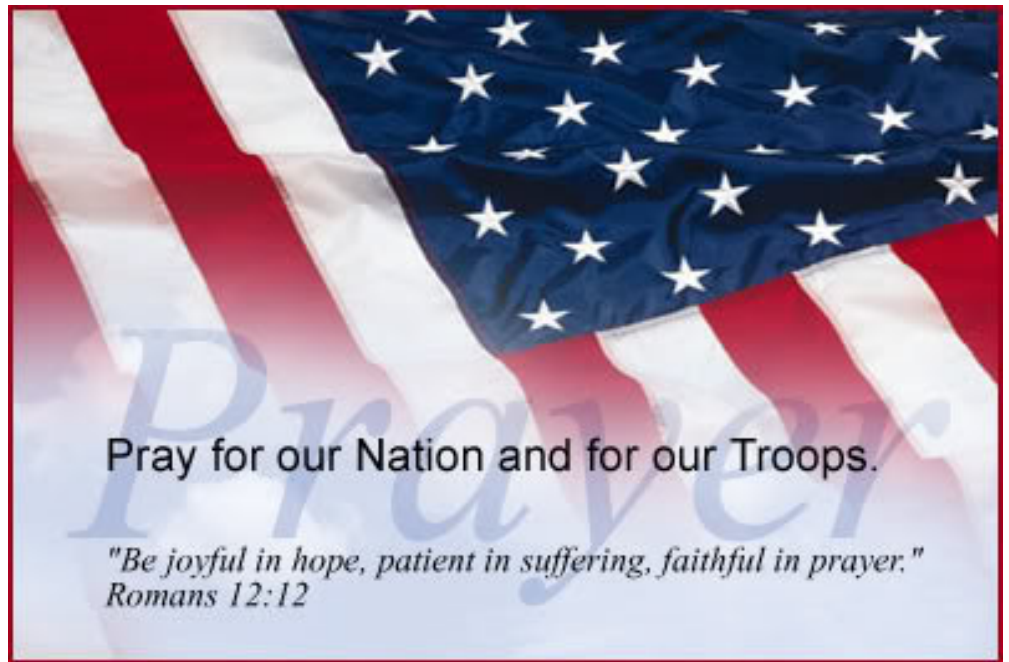




## MEMORIAL DAY

**Monday  
May 28<sup>th</sup>**

On Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00 am Mass, we will pause to remember all the men and women who have served in our armed forces, especially those who have given their lives in service to our country. This Memorial Day, we will celebrate Mass at 8:00am. During Mass we will remember all men and women who have served or currently served. We encourage you to bring pictures of your loved ones who have served in any branch of our armed services. We will create a Book of Remembrance to be placed on display in our Narthex for several weeks. We will also pray publicly for each of them at the beginning of Mass. Near the end of Mass we will process out to the cemetery where we will honor all our parishioners who have served and are buried here. We will pledge ourselves to honor their legacy by working for peace. The final blessing, concluding Mass, will take place in the cemetery. We do hope you will join us this Memorial Day, May 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am in Church for this beautiful and holy service.



## K of C Queen of Hearts Raffle

The Knights will be holding their "Queen of Hearts" drawing for **May 15th** in the

**ASSUMPTION PARISH CENTER.**

**The Jackpot for Tuesday will be \$14,100!!**

(Hall C) Doors open at 5:00pm, drawing is at 6:30pm.



## Our Gifts to God and Parish

## The Bible Teaches It

(Mal 3:10-12)

## We Believe It

(Acts 4:32-36)

## God Honors It

(Gn 14:18-20)

## TITHING

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

	April 22, 2018	July 1 -April 22 2018
Envelopes (471)& On Line	\$ 26,276	\$ 1,493,942
Loose	\$ 1,328	\$ 52,977
Total	\$ 27,604	\$ 1,546,919
<b>Needed to sustain our mission</b>		<b>1,512,000</b>

**Loan Balance as of 03/31/2018: \$1,548,000**

It takes an average weekly collection of \$36,000 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*



**Please Pray for the Repose  
of the Soul of:**

**Raymond Rockwell  
Of Our Parish Family**

**Virginia Geusz  
Mother-In-Law of Ivette Geusz**



## A Mother's Day Prayer

*I thank you God for my mother.*

I thank you that she gave me life and nurtured me all those years. She gave me my faith, helping me to know you and to know Jesus and his ways. She taught me how to love and how to sacrifice for others. She taught me that it was okay to cry and that

*I always tell the truth.*

Bless her with the graces she needs and which you want to give her today. Help her to feel precious in your eyes today and to know that I

*love her. Give her strength and courage, compassion and peace.*

*Bless her this day with your love.*



### CELEBRATION OF THE MASS

#### Weekend Masses

Saturday 9:00am  
(Motherhouse Chapel)  
Vigil 5:00pm  
Sunday 8:00am  
10:00am  
12:00pm  
5:30pm

#### Daily Mass

Weekdays 6:30am  
(Motherhouse Chapel)  
8:00am

#### Morning Prayer

Weekdays 7:30am  
Chapel

### RECONCILIATION

Thursday 6-7pm (Chapel)  
Saturday 4:00-4:45pm

### BAPTISM

2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 1:15pm. Required Preparation Class. Call 240.3721 ext 235 to register.

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL

636.272.4758 (Helpline)

### 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 (Tuesdays and Thursdays).

### RITE of CHRISTIAN INITIATION of ADULTS

(RCIA) Process through which adults are initiated into the Catholic Church by Baptism or Profession of Faith. For information Missy Lowrey 314.630.3983.

### PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Religious instruction in the Catholic faith. Call 636.240.1020 for information or to register.

### CATHOLICS RETURNING HOME

For inactive Catholics returning to Church. For more information call Steve King, 699.9961 or Dee King 734.3437.

### 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 294.0821.

### OFFICE INFORMATION

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### ASSUMPTION SCHOOL

636.240.4474

### BULLETIN NOTICES

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by Tuesday 9:00am

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