## Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

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as yourself. Luke 10:27

July 14, 2019 EENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



#### BAPTISM

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





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.



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Sacraments/Other Information

**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 MissyLowrey 314-630-3983.

**FUNERALS** 

Suchara, Funeral Coordina-

tor, 636-577-3776, to make

Please contact Amanda

final arrangements.



### CONFIRMATION Preparation begins in

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

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.

# Welcome

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## Hello,



One of the things I will note in my weekly articles at times is certain feast days, and today is the feast day of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, the first native American canonized a saint. She lived between 1656 and 1680 but wasn't canonized until October 21, 2012. She was the daughter of an Algonquin mother and a Mohawk chief was her father. Her mother is referred to in some sources as 'Christianized', but it is unknown what she taught Kateri since when she was only four, her mother and the rest of her family would die from small pox. Kateri would survive, but she would be left severely scarred by the illness. Her uncle, also a Mohawk chief, would raise her.

As a young girl she would hear three visiting Jesuits and be impressed by their words and actions. When she came of age her uncle proposed numerous men for a spouse, but she refused all of them, instead choosing to stay single despite punishments from her uncle. Around the age of 19 or 20 she would receive some instruction in Christianity and be baptized with the name of Catherine, which was spoken as Kateri in the Mohawk language.

With her conversion she would also take a vow of chastity, becoming even more firm in her resolve not to marry and even less popular with her anti-Christian uncle and others in the village. She would leave that village in the state of New York where she had lived and travel north to a Christian Indian mission near Montreal and become known as the "Lily of the Mohawks." She would only live to the age of 24 at which time she would die of an illness. Along with her holy and devout life, particularly witnessed over the last few years, there were also numerous miracles and favors that were claimed to have occurred due to her intercession, beginning almost immediately after her death.

The Bishops of the United States of America first petitioned to Pope Leo XIII in 1884 to begin the beatification process for Kateri with the documents eventually submitted in 1931 and she would be declared Venerable in 1943. In 1980 she would be declared Blessed and canonized a saint finally in 2012. She is considered a patron saint for the environment and ecology as well as of Native Americans.

As you can see, being declared a saint isn't an easy journey. The most important part all began with how she lived her life before 1680, in a manner that would result in her eternity in heaven. She and all the saints continue to offer us their intercessory prayers. May we look to them for help and inspiration in how we live our lives.

Peace, **Fr. Nick** 

### July 14, 2019

### St. Monica . . . Pillar of Hospitality

Hospitality	HOSPITALITY: Christian Kindness "We are ALL hospitality ministers"	<b>Po gou want to journey to the flawaiian Islands?</b> If you're an Assumption girl parishioner in grades K-4 <sup>th</sup> , join us for an afternoon Luau adventure. Chloe flammond and Savannah Lamb, Assumption parishioners and St. Dominie Sophomores are heading up this <b>Girl Empowerment</b> event. The girls will follow <b>Moana</b> on her journey as she learns to face her fears, listen to her heart, and learn that being different is ok. The event will be held on <b>Sunday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, from 1-3:30pm</b> , in flall C of the Parish Center. Doors open at 12: 30pm. Along with watching the Pisney movie Moana, we will also have a photo booth and refreshments/snacks. At the end of the event one lucky girl will get to take home the movie. This cost is \$6 per girl and all proceeds will go to <b>Sharing Smiles</b> , a non-profit organization started in 2008 by Lindsey Peters when she was just 9 years old. Sharing Smiles makes teddy bears for hospitalized children and has been going strong for more than 10 years! <b>Please register by July 15<sup>th</sup></b> , by filling out the form below. Cheek should be made payable to Shannon Lamb (Aloha Journey - 1054 Delmar Drive - O'Fallon, MO 65366, You will receive an email confirmation once form and cheek are received.
Ĭ		Girl Name(s) and Parent Name(s) and Phone Number(s) and C-Mail Cmergency Contact and phone number if different from above fillergies For questions, please email alohajourneygs@gmail.com

### **Back to School Mass and Open House**

It's that time of year...school will soon start! The faculty and staff of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Elementary School are very excited to pray with you at our 10:00am Mass on Sunday, August 11, 2019. After celebrating Mass together, you are invited to visit the school, drop off school supplies, and meet the faculty. (Our Open House is from 11am-1:00pm) Tables for cafeteria payments, uniform exchange, chrome book pick-up and ways for you to become involved within the life of the school will be in the gym. Please make sure you visit those tables and meet members of our amazing school board.

### **Chrome Book Pick Up**

Parents of student who are in 5th-8th grade and currently do not have a chrome book are expected to come to the office on August 11, 2019, from 11am-1:00pm to pick up and complete payments for their student's chrome book.

### St. Francis . . . Pillar of Prayer

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"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..."

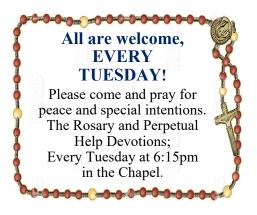
> - Jeremiah 29:10-13



Wedding Banns Danielle Terbrock & Alexander Keim

### **DESERT DAY:**

How often have you said to yourself: I really need a day of prayer and quiet! Desert Days are just that. The desert has always been a symbol for a meeting place with God. Come to the quiet at Sanguis Christi Spirituality Center at 204 North Main, O'Fallon, MO on Thursday, July 18, 2019 from 9:30 am - 3:30 pm and let God speak to your heart. The day will begin and end with prayer. The remainder of the day is solitude, quiet, reflection, and rest. Opportunity to talk with a spiritual director is available. Lunch is provided and we ask a free will offering. For more information or to register contact Sr. Carol Orf at 314-560-1028 or by email at corf@cpps-ofallon.org



### **Our Parish Prayer**

Lord Jesus, You call us to follow You as disciples. Help us to respond wholeheartedly without counting the cost.

We commit ourselves to being good stewards. Help us to be grateful, accountable, generous, and willing to give back with humble hearts and make stewardship a way of life.

Grant us the grace to understand, and the courage to accept the challenges and opportunities we have been given to:

> "Find Christ here and... bring Christ to the world."

### AMEN

#### Week at a Glance **MONDAY** 7.15.19 **TUESDAY** 7.16.19 **WEDNESDAY 7.17.19** 6:30am Respect for Life Apostolate Mass Time / Intentions 6:30am Vocations 6:30am Hubert & Isabel Molitor 8:00am John Hession 8:00am Ron Mueller 8:00am Barbara Jean Young 1st Reading: Ex 1:8-14, 22 Readings 1st Reading Ex 2:1-15 1st Reading: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12 Gospel: Mt 10:34 - 11:1 Gospel: Mt 11:20-24 Gospel: Mt 11:25-27 7:30 - 8:00am Church 7:30 - 8:00am Church 7:30 - 8:00am Church Reconciliation Or by appointment Or by appointment Or by appointment Summer Camp Summer Camp Summer Camp **Other Events/Activities** Bible Study 9:30am Rooms D/E Pictorial Directory Photos Halls A/B Pictorial Directory Photos Halls A/B CRHP Women 7pm Multipurpose Men's CRHP 6:00pm Meyer 2 Room Life Teen 7 pm Meyer 1/2 Perp Help Devotions 6:15pm Chapel SVDP Mtg 7:00pm SVDP Center

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

## **Be included**

in the NEW Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Pictorial Directory!







## Photography Dates: July 16-20 ~ August 6-7 ~ August 9-11

Please contact Jeannette Hamann for more information at: abvmjeannette@yahoo.com or (636)240-3721 Ext. 247 \*\*Photography Sessions will take place in Halls A & B of the Parish Center.\*\*



### **Please go online to make you appointment today!** *https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/yqj9hrt4/*

THURSDAY 7.18.19	FRIDAY 7.19.19	SATURDAY 7.20.19	SUNDAY 7.21.19
6:30 am Sr. Rose Marie Dobelman, CPPS 8:00 am Anthony Pelchman	6:30am Chester & Cecelia Ryals 8:00am Norbert Rothermich	9:00am 80th CPPS Jubilarian 5:00 pm Jackie Alt	8:00 am Kathy Kinkead 10:00 am Rosemary Naumann, Spec. Int. 12:00 pm Karen Brady <u>5:30 pm People of the Parish</u> 1st Reading: Gn 18:1-10 2nd Reading: Col 1:24-28 <u>Gospel: Lk 10:38-42</u> 4:00-4:30 & 9:00-9:30pm Chapel Girl Scout Movie Event 1:00pm Hall C Life Teen 4:00 Hall C
1st Reading: Ex 3:13-20 <u>Gospel: Mt 11:28-30</u> 7:30 - 8:00am Church <u>Or by appointment</u> Summer Camp Pictorial Directory Halls A/B Legion of Mary Rooms D/E 7:00pm	:30 - 8:00am Church	1st Reading: Ex 12:37-42 Gospel: Mt 12:14-21 4:00-4:45pm Church Or by appointment Pictorial Directory Halls A/B	

### Holy Family...Pillar of Formation



"...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

Important



HIS PARISH

## Upcoming Fall RETREATS - 2019!

## SAVE THE DATE

## Men's Retreat: September 21-22

Contact Deacon Richard for more information or to register: deaconrichard@charter.net or (314)397-2433

### Women's Retreat: September 28-29

Contact Amy Whitelaw for more information or to register: fasciaanatomica@gmail.com or (636)262-6751

A CRHP Retreat is a weekend retreat designed to bring parish members together in Christ and emphasizes continued growth in Christian life. During the weekend you will find love and laughter, great food and friendship, and a renewed sense of belonging to Assumption parish. Give yourself a weekend you won't forget. Come and be spiritually renewed while enjoying awesome fellowship, making new friends, and sharing faith with fellow parishioners.

### It is an experience worth your time!

### **Parish Office Volunteer Needed**



Do you have office experience and would like to volunteer at the parish office?

We are in need of someone to answer phone calls, as well as, do light office work during regular parish office hours. We are looking for a friendly, caring and reliable person who would be available to sub when needed, especially during the summer for those who are on vacation. If you would be interested please call Angie at 636-240-3721 ext. 235 for more information.



ASSUMPRTION 50 Plus Club Members... We will be having our Annual (catered) Fried Chicken Dinner on Monday, July 22nd at 6:00pm! Please call to sign up if you did not sign up at the last meeting. Call Jan Peirish at 636-240-4267 or Martha at 636-294-3367. We are asking everyone to bring a dish to share of either, salad, fruit, vegetable or dessert. Our special entertainer will be Dan Stevenson, a local singer soloist who will be very enjoyable for us all to hear!

Unfortunately, our world is full of scams trying to take advantage of people. Recently, parishioners have received 'SCAM emails' saying they are from Fr. Nick, and they are NOT. PLEASE NOTE: The ONLY valid email address for Fr. Nick is: *nicholaskastenholz@archstl.org*. If you receive emails from ANY OTHER email address, PLEASE do NOT reply. Click 'SPAM' and delete. PLEASE REMEMBER THIS...Fr. Nick will NEVER EVER ask anyone for money or gift cards. He will NEVER ask anyone for *anything* in a text OR email.

Full Time Teacher Needed: St. Theodore Preschool in Flint Hill has an opening for a full-time certified lead teacher. Please contact Mo Rackers or Kelly Rowan at 636-327-7316 or by email at admin@sttheodorepreschool.com.

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### Holy Family...Pillar of Formation



### CALENDAR

Sun July 14 - NO Life Night (Steuby!) Tues July 16 - Mass & Munch (Main Church) - 8AM Tues July 16 - Cardinals Game Road Trip (Meet there) - 7PM Wed July 17 - NO Wednesday Youth Group (Moved to Tuesday) Sun July 21 - Life Night: Water Olympics (Hall C) - 7PM Tues July 23 - Mass & Munch (Main Church) - 8AM Wed July 24 - WORD, STUDIP, or Fireside Chat (Parish Center) - 7PM Sun July 28 - Life Night: Senior Send-off (Hall C) - 7PM Tues July 30 - Mass & Munch (Main Church) - 8AM Wed July 31 - WORD, STUDIP, or Fireside Chat (Parish Center) - 7PM Sun Aug 4 - Life Night: Teen Planned and Led (Hall C) - 7PM Tues Aug 6 - Mass & Munch (Main Church) - 8AM Wed Aug 7 - WORD, STUDIP, or Fireside Chat (Parish Center) - 7PM Sun Aug 11 - Life Night: "Quia mea est" (Hall C) - 7PM Tues Aug 13 - Mass & Munch (Main Church) - 8AM Wed Aug 14 - WORD, STUDIP, or Fireside Chat (Parish Center) - 7PM Sun Aug 18 - Life Night (Hall C) - 7PM Tues Aug 20 - Mass & Munch (Main Church) - 8AM Wed Aug 21 - WORD, STUDIP, or Fireside Chat (Parish Center) - 7PM Sun Aug 25 - Life Night (Hall C) - 7PM

We need your help

FEEDING our awesome hungry

teens on Sunday's!

HELP PROVIDE A SIMPLE MEAL FOR A SINGLE SUNDAY

TO HELP YOU CAN EITHER:

1) SIGN-UP GENIUS:

ASSUMPTIONBVM.ORG/YOUTH-

MINISTRY/LIFE-TEEN

2) EMAIL PHIL:

PHIL.ASSUMPTIONYM@GMAIL.COM

3) CALL PHIL: 440-785-9116



Assumption's Life Teen Band is looking for instrumentalists to join them each week at the 5:30pm Sunday Mass.

We are in need of rhythm guitar, drums, bass, synth/organ, violin, and cello. Assumption Music Ministry's mission statement guides what we do: "A deep love of God and a commitment to exceptional liturgy impels us to express our prayer through music." Furthermore, we work to stay on the cutting edge of the praise and worship genre to connect teens in our Life Teen program to Christ. We offer iPads for use with the band. If you or anyone you know might be called to this unique ministry opportunity, please take time to pray and reach out to us! Contact Bryan Beams at 636-485-2765 or *bryanbeams@yahoo.com* for more information.





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

Formation



### 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



### July 13/14 is St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry weekend.

**Pantry** During the month of June, you helped feed nearly 20 families with food baskets or grocery gift cards. The SVDP team would like to extend our sincerest thanks especially to the children of our own Vacation Bible School (VBS) who held their annual "Penny's Pantry" food drive, in memory of Penny Smith. You are truly

"bringing Christ to the world" when you help feed the hungry!

At this time, the pantry is in need of the following items: crackers, applesauce, raisins, canned chicken, CHICKEN Helper, TUNA Helper, instant mashed potatoes, pasta sauce, peanut butter, jelly, various cake frostings, Pasta Roni, pancake mix and syrup. As always, grocery store gift certificates are GREATLY appreciated as it allows our clients to purchase fresh produce and dairy. Please place ONLY non-perishable food items in the SVDP tote near the elevators.



#### Assumption Blood Drive WEDNESDAY, August 14, 3:00pm – 7:00pm.

Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center will be in the Parish Center! If you do not make a blood donation elsewhere after **June 20**, you will be eligible to donate at this drive.

**DID YOU KNOW?** ... If you are 17 years of age (16 with parental consent) you can donate blood. 37% of US population is eligible to donate; however, less than 10% donate annually. 1 in 7 people entering the hospital will need blood. The need is always great. Please consider donating. Mark your calendar now and plan to join us.

### **SVDP Donation Truck – Save the Date!!**

Wondering what to do with your used sofa, chair, kitchen table, or bike? The weekend of September 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<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. Thank you for your support!

### Have you thought about Assumption BVM in your will?

Assumption recently received a very nice gift from the estate of a parishioner. The funds will be used to help pay down our debts as



requested. Please consider naming Assumption in your will or as beneficiary on your life insurance. Both are a simple ways to continue helping your parish in the future.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Mary Sekyra Mother of Lisa Stocker Wendy Bresnahan, and Molly Sekyra.

Jeanne Steevens Wife of Charles Steevens

Patricia Knaust Of Our Parish Family

Judy Eschmann Sister of Jack Meyer

### **Assumption BVM Sunday Envelopes**

The next quarterly set of parish donation envelopes will be arriving late this month. You will notice some additional envelopes, as we are returning to Bi-monthly packets with the Special Envelopes included.

### Coalition For Life St. Louis Benefit July 30th at 6:30pm at Queeny Park. Guest Speaker: Tony Melendez

Although born without his arms, he became a celebrated musician, motivational speaker and pro-Life advocate. There is no charge for the Dinner and Program, but a free



will offering will be taken. 20 spots available. Please contact Sylvia Kiphart at 636-978-8803 to RSVP by July 21st. We intend to carpool for this event.

**Please Note: New Mass Stipend Policy.** As of July 1st, Mass intentions are now \$10 per Mass Intention. This change comes from the "Decree Regarding Mass Offerings" from the Bishops of the Province of Missouri.

### St. Vincent de Paul ... Pillar of Service

### Pope Francis, Trust -



While earthly pleasures such as power and money bring temporary satisfaction, they are ultimately fleeting and deceptive, Pope Francis says, explaining that God alone is faithful and in trusting him, we have nothing to worry about.

"God is not a distant and anonymous being: he is our refuge, the source of our serenity and our peace," the Pope says: "He is the rock of our salvation, to whom we can cling with the certainty of not falling; he is our defense against the evil that is always lurking."

For each of us God is a "great friend, allay and father," he said, but noted that sadly, "we don't always realize it."

"We don't realize that we have a friend, a father, who loves us. We prefer to cling to immediate and contingent goods, forgetting, and at times refuting, the supreme good, which is the paternal love of God," he said.

To know and feel that God is our Father is especially important "*in this age of orphan-hood*," he said, noting that often times we distance ourselves from God's love "*when we go in obsessive pursuit of earthly goods and riches, thus showing an exaggerated love of these realities.*"

Many friends or those whom "we think are friends" delude us with false illusions, he said, but stressed that "God never deludes."

Pope Francis spoke to pilgrims gathered in St. Peter's Square for his Sunday Angelus address, focusing his speech on the day's Gospel passage from Matthew in which God tells his disciples that "no one can serve two masters," and that they don't need to worry about necessities in life such as food, shelter or clothing, because "your heavenly Father knows that you need them."

The passage serves as "a strong call to trust in God," Francis said, explaining that God's "benevolent and responsive gaze" watches over each of us on a daily basis.

This gaze often "flows beneath the worry of many concerns, which risk taking away serenity and balance," he said, but noted that "this anxiety is often useless, because it isn't able to change the course of events."

Rather, Jesus tells us "not to worry about tomorrow" because "there is a loving Father who never forgets his children," the Pope said. While trusting in him "doesn't magically resolve our problems," it allows us "to confront them with the right spirit."

He said the "frantic search" for earthly goods and riches is ultimately "illusory and a reason for unhappiness," but that Jesus gives both his disciples and us "a fundamental gift of life" when he tells them to seek the Kingdom of God before all else.



Part of this search means "trusting in God who does not delude," he said, and told pilgrims to "get busy as faithful administrators of the goods that he has given us, even the earthly ones, but without 'overdoing it' as if everything, even our salvation, depended only on us."

### **Our Gifts to God and Parish**



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

June 23, 2019			7/1/2018 - 6/23/2019				
Envelopes (406)& On Line	\$	28,584	\$	1,800,654			
Loose	\$	1,102	\$	63,590			
Total	\$	29,686	\$	1,864,244			
	\$1,939,600						
Loan Balance as of 5/31/2019: \$1,642,415							

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



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### St. Monica . . . Pillar of Hospitality

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**SAVE THE DATE** for the 20th annual Assumption Golf Tournament benefiting Assumption Catholic education programs! The tournament will be returning to Lake Forest Country Club on Saturday September 28th. It will be a 9:00am shotgun start with an awards lunch to follow. This year registration will only be available on-line. Watch the bulletin in the next few weeks for the online sign up link, along with sponsorship information.

### PSR REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

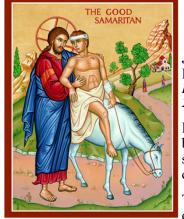
PSR is accepting registration for the 2019-2020 school year. For returning families, please log into your TeacherEase account and complete your registration.

Those families NEW to the program, use the following link to complete your registration:

https://www.teacherease.com/ NewFamilyRegistration.aspx? refid=9a1b383f-90a6-4d5f-9238be20ff0dbaee.

You can also find this link on our Parish home page at www.assumptionbvm.org

Questions? Please call Ann Marie Quan (636) 240-1020.



#### July 14, 2019 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*DT* 30:10-14; *PS* 69:14,17,30-31, 33-34, 36, 37 or *PS* 19:8-11; *COL* 1:15-20; *LK* 10: 25-37

In today's Gospel passage from Luke, we read the well-known parable of the Good Samaritan. Here, Jesus teaches us in rich detail what stewardship in action looks like. In fact, this parable could just as accurately be called the parable of the Good Steward.

The first thing we note about the Good Samaritan is that he is aware of the needs of those around him and responds generously. While the

priest and Levi brush right past the man on the side of the road, the Samaritan is watching for those who might be in need. He has a hospitable way of looking at the world around him, and so, he is able to "see" in a way that the others did not, and he was "moved with compassion at the sight" of the man.

Next, we see the Good Samaritan spring into action to serve this man, setting aside his own schedule and plans in order to meet his needs. He does not just give the man a few dollars or offer some quick words of encouragement from across the road. He goes right up to the man. He cleans and bandages his wounds. He puts the man on his own animal and brings him to an inn where he can heal. He ensures that the innkeeper would continue to look after him and he commits to returning to the man on his way back.

That is how we live out God's commandments. That is true hospitality and service. That is how a good steward springs into action when he comes upon a neighbor in need. And Jesus says to each of us personally, just as He did in today's Gospel, *"Go and do likewise."* 

~ Excerpts from: Catholic Diocese of Wichita

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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 294.0821.



HOSPITALITY: Christian Kindness "We are ALL hospitality ministers"

Hospitality

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