

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

Kindness

and truth shall meet;

justice and peace shall kiss.

Truth shall spring
out of the earth,
and justice shall look
down from heaven.

Psalm 85:11-12

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August 9, 2020 • Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.



CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

Those preparing for marriage should contact the parish office six months in advance. One party must be a registered member of Assumption and living an active, practicing Catholic life. Contact Angie at the Parish Office, xt 235.



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office 636-240-3721



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.



RITE of CONFESSION

Weekdays 7:30 - 8:00am Church
Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45pm Church
Or by appointment



FUNERALS

Please call the Parish Office 636-240-3721



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.



FIRST COMMUNION

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

Welcome

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Hello,

School is starting again. Whether that be pre-school, grade school, high school or college they are all starting up again over the next few weeks and this year brings along all the normal hopes, concerns, expectations, and more. Not only has it been the summer months since school let out, but add a few more months since students have been together in the classroom. We are still planning to, and hoping we will be able to, start classes here at Assumption in person this coming Thursday. But we also are concerned for the health of our students, teachers, faculty and entire community that we don't want to take inappropriate risks with the possible spread of the COVID-19 virus.

One (of the many) changes that we are doing this year is regarding our school Masses. In the past we have had 'level' Masses where only half of the students were at Mass on Tuesday (kindergarten through 4th grade) and the other half on Wednesday (5th through 8th grade) and then on Friday we had the entire school at Mass together. This year, to allow for social distancing, we will not have any all school Masses and we are splitting the 'level' Masses into three with kindergarten through 2nd grades at Mass on Tuesdays, 3rd through 5th grades at Mass on Wednesday, and 6th through 8th grades at Mass on Thursdays. Not only does this decrease the number of children at any one Mass but also allows the liturgy to be focused on a narrower age range.

We will be having an all school livestreamed Mass for the beginning of our school year on August 20th. This is a means that we can celebrate Mass with the entire school even though we won't fit into the church with appropriate social distancing. Even when we have the 'level' Masses we will be seeing whether it will be best to have all of those students in the church together or if we will still have some of the grades livestreaming the Mass in their classrooms. We know this is not ideal but unfortunately it is not a unique situation, we still have the dispensation from the obligation of attending Sunday Mass throughout our archdiocese and for some of our parishioners it has been 6 months now since they have felt safe to come to church for Mass.

Those are just some of the considerations we are having to make for our school Masses. Please keep our students, faculty, staff, and all those returning to school in your prayers at this time as the new school year starts with all the additional concerns and practices that are required this year due to the pandemic. We are grateful for our children and pray that we do all that we can to help them be open to all God's graces in their lives, to know that they are loved and know what it means to love.

Peace,

Fr. Nick

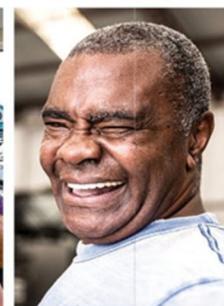




“...living the truth in love, we should grow in every way into Him...from whom the whole body, held and joined together by every supporting ligament brings about the body's growth and builds itself in love.”

- Ephesians 4:15-16

Adult Formation



The Appeal unites people from across our region in sharing their charity with those in need and to bring Christ's love to all. You are invited once again to participate in the Annual Catholic Appeal by making a gift. If your circumstance permit and your family is blessed with good health and employment, please consider increasing your gift to make up for those who are unable to make a gift at this time. More information can be found at aca.archstl.org. As one Body, we make sacrifices for others, not because they are Catholic, but because - **We Are Catholic!**

ASSUMPTION PARISH 2020 CHALLENGE GOAL IS: \$185,320

OUR TOTAL PLEDGED TO DATE IS: \$143,387

TOTAL PLEDGES SO FAR - 553

Any parishioner who has not received a pledge card and would like to give, you may:

- Stop by the parish office and fill out a pledge card or let us help you give online.
- Give online at archstl.org/aca. Click the "Donate Today" button. NOTE: In order to calculate pledges made by Assumption parishioners, please add "Assumption - 344" to the comment box located in the Additional Information section.

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE ALREADY MADE A CONTRIBUTION!

For questions, please contact Jeannette Hamann at: (636)240-3721 ext. 247 or email abvmjeannette@yahoo.com. Thank you for your support.





“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



The Feast of the Assumption, Saturday – August 15th Our parish’s Feast Day!

The feast of Mary’s Assumption is a preview of what our lives will be. At the end of her earthly life, Mary was assumed, or taken up, into heaven body and soul. She did not have to wait for the end of the world, as we do. God granted her this special privilege because of her sinless-ness and her fullness of grace.

The Church has always believed in Mary’s assumption into heaven. But on November 1, 1950, Pope Pius XII focused the attention of the whole world on the Assumption of Mary as a dogma and mystery of our faith. This mystery shows us that God wants every human person, body and soul, to be in glory forever, just as Mary is now. This dogma shows how important every single human life is. Pope Plus XII hoped that by thinking about Mary’s Assumption, people all over the world would develop a deeper respect for their own lives and their own bodies. He also hoped that people would grow in respect for the lives of others.

**Because the Feast of the Assumption falls on a Saturday this year, we will not be holding any additional Masses as it is not a Holy Day of Obligation.

**Due to the Covid-19 restrictions and guidelines, we will not be having our annual Ice Cream Social. However, we do encourage everyone to pray a rosary to celebrate our parish’s Feast Day and for an end to this pandemic.

We can still celebrate our beautiful parish – named in Mary’s honor – as we work together to continue the work of her Son.

May you find Christ here...

may you bring Christ to the world!

All are Welcome, Every TUESDAY!

Please come and pray for peace and special intentions. The Rosary and Perpetual Help Devotions; Tuesdays at 6:15pm in the Chapel.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

James Pieper, Brother-In-Law of Ron Haas

Melva Smith, Mother of Sue Nanney

John Kannady, Husband of Theresa Kannady

Week at a Glance

| | MONDAY 8.10.20 | TUESDAY 8.11.20 | WEDNESDAY 8.12.20 |
|-----------------------|---|---|--|
| Mass Times/Intentions | 6:30am Monica Donnelly, Spec. Int. 8:00am William Kaufhold | 6:30am Eileen Loeffler 8:00am Kathleen Giesmann | 6:30am Sr. Sharon King, CPPS 8:00am Jacob Donnelly, Spec. Int |
| Readings | 1st Reading: 2 Cor 9:6-10 Gospel: Jn 12:24-26 | 1st Reading: Ez 2:8-3:4 Gospel: Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14 | 1st Reading: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22 Gospel: Mt 18:15-20 |
| Reconciliation | 7:30 - 8:00am Church Or by appointment | 7:30 - 8:00am Church Or by appointment | 7:30 - 8:00am Church Or by appointment |



Continued from last week...

FORMS OF PRAYER

Lent - Time for spiritual renewal and reflection; interior renewal; a period of penance leading up to Easter. *Examples of prayer during this season:*
 Fasting: making sacrifices to focus on what is truly important, such as giving up one thing each day that

we desire in order to draw closer to union with Christ in His suffering. We can also use our sacrifices as a type of intercessory prayer and offer something up for another person who is in need of grace or healing.

Stations of the Cross: many versions available

Chaplet of Divine Mercy (recited or sung): (<https://youtu.be/p5TGfisOKMM>)

Sacred Paschal Triduum: The holiest “Three Days” of the Church’s year when we recall the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus. *Examples of prayer during this season:*

Attend Sacred Triduum services

Perform acts of service

Reflection on the Passion of Jesus Christ in the Gospels

Intercessory Prayer: Praying for those by name who most need our prayers: *Intercessory-prayers-for-life.cfm*

Easter - 50 days of joyful celebration of the Lord’s resurrection and His sending forth of the Holy Spirit. Time to praise, adore, and be thankful to God. *Examples of prayer during this season:*

Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament: Spending quiet time before the Lord and simply being in His presence

Visio Divina or divine seeing, reflection on art: Saint John’s Bible provides a great tool (Seeingtheword.org)

Ordinary Time: Time to fully live out the Paschal Mystery—the life, death, and Resurrection of Christ; to bring prayer into all the ordinary settings of our lives, parishes, families, schools, and communities. *Examples of prayer during this season:*

Prayers of gratitude

Shorter Christian Prayer: a condensed version of the Liturgy of the Hours:

<http://laydominicans.org/modules/novitiate/LOTH.pdf>

Daily Saint devotional, reading a biography of a saint, or turning to a saint for intercession

Lectio Divina: (*Wrap-yourself-in-scripture-a-guide-for-Lectio-Divina; Busted Halo/Lectio-Divina -beginners-guide*).



Prayer

PRAYER:

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

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| THURSDAY 8.13.20 | FRIDAY 8.14.20 | SATURDAY 8.15.20 | SUNDAY 8.16.20 |
|--|---|--|--|
| 6:30am Deceased CPPS 8:00am Norma Martin | 6:30am Pat Liston 8:00am Shirley Chmielouise | 9:00am Sr. Jean Rachel Brown 5:00pm Frances Vomund | 8:00am Mabel Nielsen 10:00am People of the Parish 12:00pm Patricia Mockler 5:30pm Dawn Thornton |
| 1st Reading: Ez 12:1-12 Gospel: Mt 18:21-19:1 | 1st Reading: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 Gospel: Mt 19:3-12 | 1st Reading: Rv 11:19; 12:1-6, 10 2nd Reading: 1 Cor 15:20-27 Gospel: Lk 1:39-56 | 1st Reading: Is 56:1, 6-7 2nd Reading: Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 Gospel: Mt 15:21-28 |
| 7:30 - 8:00am Church Or by appointment | 7:30 - 8:00am Church Or by appointment | 4:00 - 4:45pm Church Or by appointment | By appointment |



HOSPITALITY:

Christian Kindness
"We are ALL hospitality ministers"

Hospitality

now hiring

JOIN OUR TEAM

Assumption Maintenance Worker Needed

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish and School currently has a full time Maintenance position open. This position will help in both maintenance and janitorial services in the church, school, and parish buildings, as well as set-up and take down for activities in the parish facilities. This position will also require compliance with archdiocesan Safe Environment policies. If interested, please contact Fr. Nick Kastenholz at 636-240-3721 ext. 242 or email at: nicholaskastenholz@archstl.org.



Cafeteria Workers Needed!

Now hiring Assumption School Cafeteria worker.
Hours Needed: 9:00am - 1:00pm, Monday - Friday.
If you are interested or for more information, please call Ann at 314-623-5980.

Saint Vincent DePaul Request:

Do you have a bicycle that you could donate to help a neighbor in need get to work? Please call Jim Beaudry at 636-240-8811

St. Joe Cottleville Now Hiring:

- Preschool Teacher - Full Time
- First Grade Teacher - Full Time
- Math Teacher, Grade 7 & 8 - Full Time
- St. Joseph School Extended Day Program Director/Kindergarten P.E. Teacher - Part-Time
- Preschool and Primary School Aides - Part-Time
- School Nurse - Part-Time
- Extended Day Program (Aftercare) Assistants - Part-Time

For more information, please go to: <http://stjoecot.org/school/school-job-opportunities/>.



THANK YOU
so very much



The Bill Kaufold family would like to thank the parish for all their kind words, phone calls and letters of sympathy. We received many pledges to St. Vincent De Paul. Fr. Patrick did an excellent job with the Mass and sermon.

Thank you to everyone involved in the Mass and all the preparation by the office (Peggy), singers and musicians.

Thank you!
Martha Kaufhold and Family



@assumption_life_teen

Assumption Life Teen

@assumption_LT



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

Youth Formation

**Sunday,
August 9th:**



Tonight, August 9th, all rising freshmen officially (after much anticipation!) get to fully join the Life Teen Community! Expect fun, faith, and a frenzied night of competition! All teens—please bring your own water ammunition (Supersoakers, water balloons, etc). We will provide refueling stations and the battlefield. See you there!

Mass at 5:30 pm

Dinner at 6:30 pm in the lower lot

Life Night begins at 6:45 pm on the field



Have a question?

Becky Whitaker

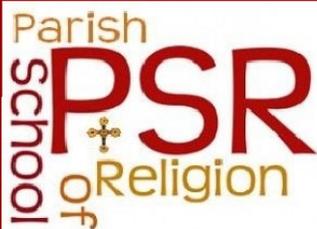
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Connect with us on Instagram: @assumption_life_teen



PSR REGISTRATION IS OPEN!!

Enrollment now for the 2020-2021 PSR program.

THOSE NEW TO THE PROGRAM please contact Ann Marie Quan at (636) 240- 1020 OR abvmpr@yahoo.com.

Returning students may register by logging into your 'Teacherease' account.

PSR CATECHISTS NEEDED

PSR is looking for spirit-filled, enthusiastic people to share their love of Christ! Catechists are needed for the 2020-2021 year. Classes are held on Tuesday and Wednesday evening and a small stipend is offered. If you are interested in joining this ministry, please contact: Ann Marie Quan at abvmpr@yahoo.com OR (636) 240-1020.



SERVICE:
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



Welcome to our new Parish manager,
Mark Vogt!



Hello, parishioners.

I am thrilled and honored to serve as your new Business Manager. I have heard many great things about Assumption Parish. I grew up and reside in St. Charles, so it will be nice to work close to home after having commuted to St. Louis every day.

Until recently, I worked at Catholic Charities. I learned firsthand how the Church assists those in need. By serving others, we share God's love with them. He works through us, if we let Him. To me, that's bringing Christ to the world, the second part of our parish's mission statement.

The first part is finding Christ here. We encounter spiritual nourishment through the Mass, sacraments, LifeTeen, the day school, PSR, etc. I look at it this way – we come here on Sunday to fill up our tank with God's grace, so that we can share it with others during the following week.

My job is to support both parts of the mission statement, mostly behind the scenes. Running the business side of the parish means managing our bank accounts, our people and our facilities.

Those are the assets that provide a place where you can find Christ. The rest is up to you – how will you bring Christ to the world?

I look forward to meeting you and serving you.

Mark Vogt



MONTHLY OUTDOOR MASS - Wednesday, August 26th, 7:00pm

Our Lady Queen of Peace Shrine in O'Fallon, MO. Fr. Alex Nord will be our celebrant. Rosary and chaplet after Mass. The next Mass is on September 2nd at 7:00pm with Fr. Mark Whitmann. Please bring a lawn chair for social distancing. Please call Ruth at 636-233-1082 with any questions.

Upcoming COMMUNITY EVENTS

Carry Out Chicken Dinners: Knights of Columbus , FRIDAYS, August 14, September 18, October 16, and November 6 from 4:00-7:00pm at St. Patrick Parish Social Hall, 405 S. Church St., Wentzville, MO. Fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, fries, coleslaw, and roll. Adults - \$10, Kids 12 & under - \$5.

8th Annual Craft Fair - St. Joseph/Josephville - August 15th, 2020

Due to the unique circumstances our community finds itself we are excited to provide a farmer's market style outdoor craft fair this year! We are working on a layout that provides maximal spacing and we encourage all participants, vendors and customers to wear masks to ensure everyone's safety and health. Registration is open until August 10th. Cost of \$50 includes a 10' x 10' area. Send an email to stjojocraftfair@gmail.com to request an application.



Are YOU in need? OR Would you like to help someone IN need?

As we all muddle through these troubling days, we have had generous parishioners who have offered to help anyone who is in need of someone to grocery shop for them, especially the elderly, or someone who is in need of a meal or two. **OR**, if you are someone who would like to assist in this way, please call Jeannette Hamann at the parish office: (636)240-3721 ext. 247.



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

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

Even though many may appropriately choose not to come to public Mass yet, we still have ongoing employee and facility expenses. Envelopes can still be mailed or dropped off at the parish office, in the drop box next to parish office door.

Giving Online: It's easy, convenient, and environmentally friendly!

Instructions:

- ~ Go to Assumption's website: assumptionbvm.org
- ~ Under Quick Links on the right, click on: Online Giving
- ~ Click on: Login/Create an Online Giving Account
- ~ Create username and password and keep it in a safe, easily accessible place.
(If you forget your username, call Mary Knapp in the parish office. If you forget your password, you can reset it.)
- ~ Follow the prompts for adding your personal information
- ~ Click on: New Donation, and then Designation: Sunday/Weekly Offering
- ~ Input the amount, frequency, and date of withdrawals. Click Save.
You may use your credit card, or draw from checking or savings account
- ~ You may also give to the Special Collections through this one account
- ~ If you pay your bills through Online Banking, just add Assumption and you may continue to do so.

Thank you for what you sacrifice so that people might find Christ here and bring Christ to the world.

If you have questions or need additional help, please call Mary Knapp, 636-240-3721, ext. 234.

Our Gifts to God and Parish

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

| | July 26, 2020 | | 7/1/2020 - 7/26/2020 |
|--------------------------|------------------|----|----------------------|
| Envelopes (152) & Checks | \$ 10,673 | \$ | 67,401 |
| Loose | \$ 79 | \$ | 396 |
| Electronic | \$ 10,286 | \$ | 44,679 |
| Total | \$ <u>21,038</u> | \$ | <u>112,476</u> |

Loan Balance as of 3/31/2020: \$1,495,819

"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

Becoming Catholic
RCIA
 Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

RCIA INQUIRY SESSIONS

Do you know of someone who has expressed an interest in the Catholic church? How about inviting them to a Catholic adventure? What is a Catholic adventure you say? It is a gathering of individuals just like themselves to find out more about what Catholics believe. The adventure begins with exploring who Jesus is and gathering information along the way that will deepen their faith. We will have an overview session on August 25 at 7pm in our Church. Call the church office at (636) 240-3721 or Missy Lowrey, at (314) 630-3983 if interested.



**August 9, 2020 –
 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

1 KGS 19: 9A, 11-13A; PS 85: 9-14; ROM 9: 1-5; MT 14: 22-33

In today's Gospel from the Book of Matthew, we hear the remarkable story of Jesus walking on the Sea of Galilee. St. Peter reflects his faith in the Lord when he says, *"Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water."* Jesus says simply, *"Come."* We do not know if Peter stepped into the water or jumped and it

does not matter. His faith and trust in the Lord allows Peter, too, to begin to walk on the water. Clearly when Peter's focus is on Christ, he is able to accomplish this.

However, when Peter loses his focus and begins to observe and think about the storm raging around him, he begins to sink. To Peter's credit he knows exactly to Whom to turn in that situation. *"Lord, save me."* We may often find ourselves in similar circumstances. Peter knew exactly Who to call out to at the moment of crisis. We may do the same.

God truly loves us; we are His children. Listen to the Word of the Lord in Psalm 91: *"Because he loves me,"* says the Lord, *"I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name. He will call on me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him and honor him. I will satisfy him and show him my salvation."*

St. Francis de Sales wrote, *"Either God will shield you from suffering, or He will give you unfailing strength to bear it. Be at peace then; put aside all anxious thoughts and imaginations."*

What a privilege for those disciples to participate in Christ's miraculous plan for His people. This privilege is ours, too, as Christian stewards. Let us make a grateful response to such amazing love.



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- Ephesians 4:15-16

Adult Formation

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 by Tuesday 9:00am

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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.

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