

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The kingdom of heaven
is like a landowner
who went out at dawn
to hire laborers
for his vineyard.

Matthew 20:1

September 20, 2020

Twenty-Fifth
Sunday in
Ordinary Time

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

Sacraments/Other Information



BAPTISM

Scheduled every Sunday at 1:15pm. Baptism preparation class is required. 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.



ANOIDTING 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 - 7:50am 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.

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Hello,

A few major decisions have been made regarding events at our parish that we will or will not be having this year in light of COVID-19 restrictions:

Fall Festival - Last week we published in the bulletin the notice that we would not be having our annual Fall Festival this October. The reason for this was a combination of concerns involving the risk of spreading the virus amongst both patrons and volunteers.

CYC Sports – The Archdiocese of St. Louis has decided to go forward with their soccer and volleyball youth programs for this Fall. Numerous precautions are being made regarding participants in the sports as well as coaches and spectators to minimize the risk of spreading the virus. Our school guidelines and requirements will be used as a minimum with other additional practices for the specific activities. The CYC website has additional details:

<https://playcyc.org/returntoplay/>

Parish Meetings – We are opening up our facilities to start having some meetings while maintaining safe practices. Our school has been open for a month without any identified cases of COVID-19 in the building yet. With CYC sports starting it seemed an appropriate time to also start offering our facilities for some other activities. Similar guidelines and requirements for those attending the meetings and sanitizing of the meeting space will be required as are practiced in our school. Contact the parish office if you desire to reserve a meeting space.

Mass on the Grass – Saturday, Oct. 3rd the 5:00pm Mass will be held on our upper soccer field (weather permitting). Bring a lawn chair and space yourselves out. Since many other regular social activities are not possible at this time this will hopefully be a means to help build our community as we gather on a beautiful Fall evening (we are praying) to celebrate Mass. Assuming the weather cooperates with our outdoor Mass, Mass will not be celebrated in the church building at that time.

As all of you know, we are having to adapt as conditions and regulations change. Restrictions will continue to change as the spread of the virus increases or decreases and our knowledge of how it spreads improves. Thank you all for cooperating and understanding the different practices we have had to do to reduce the risks to all of us out of concern for each other's health and safety.

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



Catechetical Sunday September 20, 2020

This weekend the Church celebrates Catechetical Sunday - September 20, 2020, under the theme of “*I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you.*” Today, catechists are formally commissioned for ministry to the community.

Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that *each* baptized person plays in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

What Does the Word “Catechetical” Mean?

The word might be more familiar than you think. Many Catholics have used the word "catechism" for years, and they know it has something to do with the compendium of the Church's teachings. The root word, "catechesis," is from a Greek word meaning "to echo, or resound." Catechesis is the act of re-sounding or bringing the Church's teachings to the world. A catechist is one who teaches in the name of the Church.

Why do we have a special day set aside to commission catechists?

Catechesis is a distinct and special ministry in the Church. As the Catechism of the Catholic Church makes clear, “Catechesis is intimately bound up with the whole of the Church’s life . . . her inner growth and correspondence with God’s plan depend essentially on catechesis” (no. 7). This ministry of teaching in the name of the Church has a profound dignity, which is why catechists are formally commissioned by the Church. It is only fitting that we set aside a day to highlight this ministry and invite the entire church community to think about our responsibility to share our faith with others.

How are parents, the primary catechists of their children, recognized on Catechetical Sunday?

Parents are truly the primary catechists of their children. They prepare the soil and plant the first seeds of faith. On Catechetical Sunday, we not only highlight the work of catechists in parishes and schools, but we also commend parents and guardians and encourage them to take seriously their role of making their Catholic households a place where faith is passed on to the next generation. This is why the rite of blessing of catechists used on Catechetical Sunday includes an optional blessing of parents and guardians.

~United States Catholic Bishops

****At the 5:00pm & 10:00am Masses this weekend we will offer a special blessing to all who have the role of “catechist” in any way. Thank you for your important role in bringing the Church’s teachings to the world!**



Immaculate Conception Dardenne Preschool is looking for a caring, energetic individual to support the preschool teaching staff. This is a M/W/F position from 7:30-3:00. Interested individuals can contact Ellen Christian, preschool director, at ellen.christian@icdschool.org or (636)561-4450 (ext. 213)



Attention ALL Lectors!

If you would like a **Lector Workbook for Year B**, we are taking orders **NOW!** Please be sure to reserve your booklet by calling Barb Stettner at 314-324-3666 or emailing her at creativebarb@charter.net. Deadline to order your booklet is **September 28th**! THANK YOU for proclaiming the Word of God in the beautiful way that you do!



"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 MONTH OF OCTOBER IS.... RESPECT LIFE MONTH

October is Respect Life Month, during which Catholics in the Archdiocese of St. Louis and around the nation come together to serve as witness to the dignity of every human life.

Parishes will kick off the month by marking Respect Life Sunday at Masses the weekend of Oct. 3 and 4. While the month of October is typically filled with events that promote the sacredness of human life, including the archdiocese's annual Respect Life Convention, it's also a reminder of the importance of promoting life issues as a way of life, throughout the year.

*40 Days of Prayer - Praying every day for an end to abortion.

*Assumption Parish Pro-Life Chain - October 4th - Everyone is invited to stand in unity and prayer, praying for an end to abortion! Bring a Rosary & please gather in front of the Chapel and help us line up down HWY K beginning at 2:00pm. Pro-Life signs will be distributed in parking lot F. (For more information, please call Sylvia Kiphart 636.978.8803) Social distancing will be required.

*44th Annual Respect Life Convention - October 18th - The convention will be held at the Ritz-Carlton, St. Louis. Join us for an inspirational day: Holy Mass, awards luncheon, dynamic speakers and Walking with Moms ministry partners! Register at stlrespectlife.org or 314-792-7555.

**All are invited to prayer the Rosary everyday throughout the month of October!

LAST MONTHLY OUTDOOR MASS



Wednesday, October 7th, 5:30pm
(please note change of time) at Our Lady Queen of Peace Shrine in O'Fallon, MO.
Fr. Raymond Hager will be our celebrant.
Rosary and chaplet after Mass. Please bring a lawn chair for distancing. Please call Ruth, 636-233-1082 with questions.

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.

Week at a Glance

	MONDAY 9.21.20	TUESDAY 9.22.20	WEDNESDAY 9.23.20
Mass Times/Intentions	6:30am Morris & Lucille Wessel 8:00am Lester Wood	6:30am Michael Donnelly Spec. Int. 8:00am Bill Kaufhold	6:30am Vocations 8:00am Marie Sharp
Readings	1st Reading: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Gospel: Mt 9:9-13	1st Reading: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13 Gospel: Lk 8:19-21	1st Reading: Prv 30:5-9 Gospel: Lk 9:1-6
Reconciliation	7:30 - 7:50am Church Or by appointment	7:30 - 7:50am Church Or by appointment	7:30 - 7:50am Church Or by appointment

Celebrate!

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

The last Sunday of September is celebrated each year as **PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY** – This day is set aside to thank our spiritual fathers – our priests. It is a day to thank and honor our priests.

Pope Francis outlined the 7 pillars of Priesthood as:

- The strength of a priest depends on his relationship with Christ.
- Just as he must be close to Christ so the priest must be close to the people he serves.
- A priest's authority must be linked to service, especially to the care and protection of the poorest, weakest, the least important and most easily forgotten.
- The priest must be a minister of mercy.
- The priest is called to simplicity of life.
- The priest must be a model of integrity.
- The priest is to be a source of blessing for his people.

IN LOVING
MEMORY

Please pray for the
repose of the soul of:

Milly Depyper
Mother of Bekah Ragland

Kate Ann Harig
Mother of Dan Harig

Victor Shaff
Wife of Frances Shaff

Mabel Fernandez
Mother of Nona Salas

TMIY
THAT MAN IS YOU!

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is an interactive men's program combining the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic

faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of man fully alive. By honestly addressing the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, That Man is You! seeks to form men who will be capable of transforming homes and societies.

TMIY! meets Saturday mornings at 7:30am. Sessions will last one hour. Our first session is slated to start on Saturday, September 26th and sessions will run until mid-December. Sessions attendees will have the option of attending virtually or in-person at the Knights of Columbus Hall (if allowed under current Health guidelines). Weekly attendance is encouraged but not required. All men over 18 years old are welcome to attend.

To register for classes, contact Deacon Richard Tadlock at:
DeaconRichard@charter.net.

To learn more about what TMIY has to offer, please visit www.tmiy.org.



PRAYER:

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

Prayer

THURSDAY 9.24.20

6:30am Needs of Immigrants &
Refugees
8:00am Andy Thornhill

1st Reading: Eccl 1:2-11
Gospel: Lk 9:7-9

7:30 - 7:50am Church
Or by appointment

FRIDAY 9.25.20

6:30am Glennon Hibbeler
8:00am Margaret Kaelin

1st Reading: Eccl 3:1-11
Gospel: Lk 9:18-22

7:30 - 7:50am Church
Or by appointment

SATURDAY 9.26.20

9:00am Sr Audry Hemsath
5:00pm People of the Parish

1st Reading: Eccl 11:9 -12:8
Gospel: Lk 9:43-45

4:00 - 4:45pm Church
Or by appointment

SUNDAY 9.27.20

8:00am Morris Wessel
10:00am Bill Kaufhold
12:00pm Madeline Guccione
5:30pm Helen Marie Copeland

1st Reading: Ez 18:25-28
2nd Reading: Phil 2:1-11
Gospel: Mt 21:28-32

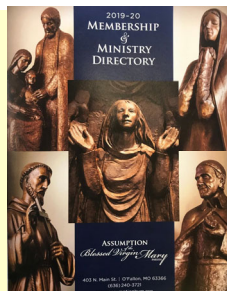
By appointment



HOSPITALITY:

Christian
Kindness
"We are ALL
hospitality
ministers"

Hospitality



Update Membership Information for our 2020/21 Member & Ministry Directory

Does our Parish database have YOUR family membership record correct? Here is your chance to update YOUR record for our annual **Membership & Ministry Directory** (if you haven't already done so). It is time for us to update our database with any changes, additions, or deletions that may have occurred in YOUR family over the past year.

Have you changed your phone number? Do you still have a land line? Have you moved? Are you preparing to move soon? Are all of your children still at home and are they all included in your membership record?

If you have not already informed the Parish Office about changes to your record, please let us know now so that the information in the **Membership & Ministry Directory** is correct. The Parish Office number is 636.240.3721. Or you may fill out the yellow card in the back of Church and drop it off at the parish office or in the collection basket.

2020/21 Member & Ministry Directory - Advertising Opportunity

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish has partnered with Guide Book Publishing to publish our annual Membership & Ministry Directory for our congregation that will be updated and delivered directly to our parishioners' homes.

This book will be the who, what, when, where and how of our parish. The book is being provided at NO COST to our church. All costs are incurred through sponsorship advertising.

Local businesses are being contacted to advertise in the book. If you own or manage a business and would like information regarding sponsorship opportunities in our book, please contact Mari-
anne Fuhrmann at 314-723-1982 or email her at mkfuhrmann4@gmail.com. Deadline for space reservation is Monday, Sept. 28

Recent survey results by **Membership & Ministry Directory** Publishing show that 92.1% of families would rather patronize a **Membership & Ministry Directory** advertiser over a non-advertiser. It "will pay" to advertise in our new **Membership & Ministry Directory**.



Dear Fellow Parishioners,

It is with a sad heart that I must inform you that we have made the decision to postpone the Fall Festival for this year. Given the size of this event and due to the uncertainty with the Coronavirus outbreak, it is just unsafe at this time to go forward with the festival.

Our 2021 Fall Festival will be October 16th-17th. Please put this on your calendars now and plan on having a great time. We have already begun to plan for this event, and I assure you that it will be a great one.


Take care and God Bless,
The Fall Festival Committee

Upcoming
**COMMUNITY
EVENT**

Fall Music Festival at St. Joseph Parish 1390 Josephville Rd., Wentzville, on Sat., Oct. 3 from 3-11pm. This outdoor event will have three live bands, concessions, beer and wine garden, and games for the whole family. Entry fee is \$10/person ages 14 and up. No coolers or food can be brought in but lawn chairs and blankets are welcome! For more info call 636-332-6676.



 @assumption_life_teen

 Assumption Life Teen

 @assumption_LT



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Youth Formation



Sunday, September 20th: Life Teen Kick Off: The Parking Lot is Lava

All teens are invited to come and see what the Life Teen family is all about in a dynamic night featuring food, fun, and faith! Teens will compete in teams to complete the "The Parking Lot is Lava" Obstacle Course, enjoy a pizza dinner, form stronger relationships with other teens, and receive the 2020 limited edition Life Teen shirt! This is a fantastic night to get to know what we are about at Life Teen. Bring a friend or three! Parents, you are also invited to join us for this night—we'll provide dinner and your teens will provide the entertainment. Siblings are welcome to stay with parents during this night. Don't miss this incredible evening! We can't wait to see you there.

Mass at 5:30 pm ~ Dinner at 6:30 pm on the parish center patio
Life Night begins at 7:00 pm (LOCATION CHANGE) in the outdoor classroom

Wednesday, September 23rd ~ Life Teen Headquarters Grand Opening!

Come and check out the entirely renovated Life Teen Headquarters (formerly known as the West House)! Teens, LT HQ is a place for you to come relax after school and have a snack, do some homework, reconnect with friends, core members, and youth ministry staff. Then, we will have Summit: A night to enjoy a home-cooked meal starting around 6 pm, followed by Bible Study & Worship focused on this coming Sunday's readings.

3 – 5 pm LT HQ Open Hours ~ AND ~ 6 – 8 pm Summit Bible Study

DUE TO COVID-19, our Life Nights look different than they normally would as our highest priority is the holiness and health of our teens. Here are the measures we are taking:

- All Life Nights are held in a socially distant manner in the outdoor classroom. Teens are invited to bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on. Teens may only share a sitting space with a sibling or friend they have regularly been in contact with.
- In the event of rain, we will be in the Hall and spread out in a socially distant manner.
- All teens must wear a mask any time they are inside a building or if an activity requires movement.
- Hand sanitizer is always available.



Have a question?

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Connect with us on Instagram: @assumption_life_teen

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YOUTH FORMATION



From the Principal's Pen

8th Graders attend Patriot Day Ceremony

We were honored that our 8th graders were asked to participate in the Patriot's Day Ceremony at O'Fallon's City Hall on September 11, 2020. The ceremony was held at the location where salvaged steel is on display from the New York City's World Trade Center, which was destroyed on 9-11-2001.



When our 8th graders arrived, they were asked to distribute long-stemmed white and red carnations to all visitors to the ceremony. You'll notice that our students were out of uniform because it was "picture day" at school.



The event was dedicated to first responders, police, firefighters and paramedics who stepped forward to rescue victims of the attacks in 2001, and the victims and families. The ceremony included O'Fallon Mayor

Bill Hennessy and O'Fallon Police Chief Tim Clothier, a moment of silence, a rifle salute and the placing of the wreath by the Police, Fire and Ambulance District Honor Guard. At the end of the ceremony, our students and other visitors were asked to place flowers at the memorial, where the wreath was laid. Our 8th graders commented that it was a solemn occasion with a message of working together for peace.



Safety at Assumption

Each year, Assumption has a Fire drill each month, two (2) Tornado and (2) Earthquake drills per year, and one Intruder drill per year. For safety, all classrooms and offices have signage on exiting the building in varying circumstances. In addition, our teachers are annually shown Archdiocesan created videos on Fire, Earthquake, and Tornado drills. We began our first Fire and Earthquake drills, on Friday, September 18th. In classrooms, students watched the student version of the Earthquake video, then had the drill where we "Drop, Cover, and Hold On" then EXIT the building. Following this, teachers discussed situations that could occur when attempting to exit the building, such as halls may be blocked. The key to exiting the building, was to look for a safe route.



Our first Fire drill was inside, because we currently cannot have large numbers of people in the hallway at one time. So, prior to the drill, teachers walked their class to their assigned "outdoor" safety location, so students knew where to gather in the event of a real fire. On the drill day, teachers first showed students our "Fire drill" video, then everyone listened to the sound of the FIRE alarm to know what it sounds like. Lastly, teachers discussed how students would exit the building and go to their safety location. Our next drill in October will be an "outdoor" drill.



Thanks for reading about our school!

Pat Hensley

September 20, 2020 Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

IS 55:6-9; PS 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; PHIL 1:20C-24, 27A; MT 20:1-16A

Though we can never fully grasp the infinite perfection of God and His ways, a basic knowledge of Scripture reveals that God's logic often differs from worldly logic.

Our first reading, from Isaiah, reminds us that God often thinks bigger than we do. *"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the LORD. As high as the heavens are above the earth, so high are my ways above your ways and my thoughts above your thoughts."* As His followers we must strive as best we can to think as God does, using our time (and our talents and treasure, too) with eternity in mind.

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, Jesus offers us a glimpse of the "Godly logic" of the Father through a parable of a landowner hiring workers for his vineyard. Some workers are called early in the day, others not until very late. Yet the landowner pays them all a full day's wage. This angered the laborers who had worked longest. But those laborers were relying on human logic and human calculations. They were not thinking as God does.

This can happen to us Christian stewards as well. We can grumble and complain (at least internally) when we compare ourselves to others and sense that not everyone is contributing as much as we are to the parish, the neighborhood, within our family and so on. At those moments, we need to think bigger!

We must remember that it is a great privilege to have been called by the Father to work in His vineyard. Living the stewardship way of life brings us meaning, depth and purpose.

Let's embrace this Godly thinking and thank Him for calling us to this way of life.

All I want to do is learn to think like God. All the rest is just details.

Albert Einstein



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

- 1 Peter 4:10



150 ANNIVERSARY OF ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH



A little walk down memory lane with the Most Precious Blood Community and the second pastor of Assumption BVM, Rev. Henry Brockhagen. And so the historical story continues....

The Sisters of the Most Precious Blood presented an exquisitely embroidered stole to the second pastor of Assumption parish, Father Brockhagen (pastor from 1876-1910), acknowledging his priestly assistance in the difficult years of the sisters beginning in O'Fallon. The Sisters had been exiled from their native land by the "Kulturkampf" which was initiated and directed by Germany's Iron Chancellor Bismarck. Vicar General Muehlsiepen advised the Sisters to conduct their Community to America and to find a new Motherhouse in O'Fallon. The erection of their convent was begun in 1874 and in June 1875, the Sisters transferred the Community from St. Aatha's in St. Louis to O'Fallon.

A few Sisters had been occupying a little log house on the property, two of them teaching in the Assumption Parish School, which they had directed since 1873. The other Sisters supervised the work on the building and cultivated a little garden. Father Brockhagen assisted the Sisters with his agricultural knowledge. The Sisters, in turn, expressed their gratitude by giving their organist services gratis. This offering has continued for many, many years.

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Our Gifts to God and Parish

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

	September 6, 2020	7/1/2020 - 9/6/2020
Envelopes (247) & Checks	\$ 21,535	\$ 202,531
Loose	\$ 102	\$ 931
Electronic	\$ 7,222	\$ 110,222
Total	\$ 28,859	\$ 313,684

Loan Balance as of 8/31/2020: \$1,495,819

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

STEWARDSHIP
a way of life

The Bible Teaches It (Mal 3:10-12)
We Believe It (Acts 4:32-36)
God Honors It (Gen 14:18-20)

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Father Brockhagen demonstrated his literary ability in his "Hausfreund", a weekly publication, which he had started a year previous. The St. Charles Democrat had been printing the paper until a gift was presented to him (a printing press). For a number of years he contributed articles to the St. Louis "Amerika" and the "Herold des Glaubens". Because of the nature of the articles some of them were amended and even destroyed by the editor of the "Herold," Mr. Schwarz. Father Brockhagen was highly incensed by this treatment on the part of a layman, so he decided to edit a newspaper of his own. In January, 1882, he sent out sample copies to all parts of the County of St. Charles and neighboring counties, asking for subscriptions. He entitled his paper, "Katholischer Hausfreund" ("Friend of the Catholic Home"). Father's motive was to promote Catholic knowledge and life for the Counties of St. Charles, Franklin, Lincoln and Warren. "Tell me what you read and I will tell you what you are. Have salt with you that you may not become corrupt. Published and Edited by Reverend H. Brockhagen."

The subscription was \$2.00 annually. The first regular number was issued May 10, 1882. At first the newspaper was printed in St. Charles, but Father's silver jubilee gifts enabled him to purchase his own printing press.

Very soon the "Katholischer Hausfreund" lost the character of a county paper, because the number of subscriptions increased and spread over all the states in the Union.

Two very serious mistakes eclipsed the value of the "Hausfreund". The first, Father made by believing absolutely any correspondent asking him for a decision and giving it without investigation. The second was considering himself competent in deciding matters of difficult theological problems without consulting approved authorities. These two faults effected the suspension of the paper by Archbishop Kain in 1895.

A few years later Father Brockhagen published his weekly under a different name the "O'Fallon Hausfreund". In the last number, published December 30, 1909, he said farewell to his readers. Financial difficulties and the infirmities of old age necessitated the discontinuance of the paper. Though the publication had faults, it had been a great blessing and consolation for many troubled persons.



WORKERS FOR THE GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION

Picture photographed in front of Ahren's Tavern near the Wabash Railroad track. John Brockhaus, Minnie Gentemann, Josephine Salfen (Hanley), Henry Roeper, Annie Roth (Tenholder), Ted Tenholder, Frank Hanley, Gertrude Prize (Roeper), Tillie Memne, Pauline Kirchoff (Himmelsbach), William Himmelsbach, Ed Schoer, Tony Luethenhaus, Clem Meyer, (Others unidentified).

The people of Assumption Parish appreciated their versatile pastor and expressed their gratitude in a very special way on the occasion of his Silver Jubilee as their pastor, April 30, 1901, and later on the Golden Jubilee of his ordination to the Holy Priesthood, March 19, 1909. Both events were celebrated with great pomp and ceremony not only by the parishioners, the school children and the parish societies, but also by priests and lay-men in the surrounding area. Father realized that all the ovation was not empty praise, but sincere gratitude to the man who had given his all for the well-being of his Assumption Parish, and also for all whom he had met and helped anywhere.



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

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BULLETIN NOTICES

Submit to Parish Office
(peggy.assumption@yahoo.com)
by Tuesday 9:00am

WEBSITE

www.assumptionbvm.org
facebook.com/@assumptionmedia
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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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