**OCTOBER 3, 2021** 

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary** 



Saturday, Oct. 16, 4 - 10pm Sunday, Oct. 17, 11am - 6pm



Join Us for Food, Fun and Fellowship!!

Live Music, Turkey and Sausage Dinner, Quilt Raffle, 50/50, Haunted Hayride, Kids Games, Funnel Cake, Inflatables, Barrel Train Ride, Cake Walk, Games of Chance, Pull Tabs



WE NEED YOU! Please sign up to volunteer at:

Assumptionbym.org
Or Call Aaron Bruns at 913-620-8830.

## Welcome

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## Hello,



With our 150th anniversary I had been looking back in 1871, the year our parish was founded, I was surprised to find something that we continue to struggle with and has been getting a lot of news this last summer, fires. The "most devastating fire" in US history occurred on October 8th of 1871. Now there was another fire that got a little more attention, the Great Chicago Fire where 300 died and 100,000 were left homeless as a fire spread through 3.5 square miles of the city. Another fire in Peshtigo, Wisconsin, that happened that same night, is estimated to have killed over 1,500 people and burned over a million acres. Yet amidst this tragedy there was one small place with 5 acres of land, that was left unharmed. That was at the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help in Champion, Wisconsin.

If you ever go to this area of Wisconsin most people making a pilgrimage are not headed to Champion, WI, but rather to the nearby city of Green Bay and Lambeau Field. Before the Packers and even a few years before the fire, in October of 1859 the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared three times there to Adele Brise. She was told by Mary to pray for the conversion of sinners and to gather the children and teach them what they should know for salvation. By the time of the fire in 1871 a chapel, a convent, and a school had been built there and would be the only buildings left standing in the area after the fire.

After the apparition, Adele Brise and a few other women had become Third Order Franciscans and had traveled through the area giving religious instruction to children and then establishing a school. This is the only approved apparition of Mary in the United States and was officially recognized by Bishop Ricken of Green Bay, WI in 2010. The Bishop stated that one reason the apparition probably did not have as much notoriety as it could have, is that instead of trying to call attention to herself or the apparition, Sr. Adele had focused on humbly living out her life in accord with the instructions Mary had given her.

As we begin the Marian month of October this may be a good opportunity to follow the example of Mary, and the example of Sr. Adele, in listening for and following God's call in our lives.

Peace,

Fr. Nick

# Hospitality Sunday Sunday, Oct. 3, 2021 After each Sunday Mass

Are you ready for fellowship while enjoying Dunkin Donuts? Please join us TODAY after Mass downstairs - Halls A & B!



Assortment of Donuts; Bagels; Coffee; Orange Juice; Milk (white & choc.); Bagels



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

- Ephesians 4:15-16



WAIT...WHAT?!

Did you say **DUNKIN DONUTS?** 

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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 314-578.0741.



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Can you help??

### Kids Games Prize Donations Needed!

In order for the Kids' Games to be successful this year we are asking for DONATIONS. One way you can donate is to visit the Amazon Wish List and purchase prizes for the children.

PLEASE NOTE: For health reasons and to minimize the risk and spread of allergens, we are only asking for donations which are brand new and packaged. Please go to Assumptionbym.org and follow the link to see the Donations Wish List. When purchasing from the Amazon Wish List, you have the option to send directly to the gift recipient, which will deliver the package to the Kids' Games Captains for your convenience. If you have any questions, please contact Vanessa Markelz at 618-980-8817 or vanessa markelz@yahoo.com.



ALSO.... We are in need of Miniature and FULL size Candy Bars for the

Candy Wheel Game! Please drop off candy bars at the parish office anytime before Friday, Oct. 15th at 2:00pm.



#### PIES AND CAKES NEEDED



We are requesting ANY donations of Cakes and Pies from each parish family for the Festival Cake Walk and the Turkey & Sausage Supper on Sunday. Cakes and Pies can be dropped off in the Parish Center starting on Friday, Oct. 15th at 8:00am through Sunday, Oct. 17th at 10:00am.

Thank you VERY MUCH for your donations! We truly appreciate any amount of donation that you can give. Please remember, YOUR donation will help keep the cost of the Fall Festival lower.

QUILT RAFFLE and 50/50! Tickets available - last page of this Bulletin! Return to the parish office, the collection basket, or the day of Festival. (\*\*You do not have to be present to win)

**Live Musical Performances: \* El Scorcho at 7:00pm, Saturday** \* Cole Blue Steel at 1:30pm, Sunday



Turkey & Sausage Dinner, Sunday - 11am - 6pm (Adults \$12 ~ Children \$8)

#### Corn-Hole Tournament! Friday, October 15th

Kick off the Fall Festival Weekend by joining us from 7 - 10:30 pm on Friday, October 15th for an evening of family fun and friendly competition. Each team is guaranteed 4 games, and the tournament is open to players 10 years and older (players 10-15 years must play with a parent). Beer, soda and hamburgers will be available. Registration is \$75 per team. All proceeds will benefit Assumption's Life Teen! Register today by emailing Kelly Gessert at Kelly. Gessert@gmail.com. We are also in need of corn-hole boards. Please email Kelly if you have a set we can use for the tournament.



"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



## The Prayer Chain Prayer Chain ~ Please join us in peaceful prayer for the Pro - Life Prayer Chain on

Prayer Chain ~ Please join us in peaceful prayer for the Pro - Life Prayer Chain on Main Street. Sunday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> from 2 - 3pm to pray the Rosary for Life for an end to abortions. All are welcome. We will meet at the parking lot near the Chapel (lot C). Signs will be available. Thanks for coming and praying and showing our faith in what we believe!

**Living Rosary** ~ Please join us in the Chapel on **Saturday**, **October 9**<sup>th</sup> at 9am to pray the Rosary. Please bring flowers for our Blessed Mother altar. All are welcome!



#### WHERE

Assumption BVM Parking Lot C



Men, this coming week we have the 2nd video of a 3-part series by my friend, Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers. If you've EVER heard him at Catholic Men for Christ or on EWTN or one of his Pod Casts, YOU WILL NOT WANT TO MISS THIS! Bring a friend with you!!!

Then Come Join us for...That Man is You! October 9

Saturday Mornings – Next Session is Week 4 of our Fall sessions – We will meet in the lower hall of the Knights of Columbus building across from the school on 3rd St. We begin at 7:15am with breakfast, followed by a short video and table discussion, and ends by 8:30am. Questions? Deacon Richard at 314-397-2433, or *DeaconRichard@charter.net*.

Week 4 - The Battle of Gideon Speaker: Dcn Harold Burke-Sivers God Choosing from the Least of the Tribes A Call from God Courage, Obedience and Loyalty Outnumbered in Battle Torches and Trumpets: The Weapons of God God is King

#### Week at a Glance

Mass Times/Intentions

Readings

Reconciliation

#### **MONDAY 10.4.21**

6:30am Jim Ballmann 8:00am John Rothermich

1st Reading: Jon 1:1 - 2:2, 11 Gospel: Lk 10:25-37 7:30 - 7:50am Church Or by appointment

#### **TUESDAY 10.5.21**

6:30am Betty Remiger 8:00am Agnes Benne

1st Reading: Jon 3:1-10 Gospel: Lk 10:38-42 7:30 - 7:50am Church Or by appointment

#### **WEDNESDAY 10.6.21**

6:30am Sr. Timothy Cullen, CPPS 8:00am Ruth Ell

1st Reading: Jon 4:1-11 <u>Gospel: Lk 11:1-4</u> 7:30 - 7:50am Church Or by appointment MONTHLY OUTDOOR MASS At Our Lady Queen of Peace Shrine in O'Fallon, on Wednesday, October 13th at 6:00pm. Fr. Hagar will be our celebrant. Rosary and chaplet of Divine Mercy will follow after Mass. Please bring a lawn chair. In case of rain it will be cancelled. Questions? Please call Ruth at 636-233-1082.

#### **Assumption Adoration Chapel**

Adoration is available 24/7 in the old church by using the code at the north transit entrance. EXPOSITION on Tuesday begins after the 8:00 am Mass and through Rosary at 6:15 pm, followed by Perpetual Help devotions and Benediction to close. Please sign up at assumptionbym.weadorehim.com.

K of C Queen of Hearts! KC Hall, every Tuesday. Doors open at 5:00pm and drawing is at 7:00pm. Remember...KC Hall is available for rental!

Food Drive: October 17th 9am –1pm. Drop off donations on the way to the Fall Festival! Saturday, October 30th: Night at the Races



Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Mary Meyer
Mother of John Meyer

Robert Rehm
Son of Wilma Cierpiot

William Shaughnessy
Husband of Maria Shaughnessy

## Pray the Rosary Before Weekend Masses:

Join us in Church 30 minutes before each weekend Mass for the Rosary. We gather and pray before the Holy Family Statue.



## PRAYER: A heart to

heart with God
"Our strength
comes
from the
Eucharist"



#### Tootsie Roll Drive ~ October 9th and 10th

The Knights will be handing out free Tootsie Rolls after Masses on October 9th and 10th. We ask for a donation of which 50 percent of money raised is donated to the Knights of Columbus State Council, who typically donate it to Cardinal Glennon Hospital, or, to the Special Olympics Training Facility in Springfield. The other half of the money will come right back here to O'Fallon to Community Living off Tom Ginnever. Thanks for your support!

#### **Assumption Sound Ministry**

Our sound ministry is looking for volunteers to help our talented musicians sound more amazing (if that is even possible!) during Mass and other occasions by running the sound board. Complete training is given and you will not be left alone until you feel confident!

Mission Statement: God's message of love is meant for all people, so we serve at the soundboard in church to help make sure that message is heard in spoken word, in song, and in silence. Duties & Skills: A desire to learn the sound mixing board during week-end Masses and, if available, also for funerals, weddings, and other special events. This ministry requires aptitude and willingness to learn how to work the sound, lights, DVD, and PowerPoints used at Mass. Also required is a good ear for music. If that is a gift that you would like to share with your parish community, please contact Steve Hartnett at: Steve Hartnett, 636-978-0069; assumptionsound@gmail.com

#### **THURSDAY 10.7.21** FRIDAY 10.8.21 **SATURDAY 10.9.21 SUNDAY 10.10.21** 6:30am Larry Joe Meece 6:30am Sr. MarvLou Roussin. CPPS 8:00am Vocations 8:00am Andrew Janosik 8:00am Lawrence & Lira D'Souza 8:00am Henrietta Cole 5:00pm People of the Parish 10:00am Ruth Ell 12:00pm Lorraine Mrzlack 5:30pm Irene McHugh 1st Reading: JI 4:12-21 1st Reading: Mal 3:13-20 1st Reading: JI 1:13-15; 2:1-2 Gospel: Lk 11:27-28 Gospel: Lk 11:15-26 Gospel: Lk 11:5-13 1st Reading: Wis 7:7-11 2nd Reading: Heb 4:12-13 4:00 - 4:45pm Church 7:30 - 7:50am Church 7:30-7:50 am Church Gospel: Mk 10: 17-30 Or by appointment Or by appointment Or by appointment By appointment

### 🏂 From the Principal's 🗡





Making Robots with a purpose is commonplace at Assumption. With students from grades 3 through 8 and the adult moderators that sponsor these robotics teams, we truly have an outstanding Robotics Program.



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Older students in the past have had to design and program a robot that would pick up various items and stack them to build a tower in a prescribed amount of time. Then return them to the docking station by the time the bell rings. This is not an easy task, when you are in a competition with 3 other robots in the same space attempting to accomplish the same task – each team directing their robots with programming directions. We have several teams this year and will be providing more information in upcoming bulletins.

#### ABVM Mascot and New Trophy Case

This past summer our gym floor was completely re-waxed after our mascot was affixed to the floor. In addition, new entry rugs with the mascot

were designed and are in front of the entrance to the gym (hall entrance) and near the inside concession stand. Fr. Nick, our pastor, whose carpentry skills are amazing, built our new trophy

case. The case is now in the hall, and awaiting the final touches, before we add trophies.

The next phase is partially re-painting the gymnasium to go with the sports teams' colors of gold and black. Paint colors are being selected, and within the next month the lower half of the gym will be painted. In this improvement mode, the stage drapes will also be repaired to handle properly. Bleachers are being moved back into the gymnasium for spectators for the volleyball

season. Go Crusaders!

#### Update on STEaM Lab for PreK through 2nd Graders

The items purchased through the \$331,000 grant to improve learning, are arriving and the new STEaM Lab is beginning to take shape. Located in what was the Toddler Montessori classroom, the STEaM Lab will provide opportunities in science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics. The instruction for students will encourage active (often hands-on) experiences that support building understanding and vocabulary, critical thinking, problem solving, communication, and reflection. Teachers facilitate the experiences by creating opportunities for their students to learn about the world through STEaM lenses and by asking high-quality, open-ended questions.

STEaM integration helps teachers focus on content (what to learn) and processes (how to learn). For example, a teacher could engage children in recording the weather each day on a chart and creating weekly summaries (three sunny days, two cloudy days) to support their learning of science and math content and also data gathering and analysis processes. As students dive into integrated activities, they'll see that the STEaM concepts are seen throughout the world. Students will also see that learning can come in many forms: asking questions, making connections with prior knowledge, gathering and analyzing data (including observations), and communicating findings and ideas.

Hope you enjoyed reading about Assumption and our students!
God Bless,
Pat Hensley







Hoppy Fall Semester! We hope that the beginning of this school year has been blessed and going well so far. We are fully back in action and excited for an incredible semester of fun, faith and community with Life Teen, especially with our new EDGE Middle School Youth Ministry!



Life Teen International chooses a theme annually to guide our ministry efforts for the year, both for EDGE & Life Teen. This year's theme is "New Fire" – all about the transformative presence of the Holy Spirit. When we live lives that are filled with meaning, care for others, and dependency on the Lord, we give the Holy Spirit permission to do what only the Holy Spirit can do. The New Fire of the Holy Spirit that fell at Pentecost on the Apostles falls fresh on us today, as we discover how to answer God's call in our own unique time in history. Come, Holy Spirit!

Here's what's going on this week.

October 3 – Life Night: Sheet Music, 6:30 – 8:30 pm in Hall C All high school teens are invited to a night of fun, food, and faith. Tonight, we begin our first series, Symphony – all about community, scripture and the Mass. Teens, expect dinner, friends old and new and a fresh look on what is familiar. We will have consistent small groups throughout the series, giving teens the opportunity to go deeper with one another over the course of four weeks. We can't wait to see you there!

October 5 – LT Alpha Youth, 6:30 – 8:30 pm in LT HQ Fun, food, faith, and open discussion on the big questions of life

continues each Tuesday from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at LT HQ. Whether you're solid in our Catholic beliefs and want to explore it more OR aren't sure where you're at with the Faith and have questions, Alpha is a safe place to talk about what matters. We can't wait to see what Alpha means for you.

October 6 - EDGE Middle School Ministry: Happy, Holy & Healthy, 6 - 7:30 pm in Hall C All 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to the EDGE - our new middle school youth ministry program! In tandem with 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade PSR, EDGE seeks to foster community, joy, and getting

to know Christ and the teachings of our faith in a powerful and dynamic way. This night fulfills our education requirement from the Archdiocese regarding Protecting God's Children. Middle schoolers, you can expect fun, games, real talk and the transformative power of our Catholic faith. We can't wait to see what EDGE means for you!



October 29-31 – Life Teen Fall Retreat at Marianist Retreat Center in Eureka January 19-23 – Gen Life Pro-Life Pilgrimage in Washington, D.C. March 4-6 – Luke 18 at Assumption

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Instagram: @assumption\_life\_teen // @assumption\_edge Facebook: Assumption Life Teen // Assumption EDGE





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Have a question? Contact Becky Whitaker. Director of Youth Ministry 636-240-3721 ext. 243 or becky.assumptionlt@gmail.com - Instagram: @assumption\_life\_teen

## Athletic Association

Basketball signups are open now through Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. Sign ups will be available on the CYC



Team Sideline page teamsideline.com/cyosaintcharlesmo under "Online Registration". There is a \$25 late fee starting Monday, October 18<sup>th</sup>.

#### Sacristan Help Needed

Help is most needed in support of the 8:00 am daily Liturgy. Support at all of our liturgies are greatly welcomed. Ouestions, please contact: Vicki Briggs at 314-518-4048 or victoria.j.briggs@charter.net.

#### **Lectors NEEDED** Saturday, 8:00am Mass

For more information, please contact Barb Stettner at: 636-978-5930 or creativebarb@charter.net.



"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



#### **Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 3, 2021**

GN 2:18-24; PS 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; HEB 2:9-11; MK 10:2-16 OR 10:2-12

Our readings this week speak to each of our domestic churches the little churches that we call our families.

The First Reading from the book of Genesis takes us to the beginning of creation when God made man and woman. When Adam sees the

woman he says, "This one, at last, is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called 'woman.'"

We can almost hear the longing, gratitude, and appreciation in Adam's voice when he meets Eve as he says, "at last." She was a gift because she was an equal partner to him.

This was before the fall of man, meaning sin had not entered the world. Adam and Eve only viewed each other in total acceptance and love.

Our Gospel brings us to life after sin had entered the world — a time that is familiar to us. As the Pharisees questioned Jesus about divorce, He expressed that Moses permitted it because of the hardness of man's heart. However, Jesus was calling them to deeper holiness. He was calling them to restore the original plan God had intended for marriage, "A man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh."

Jesus' words still apply to us here and now in each of our domestic churches. It is the task of families to tirelessly work to restore God's original plan for marriage and family life — homes filled with gratitude, acceptance, and love.

## It takes a daily commitment to live out our call to holiness to restore our families to this beautiful image.

Our Gifts to God and Parish						
Weekly Offertory	Septe	mber 20, 2021		7/1/2021 - 9/20/2021	The Bible Teaches It (Mal 3:10-12)	
Actual Collections	\$	36,812	\$	407,178	We Believe It (Acts 4:32-36)	
Budget Target	\$	<u>36,000</u>	\$	<u>466,000</u>	God Honors It (Gen 14:18-20)	
Surplus / (Shortfall)	\$	<u>812</u>	\$	(58,822)	TITHING	
Loan taken out in 2013 for expansion of our school						
Original Loan \$ 3,306,12		7	We are gra	We are grateful to you for your presence,		
Current balance owed		\$ 1,327,10	3	your part	your participation, and your financial	
Monthly payment		\$ 20,92	3	suppo	rt of Assumption Parish.	
Last expected payment, Aug	ust 2026			7,7		

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