

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

October 18, 2020

I have called you by your name,
giving you a title,
though you knew me not.

I am the Lord
and there is no other,
there is no God besides me.

Isaiah 45:4-5

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.

Welcome

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Hello,

Once a year I take a weekend to inform you about the financial status of our parish. All parishioners should have received in the mail this last week an Annual Report that gave some additional information about this last year's finances, along with the sacraments, and an article about our school and PSR programs. In addition to that, I am also speaking at all the Masses this weekend in connection with our finances, and these pages will give you a little better understanding of the history of our parish finances.

The overall numbers of greatest interest in the table below are in the bottom right hand corner. Right hand, because that is the column for last year, and bottom, because those are the totals. So the totals you see are the Net income for last year, which we managed to keep just on the positive side, the surplus/deficit total for the year, which is still unfortunately negative but not as much as for the last four years, and our savings, which are problematically negative until we include the funds from the Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) Loan that we secured as part of the government CARES Act in April. This loan helped us fund our salaries in a time of great uncertainty.

As detailed in the Annual Report, while our Offertory amount did go down, considering that no public Masses were celebrated for 2 months and attendance has only slowly resumed due to the virus, I was glad to see the level of donations that were maintained. While total expenses were reduced somewhat, due to the virus and facilities being shut down, the personnel reductions were due to actions that had already been taken to try and reduce our expenses. Looking at any trends on the Parish Finances chart should consider the more detailed information included in the Annual Report.

	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-2020
Capital Campaign	\$582,908	\$189,946	\$109,582	\$73,699	\$51,374	\$103,316
Offertory	\$1,838,998	\$1,852,297	\$1,784,001	\$1,781,985	\$1,925,468	\$1,789,080
Revenue (School/Pre-k/Mont)	\$1,953,928	\$2,066,203	\$2,168,585	\$2,360,095	\$2,404,853	\$2,315,635
Total Rev	\$4,911,877	\$4,567,799	\$4,651,713	\$4,915,529	\$4,974,508	\$4,623,984
Personnel	\$2,301,750	\$2,544,940	\$2,757,445	\$2,917,662	\$3,003,981	\$2,908,835
Total Exp	\$3,958,776	\$4,260,044	\$4,520,095	\$4,652,166	\$4,835,917	\$4,441,704
Capital Expenses	\$128,454	\$150,477	\$158,746	\$174,167	\$247,935	\$126,587
Net Income	\$821,619	\$153,619	-\$39,858	-\$39,527	-\$157,043	\$9,082
Loan Principal	\$585,202	\$364,113	\$242,612	\$210,316	\$133,891	\$137,301
Surplus/Deficit	\$236,417	-\$210,545	-\$282,470	-\$249,843	-\$290,934	-\$128,219
Savings	\$693,853	\$540,623	\$170,413	\$40,191	-\$241,151	-\$325,801
	(* - Savings if PPP Loan Forgiveness included)					\$265,799*
Loan Balance	\$2,584,052	\$2,219,939	\$1,977,327	\$1,767,011	\$1,633,120	\$1,495,819

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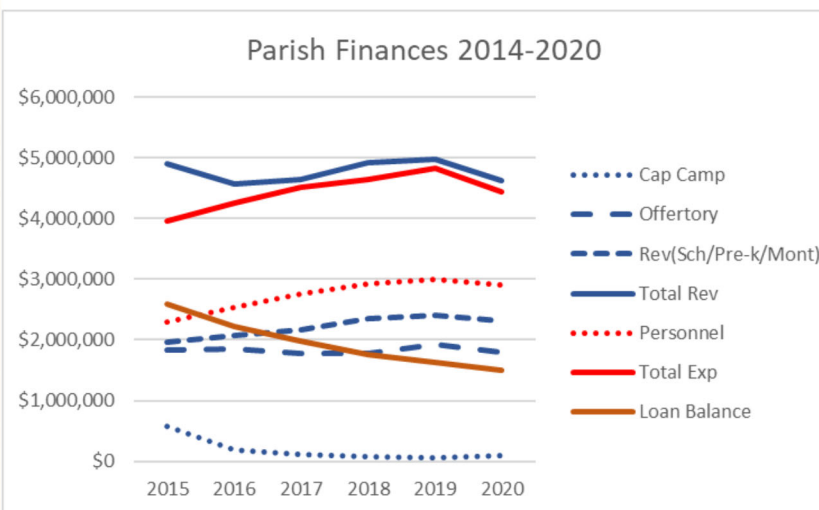


“...living the truth in love, we should grow in every way into Him...from whom the whole body, held and joined together by every supporting ligament brings about the body's growth and builds itself in love.”

- Ephesians 4:15-16

Adult Formation

The more comprehensive trends shown in the Parish Savings chart show that our Net Income has just come back above zero after the last three years of negative Net Incomes. This is an improvement and I am glad we are going in the right direction, but we need to continue increasing our Net Income so that it covers our loan principal payments and leaves a surplus after that. As the past few years show, our deficits consumed all of our parish savings, but the additional funds from the PPP Loan enabled us to avoid running out of any cash reserves and requiring a loan from the Archdiocese to continue operations.



The amounts labeled ‘Savings’ are an estimate of what cash would truly have been available at the end of the fiscal year if we had not had cash from prepayments (mostly for the upcoming school year’s tuition and registration fees) already in our accounts.

As the chart shows for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, we had already been in ‘the red’ last July. We managed to

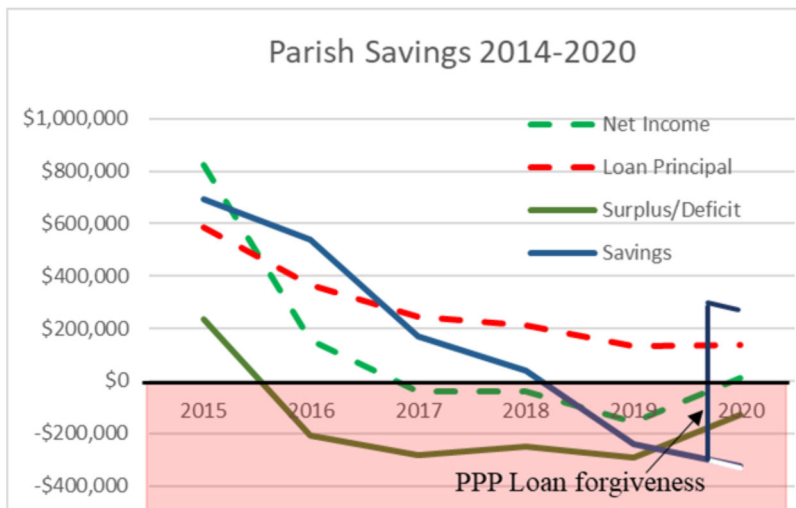
continue operations without the need for a loan by offering discounted school tuition to those families who would pay their entire tuition in March of 2019 for the 2019-2020 school year.

With cost cutting last year, we hoped that we would make it through our cash low point in June, but the decreases in our Offertory when COVID quarantines went into place made it clear

that a loan would be needed to provide operating cash to finish the year. The PPP Loan became available and was secured in

April, not only providing the operating cash required, but

also being a loan that is expected to be completely forgiven. The Savings plot demonstrates the effect the forgiveness of this loan should have on our parish savings.



What this means for the financial status of our parish going forward is that we are currently back in a position of having some operating cash reserves. If we had not and do not continue to work towards improving our Net Income, and turning our yearly Deficit into a yearly Surplus, this additional savings could soon again be depleted. But the PPP Loan, and its forgiveness that will be accounted for in next year’s finances, provide us with the opportunity to weather the impacts of COVID-19 on our parish finances, and also the chance to build up a reserve to provide financial stability for our parish into the future.

Peace,

Fr. Nick



Society of St. Vincent De Paul needs your help this Christmas!

Neighbors In Need Christmas Day



Our SVDP is again sponsoring a Christmas program for our neighbors in need and our homeless clients that will take place on December 12th. We all know that 2020 has been a difficult year for everyone. So, *please* know that all donations of any kind will be GREATLY APPRECIATED. If you are not attending Mass in person but would like to help, we can assist you online, by phone or we will pick up any donations as well. There are several ways that you can help those in need!



GIVING TREE GIFTS - Our giving trees will be up and filled with gift needs, November 21-29. If you are still feeling a little uncomfortable, we will also have a giving tree located outdoors.

ADOPT A FAMILY OR SENIOR - If you feel that your family or organization would like to adopt a family - WE NEED YOU!! Please see the form on the next (perforated) page. →

Our **Neighbors In Need** lack the necessities that we often take for granted. When they pick up their items from the Adopt-A-Family or Giving Tree, they are invited to walk through the hall and choose a gift for themselves and/or one to give. If we have enough donations, they are able to pick up other *needed* items. Below are some ideas of items to help our *Neighbors in Need*.

STOCK THE HOUSE ITEMS - New items (unwrapped) such as: family games, lamps, Kitchen or bath towels, blankets or comforters, tool sets, hardware mini kits, hand mixers, crockpots, pillows, batteries, sheet sets, inexpensive prepaid phones for homeless, phone cards.

TWEEN GIFT ITEMS (Teen Items) - There is always a large need for: comfy sleep pants, ear buds, phone chargers, power banks, sports balls, lotion sets, earphones, gift cards, teen games.

ALSO COLLECTING any new or used wrapping paper and/or wrapping supplies that you would like to clear out. We try to give our families some 'wrapping supplies' for their families gifts.

PLEASE KNOW.... We do offer 'no contact' PICK UP at your home, *or* you can drop items in the SVDP bin in Church. Whatever you feel comfortable with ...We are happy to assist in any way!

All Christmas Program info, including *links* and Adopt-A-Family forms, are now on the parish website!

Questions or to set up a donation pick up, please contact Tammy Young at 314-603-2395 or styoung6@aol.com. Thank you so much to all of our generous parishioners!!



"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



Week at a Glance

Mass Times/Intentions

Readings

Reconciliation

MONDAY 10.19.20

6:30am Helen Copeland
8:00am Deborah Riley

1st Reading: Eph 2:1-10
Gospel: Lk 12:13-21

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

TUESDAY 10.20.20

6:30am Robert Trosky
8:00am Mason Keeven

1st Reading: Eph 2:12-22
Gospel: Lk 12:35-38

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

WEDNESDAY 10.21.20

6:30am Needs of Immigrants & Refugees
8:00am Pat Tochtrop

1st Reading: Eph 3:2-12
Gospel: Lk 12:39-48
7:30 - 7:50am Church
Or by appointment

SVDP Christmas Adopt-A-Family Program



Sponsor Form ~ Please return by November 7th

Now is the time to discern your desire to help others during the Christmas season.

The Assumption St. Vincent de Paul organizes a Christmas program each year that provides assistance to needy families in our area. An important part of this is pairing these neighbors with our parishioners who are willing and able to provide gifts to them for Christmas.

Assumption St. Vincent de Paul will provide a food basket for our families in need. If you are interested in purchasing the *gifts* for a family or individual, please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or at the parish office. After receiving your form, we will match you up with one of our families or individuals in need and send *you* their wish list! This will take a little time, so please return forms to us as soon as possible and no later than November 7th!

Thank you so much for your generous help!

Your name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: (_____) _____

You are: ☐ Individual ☐ Family/group ☐ Business

(Name: _____)

You/Group would like to sponsor: ☐ A family w/children ☐ A senior ☐ No preference

The maximum number of family members you would like in your sponsored family _____

**Please drop off your form at the Assumption Parish Office
or drop in the collection basket at Mass. Completed forms due by November 7th**

(This page is perforated, simply tear it out!)

*If you are in need of help now or for the Holidays please contact the
St. Vincent DePaul help line at 636-272-4758.*



PRAYER:

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

Prayer

THURSDAY 10.22.20

6:30am Living & Deceased CPPS
Parents & Relatives
8:00am Frank & Betty Ryan

1st Reading: Eph 3:14-21
Gospel: Lk 12:349-53

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

FRIDAY 10.23.20

6:30am James Schoeffer
8:00am Ken Wilmas

1st Reading: Eph 4:1-6
Gospel: Lk 12:54-59

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

SATURDAY 10.24.20

9:00am Sr Jean Rachel Brown,
CPPS
5:00pm Bob Crangle

1st Reading: Eph 4:7-16
Gospel: Lk 13:1-9

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

SUNDAY 10.25.20

8:00am Caroline Wolf
10:00am People of the Parish
12:00pm Glennon Hibbeler
5:30pm Ken Wilmas

1st Reading: Ex 22:20-26
2nd Reading: 1 Thes 1:5c-10
Gospel: Mt 22:34-40

By appointment



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Youth Formation

From the Principal's Pen

Christmas in October – Why Not?

On October 1, all of our 8th graders walked with teachers and chaperones to visit the residents at Twin Oaks. With current COVID restrictions, they were not able to go inside, but mask-adorned residents came outside and the masked 8th graders stood several feet away from them.

With an idea in mind – and songs in their hearts, the 8th graders sang favorite Christmas Carols to the residents – and what a hit it was! Loud and upbeat melodies rang through the neighborhood with residents singing along, smiling with their eyes, and enjoying a change of pace.

The best part? When the students had to leave, they asked the teacher if they could come and visit another time. Faculty members are looking into 8th graders creating Valentine cards for residents that would be transported and sanitized before distributing. In addition, they are looking into some activity during spring (Easter) that would bring joy to the residents and a feeling of “doing good for others”



Keep Christ in Christmas

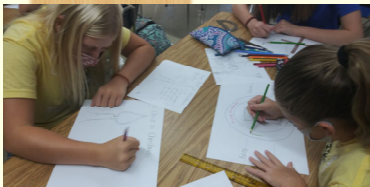
Although we are not yet in Advent or even near Christmas, the Knights of Columbus offer multiple activities that promote Christmas and the season of Advent in their proper context: Journey to the Inn, Spread the Light of Christ, Crèche or Advent Wreath Blessing, and the Christmas Poster Contest.

The Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest encourages councils to prompt others to shift from a preoccupation with materialism to the light of Christ and the spirit of giving.

Again, this year, we are participating in this program. In late September, Mr. Ken Thornhill, a member of our local Knights, provided our school with poster sized paper and a request that students K-8 design a poster on how to keep “Christ in Christmas”. During the end of Advent, these are collected and judged. The winners are selected and an award ceremony is held after Christmas.

Thanks for reading about our school!

Pat Hensley



RCIA

We all are faced with changes determined by guidelines of what to do and what not to do during this pandemic. We, in RCIA, also have the challenges of adjusting our schedule in this hopefully temporary position of gatherings of seekers to our Catholic faith. Sanitizing, wearing of masks and social distancing are all followed. We have 2 Catechumens (those not baptized) and 5 Candidates (already baptized) seeking information of our faith. After a few weeks of getting to know each other in a smaller gathering we came together and officially began our program on September 27th with introductions and discussion on what is Church and community. We are Church and we are called to show Jesus to others. In the past 2 weeks we discussed our salvation history, Adam & Eve, introduction to 10 Commandments. We have been busy with introducing the 1st part of Mass/ Liturgy of the Word/Church Calendar and Holy Days of Obligation. Today, we tour the church and will have individual discernment with a team member.

Next weekend at 8:00 Mass, we will introduce our Candidates/Catechumens to you the community through The Rite of Acceptance. During the Rite, the sponsors will present their individual with a Bible. They will be dismissed after the homily to talk about the Bible and listen again and discuss the readings they heard in Church.



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Assumption Life Teen



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Youth Formation



Sunday, October 18th: Life Night -Dangerous

All teens are invited to come and see what the Life Teen family is all about in the fourth night of our Alive & Dangerous Series, all about the incredible risk it takes to boldly live your faith. Expect dynamic games, tasty snacks, community, and an opportunity to grow in relationship with others and with our incredible God. Bring a friend or three! Don't miss this powerful evening! We can't wait to see you there.

EVERY SUNDAY: Mass at 5:30 pm ~ Life Night from 6:30-8:15pm

We will meet on the parish center patio, then have our Life Night in the outdoor classroom!

Wednesday, October 21st: Hang Out @ LT HQ!

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 and have a snack, do some homework, reconnect with friends, core members, and youth ministry staff.

LT HQ will be open from 6 – 8pm

SAVE THE DATE !!! December 4-6

Assumption Life Teen Winter Retreat

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? **Becky Whitaker, Director of Youth Ministry**

636-240-3721 ext. 243 OR becky.assumptionlt@gmail.com.

Connect with us on Instagram: [@assumption_life_teen](https://www.instagram.com/assumption_life_teen)

October 18, 2020

This Advent, Assumption Parish will be giving out a special gift to help ignite a deeper spiritual journey through Advent and Christmas!

The bundle includes music by The Vigil Project, reflections by Fr Dave Pivonka TOR, and a devotional companion booklet for you and your family or small group.

We only have 500 copies of this amazing bundle, so please RSVP if you would like to take advantage of this special gift. Reserve your copy to

Ann Knichel at: annknichel@att.net or 636-240-3721 Ext. 333.

Make this Advent and Christmas one like never before!

A JOURNEY THROUGH *Advent & Christmas*



A FREE GIFT FOR YOU THIS ADVENT!

MUSIC & REFLECTIONS PRESENTED BY:

 **THE
VIGIL PROJECT**
MUSIC FOR THE CATHOLIC JOURNEY

THE MINISTRY OF
THE WILD GOOSE 

St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry Weekend!

Your generous donations allows us to help our neighbors in need with financial, food and other assistance. At this time, the pantry is in need of the following food items: Canned oranges, pears and mixed fruit; applesauce, Tuna Helper, Chicken Helper, spaghetti sauce, granola bars, instant oatmeal packets, pancake mix and syrup. Non-food items needed include: laundry detergent, dryer sheets, liquid dish detergent, deodorant, shampoo, large toothpaste. Thank you for your continued support!



"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

Service

IN LOVING MEMORY

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Joseph Pham
Husband of Catherine Pham

Teri Hyatt
Sister of Beth Handshy

James Schweigert
Husband of Kathryn Schweigert

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.



Next Date November 6

Curb Side Pickup Only ~ 5-7 pm. Call ahead to order; 636-281-9223 or 717-919-7558 OR Order on-line with a credit card: knights-of-columbus-council-2269.square.site

Our Gifts to God and Parish

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

	October 4, 2020	7/1/2020 - 10/4/2020
Envelopes (257) & Checks	\$ 24,552	\$ 274,507
Loose	\$ 119	\$ 1,363
Electronic	\$ 8,876	\$ 151,268
Total	\$ 33,547	\$ 427,138

Needed to sustain our mission \$526,500

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

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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)

TITHING



150TH ANNIVERSARY OF ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY PARISH



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

As we continue down memory lane, we want to start hearing from YOU, our parishioners!!
If you have been here for 70 years, 60 years, 30 years, 5 years, 1 year... share a memory or two
with us!! Here are some questions to help stir some of those wonderful memories!!
Please email Nancy Sullivan with your answers! mnsullivan74@yahoo.com
Don't forget to add your name, where you live and how long you have been a member of the parish!

1. What is your fondest memory of Assumption Parish?
2. What is your fondest memory of Assumption school?
3. What do you miss the most about current parish and school that we had in the past parish and school?
4. Who was your favorite Priest, Deacon, or Sister from the past and why?
5. What years did you attend Assumption school?
6. How many generations of your family were in Assumption parish and/or school?
7. What was your most enjoyable event in the parish or school?
8. What was the most impactful spiritual moment you experienced in our church or school?
9. What ministries do/did you participate in?
10. Did you play sports for Assumption school?
11. Which church building (out of the 3) was the most important to you and why?
12. Do you feel your faith has continued to grow and be fed at Assumption? How and why?
13. Do you prefer the Latin masses from the past versus the current?
14. What is your favorite song that you have sung in church?
15. What prayer is your #1 in time of need?
16. What would you want to ensure your grandchildren know and experience in their Catholic faith?
17. Which Sacrament that you received at Assumption was the most impactful and why?
18. Which Holy Day means the most to you and why?
19. What is/was your favorite parish event and why?

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

OFFICE INFORMATION

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by Tuesday 9:00am

WEBSITE

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facebook.com/@assumptionmedia
assumptionparish



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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