

# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

October 20, 2019

## Assumption Fall Festival TODAY!

Live Music, Turkey & Sausage Dinner, Games, Hayrides,  
Country Store, Bingo, Inflatables and MUCH MORE!!

### 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.



**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

"Have mercy on me as a sinner"  
Saturday 4-4:45 pm and Mon-Fri 7:30-8:00am or by appt.



#### FUNERALS

Please contact Amanda Suchara, Funeral Coordinator, 636-577-3776, to make final arrangements.



#### 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 2<sup>nd</sup> grade. Please contact Ann Marie Quan at 636-240-1020.

# Welcome

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## Hello,

I don't know if you saw this in the news last week, but they had what is being called the best shot-put competition in history. Not something that made the headlines, but for some reason I saw it on-line and it is incredible.

The winner, Joe Kovacs, had a throw of 22.91 meters, his personal best and the farthest throw recorded in 29 years. But what made it such a great competition wasn't just his throw, but there were also two others who happened to throw 22.90 meters each, or just 1 cm. short of the winner. And then there was another interesting track and field record set, the first marathon ever to be run in under 2 hours by Eliud Kipchoge. Actually, this run isn't going to be considered a record as a competition since it was a special run that he did on an especially flat course with other runners pacing him and allowing him to draft them throughout the marathon, but he still ran a marathon in 1 hour 59 minutes and 40 seconds.

I'm writing this on Monday night so I don't know if the Cardinals are still playing baseball this season or not, but it is interesting how much coverage we have seen about baseball last week or maybe hockey or football and yet I would bet most of us didn't even hear about these other two events. One was an undeniably incredible competition and the other an amazing performance pushing the limit of what man can physically achieve. You might say either because of where we choose to look for our sports news or because of what news sources choose to print is the reason we may have heard of these events or not.

Now instead of sports, imagine that we are talking about something much more important, like our faith. It can be very disappointing to see statistics that say a significant percentage of Catholics don't believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. But it is even more disappointing to see that many of those say they aren't even aware that the Catholic Church believes and teaches in the Real Presence. I wonder where they have been getting their information? This would be like the baseball fan not knowing the World Series is going on.

There are other issues that are also critical that some might not agree with, and others not even be aware of the Church's teachings. Consider such topics as marriage, that it is a lifelong commitment and the means by which the parties are to grow closer to God, or forgiveness, that God can and wants to forgive our sins but we need to realize that there is sin and to ask for forgiveness. What are the sources that people use for these topics? I know or hope that I am one, as I would believe are many of you. So how do we present the good news to those who are listening to us?

God offers us so much through our Church, let's try to share it.

Peace,

## Fr. Nick







*Please*

*Join Us!*

**Saturday, Oct. 19 • 3 to 11 p.m.**

Cole Blue Steel plays at 3:30 p.m.; Breakdown Shakedown at 7 p.m.  
Haunted Hayrides begin at 6:30 p.m.

Adults  
\$12  
Kids \$5

**Sunday, Oct. 20 • 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.**

Turkey and Sausage Dinner Served; Traditional Hayrides Run  
Amanda Suchara & the Sound Judgment Reunion plays at 1:30 p.m.

Live Music • Inflatables • Wine & Beer Garden • Crafts  
Funnel Cake • Kettle Corn • Games of Chance • Raffles  
Bingo • Country Store • Barrel Rides • Kids Games



*Thank You*  
To our Sponsors!



**Frank J. Meier, DMD**  
**Jeff Dougherty, DMD**  
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"For thus says the Lord: When you call Me, and come and pray to Me, I will listen to you. When you look for Me, you will find Me. Yes, when you seek Me with all your heart, I will let you find Me..."

- Jeremiah  
29:10-13

Prayer



### Funeral Meals

### Be a Part of a Legacy of Love – Feeding the Brokenhearted

Enduring for decades, whenever our facilities allow, Assumption provides a simple meal to families after the funeral of a loved one. Our After Funeral Lunch ministry is Christ's love in action, a meal of hope for those whose hearts are crushed by grief.

**We are in URGENT need of adding food volunteers to our lunch teams** willing to make a side dish or dessert and bring it to the parish center on the day of the funeral.

**What do I do?** When you get a call from a team captain, make a side dish or dessert and deliver to the Parish Center on the day of funeral, usually by 10:30am

**How do I know what to make?** Your team captain will tell you what side dish/dessert is needed

**How often do I do this?** Assumption has 4-6 funerals a month. When our teams are at full capacity, you can expect to be called once or twice a month

**How long is my commitment?** We encourage new volunteers to try the ministry for at least a year. If you want to be called on more often, we can put you on multiple luncheon teams

**What skills are needed for this ministry?** Compassion for the brokenhearted, ability to make a simple side dish/dessert, and the ability to deliver that dish on the day of funeral

**What if I'm not comfortable being at funerals or with people who are grieving?** This is a behind-the-scenes ministry. You will not have to interact with bereaved families.

If you're looking for a tasty way to bring Christ to the world, then please contact our Funeral Luncheon Coordinator, Mary Peters, [mcpenny@hotmail.com](mailto:mcpenny@hotmail.com), 636-379-3242

### Catholicism Explained

**How do you respond when someone asks you about your Catholic faith?** This Apologetics series has been written to help adults explain what makes the Catholic faith credible and beautiful! Luke Doyle, Archdiocese of Kansas City Seminarian and current seminarian at Assumption Parish will teach this class. Topics discussed include: Basic Human Reason 101, Why Believe in God? Who Really Is Jesus? Why Be Catholic?, and Responding to Common Objections Against the Catholic Church.

*All are welcome!*

Dates: Tuesdays from 6:15-7:15 on  
Nov. 5, 12, 19, and Dec. 3 in Meyer 1/2.

\*During Tuesday night PSR hours.

### Desert Day:

How often have you said to yourself: I really need a day of prayer and quiet! Desert Days are just that. The desert has always been a symbol for a meeting place with God. Come to the quiet and beauty at Sanguis Christi Spirituality Center at 204 North Main, O'Fallon, MO on Wednesday, October 23rd, 9:30am - 3:30pm and let God speak to your heart. The day will begin and end with prayer. The remainder of the day is solitude, quiet, reflection, and rest. Opportunity to talk with a spiritual director is available. Lunch is provided and we ask a free will offering. For more information or to register contact Sr. Carol Orf at 314-560-1028 or by email at [corf@cpps-ofallon.org](mailto:corf@cpps-ofallon.org).

## Week at a Glance

	MONDAY 10.21.19	TUESDAY 10.22.19	WEDNESDAY 10.23.19
Mass Time / Intentions	6:30am Respect Life Apostolate 8:00am Chris Geisz	6:30am Francis Amptmann 8:00am Frank & Betty Ryan	6:30am Living and Deceased Parents and Relatives Of CPPS 8:00am Dean Lifritz
Readings	1st Reading: Rom 4:20-25 Gospel: Lk 12:13-21	1st Reading: Rom 5:12, 15b 17-19 Gospel: Lk 12:35-38	1st Reading: Rom 6:12-18 Gospel: Lk 12:39-48
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
Other Events/Activities	O.T Bible Study 10:00am Rooms D/E Bible Study 7:00pm Rooms D/E Parish Council 7:00pm Meyer 2	Bible Study 9:30am Meyer 2 Perp Help Devotions 6:15pm Chapel RCIA 7:00pm Multi-purpose CRHP Women 7:00pm Meyer 2	Bible Studies 10:00 am Meyer Bible Studies 10:00am Chapel RCIA 6:00pm Multi-purpose Bible Study 7:00 pm Rectory Stewardship Committee Rooms D/E



## 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.

*"Sometimes the evil one wants to say one person's role in this pro-life movement is more valuable than another, and that's a way the enemy brings about division," she said. "We have done a good job of uniting other pro-life agencies, but we want to go beyond and reach out to other pro-life folks within other faith backgrounds. Each organization has a very valuable role to play. It's like an orchestra, where we need all of the instruments to play that beautiful music. We need all of the players to end abortion in our lifetime."*

The Archdiocese of St. Louis offers support for all of those looking for hope and healing at [archstl.org/hope-healing](http://archstl.org/hope-healing) or calling the Respect Life Apostolate of the Archdiocese of St. Louis at (314) 792-7555. The clergy of the Archdiocese of St. Louis remains committed to providing pastoral care to all those who need guidance.

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

### Upcoming events:

40 Days March - 4311 Forest Park from 11:00pm-1:00pm

Peaceful March - Assumption - Tuesday's in March, 15th; 22nd; & 29th.



### Town Hall Meetings...As promised!

In September I had a questionnaire in the Bulletin, asking you to share your thoughts about our parish. I will provide a summary of what I have heard from you and we will discuss in small table groups, the areas of concern at the Town Hall Meetings listed below.

**Saturday, November 2nd - 9:00am**

**Tuesday, November 5th - 7:30pm**

**Wednesday, November 6th - 7:30pm**

**Please try to attend one of these sessions!**

*Fr. Nick*

**Ladies!** Mark your calendar for the 12th Annual Advent by Candlelight! This year's event will be Sunday, December 1st. The mission of Advent by Candlelight is to bring women of the parish together to celebrate and rekindle faith for the holy season of Advent. This is a beautiful evening of fellowship, music, and prayer. More information to come!

### Please Note:

The Parish Parking Lot will be closed at 5:00pm on October 25th for Trunk-Or-Treat.



Prayer



### PRAYER:

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

#### THURSDAY 10.24.19

6:30 am Rosemary Hawkins  
8:00 am Dorothy Arnold

1st Reading: Rom 6:19-23

Gospel: Lk 12:49-53

7:30 - 8:00am Church

Or by appointment

Grief Support 7:00pm Meyer 1&2  
Legion of Mary 7:00pm Rms D/E  
1st Reconciliation Meeting 7:00pm Church

#### FRIDAY 10.25.19

6:30am Shirley Mae Bush  
8:00am Mylinh Nguyen

1st Reading: Rom 7:18-25

Gospel: Lk 12:54-59

7:30 - 8:00am Church

Or by appointment

Trunk or Treat - Parking Lot closed at 5:00pm

#### SATURDAY 10.26.19

9:00am Elmer Kleedchulte  
5:00 pm People of the Parish

1st Reading: Rom 8:1-11

Gospel: Lk 13:1-9

4:00-4:45pm Church

Or by appointment

#### SUNDAY 10.27.19

8:00 am Mylinh Nguyen  
10:00 am Dorothy Laster  
12:00 pm Mary O'Brien  
5:30 pm Rev John McCrotty

1st Reading: Sir 35:12-14

2nd Reading: 2 Tm 4:6-8

Gospel: Lk 18:9-14

RCIA 8:00am Hall C  
Baptism 1:00pm Church  
Life Teen 6:00 pm Hall C





"...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



## SVDP Christmas Adopt-A-Family Program



**Sponsor Intake Form ~ Please return by November 4th**

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 program is connecting families, individuals and businesses interested in sponsoring a family for the holidays with individuals and families in need of the help.

Persons being sponsored are usually provided with two Christmas gifts, possibly some needed household items and a food basket. Sponsorships can be 'open' or 'closed', where 'open' sponsorships involve both parties meeting each other in person. A 'closed' sponsorship means that both parties are kept anonymous. St. Vincent DePaul coordinates matching compatible parties together and the delivery of items in 'closed' sponsorships.

### **NOW IS THE TIME TO DISCERN YOUR DESIRE TO HELP OTHERS DURING THE CHRISTMAS SEASON.**

Use this form to notify St. Vincent DePaul of your willingness to sponsor a family or person for Christmas.



Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

You are: ☐ Individual ☐ Family/group ☐ Business (Name: \_\_\_\_\_)

You/Group is interested in sponsoring: ☐ A family w/ children ☐ A senior ☐ No preference

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

☐ We prefer to have an 'open' sponsorship where we will know our sponsored family's names and will share with them directly.

☐ We prefer to have a 'closed' sponsorship where we and the family/person we sponsor will remain anonymous.

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

**Please drop off completed forms at the Assumption Parish Office or drop in the collection basket at weekend Mass. Completed forms due by Nov 4<sup>th</sup>.**

Assumption St. Vincent de Paul will provide a food basket for our families in need. We are asking parish families or individuals, to purchase the Christmas gifts for a family or an individual, which ever you choose.

After we receive your form (above), we will match your request with our neighbors in need and send you the information in a letter. Thank you so much, for your generous help!

For questions or more information, please call Betty at 636-795-0406.

## CALENDAR

'All nights end around 8:30pm unless noted'

Sat Oct 19 - Haunted Hayride (Art Classroom) - 5pm  
 Sun Oct 20 - NO Life Night (Moved to Haunted Hayride night before)  
 Wed Oct 23 - West House Wednesday (West House) - 7pm  
 Sun Oct 27 - Life Night: Teen Led Halloween (Hall C) - 6:45pm  
 Wed Oct 30 - West House Wednesday (West House) - 7pm  
 Fri-Sat Nov 1-2 - FALL RETREAT High School! (High Hill Christian Camp)  
 Sun Nov 3 - NO Life Night (Fall Retreat Weekend)

**ASSUMPTION  
LIFE TEEN**



## FORMATION

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

**Youth Formation**

**Check out LIFE TEEN on...**



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Assumption Life Teen Group

**Did you or your teen love Luke 18?**

**We've got a next level Retreat for High Schoolers coming up!**



## HIGH SCHOOL FALL RETREAT FAQ

- DROPOFF AT ASSUMPTION ON FRIDAY NOV. 1 AT 5PM
- PICKUP AT ASSUMPTION ON SATURDAY NOV. 2 AT 5PM
- AT HIGH HILL CHRISTIAN CAMP \$50
- GOOGLE FORM: [FORMS.GLE/ULGRWAMZVKGBVSBQ9](https://forms.gle/ULGRWAMZVKGBVSBQ9)

All high schoolers welcome

Email Phil for questions: [phil.assumptionym@gmail.com](mailto:phil.assumptionym@gmail.com)

## St. Dominic High School Open House ~ Sunday, October 27, 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Curious about life as a Crusader? Tour St. Dominic High School's 50-acre campus, meet students and learn about academics, student life and more at our 2019 Open House! Learn more: [www.stdominichs.org/admissions](http://www.stdominichs.org/admissions)

## St. Dominic Joe Haug 5K + One-Mile Fun Run ~ Saturday, November 16, 9:00 am

Runners, take your marks! Registration is now open for St. Dominic High School's 7th Annual Joe Haug 5K + One-Mile Fun Run. This race benefits St. Dominic scholarships, and all runners, joggers and walkers are welcome! The entry fee increases November 1st, so grab a friend and register today! [www.stdominichs.org/5K](http://www.stdominichs.org/5K).



**Perpetual Help Devotions and the Rosary:** Would your Block rosary be interested in also praying the Perpetual Help prayers? Join us each Tuesday evening at 6:15pm and you can do both—pray the rosary and pray the perpetual help prayers. Each Tuesday evening there will be a recitation of the Rosary, live organ music, and perpetual help prayers.

## Come Pray the Rosary Before Weekend Masses

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



**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



Something wonderful has been happening right here at Assumption Parish! God has been at work, doing what God does: calling people into a relationship with Him. Next weekend at the 8:00 A.M.

Mass we celebrate God's action among us with a ritual called the Combined Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens and Rite of Welcoming the Candidates for Full Communion.

This ritual involves us all. Five men & two women have come to this community of faith, seeking God. Over many weeks they have met Jesus the Christ, whom we know to be God's revelation. They have heard Christ's stories, and have felt the Spirit move them to respond to his call to leave old ways behind and to come and follow him. They know only some things about Christ and the Church. But this they know: they are ready to follow Him and to learn how to do that as Roman Catholics.

So, we who are the people entrusted with their care and formation, this means that we accept them robustly today as children of God, that we live lives that permit the Gospel to shine through, and that we openly share with them our ministries, our faith in Christ and our prayer.

### Blood Drive Coming Soon - Nov 10<sup>th</sup>

Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center will be in the Parish Center on **Sunday, November 10, 9:00am – 1:30pm**. If you have not made a blood donation elsewhere since Sept. 16, you will be eligible to donate at this drive. The need is always great.

Please contact Mary Anne Robinson at 636-541-2823 if you plan to donate. Or to schedule an appointment, you may go to [www.bloodcenterIMPACT.org](http://www.bloodcenterIMPACT.org) (use sponsor code 9007). Mississippi Valley representative, Terry Deters, is also available to answer any questions, 314-291-4741 x 227.

Health & Wellness Day (Nov. 10) is in conjunction with the Mississippi Valley Blood Drive! We will have several health & wellness representatives to encourage healthy choices! More info coming soon!



## ALL SAINTS DAY Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>

### Holy Day of Obligation

Come and celebrate Mass with us surrounded by our parish saints... and the saints that are even walking among us.

**Thursday, October 31st,  
 5:30pm (Vigil) in Church**

**Friday, November 1st, 6:30am  
 St. Joseph's Chapel  
 (across the street)**

**Friday, November 1st, 8:00am  
 and 7:00pm in Church**



### OCTOBER 16 - 29th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

EX 17: 8-13; PS 121: 1-8; 2 TM 3:14- 4:2; LK 18: 1-8

You might say our message from today's readings has everything to do with prayer. Could Jesus put it more clearly than He does at the beginning of the Gospel from Luke? *"Jesus told his disciples a parable about the necessity for them to pray always without becoming weary."* We may recall that St. Paul told us we needed to *"pray constantly."* Prayer should be at the very core of our faith lives, and it is the beginning point of living lives of stewardship. Jesus probably did not mean that we should always be on our knees with our eyes closed in prayer, but He did expect us to always be in what one might call the *"spirit of prayer."* Paul refers to this in 1 Thessalonians 5:17 when he says, *"Pray without ceasing."*

To be sure, prayer is not easy. We may, as the Lord says, sometimes *"lose heart"* in prayer, because it is difficult for us to perceive the answer or the response to our prayers. (The term *"lose heart"* is another translation of what was translated in the Gospel as *"becoming weary."*) Too often we use prayer as a last resort instead of a first resource.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

(Mary) Betsy Reichert  
 Mother of Kris Klinhammer

Mabel Nielsen  
 Mother of Stan Nielsen

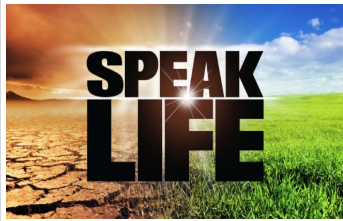
Harland Stroud  
 Husband of Mickie Stroud

Claire Cole  
 Of Our Parish Family

Rosemary Sheppard  
 Mother of Cindy Swain

Mary Ellen Renaud  
 Wife of Paul Renaud  
 Mother of Tom,  
 Paul & Matthew Renaud





## Mark Your Calendars NOW!

### Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Mission – Jan. 26-29<sup>th</sup>, 2020

**"Speak (eternal) Life" - lead by Fr Jim Sichko.**

Rev. James W. Sichko is a priest of the Diocese of Lexington, KY. Fr. Jim is the youngest of five children. He was ordained to the Ministerial Priesthood of Jesus Christ on May 23, 1998. Fr. Jim studied theology at Sacred Heart School of Theology and before that, completed his undergraduate work at New England Conservatory of Music in Vocal Performance.

Known for his story-telling, Fr. Jim weaves everyday life experiences with the rooted messages which lie within the Gospel. Fr. Jim currently serves as Pastor of St. Mark Parish in Richmond, KY which includes an Elementary/Middle School, Hispanic Ministry and a Newman Center on the campus of Eastern Kentucky University. Fr. Jim is also the assistant to the Bishop for Special Projects, Episcopal Vicar for the Bluegrass East Deanery serving the Bishop on the Presbyteral Council and formerly was the Spiritual Director for the Cursillo Movement.

#### **What is a Mission?**

A mission is a time of special grace when God call us into a deeper relationship with Him, a time for personal growth, a time to listen, and a time of spiritual refreshment and invigoration.

#### **Who is a mission for?**

The mission is for all people, from inactive to very active. It is for all ages and for any stage in life - married, single, divorce, separated, widowed, etc. We particularly invite those who want to know more about the church today and how faith can take an active role in the everyday experiences of our lives.

**Note:** A social gathering will follow each evening service to enhance our feeling of parish community. Fr. Jim will be available for informal chats and questions and answers. So that all may attend, other parish functions will be canceled during the Mission and babysitting will be provided.

**Men of Assumption Parish:** Are you looking to deepen your relationship with God? Be a better husband? Become a more loving father? Build friendships with other like-minded men? And seek to be the best man you can be? Come and Join us for Session Seven, next Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00am in the Lower Level of the newly remodeled Knights of Columbus Hall. Below are the session topics. *Contact Deacon Richard to sign up or ask ANY questions at 314-397-2433.*

#### Session 7: Developing Integrity of Action



The Church Guides Us in the Finding of God in The Family  
Integrity of Action in the Home  
The Issue is Freedom  
The Enslavement of Sin  
Freedom in Christ  
The Challenge of the Christian Marriage



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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 29, 2019	7/1/2019 - 9/29/2019
Envelopes (410)& On Line	\$ 33,828	\$ 409,319
Loose	\$ 1,031	\$ 13,854
Total	\$ 34,859	\$ 423,173

**Needed to sustain our mission \$475,000**

**Loan Balance as of 8/31/2019: \$1,614,203**

*"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**



## Your Stewardship Commitment Card!

### Our Parish Prayer

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

We commit ourselves to being good stewards.

Help us to be grateful, accountable, generous, and willing to give  
back with humble hearts and make stewardship a way of life.

Through the intercession of Your mother Mary, grant us the grace to  
understand, and the courage to accept the challenges  
and opportunities we have been given to:

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

AMEN!

### Don't forget to turn in your Commitment Card – there is still time!

We're still in the midst of our annual Stewardship Renewal. If you haven't returned your Commitment Card, you can still drop it in the Sunday collection basket, mail it to the parish or drop it by the parish office. Returning your card is an important part of being an active member of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish.

*Please take this opportunity to express our extreme GRATITUDE for your support for our parish with your time, talent, and treasure!*

**THANK YOU for the many of you who have turned in your Commitment Cards...**



Our Annual Fall Potluck is October 28th at 6:00pm in Hall C, with Horse racing to follow dinner! Please bring a salad, vegetable, or dessert. We will also have sign-ups for our Christmas party on December 9<sup>th</sup>. This year the dinner will be an extra \$5 due to rising costs. Everyone attending the Christmas party must be a paid member. Catering will be by Mr. Henningfeld from St. Paul. Please sign up at the next meeting or call Jan at 636-240-4267 or Martha at 636-294-3367.

### Christmas Concerts - Get Your Tickets NOW!

Call Bev Raske at 636-485-7979 by **October 31** if you plan to attend the following December shows. Please note...Price includes bus from Assumption Church parking lot. Please call Bev for price information.

- ♦ **Wednesday Dec 18th (7:30 pm) Christmas Gospel Concert at Powell Hall,** featuring the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra and 100 choral group. It will be magnificent.
- ♦ **Sunday, Dec. 15th (7:00 pm) Ambassadors of Harmony Xmas Show** at Touhill Performing Arts Center at UMSL. If you have not had the opportunity to hear this outstanding 118 men's choral group, they never disappoint.



"...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

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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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