## Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

October 30, 2022

# For the Son of man is come to SEEK and to SAVE that which was LOST. Luke 19:10



#### 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.



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**RITE of CONFESSION** Weekdays 7:30 - 7:50am Church Saturdays 4:00 - 4:45pm Church Or by appointment





#### 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  $2^{nd}$  grade. Please contact Ann Marie Quan at 636-240-1020.



Sacraments and Parish Information

## Welcome

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Sunday Pre School

## Hello,



There have been lots of things going on the past few weeks, so here are just two items to keep you informed and involved. Our

All Things New Listening Sessions went well. All who attended should have received an e-mail with the link to review any of the information and to provide feedback in the survey. If you didn't get the e-mail or were not able to attend you can find the presentation and the related survey on the All Things New website at *https://allthingsnew.archstl.org/Planning-Area-10*. Information about other planning areas in St. Charles (9 and 11) are also available online.

Below is also a preliminary summary of our Fall Festival results. I hope all had a great time... and be sure to let us know how we might improve as we start planning for next year's.

Peace,

## Fr. Nick



#### St. Monica . . . Pillar of Hospitality



"...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."

Adult Formation



#### **Support our Parish on Giving Tuesday!**

**November 29 is Giving Tuesday**, a day to take a break from online shopping and consider online giving to charities and other nonprofit organizations. Our parish is again teaming with other Catholic causes on Giving Tuesday in a program called **#iGiveCatholic**.

Our focus for this year's **#iGiveCatholic** appeal at Assumption is the future of our church. How do we keep the Catholic Church alive in O'Fallon for the next 150 years?

The health and safety of our parishioners, visitors, students, teacher and staff are of paramount importance to us. On any given school day, we need to provide a safe and secure environment for 400+ children, as well as 30+ teachers and staff.

Your gift through **#iGiveCatholic** will be used to help financial assistance to provide a safer environment and we have identified several potential enhancements to our campus. These include:

- 1. Electric door locks controlled by key fobs or badges
- 2. Security cameras in parking lots and other areas
- 3. Privacy film on windows in the hallways, so that outsiders cannot see into the building
- 4. Modifications to restrooms to promote safety while preserving privacy
- 5. Additional lighting in the parking lots and walkways

Thank you for your consideration and support!

You don't need to wait until Giving Tuesday. Just go to www.stl.igivecatholic.org and search for Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish. Thank you and God bless you!



This weekend at the 8:00am Mass we will 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. Fourteen have come to this community of faith, seeking God. 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. Some of them are not yet baptized. Others have already become members of the Body of Christ through the waters of baptism.

God has called and now we have the privilege of introducing these people to the one we call Lord: Jesus Christ and to you, the assembly. We share the good news, and uncover God's action in our lives. For some, this leads to a remarkable beginning, a new life. For others, this deepens the relationship they already have with Christ.

It marks the first public declaration of God's call to follow Christ. It also marks those previously baptized first public declaration of their wish to live as Roman Catholic Christians.

Many things have already changed for these people. This Rite marks that change. We now know these men, women as belonging to God and to God's people gathered here in our parish. The unbaptized have a unique relationship, and a special name: catechumens. They are entrusted to this faith community to nurture in this journey of faith. The already baptized are known to us as candidates. All are signed with the sign of our faith, the sign of the cross. They commit now to begin to follow Christ deliberately as Roman Catholics do, and to learn what that means from us, through our prayer, our Scripture and Tradition, our works of charity and justice and our lives as holy/different people.

#### St. Francis . . . Pillar of Prayer



"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..."

## Assumption Parish Presents: 'Celebrating Catholic Funeral Rites Not Wrongs' ~November 10th at 7:00pm~

Planning a funeral should not be seen as a burden, but rather as a gift to the person who dies. Please join Monsignor William McCumber, as he presents, *Funeral Rites Not Wrongs*, Thursday, November 10, at 7:00pm in Hall A of the Parish Center.

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Queen of Hearts. Every Tuesday, 5:00pm. Knight of Columbus Hall, 202 W. Third St.



*Joe Grivois* Brother of Carlene Grivois

*Jack Burke* Brother of Tom Burke

Jan Dallavis Cousin of Joyce Senay

#### **Assumption Adoration Chapel**

Adoration at Assumption is available 24/7 in the old church by using the code at the North transit entrance. (please call the parish office for the code, 636-240-3721.)

EXPOSITION is on Tuesday and begins after the 8:00 am Mass. Please sign up at assumptionbvm.weadorehim.com.



#### PRAY, PRAY, PRAY Every Tuesday in Chapel!

Everyone...PLEASE come to pray the Rosary on Tuesdays at 6:15pm followed by Perpetual Help Devotions and Benediction.

#### **Mass Times/Intentions**

Reconciliation

#### MONDAY 10.31.22

6:30am Heather Orr 8:00am Bob Crangle 5:30pm Priest Intention

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

#### TUESDAY 11.01.22

6:30am Georgian & Kenneth Bochantin 8:00am Selma Boschert 7:00pm Nobert & John Rothermich

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

#### WEDNESDAY 11.02.22

6:30am Priest Intention 8:00am Lester Wood 7:00pm Jake Roth

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

#### St. Francis ... Pillar of Prayer

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#### ALL SAINTS DAY – Tuesday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Day of Obligation

Catechism of the Catholic Church says this about: *The Communion of Saints* – Paragraph 5. (Profession of Faith)

#946 After confessing "the holy catholic Church," the Apostles' Creed adds "the communion of saints." In

a certain sense this article is a further explanation of the preceding: "*What is the Church if not the assembly of all the saints*?" #479 The communion of saints is the Church. #947 "Since all the faithful form one body, the good of each is communicated to the others. . . . #948 The term "communion of saints" therefore has two closely linked meanings: communion in holy things (sancta)" and "among holy persons (sancti)."

Sancta sanctis! ("God's holy gifts for God's holy people") is proclaimed by the celebrant in most Eastern liturgies during the elevation of the holy Gifts before the distribution of communion. The faithful (sancti) are fed by Christ's holy body and blood (sancta) to grow in the communion of the Holy Spirit (koinonia) and to communicate it to the world.

\*Come and celebrate Mass with us surrounded by our parish saints... and the saints that are even walking among us. Monday, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> 5:30pm (Vigil). Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup> – 6:30am; 8:00am; and 7:00pm.

#### ALL SOULS DAY – Wednesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>

All Soul's Day is a Roman Catholic day of remembrance for friends and loved ones who have passed away. All Saints' Day, together with All Souls' Day is known collectively as Hallow tide. All Souls' Day remembers all those who have died, not just the great and the good, but the ordinary person on the street. **At the 7pm Mass** on November 2nd we will bring forward our Book of Remembrance to honor your family and friends who have gone before us. As part of a conclusion, we will process to the cemetery after the closing prayer. As part of our procession this year, we will have luminaries to light our way.



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

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### **Attention Women of the Parish:**

CHRIST RENEWS HIS PARISH WOMEN'S RETREAT CRHP is a process designed to make us more aware of God's presence in our daily lives.

This renewal experience allows us to discover how our walk of life is interwoven with our journey of faith.

All too often we become creatures of habit and allow our busy schedules to crowd out the time needed for spiritual growth.

#### Women's CRHP: November 12-13

Please contact: Beth Handshy at (314) 280-7925 or *bhandshy@gmail.com* or Amy at (636) 262-6751 or *amy.whitelaw@bjc.org* 

This is *your* time... this is *your* invitation... reserve *your* spot to experience this AWE-some weekend! Sign up TODAY!



#### **THURSDAY** 11.03.22

come,

6:30am Zachary & Abby Sp. Int. 8:00am Patricia Smith

7:30 - 7:50am Church Or by appointment FRIDAY 11.04.22 6:30am Vocations to PH & RL 8:00am Jim Ohmes

7:30 - 7:50am Church

Or by appointment

SATURDAY 11.05.22 8:00am Ed Kullman 5:00pm Jane Frick

4:00-4:50pm Or by appointment

#### SUNDAY 11.06.22

8:00am Rose Sauer 10:00am Herbert Simon 12:00pm Eric Brunner <u>5:30pm People of the Parish</u> By Appointment

#### Holy Family...Pillar of Formation



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

Youth Formation

## From the Principal's Pen



#### Assumption Continues Growth in Reading

With the past 2 years being overburdened with COVID, which affected learning, research has stated that most students (at any grade level) have lost almost 2 years of academic growth and/or social growth. Assumption faculty have worked to close the Math and Reading GAP that occurred during that time. As you might recall, we brought in a new Math series, have hired a Reading/Math Specialist, and have had faculty invested in Data-Driven teaching and learning. I think you'll find that we have been going a solid (and impressive, I think!) job of closing that GAP created by COVID.

Each year, Assumption students complete required testing through the Archdiocese known as the Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS). This tests primarily two areas: Reading and Math in grades 3 to 8.

The Data provided for Reading and Math, a comparison of where our students were EXPECTED to be this year vs. the ACTUAL score for our students (by grade level).





#### Pumpkin Palooza and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

The annual 4<sup>th</sup> grade Pumpkin Palooza was held on Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> in both Mrs. Tecklenburg's and Mrs. Harvey's classrooms. It was a day filled with hands-on activities that involved math, writing, and science! Students weighed pumpkins, counted the seeds inside, estimated the circumference, and made several graphs with the collected data. Later that day, the fourth graders started working on a writing assignment that included using their five senses while making up a fiction story about their pumpkin!



Thanks for reading about our school! Pat Hensley



## November Hospitality Sunday!

Please mark your calendars for our next Hospitality Sunday, November 6<sup>th</sup>. NEXT WEEKEND...Join us in the Parish Center after our 8:00am. 10:00am and 12:00pm Masses!! We are so excited to have donuts, bagels, coffee, milk, juice and lots of fellowship!!



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## Happy Fall from Assumption Youth Ministry

We have already seen the Holy Spirit move in beautiful ways in our teens and can't wait to see what else the Lord has in store for us this semester!



All teens are invited to join us for the beginning of our Presence series on the Sacraments. When Jesus ascended into Heaven, He didn't stop working. He continues to heal, forgive, and restore today through the Sacraments! Come check out why the Sacraments are just as relevant today as they were then. We will start with our LT Mass at 5:30pm – teens, please sit in the front rows—then head downstairs to Halls B & C for a great night of fun, food, and friendship. See you there!



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#### Wednesday, November 2 ~ EDGE ~ 6:00 – 7:30pm in the Parish Center

All 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join us for Edge, our middle school youth ministry program! Expect fun, fellowship, and faith.

Save the Date: November 18-20: Life Teen Fall Retreat March 3-5: Luke 18 Retreat

#### Connect with us on Social Media: Instagram: @assumption\_life\_teen // @assumption\_edge Facebook: Assumption Life Teen // Assumption EDGE

QOESTION? Contact Becky Whitaker, Dir of Youth Ministry 636-240-3721 ext. 243 or becky.assumptionlt@gmail.com

## **THANKSGIVING DAY 2022**~ Let's begin by celebrating Thanksgiving together! Join us on

**Thursday, November 24**, and we will once again have a special Eucharistic celebration at **9:00am**. It is special in several ways. First, let this day be a reminder that "Eucharist" means "thanksgiving". Taking part in the Eucharist on Thanksgiving Day is a beautiful way to begin celebrating this holiday--we hope that you will join us.

We also invite you to bring gifts for the poor. These can be money or the usual items you bring for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. On this day, please **DO NOT** leave them at the St. Vincent de Paul Society Depository but bring them to your pews. At the time of the Presentation of the Gifts, you will be asked to bring your own gifts forward to bins that will be provided as a sign for us to see. The St. Vincent DePaul Society & Ushers/Greeters will be there to assist you.

Finally, you are invited to also bring something that you will be using at your own Thanksgiving Dinner or taking to someone else's. Let it be anything--cooked or uncooked, that you can handle easily. Again, bring this to your pew with you. During the Intercessions, you will be asked to hold up these items to be blessed. After Mass take them home with you to be used for your meal.

We hope that this will help to make a connection between the Lord's Table and your own feasting table. In this way you are bringing God's blessing to your own table and might even use this item to focus your meal prayer that day.

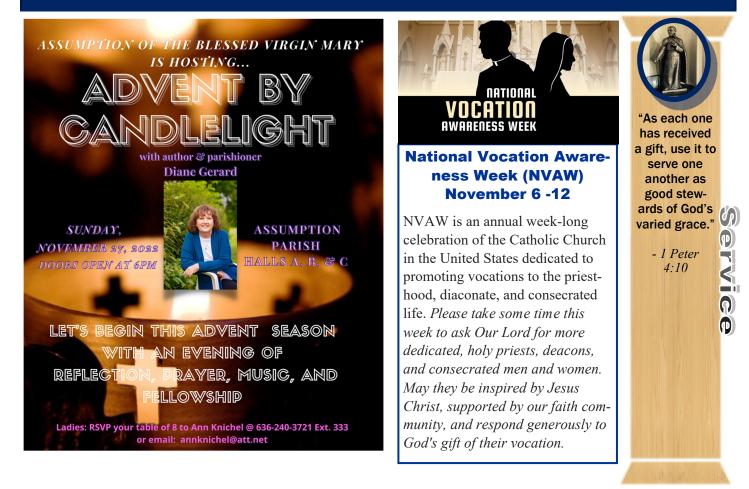
We do hope that you will join us as one family at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish to give *Thanks to God for all that He has done for us!* Please Note: There will not be a 6:30am Mass on Thanksgiving Day.



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#### Assumption Blood Drive – Coming in November!

Assumption Parish will be hosting another blood drive and you are encouraged once again to consider making a donation of the *Gift of Life*. ImpactLife will be in the parish hall on **Sunday, November 20th, 9:00am – 1:30pm**, and we look forward to welcoming you there! If you have not donated blood since September 25, you are eligible to donate at this drive. **Donations must be by appointment only to accommodate social distancing**. To schedule go to *https://login.bloodcenter.org/donor/schedules/* drive\_schedule/114347, scan the QR Code below or call ImpactLife at 866-448-3253 for

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assistance in scheduling. Parish coordinator, Mary Anne Robinson, can also be reached at 636-541-2823 to assist with scheduling. For information about COVID-19 protocols relating to blood donations please visit www.bloodcenter.org.



### **Our Gifts to God and Parish**

Weekly Offertory	October 9, 2022	
Actual Collections	\$	39,447
Budget Target	\$	35,000
Surplus / (Shortfall)	\$	4,447
Loan taken out in 2013 for Original Loan Current balance owed Monthly payment <i>Last expected payment, Augus</i>	·	on of our school \$ 3,306,127 \$ 1,020,796 \$ 20,923

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#### 510,698 <u>579,500</u> (68,802)

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

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

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Hospitality

## **SVDP Christmas Adopt-A-Family Program**

## **SPONSOR FORM** ~ Please return by November 5th



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 and homeless 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.

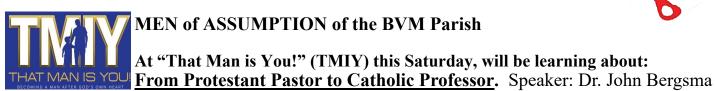
Assumption St. Vincent de Paul will provide a food basket for our families in need. If you are interested in purchasing the *gifts* for a family or individual, please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or at the parish office. After receiving your form, we will match you up 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 5<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you so much for your generous help!

	Your name:
	You are: An IndividualFamily/group
	Address: others
	Phone Number: ( )
	You/Group would like to sponsor: A family w/children A senior No preference
	We <i>suggest</i> 2 gifts per family-member, with each gift ranging from \$30-\$40. <i>So please remember</i> (for example) if you have a family of 4, that cost could be \$240 - \$320.
	The <b>MAXIMUM</b> number of family members you would like in your sponsored family
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Please drop off your form at the Assumption Parish Office or drop in the collection basket at Mass. Completed forms due by November 5th

> If you Have any questions or need more information, please call: Betty at 636-795-0406 OR Pat at 636-385-6462.



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