# **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

# SPIRITUAL GIFTS ASSESSMENT



1 Corinthians 12: 1-11



11.13.2021

Saturday | 9AM-4PM | Assumption Church Halls B & C

Have you ever wondered: "What are my God Given 'gifts'?" "Where is God calling me to serve?"

Jane Guenther, Director of the Catholic Renewal Center for the Archdiocese of St. Louis, will be guiding us through a day of small talks, reflections, and prayer! We will take a spiritual gifts assessment & have small table sharing! You don't want to miss this!

~Breakfast and lunch included!

RSVP Today! Jeannette Hamann abvmjeannette@yahoo.com or (636)240-3721 ext 247

November 7, 2021

# Sacraments/Other Information



### **BAPTISM**

Scheduled every Sunday at 1:15pm. Baptism preparation class is required. Call 636-240-3721 ext 235 to register.



# 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.



# 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.



# 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.



# RITE of CONFESSION

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



#### 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.



#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office 636-240-3721



# FUNERALS Please call the Parish Office 636-240-3721

# Welcome

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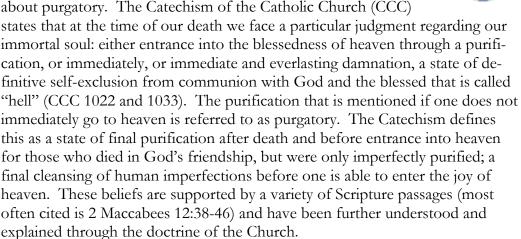
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## **School Board**

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# Hello,

As we particularly remember those who have died and gone before us this month of November, I thought I would talk a little about purgatory. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC)



A challenge we face when talking about purgatory, or heaven, or hell, is that we are limited in our understanding and description to images in this physical world of time and space. So when people ask how long one is in purgatory they might refer to 'years', or some comment about 'in an instant', but any temporal comparisons are only attempts to understand and describe this state that many go through to get to heaven. Similarly, the image of fire has often been used with purgatory, but this again is simply an image that we can understand of something being purified where impurities are burnt away. The image is painful, as is any giving up of attachments. This is a process by which the stains of our sins, our final attachments that may keep us from the purity of heaven, need to be severed or purged.

Our prayers for those in purgatory are meant to help them through this period of suffering and to be open to all of God's grace. Fortunately for those in purgatory this is only a temporary status that always leads to heaven. May we always support one another with our prayers. Peace,

# Fr. Nick

P.S. - I've seen numerous video clips on YouTube that address the topic of purgatory in slightly different manners so I thought I would recommend a few:

Did Catholics Make Up Purgatory? (Breaking in the Habit) [9 minutes] Very good and well balanced

What You Should Know About Purgatory (Ascension Presents) [7 minutes] Energetic presentation, good material

What do Catholics Believe About Purgatory (Catholic Answers) [4 minutes] Very helpful and clear, answering a specific question

The Meaning of Purgatory in the Catholic Church (The Religion Teacher) [3 minutes] Basic and minimal explanation

Is Purgatory in the Bible? (Catholic Answers) [7minutes] Good answer to a specific question

Purgatory: explained (LifeTeen) [4 minutes] Good answer using particular vocabulary



truth in love. we should way into Him...from whom the whole body, Adult Formation held and joined together by every supporting ligament the body's growth and builds itself

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary's "...living the grow in every Where is God calling Browse our many vonderful ministries and YOU to serve?! volunteer! brings about Mass in Commitment in love." lalis A, B, & C Sunday!! - Ephesians LIVING A STEWARDSHIP WAY OF LIFE 4:15-16 -makes us pleasing to God -is a blessing to others is true happiness DISCIPLESHIP

Hospitality Sunday Sunday, Nov. 7, 2021 After each Sunday Mass

Are you ready for fellowship while enjoying Krispy Kreme Donuts? Please join us Sunday, Nov. 7 after the 8am; 10am; & 12pm Masses downstairs - Halls A & B!

# Don't miss THIS!

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**Donations ALWAYS welcome** 

Menu:

Assortment & Glazed Krispy Kreme Donuts; Bagels; Coffee; Orange Juice; Milk (white & choc.); Bagels



"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

# 'Mass Confusion' A Pastoral Workshop on the Catholic Mass To be given by Msgr. McCumber

Beginning Thursday, November 11th, and then two following sessions given on Thursday, November 18, *Not November 25<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Day*, and concluding on Thursday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, we will meet in the Meyer Room of the Parish Center to explore the wonders of the Catholic Mass. These workshops will run 7:00 -8:30pm.

So, if you're confused about the meaning of the Mass, or find the Mass boring, or just want to learn something you were unaware of before, make plans to join Msgr. McCumber as he takes us through a pastoral overview of the meaning of the Catholic Mass. To reserve your place at this workshop please call the parish office during normal business hours at (636) 240-3721 and leave your name and the total number attending with you. Seating will be limited and there is No Charge for this Workshop on the Catholic Mass given by Msgr. McCumber.



# Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Last weekend our catechumens and candidates celebrated the Rites of Acceptance. One of the most effective rituals in the Rite is the signing of the body. The signing is a direct response to the affirmation of the seekers to follow the gospel. At the beginning of the rite, the presider asks the seekers why they have come and what they are seeking. The presider then confronts the seekers with the paschal mystery. In the

section of the rite titled 'Candidates' First Acceptance of the Gospel, Catechumens received the sign of the cross on their forehead. It is Christ himself who now strengthens them with this sign of his love.

Candidates received the cross on their foreheads as a reminder of their baptism into Christ's saving death and resurrection.

The signing of the cross takes place on these parts of their body by their sponsors while the celebrant speaks these words:

Ears: See the glory of God

Lips: Respond to the word of God

**Heart:** Christ may dwell

Shoulders: Bear the gentle yoke of Christ

Hands: Christ may be known in the work which you do

Feet: Walk in the way of Christ

After the signing took place and before they were dismissed,

their Sponsors gave them a Bible.

# Week at a Glance

Mass Times/Intentions

Reconciliation

Readings

# **MONDAY 11.08.21**

6:30am Alfred & Jean Rozanski 8:00am Don Niehaus

1st Reading: Wis 1:1-7 Gospel: Lk 17:1-6 7:30 - 7:50am Church Or by appointment

# **TUESDAY 11.09.21**

6:30am Henrietta Cole 8:00am Don Ohlms

1st Reading: Ez 47:1-2,8-9,12 Gospel:Jn 2:13-22 7:30 - 7:50am Church Or by appointment

# **WEDNESDAY 11.10.21**

6:30am Kristi Nickles & Family 8:00am Tony & Ruth Ell

1st Reading: Wis 6:1-11 Gospel: Lk 17: 11-19 7:30 - 7:50am Church Or by appointment

# **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.

# Pray the Rosary Before Weekend Masses:

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

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During Hospitality Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, we will have a Welcoming Table set up in the parish center after the 8am, 10am and Noon Masses to register and welcome anyone who would like to join our parish family. Please stop by our table so that we can help answer any questions about our parish or about the many ministries we offer here at Assumption. If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Crews at 314-578-0741 or *lynn.assumption@gmail.com*.



Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

Gayle Wright
Sister of Mary Jo Manion

Bill Boyd
Brother of Mike Boyd

Jim Meece
Nephew of Mike and Kathy Boyd

Patricia Smith
Wife of Jack Smith



This year the cost will be \$\$10 a person (for members). Besides great food we will be entertained by Ed, a magician and musician who will keep us in the holiday spirit. Since it will be catered, we will need a count of those attending as soon as possible. Please bring a dessert or fruit salad. If you are planning on attending. Call Bob or Liz Allmeyer at 636-240-8638 for more info. Check payable to **Assumption 50** + and mail to:

(Treasurer) Linda Lambing 153 Aspencade Circle St Peters Mo 63376

OR put payment in envelope marked 50+club and drop off at parish office. We hope to see you there!



# PRAYER: A heart to heart with God "Our strength comes

from the Eucharist"

# PRAY, PRAY, PRAY

This year is the 40th Anniversary of Our Lady, the Blessed Virgin Mary, appearing in Medjugorje. Our Blessed Mother is still giving the visionaries messages every month. In every message she says, "Pray, Pray, Pray". We can do this. Every Tuesday evening, beginning at 6:15pm, Rosary, Perpetual Help Devotions, and Benediction with Fr. Nick or Deacon Richard are held in the Chapel along with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Think about our world situation and then please come to "Pray, Pray, Pray".



# **THURSDAY 11.11.21**

6:30am Living & deceased CPPS parents and relatives 8:00am Frank & Betty Ryan

1st Reading: Wis 7:22 - 8:1 Gospel: Lk 17: 20-25

7:30 - 7:50am Church

# FRIDAY 11.12.21

6:30am Francis & Alice McHugh 8:00am Greeba Fernandez

1st Reading: Wis 13:1-9 Gospel: Lk 17:26-37

7:30-7:50 am Church

# **SATURDAY 11.13.21**

8:00am Deceased CPPS 5:00pm Herbert Simon

1st Reading: Wis 18:14-16, 19:6-9 Gospel: Lk 18:1-8

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

# **SUNDAY 11.14.21**

8:00am People of the Parish 10:00am Carmela Bamert 12:00pm John & Frances Rutherford 5:30pm James McHugh

1st Reading: Dn 12:1-3 2nd Reading: Heb 10:11-14, 18 Gospel: Mk 13:24-32 By appointment

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Continuous
conversion
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# From the Principal's Pen

# When the Saints come Marching IN!

The celebration for the Feast of All Saints' Day stems from the belief that there is a powerful spiritual bond between those in heaven and those who are living. In our Catholic theology, we commemorate all those who have attained the beatific vision in Heaven. The current date of November 1 was established by Pope Gregory III during his reign

(731-741 AD) when he dedicated a chapel in Rome's St. Peter's Basilica in honor of all saints. At that time, only Rome celebrated this Feast. In 837 Pope Gregory IV ordered the official observance of All Saints Day every November 1 and extended its celebration to the entire Church. Our Assumption celebration included our 1st graders dressing as their Saint of choice, which included St. Patrick, St. Gianna, Mary, and St. Joseph.







# **Costume Day for Faculty and Staff**

The last day of school before Halloween, the faculty and staff dress in costumes to "trick" our students, which are our "treats". They get a good laugh when we dress as superheroes like Front Desk Flash (Mrs. Bigler), or mustard and ketchup (Mrs. Welby and Mrs. Cook), a bagel (Mrs. Begley, for whom the students call Mrs. Bagel), or Donut and Coffee (Mrs. Tecklenburg and Mrs. Olexa). Of course, our entire group makes sure we get a picture at the end of the day to celebrate.



There's nothing better than having a little fun at school!
Thanks for reading about
Assumption!

Pat Hensley









HODDU NOVEMBER! It has been an incredible semester of fun, faith and community with Life Teen and our new EDGE Middle School Youth Ministry. Our Life Teen last weekend was an incredible time of authentic prayer and community, learning about how the Holy Spirit moves in our lives, and connecting our faith to beyond Sunday Mass. Thank you for your prayers! The young Church is alive and well and we can't wait to see how the Lord puts the teens at His service.



# Here's what's going on this week.

November 7 - Life Night: Retreat Reunion XLT

All high school teens are invited to join us for a night to reconnect after our transformative retreat weekend. Expect fun with your LT family, powerful prayer, and the chance to reflect on how we continue to carry what God did in our hearts for-

ward, particularly during Eucharistic Adoration. See you there!

November 9 - LT Alpha Youth - 6:30 - 8:30 pm in LT HQ

Fun, food, faith, and open discussion on the big questions of life continue 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.

November 10 - EDGE: Shifting History-Pentecost - 6:00 - 7:30 pm All 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to the EDGE - our new middle school youth ministry program! In tandem with 7<sup>th</sup> and 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. On Wednesday, we begin our new series on New Fire – how the Holy Spirit moves and why the Holy Spirit is essential to our lives as Catholics. Middle Schoolers, you can expect fun, games, real talk and the transformative power of our Catholic faith.



FOR-**MATION** Continuous conversion of mind and heart "Following Jesus is the work of a lifetime"





# **Connect with us on Social Media:**

Instagram: @assumption life teen // @assumption edge Facebook: Assumption Life Teen // Assumption EDGE

Have a question? Contact Becky Whitaker, Director of Youth Ministry 636-240-3721 ext. 243 or becky.assumptionlt@gmail.com

**150th Anniversary Gray Sweatshirts and T-shirts** Sweatshirts \$15 T-Shirts \$10

Available in the Parish Office! **Adult Sizes only** 





# HOSPITALITY: Christian Kindness

"We are ALL hospitality

ministers"

# 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 11th. As we begin our planning, we have included information below for our big, yearly event. All generous donations work in combination with the GIVING TREE, ADOPT A FAMILY and the CHRISTMAS PROGRAM. There are several ways that you can get involved to help those who greatly need our assistance this holiday season.

**GIVING TREE GIFTS** - Our Giving Trees will be up the end of November and filled with gift needs.

**STOCK THE HOUSE** shopping day - This will take place on December 11th.

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, towels, blankets or comforters, tool sets, hardware mini kits, hand mixers, crockpots, pillows, batteries, sheet sets, gift cards to purchase inexpensive prepaid phones for homeless.

**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, Game Stop, Ulta or Target gift cards, teen games, jewelry and hair accessories.

**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.

"TREAT TABLE" - This year we will be including a *Treat Table* for our Neighbors in Need. Most do not have the ability or supplies to make holiday goodies, so if anyone would like to share some sweet treats with our NIN's this year, they would greatly appreciate it. (Cookies, pies, fudge, candies, etc.) The program date is Saturday, Dec.11<sup>th</sup>. If we could obtain the treats on Friday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> that would be great. You can drop them at the Parish Center while we are setting up, or at the parish office, *OR* we could have someone *pick up donations if you need assistance*. Thank you!!

**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!

Questions or to schedule 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!!

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













# 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 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 7<sup>th</sup>!

Thank you so much for your generous help!

Your name:	Help us
Address:	Help
Phone Number: ( )	others
You are:IndividualFamily/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.

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



"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





# **Our Gifts to God and Parish**

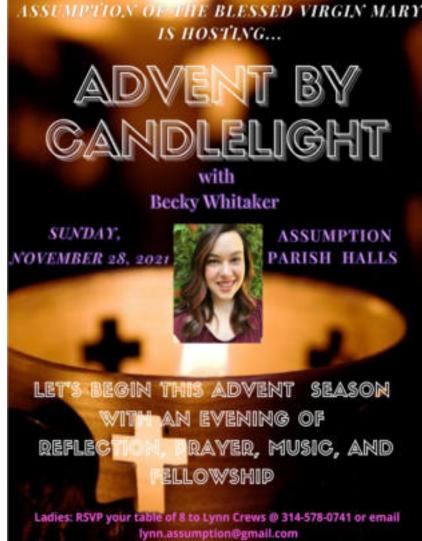
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ı	Actual Collections	\$	26,729	\$ 582,866
	Budget Target	\$	35,000	\$ 648,500
	Surplus / (Shortfall)	\$	(8,271)	\$ (65,634

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

**TITHING** 

Loan taken out in 2013 for expansion of our schoolOriginal Loan\$ 3,306,127Current balance owed\$ 1,308,725Monthly payment\$ 20,923Last expected payment, August 2026

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



Men, this week we enter into the very center of that battleground through the life of Rick Cambre. Rick was a man on the brink... and now he is on the other side. Although it's very difficult for him to recall and retell his story, he does so for the benefit of men and families. You will hear about Rick's battle, learn the wisdom from his experience, and gain inspiration and practical tools for our own journey. Whether you have a perfect marriage, your marriage is on the brink, or you stand somewhere in between, this session has a wealth of insight for everyone. Come Join us for... That Man is You! This Saturday, Nov 13th, in the lower hall of the K of C building. 7:15 - 8:30am with Breakfast, a short video and table discussion. Ouestions? Deacon Richard at 314-397-2433.



"...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



# Assumption Blood Drive - November 14th!

You may donate if you have had COVID-19, if you are at least 14 days symptom free. There is no deferral period after receipt of the COVID vaccine. With the current critical need for all blood types, ImpactLife (formerly Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center) will be in the parish center on Sunday, November 14, 9:00am – 1:30pm, and we look forward to welcoming you there! If you have not donated blood since September 19, you are eligible to donate at this drive. Donations must be by appointment only to accommodate social distancing.

You may go to www.bloodcenterIMPACT.org (use sponsor code 9007) to schedule an appointment; or call ImpactLife at 800-747-5401 for assistance in scheduling. Please visit www.bloodcenter.org for information about COVID-19 protocols relating to blood donations. Questions? Please call Mary Anne Robinson at 636-541-2823.

#### OFFICE INFORMATION

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Fri 8:00am-2:00pm ST VINCENT DE PAUL 636.272.4758 (Helpline)

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#### **BULLETIN NOTICES**

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

### WEBSITE

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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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