

# *Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

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

## Thirty-Second SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

November 10, 2019

God is not God of the dead,  
but of the living,  
for to him all are alive.

Luke 20:38

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### 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.



#### 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 CONFESSON

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



#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office  
636-240-3721



#### FUNERALS

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



#### 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,

This last week I have been holding some town hall meetings to inform parishioners about what I have heard through the surveys that were returned, to give some of my observations or thoughts for the future so far, and to listen to more comments. This week and in future bulletin articles I will be sharing some of this information along with some of my thoughts on the topics.

The most common remark on the surveys was related to how welcoming people feel that our parish is. Many, myself included, were happily surprised to find this especially for a parish that is larger than we were used to. Credit for this goes to the parish as a whole but also in particular to the Ushers/Greeters at our Sunday Masses, who are some of the first people encountered when coming to our parish. This is also a good strength and value of our parish to keep in mind when addressing some of the other topics that often require a balance.

A comment that was repeated at least 24 times in the surveys was concern over how some people were dressed at Sunday Mass, that they didn't feel the attire was appropriate. While societal norms on dress have changed drastically over the last few decades, becoming much less formal than it had been, it is still a manner in which we show respect and reverence to God, and consideration to others gathered to worship. I have seen some people dressed in a manner that I would have preferred to be more formal, but I have not seen anyone dressed in a manner where I would not be welcoming of them and I was always glad that they came.

A more specific example of this is that many of the comments were regarding the attire of some of the ministers who assist in the distribution of the Eucharist. I strongly agree that if one is assisting in a ministry at Mass they have a greater obligation to dress accordingly than if they were not, but I also am grateful for those who have accepted the invitation to assist us in this ministry because we were in need. Our Eucharistic Ministers are not scheduled and instead volunteer at each of our Sunday Masses. It is not unusual that we need to ask people who had not expected to be ministering to help us at a Mass, especially in the summer months when many regular ministers may be on a vacation. While this has resulted in occasions when I consider a person was not dressed as I would desire for this ministry, I have always been impressed with the reverence and demeanor of our Eucharistic Ministers in their service. In two weeks we are having a workshop for various ministries and the concerns regarding attire will be shared. Recognizing that this is really of greatest concern when we come into the summer months a reminder will be made at that time as well.

Thank you again for your responses in the survey, participation in the town hall meetings, and the great welcome I have felt since coming here this summer. I pray we can continue to build up God's church here in O'Fallon.

Peace,

Fr. Nick





**Fish Fry's Serving \* 5:00-7:30pm**

The Knights of Columbus  
Hall is OPEN!

**Fish Fries:** Dec 6, Feb 7

**Lenten Fish Fries:** Feb 28,  
Mar 6, 13, 20, 27, Apr 3, 10

**Menu:**

Fried Cod and Catfish, Fried Chicken Fingers

**Sides:**

Pasta (Spaghetti or Mac-N-Cheese), Green Beans, Cole Slaw, Potato Salad, Desserts

**Beverages:**

Tea, Coffee - Free; Full cash bar available: Beer, Wine, and Mixed Drinks.



### DID YOU KNOW?...We now have an Assumption Chapel Endowment Fund!

Just like our houses, God's house also needs work to keep it maintained and looking nice. Here are a few things our beloved Chapel is in need of:

- carpet repairs
- walls patched and repainted from previous leaking
- new light fixtures will be needed soon

Please consider giving to this Fund to keep our historic landmark beautiful for generations to come!

Here are the details and how you can help:

An anonymous donor has created a new endowment fund with the Roman Catholic Foundation of Eastern Missouri to provide long-term support to our beloved Chapel:

#### Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church (O'Fallon) Chapel Endowment Fund

Distributions from the fund may *only* be used for expenses related to the Chapel. *They are not for general parish use.* Chapel related expenses may include renovation and/or restoration, insurance, utility expenses, etc.

Our hope for the short term is to get the balance of the fund to at least \$25,000 before the end of 2020 to allow us to receive our first distribution in the summer of 2021. Although this seems to be a long time from now, the end of 2020 will be upon us more quickly than we expect! Our long-term hope is to grow the fund to completely cover all of the expenses of the Chapel through current and memorial gifts.

Should you wish to make a gift to the fund, please contact me or our Parish Planned Giving Partner, Michael Weisbrod at 314.918.20893 or [michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org](mailto:michael.weisbrod@rcfstl.org) to discuss ways you can make a gift. Gifts may be cash, stock transfer or IRA distributions (for those over 70.5). Credit card gifts can be made online through the Foundation website: <https://rcfstl.org/fund/> and clicking on this fund name. All checks should be made payable to "RCF f.b.o. Assumption Chapel Fund"

For those of you wish to make a gift from your IRA or transfer stock, Mr. Weisbrod can provide you the information needed. Should you wish to make a gift to the fund through a deferred gift (after your lifetime), Mr. Weisbrod can also provide you with the language you will need to ensure your thoughtful and important gift is properly received and added to the fund. Many thanks to our anonymous donor and others interested in ensuring the future of our beautiful and historic Chapel!





"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

## Thanksgiving Pies for the Poor

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Food Pantry in North St Louis is asking for our assistance again this year in providing pies for the poor this Thanksgiving. They provide dinner for 1500-2000 people in the area. By providing these pies, this will help fill Thanksgiving meals for the poor in our community. If you are willing to donate a **non-refrigerated pie or two**, please bring them to the pre-function area of the Parish Center from 7am-1pm on Tuesday, November 26 and Wednesday, November 27. Just drop them off on the tables marked "Thanksgiving Pies" and be on your way. Thank you!!



## Thanksgiving Day 2019

Let's begin by celebrating Thanksgiving together! Join us on Thursday, November 28, 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, instead of the ushers/greeters passing the baskets, 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.

## Week at a Glance

	MONDAY 11.11.19	TUESDAY 11.12.19	WEDNESDAY 11.13.19
Mass Time / Intentions	6:30am Sandy Bresnan 8:00am Pam Block	6:30am Felix & Clara Burkemper 8:00am Richard Cierpiot	6:30am Bernard Luetkenhaus 8:00am John Aubuchon
Readings	1st Reading: Wis 1:1-7 Gospel : Lk 17:1-6	1st Reading : Wis 2:23 - 3:9 Gospel: Lk 17: 7-10	1st Reading: Wis 6:1-11 Gospel: Lk 17:11-19
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 School Board 7:00pm Meyer 2	Bible Study 9:30am Meyer 2 Catholicism Explained 6:00pm Meyer 1/2 Perp Help Dev. 6:15pm Chapel Liturgy Comm 7:00pm Rooms D/E	RCIA 6:00pm Multipurpose Rm Auction Mtg 6:30pm Rooms D/E CRHP Women 6:30pm Meyer 2



November 10, 2019

**Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

2 MC 7:1-2, 9-14; PS 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15; 2 THES 2:16-3:5; LK 20:27-38

Today's readings challenge us to focus on the "why" of stewardship. Why embrace this challenging way of life when it seems hard enough just to meet the demands of our daily lives and responsibilities? Because this life is not all there is. While we cannot earn our way into Heaven, what we do now with the life God has given us has eternal consequences. Stewardship living helps us to keep focused on our hoped-for destination in the choices we make each day.

In our Gospel passage from Luke, Christ reminds us we were made for more than just this life, and our choices have eternal consequences. In this passage our Lord corrects some Saducees for their mistaken notion that there is no resurrection. He instructs that "those who are deemed worthy to attain to the coming age and to the resurrection of the dead... can no longer die, for they are like angels; and they are the children of God because they are the ones who will rise."

Stewardship is not about the particular amount or kind of time, talent and treasure that we offer. It is about the conviction that everything we have is a gift from our loving God. Revisiting these three aspects of our lives on a regular basis, prayerfully discerning the best use of our gifts, and putting this down in writing clarifies and strengthens our conviction to put God first.

That is the "why" of stewardship.

~ Excerpts from: Catholic Diocese of Wichita

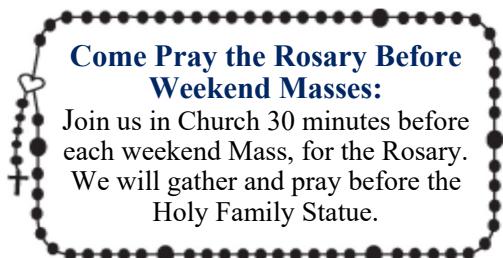
**PRAYER:**

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

Prayer

**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.



With Loving Sympathy

Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

*Darlene Gardner  
Sister of Joanna Dexter*

*Craig Hamann  
Uncle of Rob Hamann*

*Mary Kempf  
Mother of Fr. Joe Kempf*

*Fr. Robert Boisaubin  
Our Former Pastor*

**THURSDAY 11.14.19**

6:30 am Pat Liston  
8:00 am Carmela Barnert

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

7:30 - 8:00am Church  
Or by appointment

Legion of Mary 7:00pm Rms D/E  
Giving Tree 7:00pm Meyer 1/2  
Growing Project Mtg 7:00pm  
Multipurpose Room

**FRIDAY 11.15.19**

6:30am Anthony Pelchman  
8:00am Florante Repaso

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

7:30 - 8:00am Church  
Or by appointment

SVDP Scouting For Food 4:00pm  
Hall A/B  
PTO Movie Night 7:00pm Hall C

**SATURDAY 11.16.19**

9:00am Living & Deceased CPPS  
parents & relatives  
5:00 pm John Tucker

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

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

SVDP Scouting For Food 7:00am  
Halls A/B

**SUNDAY 11.17.19**

8:00 am Jake & Hanna Schaeffer  
10:00 am Marge Meyers  
12:00 pm People of the Parish  
5:30 pm James M. Davis Jr.

1st Reading: Mal 3:19-20  
2nd Reading: 2 Thes 3:7-12  
Gospel: Lk 21:5-19

Craft Fair 9:00am Halls A/B/C  
RCIA 8:00am Hall C  
Life Teen 6:45 pm Hall C



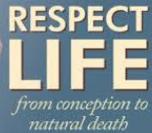
"...living the truth in love, we should grow in every way into Him...from whom the whole body, held and joined together by every supporting ligament brings about the body's growth and builds itself in love."

- Ephesians 4:15-16



## Looking For a Few Good Men!!

The adult choir is desperately seeking a few good men to share their musical gift with the parish. We have a large repertoire of 4 part music that we will not be able to sing anymore if we don't recruit a few more men singers. If you are considering this request we would ask that you have some high school or college choral experience. Please call Peggy at 314-486-4003.



### Respect Life Apostolate News!

The 40 Day March to help end abortion ended on Nov. 3rd, 2019, however, our prayers and advocating never stop. Thank you to ALL of the parishioners who marched for such an important cause, to protect the sanctity of human life! If you would like to participate in any upcoming activities, please contact Sylvia Kiphart at (636) 978.8803.

#### Upcoming activity:

- Rosary being prayed on Saturday, November 16, 8:00am at the Cathedral Basilica



## SAVE THE DATE!

Women of the parish! You are all invited to attend a beautiful event to celebrate the season of Advent.

## ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT!

Join us! Sunday, December 1st from 6-8:30pm, held in the Assumption Parish Center

### "Do You See What I See?"

Come prepare your hearts with an evening of faith and fellowship! Our guest speaker this year is John Eckhard. John is a parishioner at Assumption and a married father of 4 children, including triplets. His one son has non-verbal autism and has a service dog. John has his Masters degree in Theology and has taught high school Theology for 9 years. He has also given several retreats and days of reflection around the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

You can reserve your table by emailing Tedra Courtis at [tedra.courtis@gmail.com](mailto:tedra.courtis@gmail.com) or after the 5:00pm and 10:00am mass on Nov 16/17th. If you have any questions, please contact Tedra at 636-379-5958 or [tedra.courtis@gmail.com](mailto:tedra.courtis@gmail.com).

## 2019 Adoption Mass, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>: Celebrating the Gifts of Life & Love, Twice Given...

Celebrate the "forever families" and their children throughout the Archdiocese of St. Louis at the Annual Adoption Mass! Vicar General Msgr. Dennis Stehly will celebrate the November 17th Mass at 10:00am at the Cathedral Basilica with a reception and fellowship in Boland Hall to follow. Adoptive families and individuals are invited to sit in special reserved seating in the front/middle pews as marked, as room allows. Please contact [pro-life@archstl.org](mailto:pro-life@archstl.org) or 314-792-7555 for more information.



**TMIY Men of Assumption Parish:**

Come and Join us for Session Ten next Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 7am in the Lower Level of the Knights of Columbus Hall. Below are the session topics. Contact Deacon Richard with questions at 314-397-2433 or [DeaconRichard@charter.net](mailto:DeaconRichard@charter.net)

### Authentic Leadership in the Home

- Must Find and Adore God in the Home
- Holy Family as Our Example
- Saint Joseph, Patriarch of the Holy Family
- Joseph as Image of the Bridegroom and the Merciful Father
- Servant Leadership
- How the Domestic Church Changed Rome
- Authentic Leadership Can Transform the World

# ASSUMPTION LIFE TEEN

## CALENDAR

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

- Sun Nov 10 - Life Night (Hall C) - 6:45pm
- Wed Nov 13 - West House Wednesday (West House) - 7pm
- Sat Nov 17 - Life Night: "Where is God?" (Hall C) - 6:45pm
- Wed Nov 20 - West House Wednesday (West House) - 7pm
- Sun Nov 24 - Life Night: Friendsgiving (Hall C) - 6:45pm
- Wed Nov 27 - West House Wednesday (West House) - 7pm
- Sun Dec 1 - Life Night: "What happens when we die?" (Hall C) - 6:45pm

Check out LIFE TEEN on...

-  @assumption\_LT
-  @assumption\_life\_teen
-  Assumption Life Teen Group

### Did You Know?



Two (2) minutes of car idling consumes the same amount of gas required to drive approximately one mile and every gallon of gasoline releases 20 lbs. of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere.



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

Youth Formation



**We need your help  
FEEDING our awesome hungry  
teens on Sunday's!**

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HELP PROVIDE A SIMPLE MEAL FOR A SINGLE SUNDAY

**TO HELP YOU CAN EITHER:**

**1) SIGN-UP GENIUS:**

**ASSUMPTIONBVM.ORG/YOUTH-MINISTRY/LIFE-TEEN**

**2) EMAIL PHIL:**

**PHIL.ASSUMPTIONY@GMAIL.COM**

**3) CALL PHIL: 440-785-9116**



### MEDJUGORJE PIIGRIMAGE

Have you heard about Medjugorje? Have you thought about going but have not done so yet? Parishioners from Assumption will be going again, March 12-21, 2020. Registration and initial deposit is due by Dec. 2, 2019. To learn more, contact Ray or Diane Gerard at (847) 638-5242, [dgerard77@comcast.net](mailto:dgerard77@comcast.net) or visit [jmjpilgrims.com](http://jmjpilgrims.com).



**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



## SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEEDS YOUR HELP! **IS YOUR MINISTRY OR SOCIAL GROUP LOOKING FOR A PROJECT TO HELP THE NEEDY THIS CHRISTMAS?**

SVDP is sponsoring a **Christmas Program** for our **Neighbors in Need** on Saturday, Dec. 14, and would appreciate your help in supplying any of the following:

- Rolls of Christmas wrap, ribbon, safety scissors, gift tags, and tape
- "Stock the House" items, such as small electric appliances: toasters, coffee pots, lamps, etc.
- Blankets, pillows, bedding, towels, etc.
- Gifts for the homeless, such as waterproof mats, tents, etc.

These items are meant to supplement the gifts from the "GIVING TREE." Many of our neighbors in need, lack the simple necessities that we often take for granted. They will be invited to walk through the Parish Center and choose an item from the table displays during their Christmas Program visit.

If you would like to bake cookies or brownies for this Christmas event, those would also be most welcome. For more information and ideas on how you can make this Christmas brighter for our less fortunate neighbors, please call Tammy at 314-603-2395, or Georgia at 636-294-0097. **Pickup of your donated items can be arranged.**



### Calling ALL Giving Tree Volunteers! We Need you...November 14th!

If you signed up to help with the Giving Tree there will be a meeting on November 14th at 7pm in the Meyer room. Please bring with you a pen, and a hole punch if you can. Service hours are available for helping at this meeting. If you cannot make it and still want to help please call Steve at 636.443.5854



### THIS WEEKEND November 10<sup>th</sup>

Mississippi Valley Regional Blood Center will be in the Parish Center this weekend *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. To schedule an appointment, you may go to [bloodcenter-IMPACT.org](http://bloodcenter-IMPACT.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** is in conjunction with the Mississippi Valley Blood Drive! We will have several health & wellness representatives to encourage healthy choices! More info coming soon!



### THIS WEEKEND! November 9/10 St. Vincent De Paul Pantry weekend!

Currently, our greatest need involves non-food items such as toilet paper, liquid dish soap, deodorant, shampoo, razor blades, Kleenex, laundry detergent, dryer sheets or fabric softener, disinfectant wipes, toilet bowl cleaner, and cleaning supplies. We are also low on spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, sloppy Joe mix, Meal Helpers (Hamburger, Tuna, Chicken), pancake mix and syrup.

We are preparing for the *Scouting For Food Drive* to be held Nov 16th. This event involves several thousand Boy Scout troops and packs collecting non-perishable food. Assumption's SVDP pantry is blessed to be one of many pantries to receive a portion of that collection. We need able-bodied volunteers to help sort, box and move banana boxes full of food. This is a great opportunity for service hours! This is a fun, fast paced day while runners sort items, then movers prepare for transport back to pantry. Please bring a dolly or two-wheeler if you have one as it expedites transporting full boxes. We will be in Halls A & B from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Questions? Call Cathy Hackman 636-699-8942.

Thank you for your amazing and ongoing support!!



## 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.



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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."

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**St. Francis of Assisi parish in Portage Des Sioux, have suffered from the recent flooding.** Their Parish Picnic originally scheduled for August 5<sup>th</sup> had to be postponed because of all the damage to the parish hall. In the past year, they created a Cook Book called 'Between Two Rivers'. A few St. Francis parishioners will be here at Assumption, on December 1<sup>st</sup>, in our parish center during Hospitality Sunday, to sell their cook books. Your purchase of a cook book would be of great help to them and the financial support they are in need of due to the flood. *And they make great Christmas gifts!*

## Our Gifts to God and Parish

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

	October 27, 2019	7/1/2019 - 10/31/2019	
Envelopes (410)& On Line	\$ 27,425	\$ 561,029	
Loose	\$ 1,164	\$ 19,114	
Total	\$ 28,589	\$ 580,143	

**Needed to sustain our mission \$608,000**

**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

**STEWARDSHIP**  
*a way of life*

<b>Permanent Diaconate \$943</b>
<b>Mission Sunday \$931</b>

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

**TITHING**

# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## HOLIDAY CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR

**SUN | NOV 17 | 9a -1p**

**403 N. Main St. ~ O'Fallon, MO 63366**



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booth, please email:

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OR call Krystal Mills at 636-345-0522



"...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

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