

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

JESUS SAID,

"ALL MEN WILL HATE YOU BECAUSE OF ME.
BUT NOT A HAIR OF YOUR HEAD WILL PERISH."

LUKE 21:17,18

*Do not worry if somebody hates you for nothing.
Stand firm in your faith in Jesus. Jesus will protect you.*

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ November 17, 2019

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.



ANOINTING 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 2nd grade. Please contact Ann Marie Quan at 636-240-1020.

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Hello,

This Monday we are celebrating the Feast of St. Rose Philippine Duchesne. Also this Monday is the Dedication of the Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul, but since St. Rose Philippine Duchesne is a secondary patron of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, having lived and died here, she gets top billing here. But before coming to St. Louis she had already lived through some interesting times in France, the French Revolution wasn't the best time to be joining a convent there.

Born August 29, 1769 at Grenoble and educated by the Visitation nuns at Sainte Marie d'en Haut, Rose Philippine Duchesne entered the Visitation community at the age of 17. During the Reign of Terror the community was expelled from France and Philippine returned home. After the Concordat of 1801, she and her companions attempted to rebuild their convent but were unsuccessful. In 1804 she persuaded Mother Barat, Founder of the Society of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, to accept the convent of Sainte Marie, and Philippine and four others became postulants. She was professed in 1805.

In 1818, with four companions, she was sent to the United States of America to found the first American house of the Society, a log cabin at St. Charles, near St. Louis, Missouri. She opened the first American free school west of the Mississippi, received the first American postulant in 1820, and, by 1828 had founded six houses. In 1840, Rose Philippine Duchesne resigned as superior to devote herself, at the age of 71, to beginning a school for the Indians at Sugar Creek. Deteriorating health forced her to resign this much cherished work and on November 18, 1852, she died, having spent 34 years of her life extending the work of the Society as an international community.

I had often heard of her long desire to work with the Indians and her difficulty with learning the Potawatomi language resulting in her only spending one year with them, but I didn't realize she was already in her 70's at that time. Even with that she did manage to serve them with her prayer and by her example, gaining the name "Woman Who Prays Always."

Rose Philippine Duchesne was beatified in 1940 and canonized in 1988. As we celebrate this local saint, and inspired by her actions, we might consider how we can help spread God's word in the world today.

Peace,

Fr. Nick

Assumption of the Blessed
Virgin Mary



**Don't Miss
This!**

HOLIDAY CRAFT & VENDOR FAIR

TODAY!

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

THANK
You
for
**YOUR
MINISTRY**

**Attention all
LECTORS; EXTRODINARY MINISTERS;
MUSICIANS; USHER/GREETERS; & SACRISTANS**

You are invited to attend a **Liturgical Ministers Day** lead by our three amazing priests and your ministry coordinators - Saturday, November 23 from 9:00am-11:00am in Church! We will go over things you may already know and introduce and few new things. We hope to see you there! Thank you for all the ways you help make our liturgies beautiful!



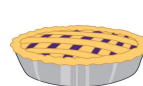
"For thus says the Lord: When you call Me, and come and pray to Me, I will listen to you. When you look for Me, you will find Me. Yes, when you seek Me with all your heart, I will let you find Me..."

- 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 11.18.19	TUESDAY 11.19.19	WEDNESDAY 11.20.19
Mass Time / Intentions	6:30am Respect Life Apostolate 8:00am Mary Jane Schalk	6:30am Artie Molitor 8:00am Francis & Alice McHugh	6:30am Needs of Immigrants & Refugees 8:00am Madeline Dove
Readings	1st Reading: 1Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63 Gospel: Lk 18:35-43	1st Reading: 2Mc 6:18-31 Gospel: Lk 19:1-10	1st Reading: 2Mc 7:1, 20-31 Gospel: Lk 19:11-28
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 Parish Council Mtg 7:00pm May 2	Bible Study 9:30am Meyer 2 Cath. Explained 6:00pm Meyer 1/2 Perp Help Dev. 6:15pm Chapel RCIA 6:30pm Hall A Ath Assoc. 7:00pm Rooms D/E CRHP Men 7:00pm Multipurpose R	CRHP Women 6:30pm Meyer 2 St. Vincent de Paul Mtg 7:00pm SVDP Center



Advent Reflection 2019

"The Word Was Made Flesh and Dwelt Among Us" highlights the meaning and significance for each of us of the Incarnation, the reality of the Word of God being made flesh in the Virgin Mary's womb and living among us. "Put flesh upon the reality" of our union with one another in the Body of Christ through participation in this free Advent reflection, held at several parishes throughout the Archdiocese on December 1 or December 15. Each site will host a meal, a conference, and an opportunity to participate in an outreach offering to our local sisters and brothers in need.



St. Charles Deanery - Sunday, Dec. 15 at 5:00pm

All Saints Church - Annex
310 Cardinal Place / St. Peters, MO 63366
636.397.1440
Presenter: Fr. Don Wester

For more dates, times and locations or to register, visit www.catholicfaithstl/catholic-stl-adults

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.



PRAYER:

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



Please pray for the repose of the soul of:

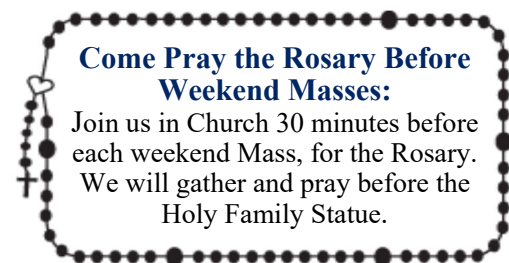
*Colleen Roache
Mother of Larry Beck*

*Debbie Crustals
Sister of Doug Moran*

Advent Prayer Day

Join us for an Advent Day of Prayer, Birthing Hope, on Saturday, December 14, 2019 from 10:00 – 3:00 at the Sanguis Christi Spirituality Center at 204 North Main, O'Fallon, Mo. (Mass at 9:00 is optional.) Our presenter is Kathleen Geraty Davis, spiritual director and retreat leader, the cost is \$35.00, lunch included and the deadline for registration is Wednesday, December 11, 2019. For more information or to register contact Sr. Carol Orf at corf@cpps-ofallon.org or 314-560-1028.

Prayer



Come Pray the Rosary Before Weekend Masses:

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

THURSDAY 11.21.19

6:30 am Frances Melliore
8:00 am Pam Blalock

1st Reading: 1Mc 2:15-29
Gospel: Lk 19:41-44

7:30 - 8:00am Church
Or by appointment
Legion of Mary 7:00pm Rms D/E

FRIDAY 11.22.19

6:30am Francis & Loraine Geisz
8:00am Marge Meyers

1st Reading: 1Mc 4:36-37, 52-59
Gospel: Lk 19:15-48

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

SATURDAY 11.23.19

9:00am Deceased CPPS
5:00 pm Frank Regan

1st Reading: 1Mc 6:1-13
Gospel: Lk 20:27-40

4:00-4:45pm Church
Or by appointment
Liturgical Ministers Day 8:00am
Hall C, Church

SUNDAY 11.24.19

8:00 am Dorothy Aubuchon
10:00 am People of the Parish
12:00 pm Mary Ellen Renaud
5:30 pm Shirley & Ralph Humphries
1st Reading: 2Sm 5:1-3
2nd Reading: Col 1:12-20
Gospel: Lk 23:35-43

Baptisms - After Noon Mass
RCIA Retreat 8:00am Hall B, C,
Meyer 1 & 2
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

Adult Formation



RCIA

Next weekend we will spend in one of two Spiritual Retreat Days. Also, this will be one of 2 weekends we join all of you at the 8:00 am Mass in its entirety. Our Candidates/Catechumens will come forward for a blessing. Our theme this year is Here I am Lord. Am I at the right place?

Will I try to give myself time and space for silence so as to savor the mysteries of Christmas? Do I pray? Real wisdom is to know what God's gifts to us are for. We have to be alert and watchful for all the ways he comes to change our image ourselves. This retreat invites us to get ready for the coming of Christ by exploring familiar Advent themes: Mary, hope, preparation, joy, peace and prayer...

Readings in the next few weeks are chosen with care for their ability to convey the message and meaning of this holy time. Individuals and families alike find them instructive, consoling and inspiring — a valuable way to grow deeper into the Advent spirit and prepare their hearts for Christmas.

There always is a period of preparation and anticipation. Advent is a time for us to wait with Mary of Jesus's birth. We need to plan spiritual exercises, customs, and quiet times that will lead us into, and hold us in, the attitude of holy expectation.

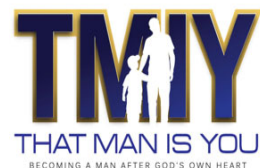
We want to surround ourselves in Advent traditions and devotions in order to increase the longing and open our hearts more fully to the coming of the Savior at Christmas. Please pray for our journey.



WOMEN OF THE PARISH!

You are all invited to attend a beautiful event to celebrate the season of Advent. Come prepare your hearts with an evening of faith and fellowship! Our guest speaker this year will be John Eckhard, parishoner and catholic educator. To participate in this beautiful evening, you can reserve your table after the 5:00pm and 10:00am Masses this weekend OR email Tedra at tedra.courtis@gmail.com. Each table seats 8 guests with one serving as hostess. Detailed information will be sent to each hostess prior to the event.

TMIY Men of Assumption Parish



Come and Join us for Session 11 next Saturday, November 23rd at 7:00am 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*

Session 11: The Death of the West

- The Atheistic Western Model
- Culture Shaped by Education and Media
- Education and Media affect Marriage, Faith and Fertility
- Secularization of Europe as a Case Study
- When Men Are Given a Pass, Society Suffers
- Saint Pope JP II's Warning to the West

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, 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! Tuesdays, 6:15-7:15 on Nov. 19, and Dec. 3 in Meyer 1/2. *During PSR.



ASSUMPTION LIFE TEEN

CALENDAR

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

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

LIFE TEEN:



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Assumption Life Teen Group



FORMATION

Continuous conversion of mind and heart

"Following Jesus is the work of a lifetime"

Youth Formation



HELP FEED THE HUNGRY

FILL THE TRAILER WITH NON-PERISHABLE FOOD ITEMS

All items will be donated to St. Vincent De Paul Food Pantry.

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in."

MATTHEW 25:35



Starting this weekend through Thanksgiving Sunday, the food drive trailer will be parked outside the Parish entrance to accept donations for the St. Vincent DePaul food pantry.

Please consider making a donation of non-perishable items to help those in need. The trailer will be open before all Masses each weekend.



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

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.ASSUMPTIONYM@gmail.com

3) CALL PHIL: 440-785-9116



**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.

Respect Life Apostolate News!



We will be collecting diapers for Our Lady's Inn located in Wentzville, Mo. You will find a container located in the pre-function area. If you are able to help, please drop any size diapers off through out the month of November.

Thank you!

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 **Friday, November 22, 2019** from 9:30 am - 3:30 pm 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 information or to register contact Sr. Carol Orf at 314-560-1028 or email, corf@cpps-ofallon.org.

Medjugorje Information Night, Monday, November 25.

If you are considering whether to join others from Assumption on a pilgrimage to Medjugorje, or if not and you simply want to learn more about the place and the phenomenon, you are invited for an evening of movie clips, book excerpts and personal stories. Also, free copies of the book, *My Heart Will Triumph*, by Mirjana Soldo, will be available. The meeting will begin at 7:00 in the Meyer Room. If coming, please either call or email Ray Gerard at (847) 638-5242, rgerard3@comcast.net

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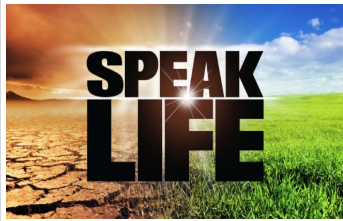
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- Complete a simple registration form and SUBMIT. It's that easy!

Questions....please call the parish office. 636-240-3721.

EARLY Bulletin deadlines for November

The December 1st Bulletin Announcements are due by **NOVEMBER 20th at 9:00am**
 Email announcements to: peggy.assumption@yahoo.com



Mark Your Calendars NOW!

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Mission – Jan. 26-29th, 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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Matthew 25:40

Service



St. Francis of Assisi parish in Portage Des Sioux, have suffered from the recent flooding. Their Parish Picnic originally scheduled for August 5th 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 1st, 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.

	November 3, 2019	7/1/2019 - 11/3/2019
Envelopes (410)& On Line	\$ 44,049	\$ 605,078
Loose	\$ 1,290	\$ 20,404
Total	\$ 45,339	\$ 625,482

Needed to sustain our mission \$652,000

Loan Balance as of 10/31/2019: \$1,578,662

"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

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

TITHING

Christmas Concert

The Concert Arts Assoc. invites you to join them for their 48th season of musical excitement on Sunday, December 8th at 3:00pm as the "Choral Arts Singers" present their annual CHRISTMAS CONCERT here at Assumption Parish in the CHAPEL. "Christmas Around the World" features favorite holiday songs from around the globe, including Europe, Africa, Asia, France and America. Come join in a fun and festive afternoon of music. Admission is free, but donations are welcome to help the Concert Arts Assoc. continue their efforts of bringing musical enjoyment to our community. For additional information and concert dates, contact Bonnie Lang at 636-887-2899 or visit concertarts.org.

Caroling Christmas Cards

Caroling Christmas Cards bring a musical holiday greeting right to your door. Members of the "Choral Arts Singers" will deliver a unique holiday mini-concert of 5 selections to the address that you choose – a terrific way to let someone know they are especially thought of during the holidays. Cards will be delivered on Monday, December 16th from 6:30pm to 9:30pm in the O'Fallon/Lake St. Louis/Wentzville area for a donation of \$50.00. A limited number of cards are available, so reserve yours today. For reservations or additional information, contact Bonnie Lang at 636-887-2899.



November 17, 2019

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

MAL 3:19-20A; PS 98:5-9; 2 THES 3:7-12; LK 21:5-19

As we approach the end of the liturgical year, our readings offer a sobering reminder that this life is not our ultimate aim, and that God's justice will triumph in the end. Now is the time to get our priorities in right order, putting God first above all else as his faithful stewards.

Our Lord brings home the urgency of right priorities in our Gospel passage from Luke, reminding the people around him who were looking at the temple nearby, *"All that you see here — the days will come when there will not be left a stone upon another stone that will not be thrown down."* All in this world is passing, our Lord reminds. We must keep our focus on eternity.

Yet, before the eternal bliss of heaven, we should expect to be tried and tested. *"Before all this happens, however, they will seize and persecute you, they will hand you over to the synagogues and to prisons and they will have you led before kings and governors because of my name."*

Sounds scary. But if you are living a stewardship way of life, there is nothing to fear. You have a plan in place. All you need to do is stick with it. Put our Lord first in your time, with your talents and through your use of treasure. This way of life is not meant to be easy. But Jesus promises it will lead to eternal salvation and the joy of union with Him. *"You will be hated by all because of my name, but not a hair on your head will be destroyed. By your perseverance you will secure your lives."*

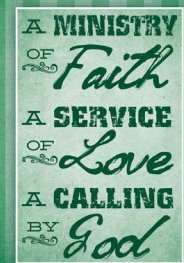
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Adult Formation



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ASSUMPTION SCHOOL
636.240.4474

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by Tuesday 9:00am

WEBSITE

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facebook.com/@assumptionmedia
assumptionparish



PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Religious instruction in the Catholic faith. Call 636.240.1020 for information or to register.

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

For one-on-one grief support, contact Kris Bohn at 636.795.2611, and for information regarding our grief support series, which is held twice per year, contact Lynn Crews at 294.0821.

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