

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

DECEMBER 30, 2018

*Jesus said to his parents,
“Why were you looking for me?
Did you not know that I
must be in my Father’s house?”*

Luke 2:49



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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 at least one year in advance. One party must be a registered member of Assumption and living an active, practicing Catholic life. Contact Angie at the Parish Office, ext 235.



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



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From an address by Pope Paul VI, in Nazareth of Galilee,
January 5, 1964

Nazareth, a model

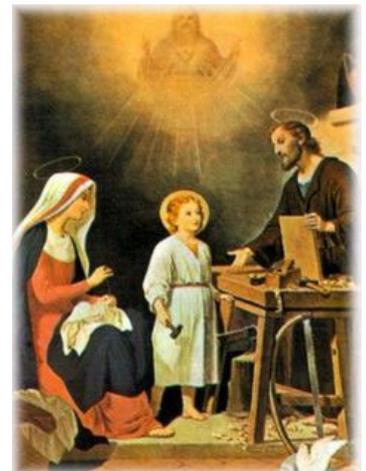
How I would like to return to my childhood and attend the simple yet profound school that is Nazareth! How wonderful to be close to Mary, learning again the lesson of the true meaning of life, learning again God's truths. But here we are only on pilgrimage. Time presses and I must set aside my desire to stay and carry on my education in the Gospel, for that education is never finished. But I cannot leave without recalling, briefly and in passing; some thoughts I take with me from Nazareth.

First, we learn from its silence. If only we could once again appreciate its great value. We need this wonderful state of mind, beset as we are by the cacophony of strident protests and conflicting claims so characteristic of these turbulent times. The silence of Nazareth should teach us how to meditate in peace and quiet, to reflect on the deeply spiritual, and to be open to the voice of God's inner wisdom and the counsel of his true teachers. Nazareth can teach us the value of study and preparation, of meditation, of a well-ordered personal spiritual life, and of silent prayer that is known only to God.

Second, we learn about family life. May Nazareth serve as a model of what the family should be. May it show us the family's holy and enduring character and exemplify its basic function in society: a community of love and sharing, beautiful for the problems it poses and the rewards it brings, in sum, the perfect setting for rearing children – and for this there is no substitute.

Finally, in Nazareth, the home of a craftsman's son, we learn about work and the discipline it entails. I would especially like to recognize its value – demanding yet redeeming – and to give it proper respect. I would remind everyone that work has its own dignity. On the other hand, it is not an end in itself. Its value and free character, however, derive not only from its place in the economic system, as they say, but rather from the purpose it serves.

In closing, may I express my deep regard for people everywhere who work for a living. To them I would point out their great model, Christ their brother, our Lord and God, who is their prophet in every cause that promotes their well being.





HOSPITALITY:

Christian
Kindness
"We are ALL
hospitality
ministers"

Hospitality

Epiphany Home Blessing



One interesting custom for Epiphany is for families to ask God's blessing on our own homes. The ritual calls for parents to mark, with blessed chalk, the main entrance door with the initials of the Magi and a code of the current year. This year's mark will be:

20 + C + M + B + 19

The numbers stand for the year in which the blessing is inscribed (2019). The letters stand for the names traditionally given the Magi who found the Christ Child: Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar. They are also an abbreviation for the Latin blessing: *Christus mansionem benedicat*, or "Christ bless this dwelling." Blessed chalk and holy water will be available after masses the weekend of January 5/6.

Gather your family at the main entrance to your home.

All make the sign of the cross.

Parent: **"Let us praise God, who fills our hearts and homes with peace.
Blessed be God forever."**

Family: **"Blessed be God forever"**

Parent or reader: *(reading from Sacred Scripture)* **"And behold, the star that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it came and stopped over the place where the child was. They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage."** *Matt 2:10-11*

Parent imparts the blessing: **"Lord God of heaven and earth, You revealed Your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill them with the light of Christ, that their concern for others may reflect Your love. We ask this through Christ, our Lord."**

Family: **"Amen"**

Then the parent sprinkles holy water on those gathered and sprinkles it about the home.



December 31
Mary Mother of God
Vigil Mass, 5:30pm
January 1
Mary Mother of God
Mass, 9:00am
January 11 - 13
ABVM Musical
"Newsies"
January 14
*8:00am Mass will
be in the Chapel



IMPORTANT! The Guadalupe Room

The purpose of our beautiful Guadalupe Room when we built our church building was for our brides to dress on their wedding day as well as a quiet space for mom's to bring their babies during Mass when needed.

FROM THIS DAY FORWARD, if there are any items left in the Guadalupe Room they will be removed. We will be cleaning this room daily. We ask that you **DO NOT** use this room as a pick-up/drop-off any longer as we are keeping this room clean and reflective. Also, there will no longer be shelving units in this room, these units are moving to the Chapel alcove where there is 24 hour access for anyone who needs to pick up a booklet, etc. **Thank you** for your assistance in keeping our Guadalupe Room beautiful and to be what this room was intended for!



“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



With Loving Sympathy

Please Pray for TheRepose of the Soul of:

*Joseph Camp
Father of Amy Rush*

*Rose Walsh
Of Our Parish Family*

*Stella Riechmann
Of Our Parish Family*

Come Pray the Rosary Before Weekend Masses

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

All are welcome, EVERY TUESDAY!

Please come and pray for peace and special intentions. The Rosary and Perpetual Help Devotions; Every Tuesday at 6:15pm in the Chapel.



Please Pray For Our Troops

Do you have family or friend who are currently serving in the Armed Forces? If so we would like to pray for them by name as a community! To add or remove a name from our list, please call Ralph Pieper 636.240.3415 or email, rhpieper1@hotmail.com. Thank you for your prayerful support to help keep our troops serving our country safe!

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| Christopher Schneider | Son of Shelly and Jim Schneider |
| Anthony Horvath | Nephew of Judy Horvath |
| Scott Boatright | Son of Mary and Don Boatright |
| Steve Boatright | Son of Mary and Don Boatright |
| Thomas Townsend | Grandson of Lorraine Cully |
| Shaun Brown D.O. | Son of Rick and Andrea Wild |
| Clark A. Davis | Grandson of Jerry & Mary Ann Davis |
| Aaron Davis | Son of Tammy and Tim Davis |
| Timothy Johnson | Son of Gordon and Tina Johnson |
| Bethanie Mahl | Granddaughter of Jerry & Ann Snow |
| Jason Jones | Grandson of Joyce Hunn |
| Dustin Hesscamp | Grandson of Joyce Hunn |
| Austen Thomas | Son of Jeanine Thomas |
| Alexander Boden | Grandson of Bob and Jan Weber |
| Christopher Weber | Grandson of Bob and Jan Weber |
| Gabriel Gage | Nephew of Madeline & Larry Gage and Grandson of Julitta Gage |
| Michael Nachtmann | Grandson of Carol Nachtmann |
| Allen Mann | Grandson of Carol Nachtmann |
| Alex Struckoff | Nephew of Keith and Jean Boal |
| Connor Smith | Nephew of Keith and Jean Boal |
| Sydney Smith | Niece of Keith and Jean Boal |
| Miranda Gerringer | Granddaughter of Keith & Jean Boal |
| Marissa Johnson | Great Granddaughter of Ruth Ell |
| Kevin Gunnarson | Son-in-law of Kelly and Joe Speth |
| Michael Pabst | Son of Cathy and Chuck Pabst |
| Garrett Einggeli | Grandson of John & Sherry Busken |

Week at a Glance

	MONDAY 12.31.18	TUESDAY 1.01.18	WEDNESDAY 1.02.18
Mass Time / Intentions	6:30am Shawn Reesor 8:00am Gloria Chaffee 5:30pm Richard Salas	9:00am Sallie Lee Roam	6:30am Rose Marie Schneider 8:00am Sister Adrian
Readings	1st Reading: 1 Jn 2:18-21 Gospel: Jn 1:1-18	1st Reading Nm 6:22-27 2nd Reading Gal 4:4-7 Gospel: Lk 2:16-21	1st Reading: 1 Jn 2:22-28 Gospel: Jn 1:19-28
Reconciliation	7:30am - 8:00am Church NO Old Testament Bible Study	No Reconciliation Floor Maintenance - Parish Center closed	7:30 - 8:00am Church 4 - 4:30pm & 9 - 9:30pm Chapel Floor Maintenance - Parish Center closed
Other Events/Activities			

Monday, January 14th, 8:00am Mass will take place in the Chapel.

The Story of Mary, Mother of God

Mary’s divine motherhood broadens the Christmas spotlight. Mary has an important role to play in the Incarnation of the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity. She consents to God’s invitation conveyed by the angel (Luke 1:26-38). Elizabeth proclaims: “Most blessed are you among women and blessed is the *fruit of your womb*. And how does this happen to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me?” (Luke 1:42-43, emphasis added). Mary’s role as mother of God places her in a unique position in God’s redemptive plan.



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

Without naming Mary, Paul asserts that **“God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law”** (Galatians 4:4). Paul’s further statement that **“God sent the spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying out ‘Abba, Father!’”** helps us realize that Mary is mother to all the brothers and sisters of Jesus. Some theologians also insist that Mary’s motherhood of Jesus is an important element in God’s creative plan. God’s “first” thought in creating was Jesus. Jesus, the incarnate Word, is the one who could give God perfect love and worship on behalf of all creation. As Jesus was “first” in God’s mind, Mary was “second” insofar as she was chosen from all eternity to be his mother.

The precise title **“Mother of God”** goes back at least to the third or fourth century. In the Greek form *Theotokos*—God-bearer—it became the touchstone of the Church’s teaching about the Incarnation. The Council of Ephesus in 431 insisted that the holy Fathers were right in calling the holy virgin *Theotokos*. At the end of this particular session, crowds of people marched through the street shouting: “Praised be the *Theotokos!*” The tradition reaches to our own day. In its chapter on Mary’s role in the Church, Vatican II’s *Dogmatic Constitution on the Church* calls Mary **“Mother of God”** 12 times.

Reflection

Other themes come together at today’s celebration. It is the Octave of Christmas: Our remembrance of Mary’s divine motherhood injects a further note of Christmas joy. It is a day of prayer for world peace: Mary is the mother of the Prince of Peace. It is the first day of a new year: Mary continues to bring new life to her children—who are also God’s children.

~Excerpts taken from Franciscan Media

Join us in celebrating the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God ~ Holy Day of Obligation
Vigil Mass, Monday, 12/31/18 – 5:30pm in Church
Feast Day Mass, Tuesday – 9:00am in Church

Prayer

THURSDAY 12.03.18	FRIDAY 12.04.18	SATURDAY 12.05.18	SUNDAY 12.06.18
6:30 am Vocations	6:30 am Vocation to the Priesthood and Religious Life	9:00 am Vincent & Renee Keeven	8:00 am People of the Parish
8:00 am Harry Patterson	8:00 am Mary Ann Patterson	5:00 pm Dolores Wimsatt	10:00 am Glennon & Rose Ohmes
1st Reading: 1 Jn 2:29 - 3:6	1st Reading: 1Jn 3:7-10	1st Reading: 1 Jn 3:11-21	12:00 pm John Polansky
Gospel: Jn 1:29-34	Gospel: Jn 1:35 - 42	Gospel: Jn 1:43-51	5:30 pm Carolyn Elfrink
7:30 - 8:00am Church	7:30 - 8:00am Church	4:00 - 4:45pm Church	1st Reading: Is 60:1-6
4 - 4:30pm & 9 - 9:30pm Chapel	4 - 4:30pm & 9 - 9:30pm Chapel	9:00 - 9:30 pm Chapel	2nd Reading: Eph 3:2-3, 5-6
Youth Musical Practice 6pm Gym			Gospel: Mt 2:1-12
Legion of Mary 7:00pm Hall D/E			4:00-4:30 & 9:00-9:30pm Chapel
Advent Series 7:00pm Chapel			Baptism - After Noon Mass, Church
K of C Meeting 7:00pm Halls A/B			
K of C Ladies Aux 7:00pm Hall C			

Monday, January 14th, 8:00am Mass will take place in the Chapel.



“...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

PLEASE NOTE:

There will be NO Bible Study (Old Testament Bible Study) on Monday, December 31st.



Save The Date!
Upcoming RETREATS - 2019!

Men's Retreat: February 9/10

Women's Retreat: March 9/10

A CRHP Retreat is a weekend retreat designed to bring parish members together in Christ and emphasizes continued growth in Christian life. During the weekend you will find love and laughter, great food and friendship, and a renewed sense of belonging to Assumption parish. Give yourself a weekend you won't forget. Come and be spiritually renewed while enjoying awesome fellowship, making new friends, and sharing faith with fellow parishioners. It is an experience worth your time! It's also another wonderful way to begin the New Year and kick off Lent!

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

For the Women's Retreat, please contact:
Mo Rackers at: 636.357.8004 or morackers@gmail.com

For the Men's Retreat, please contact:
Jim Berry at: 401.318.0266 or tim.berry@pharma.com

IMPORTANT: Are you a volunteer for the School or Parish? You MUST be in compliance

In order to be in compliance with the Archdiocese, you must have a Signed Code of Conduct, a completed Worker Registration Form. (Background Check) and a PGC Class.

IF YOU TOOK THE CLASS, BUT DID NOT COMPLETE THE FORMS, you are not in compliance and cannot volunteer. If you need either of these forms (Code of Conduct or Worker Registration), please contact Lynn Crews at 314-578-0741, or lynn.assumption@gmail.com.

PLEASE NOTE: *Our Parish will soon be going through the Archdiocesan Audit and each volunteer must have ALL completed paperwork on file for our parish to be in compliance.*



Wedding Banns

Cathy Button
and
Keith Fetsch

Got PRAYERS? Assumption's Prayer Teams will be available after all Masses the weekend of January 5/6 to pray with and for you! (Also available after all Sunday, 10:00am Masses) Here are some amazing facts about the prayer teams:

- Prayer teams are parishioners who bring Christ to the world through prayer.
- We'll pray for you, your loved ones, your friends...anyone whom you'd like to lift in prayer.
- We pray for intentions big AND small! If it's on your heart, bring it to Christ!
- Teams will do ALL the praying if you'd prefer! Just bring yourself and your intentions.
- Want to give thanks and praise to God? We love to do that!



CALENDAR

Sun December 30 - Life Night: New Years Party



IT'S LUKE 18 TIME!

High Schoolers:

It's time to sign up to be Disciples and Core Team members where you have a blast leading 8th graders closer to Jesus and deeper in their faith! Service Hours are available for this retreat. Sign up at this Google Form Link: <https://goo.gl/forms/WsOvgj4F3UnsYy0s2>

8th Graders:

This overnight retreat weekend is only open to 8th Graders and is always one of the high points of the year for 8th graders time and again!

If interested or want more info, please fill out this Google Form: <https://goo.gl/forms/V8aOabMy64fal9WB3>

These links are also on the Assumption Life Teen web page as well as our calendar of Youth Ministry Events at: www.assumptionbvm.org/youth-ministry/life-teen



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Assumption Life Teen

CYC Golf Registration is now open for boys and girls in Grades 1-8. Please sign up at aaa63366003.siplay.com Contact Jeff La Barge at 314-495-9198 or jslabarge@yahoo.com



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

Youth Formation

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



When his parents saw him, they were astonished, and his mother said to him, "Son, why have you done this to us? Your Father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety." And he said to them, Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?"

Lk 2:48-49



★ to benefit Assumption School and Athletic Association. ★

January 26th 2019 Parish Center at Assumption Parish in O'Fallon, MO
Doors open at 6pm, Games start promptly at 630pm,
Beverages and Food provided.

Texas Hold'em

Entry fee:
\$60 buy-in
\$70 at the door
\$30 rebuys available

Top Prize:
World Series of Poker
2019 Las Vegas Package,
includes airfare,
hotel accommodations,
and Entry into a WSOP event.

Bunco

Entry fee:
\$25, \$30 at the door

Top Prize:
Ameristar Hotel
and Spa Package

General Admission

Food, drink, Raffles, Bags,
Live Music & entertainment
will be included at the
same cost as Bunco

General admission is \$25 in
advance or \$30 at the door.

To register online go to <http://assumptionbvmschool.org/Activities/Poker-Bunco-Night>
Event sponsorship opportunities available. Please contact Adam Johnson at adam10johnson@gmail.com
with questions or for sponsorship information.



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Hospitality

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THE BROADWAY MUSICAL

TICKETS ON SALE NOW

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SHOWTIMES

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11 | 7:00 PM
SATURDAY, JANUARY 12 | 7:00 PM
SUNDAY, JANUARY 13 | 5:30 PM

St. Dominic High School | Amy Dickherber Performing Arts Center



New Member Registration, Next Weekend, January 6th!

If you are attending Mass here but have not yet formally registered, we invite you to do so! So that we might welcome you personally, we invite you to attend Noon Mass and continue with parish registration in Hall C from 1:00 - 1:45pm.

**ALL Are Invited to
Invite a Friend to Mass!**

January 5/6 - Each and every first weekend of the month, you are invited to invite someone you know who may not be church-going on a regular basis to: Come to Mass.

Pope Francis said, "Those who have opened their hearts to God's love, heard his voice and received his light, cannot keep this gift to themselves. Since faith is hearing and seeing, it is also handed on as word and light."

Let's be inexplicably kind, patient, compassionate, and thankful. Let's let our unconditional, unwarranted goodness and joy take others by surprise and stir them to wonder why we're like that. Then, let's be ready to extend the gentle invitation: "Come with me and find out."

Prayer – *Jesus, may others know You through me.*



**HOSPITALITY SUNDAY,
Next Weekend, January 6th!**



Join us for Hospitality Sunday, after all Masses, in Halls A/B from 7:30am - 1:30pm. Stop by after any Mass and visit with fellow parishioners and enjoy donuts, bagels, juice, milk and coffee! We welcome all parishioners and guests to visit in friendship and fellowship encouraging them to find Christ here and to bring Christ to the world.

Giving Online: It's easy, convenient, and environmentally friendly!

Please join us in our Financial Vision: We each give financially as God asks of us:
 For the physical and spiritual needs of all who would ever come here
 For the needs of those who suffer, and
 For our own spiritual well-being and growth

Tips: What you might want to know about Online Giving before beginning:

When given the option to create an account or give a one-time gift, you will want to **CREATE AN ACCOUNT:**

- You can manage/edit your level of giving at all times
- You may use your credit card, or draw from checking or savings account

Instructions:

- ~ Go to Assumption's website: assumptionbvm.org
- ~ Under Quick Links on the right, click on: Online Giving
- ~ Click on: Login/Create an Online Giving Account
- ~ Create username and password and keep it in a safe, easily accessible place.
 (If you forget your username, call Mary Knapp in the parish office.
 (If you forget your password, you must reset it on line.)
- ~ Follow the prompts for adding your personal information
- ~ Click on: New Donation, and then Designation: Sunday/Weekly Offering
- ~ Input the amount, frequency, and date of withdrawals. Click Save.
- ~ You may also give to the Special Collections through this one account

*Thank you for what you sacrifice so that people might find
 Christ here and bring Christ to the world.*

If you have any questions, please call Jim Hager, Director of Administration, 240-3721, ext. 225.



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

A CHALLENGE GRANT

One of our families has responded to our year end giving request with a challenge grant: they will match every new contribution, using "Year End" envelopes or noting year end gift in the memo line, up to \$10,000. Please take advantage of this generous gift by making a year-end gift to Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish. Thank you for your generous support of our faith community. God bless you.

Fr. Mitch

Our Gifts to God and Parish



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

	December 16, 2018	July 1 - Dec 16, 2018
Envelopes (471) & On Line	\$ 24,293	\$ 859,162
Loose	\$ 899	\$ 26,189
Total	\$ 25,192	\$ 885,351
Needed to sustain our mission		932,500

Loan Balance as of 10/31/2018: \$1,699,000

It takes an average weekly collection of \$37,300 to sustain our parish mission.

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1Peter 4:10

The Bible Teaches It (Mal 3:10-12)

We Believe It (Acts 4:32-36)

God Honors It (Gen 14:18-20)

TITHING



December 30 - Feast of the Holy Family

SIR 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 SM 1: 20,22, 24-28; PS 128: 1-5 or PS 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10; COL 3:12-21 or COL 3: 12-17; or 1 JN 3:1-2, 21-24; LK 2:41-52

The Holy Family experienced many of the same joys and trials that all parents and children experience today. And, so, we can look to this Family for help in our own family lives and see in them a model of stewardship in family life.

The Gospel passage from Luke starts by telling us something about Jesus' parents: "Each year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the feast of the Passover, and when he was twelve years old, they went up according to festival custom." This Family took seriously the stewardship of their time. The "Holy Couple" carefully observed the traditions and practice of their Jewish faith and brought up their Son to do the same. They worshiped as a family, and with their faith community. And they did so faithfully.

We can take their example to heart by making Sunday Mass attendance a priority for our families, by making prayer with our family a priority every day, by making sure that we regularly celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and by observing in our family life the feasts and fasts appropriate to the liturgical calendar. When we, as families, prioritize our Time with God and worship of Him we will be imitating the Holy Family.

On this Feast of the Holy Family, let us reclaim the beauty and importance of family life. Let's commit to steward our families well in 2019, making time spent with God and practicing our faith the most important appointments on our family calendars.

~ Excerpts from: Catholic Diocese of Wichita



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Paul VI Institute: GREAT FREE ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITY:

Paul VI Institute of Catechetical and Pastoral Studies offers courses to adults seeking a greater understanding of the Catholic faith. Classes are offered online and in classrooms at various locations around the Archdiocese. Because Assumption BVM subscribes to the Paul VI Institute, these classes are free to ALL PARISHIONERS of Assumption. Don't miss this GREAT opportunity!!

Assumption BVM receives the following services:

- *Adult Education Courses:* All Paul VI courses are available to any registered member of the parish. Parish members may take any of the college-level scripture, doctrine, morality, spirituality or other courses offered. Courses are available online and at parish locations conveniently located around the archdiocese.
- *Online Catechism Certificate:* Any registered member of the parish may take a two year series of online courses covering the entire Catechism of the Catholic Church.
- *School Teacher & P.S.R Teacher Religious Education Certification:* All school teachers employed by the parish school may take as many courses as they choose.

For further information on courses please visit the website: archstl.org/paul6, call Paul VI at 314-792-7450, or email Melinda Kruper at: abvmmelinda@yahoo.com to learn more.

<p>OFFICE INFORMATION 403 N Main Street, O'Fallon MO 63366 636.240.3721 Parish Office 636.272.3838 Fax Office Hours - Weekdays 8:30am-4:00pm</p> <p>ST VINCENT DE PAUL 636.272.4758 (Helpline)</p> <p>ASSUMPTION SCHOOL 636.240.4474</p>	<p>BULLETIN NOTICES Submit to Parish Office (peggy.assumption@yahoo.com) by Tuesday 9:00am</p> <p>WEBSITE www.assumptionbvm.org facebook.com/@assumptionmedia assumptionparish</p> <p> </p>	<p>PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION Religious instruction in the Catholic faith. Call 636.240.1020 for information or to register.</p> <p>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.</p>
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