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# The Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## Welcomes You

August 29, 2021

As we pray for you, we ask for your prayers.

## Mass Schedule

**Saturday**
8:00 a.m.
5:30 p.m.

**Sunday**
7:00, 8:00, 10:00 a.m.
12:00 p.m.
5:30 p.m.
(Sept.-May)

**Weekdays**
7:00 a.m.
12:05 p.m.

**Holy Days**
5:30 p.m. Vigil
(Day Before)
7:00 a.m. &
12:05, 7:30 p.m.

**National Holidays**
9:00 a.m.

Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
91 Maple Avenue, Morristown, New Jersey 07960
973-539-2141, Fax—973-984-0632
Visit our Website: www.assumptionparish.org Email: assumption@assumptionparish.org

Pastor: Rev. Msgr. John E. Hart
Parochial Vicar: Rev. Lukasz Wnuk
In Residence: Rev. Przemyslaw Gawlik
Deacons: Brian Beyerl, Michael Hanly, John Mihalko, Elliott Stein

Trustees: Kathleen Hyland 973-539-2860 / Bob Rohr 973-539-2693

Parish Coordinator—Linda Macios Secretary—Liz Rotunno Business Manager—Robyn Morris

Parish Office Summer Hours: Monday—Thursday 8:30—3 p.m. Friday Closed.

**Parish Registration:** Call 973-539-2141 or visit the parish website at www.assumptionparish.org.

**Assumption School:** 973-538-0590; www.assumptionnj.org
Sr. Merris Larkin, S.C. Principal

**Faith Formation:** 973-267-5638,
Email: RelEd@assumptionparish.org
Linda Macios: Director
Sharon Bertram: Coordinator Grades 6, 7, and 8
Clare Ettensohn: Confirmation
Tara Speer: Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
Sue Paradise: Secretary

***Faith Formation*** for 1st through 8th graders follows a family model called *Forming Faithful Families.* Families meet at Assumption School one Sunday morning per month September—April. Resources are provided to use at home on alternate weeks. Catechesis of the Good Shepherd classes will meet September–April on Sundays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Confirmation Prep, for freshmen and sophomores of the parish, meet one Sunday evening per month.

**Music Ministry**—973-539-2141, extension 19
Claudia Nardi: Director, Dr. Fran Covalesky, Organist
Adult Choir, Youth Ministry Choir, Children's Choir

**Holy Rood Cemetery**—973-539-7501
Website: www.holyroodcemeterynj.com
Diana Loughman: Cemetery Director
Emerson Brito, Emerson Pavezzi: Caretakers

**Church Sexton**—Doug Reisch

**Deaf Interpreter** - Kathleen Skaf

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**
Saturdays from 4:15 - 5:00 p.m. or by appointment.

**Marriage:** Arrangements should be made with a priest or deacon by registered parishioners ***at least one year in advance*** of the marriage date. Marriage arrangements should be made PRIOR to reserving reception facility.

**Baptisms:** Contact Liz Rotunno in the Parish Office to arrange your child's Baptism. For first-time parents, attendance at a Baptismal Preparation class is required. Prep classes are held on the second Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

**Visitation of the Sick and Elderly:** Please keep us informed so that we may be attentive to those who are ill at home or in the hospital. Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring Communion on Sundays.

**Parish Ministries**

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| Africa Surgery | Tom Johnson | 973-234-6383 |
| Altar Linens | Mike Cherello | 973-267-6825 |
| Altar Servers | Fr. John Hart | 973-539-2141 |
| Bereavement | Marybeth Wooters | 973-538-6784 |
| Bethany Ministry | Linda Macios | 973-539-2141 |
| Boy Scouts | Kevin Kelly | 973-727-7082 |
| Cub Scouts | Cassandra Nielsen | 973-452-3857 |
| Centering Prayer | Fr. Ken Lasch | 973-538-2653 |
| Children's Worship | Linda Cannilla | 973-540-1683 |
| CYO Basketball | Kevin Bopp | 917-861-2876 |
| Endowment for Poor | Claudia Nardi | 973-539-2141 |
| Eucharistic Min. | Marybeth Wooters | 973-538-6784 |
| Family Promise | Brian Doherty | 973-714-7674 |
| Finance Committee | Greg Kurlander | 973- 984-9516 |
| Food Pantry | Claudia Nardi | 973-539-2141 |
| Gardening | Fr. Lukasz Wnuk | 973-539-2141 |
| Giving Tree | Brian Morgan | 973-462-6972 |
| Good Samaritan | Carole Hires | 973-538-8651 |
| Home School Assoc. | Jean Jabbour | 973-809-8630 |
| Holistic Health | Carole Hires | 973-538-8651 |
| Homeless Solutions | Ralph Ferrara | 973-769-6418 |
| Knights of Columbus | William C. Duggan, Jr. | 973-960-6417 |
| Lectors | Andrea Bozzi | 973-656-9864 |
| Men's Group | Peter Zaremba | 215-518-4973 |
| Nursing Homes | Mary Dibble | 973- 998-0838 |
| Pre-Cana | Ken and Rosa Rose | 973-539-9845 |
| RCIA | Fr. John Hart | 973-539-2141 |
| Respect Life | Sue and Dave O'Dougherty | 973-993-3068 |
| Safe Environment | Linda Macios | 973-539-2141 |
| Separation / Divorce | Deacon Elliott Stein | 973-539-2141 |
| Soup Kitchen | Annaliese Rush | 973-455-0391 |
| Spiritual Direction | Karen Florance | 973-476-5542 |
| Ushers | Anthony Romano | 973-267-5433 |
| Village Angels/Tanzania | Johanna Burani | 973-610-4856 |
| Welcome /Hospitality | Moira Clarkin | 973-539-4390 |
| Vocations | Fr. John Brandi | 973-539-2141 |
| Young Professionals | Fr. Lukasz Wnuk | 973-539-2141 |
| Youth Ministry | Clare Ettensohn | 973-267-8519 |

## MASS INTENTIONS

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| **SATURDAY** | **August 28** |
| 8:00 a.m. | Irene Kriegman |
| 5:30 p.m. | Bernadette Sudol |
| | Joseph Woodford |
| **SUNDAY** | **August 29** |
| 7:00 a.m. | People of the Parish |
| 8:00 a.m. | Joan Babiak |
| | Rosa Outumuro |
| 10:00 a.m. | Eleanor Kozlowski |
| | Rose McMaster |
| 12:00 p.m. | Horacio Manansala |
| | Charles John Simonet |
| **MONDAY** | **August 30** |
| 7:00 a.m. | Robert Cavanaugh |
| | Peter Nolan |
| 12:05 p.m. | Intentions of Sr. Josephine **(Living)** |
| | Thomas Lloyd |
| **TUESDAY** | **August 31** |
| 7:00 a.m. | Kathleen M. McCormack |
| | Raymond Donovan |
| 12:05 p.m. | Louis Tremallo Sr. |
| | Jose Aquino |
| **WEDNESDAY** | **September 1** |
| 7:00 a.m. | Ellen Marie and Patrick Murphy **(Living)** |
| 12:05 p.m. | Ann and Louis Tremallo Sr. |
| **THURSDAY** | **September 2** |
| 7:00 p.m. | Mary Louise Smith **(Living)** |
| 12:05 p.m. | Sally McNally |
| **FRIDAY** | **September 3** |
| 7:00 a.m. | Rose Hanna |
| 12:05 p.m. | Bill Karmen |
| **SATURDAY** | **September 4** |
| 8:00 a.m. | Mary Louise Smith **(Living)** |
| 5:30 p.m. | John Patterson |
| | Philip Edward Waters |
| **SUNDAY** | **September 5** |
| 7:00 a.m. | People of the Parish |
| 8:00 a.m. | Teresa Marzullo |
| | Richard Fuschetti |
| 10:00 a.m. | William Perhacs |
| | Lorraine Lee |
| 12:00 p.m. | Rose Casarella |
| | Michael P. Winschuh Sr. |

## GATHER IN PRAYER

- Pray the Rosary weekdays 20 minutes before the 12:05 p.m. Mass.
- Pray the Perpetual Novena in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal every Monday immediately following the 12:05 p.m. Mass.
- Eucharistic Adoration the first Saturday of each month 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. and the first Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

### *First Reading: Deuteronomy 4:1-2,6-8*

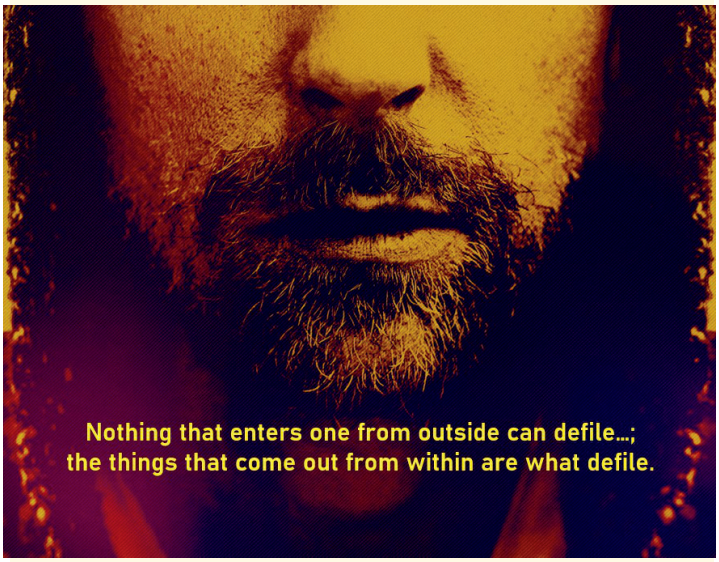
This Hebrew Scripture reading praises the revealed Word of God in the Torah, the first five books of the Bible. Often translated as *Law*, the Torah is better understood as a book of teachings through which God becomes present to the chosen people. Recalling last week's reading from Joshua, it is important to realize that the people of Israel follow the Torah not to earn God's favor, but rather out of gratitude to the God who has already favored them. Similarly, we Christians try to follow the way of Jesus not to earn God's favor, but out of gratitude for having already been favored through Christ.

### *Second Reading: James 1:17-18,21b-22,27*

Our second reading is from the Letter of James, a short epistle not often proclaimed at our Sunday liturgies. Written toward the end of the first century, it may be an updating of an earlier letter composed by James, the Jewish leader of the Church in Jerusalem. The writer claims that God's Word should dwell in the hearts of believers, transforming their behaviors and actions from within.

### *Gospel: Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23*

The importance of the Torah in the life of Jesus is evident in this Gospel passage. In Jesus' time, there were a variety of ways in which the Torah was interpreted. True to the Jewish tradition that God becomes present in the effort to understand and apply Torah teachings, Jesus engages in a debate with a certain type of Pharisee over how to properly live the Torah. His approach resembles the thought of a rival Pharisaic tradition.




### We invite you to prayerfully reflect on the Readings for the week of August 29

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| **Monday** | 1 Thes 4:13-18; Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13; Lk 4:16-30 |
| **Tuesday** | 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Lk 4:31-37 |
| **Wednesday** | Col 1:1-8; Ps 52:10, 11; Lk 4:38-44 |
| **Thursday** | Col 1:9-14; Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Lk 5:1-11 |
| **Friday** | Col 1:15-20; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Lk 5:33-39 |
| **Saturday** | Col 1:21-23; Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8; Lk 6:1-5 |
| **Sunday** | **Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time** Is 35:4-7a; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; Jas 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37 |

## PLEASE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR THE RECOVERY OF:

Charles Arteglier, Greg and John Baxter, Paula Rose Carducci, Jim Cavanaugh, John Hyland, Nancy Arteglier, Jim Mongey, Sister Marie Graziano, Jack Guerriero, Francesca Kobylarz-Bongiorno, Saletha Corbin, Ray Donovan, Stephanie Trincanello, Rob Loia, Terri Abrams, Louis Cicitta, John Jennings, Janet Friedman, Janet Stiles, Audrey Roast, Vivian Hart, Capt. Roseanne Hartley, Gloria Dabal, Sylvia Walsh, Philip Barret, Rowland Lucid, Francis Romance, Dale Potter, Sr. Joan Daniel Healy, Jean McHugh, Lonnie Ridley, Mary Anne Gotch, Sal Enea, Patty Gallagher, Mark Enea, Charolette Spires, David Smith, Leonard Pergentile, Marie Dooner, Jill Kandel, Noreen Rogers, Rita Roache-Buncum, Mark Anderl, Esther Salas, Mary Louise Smith, Kenneth Krause, Lauren Baksa, Tom Jaworski, Alan George, Erin Harten, F. Michael Giles, Della Corbin, Thomas Walker Duane Judge, Atkins Preston, Alice McGreevy, Mindy Spears, Angela Caracchia, Thurston Briscoe, Claire Miller, Dave Miller, Ann Waller, Len Solimene, Richard Giacobone, Msgr. Michael Manion, Joseph and Elizabeth Tomaszewski, Rick Kuchera, Diane Quade, Joanne Spadavecchia, Dorothy Bauer, Moses Scott, Charles Bommer, Bishop David O'Connell, Owen Hefferon, Charlotte Castellanos, Ralph Greer, John P. Murphy, Sherry Hutchins-Henderson, Tracy Tademy, Baby Eleanor Deretti, Francoise Marie Therese Quick, Charles McGovern, Karen Macios, Sangita Rossano, Fr. Jude Salas, Carl Matthew, Sara Tejada, Kim and Bob Seaman and Mary Corona, Barbara Doran, David Renzo, Valerie Hendon, Lonnie Ridley, Kerry McCann, Eleanor Fritz, Concetta Prochilo, Fr. John Connolly, Mary Ellen Campbell, Sr. Patricia Dunham, Noelle Albanito, Tom Dougher, Eileen Byrne, Sister Patricia Dunham, Barrett Leonard.

Please call the Parish Office at 973-539-2141 with the names of who you would like included in the prayers for the good health of the sick and homebound.

## GOOD SAMARITAN MINISTRY

Do you need help? Our Good Samaritan Ministry can assist registered parishioners with various errands and services. If you, or anyone you know, is unable to get groceries, prescriptions or other necessities, due to the Coronavirus restrictions or for any other reason, please have them contact Audrey Geraghty our Good Samaritan coordinator for the month of August at 973-538-3134 .

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS - MORRISTOWN

The Knights of Columbus, George Washington Council 359, at 13 South Street in Morristown, NJ welcomes all Catholic Men age 18 and older to come join our growing council. We are an active council that will foster your relationship with our Church and our community. Contact: Grand Knight William C. Duggan, Jr. at 973-960-6417, wcdugganjr@hotmail.com.

## PLEASE PRAY FOR MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH COMMUNITY AND THEIR LOVED ONES WHO HAVE SERVED, OR ARE SERVING, IN THE ARMED FORCES

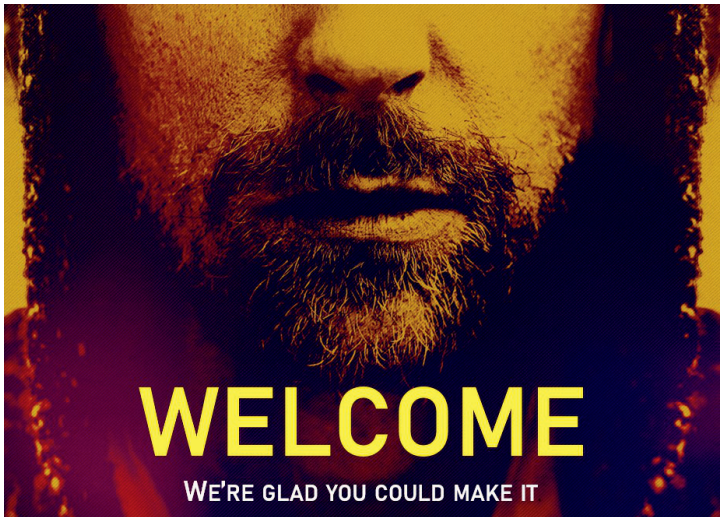
*CW3 Michael Benkosky* Green Beret, Special Forces, Airborne Joint Forces; *Captain William H. Shipp,* Military Professor, Naval War College, Newport, RI; *Andrew Vasquez* US Army; *Andy Soucy US Army; Dan Lessnau Former Marine and Veteran of the Viet Nam War; Kevin Felix* US Military Colonel; *Lt. Tim Fleury, US Navy; Staff Sergeant William J. McSweeney* Retired Marine Served Around the World; *Matthew Gonabe, Lt. US Navy* Pilot Serving in the Persian Gulf; *David Ribardo, 1st Lt. US Army* Serving in Afghanistan; *Capt. Brendan Griswold* 82nd Air Borne in Afghanistan; *Capt. Patrick Flynn, US Army* 1st Infantry, Afghanistan; *Sergeant Richard Galluzzo* Serving in Afghanistan, *Lt. Thomas Keyes Jr.*; *Capts. Scott and Meghan Harra,* US Army in Afghanistan; Captain *Timothy Newcomb,* US Army Special Forces; *Col. Jason M. Barrett,* USMC in Iraq and Afghanistan; SM*Sgt. John Bartow,* Stratton ANGB NY, *Douglas Reisch*, 1/325 Infantry, 82nd Airborne Division, *Daniel Baron*, US Navy, Hawaii, CPT *Schuyler Orecchio*, US Army, Special Operator 2nd Class *Patrick Gaven*, USN, Staff Sargent Brent M. Betit, ARNG, *First Sgt. Jeramiah Dempsey*, USAF, *Dr. Casey McCann*, Lt. Commander Navy; *1st Lt. J.D. Poling*, US Army, Gitmo, Cuba, *PFC Peter Mitchell,* USMC, *Dale G. Potter*, Retired Lt. Commander US Navy, and Major US Marine Corps, *Lt. Michael Herbert Jr*. 3-66 Armored Brigade 1st Infantry Division Fort Riley Kansas deployed to Germany, *Seaman Connor Fitzpatrick*, US Navy, Great Lakes, IL., *Sergeant Brendan Rochelle*, 1/127 82nd Airborne, Fort Bragg.

## AUGUST 29, 2021
## 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**"Be doers of the word and not hearers only…"**

**JAMES 1:22**

It is easy to understand the definition of stewardship – living a grateful and generous life. The hard part is doing it! How do your actions reflect God's word? Do you share your time in prayer with God? Do you use your talent to help those in need? Are you generous with your financial resources giving back at least 10%? If not, what are you waiting for?



## JESUS TELLS US ABOUT GOOD AND EVIL

***"Nothing that enters a person from outside can defile that person; the things that come out from within are what defile. ("****Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23)*

We return to Mark's Gospel and his account of Jesus's teaching and miracles. Here is a reflection I hope you will enjoy.

The great American novelist Nathaniel Hawthorne devised a strange parable he titled "Earth's Holocaust." According to the tale, the people of the earth decided to rid the world of everything that "overburdened" the world with suffering, hatred, intolerance, misery and oppression. And so, the "reformers" planned a great bonfire to burn all those things that were considered "evil."

First, all the jewels and mantles and crowns of Europe's royalty were cast into the fire. All the world's barrels of liquor and ale were next destroyed, followed by the entire tobacco harvest. Every gun, musket and sword, every piece of military artillery and ammunition were gathered up and thrown into the flames.

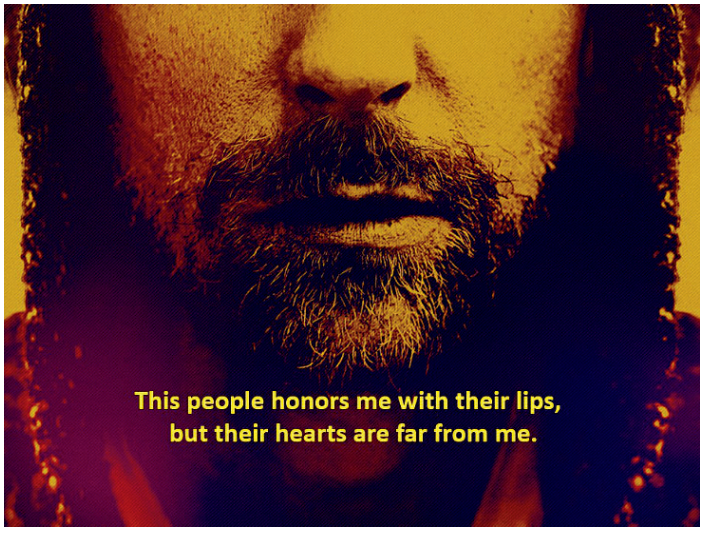
The self-appointed reformers then directed the burning of every book — philosophy, religion, law, science, literature. Even the Holy Scriptures as well as crosses, sacred vessels and baptistries were consigned to the flames. Government constitutions and charters, stocks and bonds, and all manner of currency were incinerated.

In the heat of the moment, individuals "liberated" themselves of clothes, money, toys — even marriage certificates, college diplomas, deeds and love letters — were cast into the great fire.

As the last purifying flames died out late into the night, a bystander "of dark personage" who had been watching the sad procession all day long remarked, "There is one thing that these wiseacres have forgotten to throw in the fire, and without which the rest of the conflagration is just nothing at all."

"And what that might be?" he was asked.

The dark commentator replied, "What, but the human heart itself . . . Unless they hit upon some method of purifying that foul cavern, forth from it will reissue all the shapes of wrong and misery — the same old shapes, or worse ones — which have taken such a vast deal of trouble to consume in ashes . . . Oh, take my word for it, it will be the old world again."




Who we are, what we do, the kind of persons we are begin within the heart – the place where God dwells; conversely, the evil we are capable of, the hurt we inflict on others, the degrading of the world that God created also begins within our hearts: when God is displaced by selfishness, anger, greed, hatred. The good we do and evil we are capable of are the result not of what we create but what prompts us to create – and those promptings begin with whatever compassion and justice dwells within us. Let God's wisdom illuminate our hearts with the light of his compassion and peace to transform our world, despite its brokenness, into a fitting dwelling place for God. (Connections)

In Christ's Peace,
Father John

## HOLINESS COMES FROM WITHIN

Jesus teaches that a person is not defiled by the food that enters his or her body, but rather by sin that emerges from his or her words and actions.

*Adult:* What actions do I perform as evidence of my holiness?

*Children*: What did Jesus say was more important than washing ones hands and dishes?

*A Family Perspective:* Children have learned the importance of following rules. Like the Pharisees in today's Gospel, they often bring to our attention the infractions of others. Even parents sometimes get caught off guard by their children's observations: "Why don't you have to go to bed at 8:00?" or "But I saw you eat a cupcake before breakfast once." Our rules for our children are not arbitrary. We establish and enforce family rules with the intention of helping our children grow to be healthy and mature adults. We foster this maturity when we also initiate conversations with our children about the purposes behind family rules and teach them the essential values that rules help us observe. As you gather as a family, list some of your most important family rules. Together, try to write a single, positive statement that captures the essential value behind your family rules. In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus criticize the Pharisees for making their rules about ritual purity equal to the commandments of God's Law. When we remember the essential element behind our rules, we see that our rules help us be the good people that Jesus wants us to be.

## REGISTER FOR FAITH FORMATION

Registration for the 2021-22 Faith Formation school year is now open. Visit assumptionparish.org/sign-up-for-rel-ed then select from the following choices:

- First through Eighth Grade: Forming Faithful Families
- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- Confirmation: 9th and 10th Grade

For more information or if you have any questions please email our Faith Formation Director Linda.Macios@assumptionparish.org.

## SUMMER 2021 BUY A BIBLE CAMPAIGN

Our Forming Faithful Families rising 6th and 7th grade students will be given a Catholic Youth Bible (New American Bible) at the start of our program in September. The cost to our program for a Bible is $30. If you would like to donate, your name and/or the name of a loved one you designate will be inscribed into the Bible.

Interested benefactors should complete the "Buy a Bible" papers available at the doors of the church and return it to the Parish office, or donate to the program online at www.assumptionparish.org

## MASS ATTENDANCE AUGUST 21/22

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| 5:30 p.m. | 122 |
| 7:00 a.m. | 62 |
| 8:00 a.m. | 85 |
| 10:00 a.m. | 170 |
| 12:00 p.m. | 132 |
| Total | 571 |

## FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

### Assumption is a Tithing Parish

The collection for the weekend of August 14/15 was $19,050. The collection for that weekend last year was $18,023. The collection for the weekend of August 21/22 will be reported in next week's bulletin.

**Pastors Note:** Thank you for your great witness and encouragement. Your sacrificial giving to Assumption and your participation in the life of our parish are great expressions of gratitude to the Lord for His blessings. It is a great joy to serve the Lord here with you.

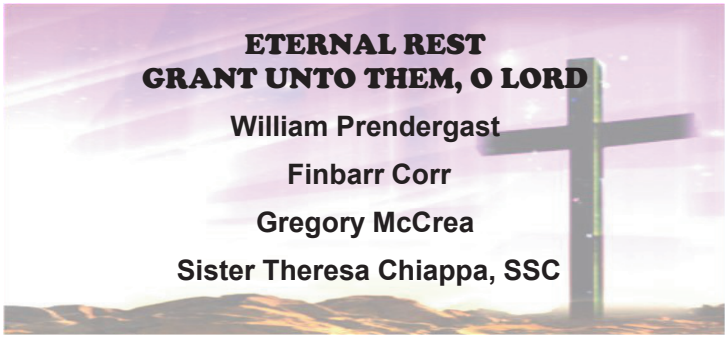
## BE A LEADER FOR SERVICE OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN. *IT BRINGS JOY!*

Maybe you're not ready to commit to becoming a catechist but would consider volunteering as a leader for Service of the Word for Children just once a month at either the Saturday 5:30 p.m. Mass or Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass. Reflections on the readings are provided well in advance. Ask your spouse or a friend to join you. You won't regret the time you give to sharing the light of Christ with our youngest parishioners. For more information email RelEd@assumptionparish.org or call the Faith Formation office at 973-267-5638.

## SILVER AND GOLD ANNIVERSARY MASS NOVEMBER 7TH, 2021 AT 3:00PM

Couples, were you married in 1971 or 1996? The Diocese of Paterson invites you to celebrate your 25th or 50th wedding anniversary during a special Mass to be offered at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Paterson, NJ. Bishop Sweeney will serve as main celebrant on this joyful occasion to be held:

Arrangements can be made by contacting the parish office. **The deadline to submit your registration to your parish office is Thursday, October 7th, 2021**. You will receive additional information from the Office of Family Life once your registration has been processed. *Congratulations on this joyous occasion!*



## FORTY HOURS DEVOTION
## SEPTEMBER 12 - 14, 2021

The Forty Hours Devotion is an opportunity to gather as a community before the Blessed Sacrament and to pray before the Lord in solemn adoration. It gives us time to deepen our appreciation of the importance of the mystery of the eucharist in our lives.

Beginning with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday, September 12 at 9:00 p.m. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for forty hours. The celebration then will end with a Solemn Mass celebrated by Bishop Kevin Sweeney at 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 14.

During the times that the Blessed Sacrament is exposed there should be at least two people at all times in the Church.

Sign up online at www.assumptionparish.org to spend time praying with the Blessed Sacrament, or sign up using the sign up sheets located at the doors of the church.

## AFRICA SURGERY ACCEPTING DONATIONS!
## DON'T'S THROW OUT YOUR SUNSCREEN

As the end of summer comes around, don't throw out your half used bottles of sunscreen. Africa Surgery Inc will be happy to accept those and any unused or new bottles for the people of Sierra Leone. We also need bandages and medical supplies.

If you have any of these items to donate, please email Tom Johnson at tomandtomjr@msn.com, or call 973-234-6383 to make arrangements for me to collect the items. Please do **not** drop the items off at the parish office. Thanks again for your generous support.

## OPERA AT FLORHAM PRESENTS
## "VIVA VERISMO"

**Mark your calendar – Sunday, September 12, 2021**

St. Margaret of Scotland Church, Morristown, NJ – 3pm. Enjoy Arias and Broadway in Concert—Vera Verismo is a Musicale Exploring the Realness in Opera.

Admission: $25.00; $10.00 for Students, purchase at door day of performance or order online at operaatflorham.org

## OBERAMMERGAU WITH MSGR JOHN HART
## JULY 18 - 30, 2022

Every 10 years, the little town of Oberammergau, Germany puts on its world-famous Passion Play! This reenactment of the crucifixion of Christ has a 400-year-old history within Germany, and the people within this town, as they are the actors, stage hands, and costume designers. In 1633, a solemn promise was made. The "Black Death" came to Oberammergau in 1632, and in one year, almost every family saw one or more members fall victim. At the cemetery, the Black Death-invalids promised to act the history of Jesus Christ every ten years. On the Pentecost in 1634, the towns people acted the first Play on a stage.

Next year Fr. John will be leading a pilgrimage to Oberammergau to see the 42nd production of the Passion Play, in the beautifully renovated and modern Passion Play Theater. The dates of the trip are from July 18 - 30, 2022 Other cities we will be visiting include Prague, Budapest, Vienna, Salzburg, and Munich. The cost of the trip is $5,699 per person double occupancy. This includes round trip airfare, airport fees and taxes and first-class accommodations, breakfast and dinner daily. For the full itinerary visit www.pilgrimages.com/msgrhart/, or our website at www.assumptionparish.org, or email msgrjohnhart@assumptionparish.org

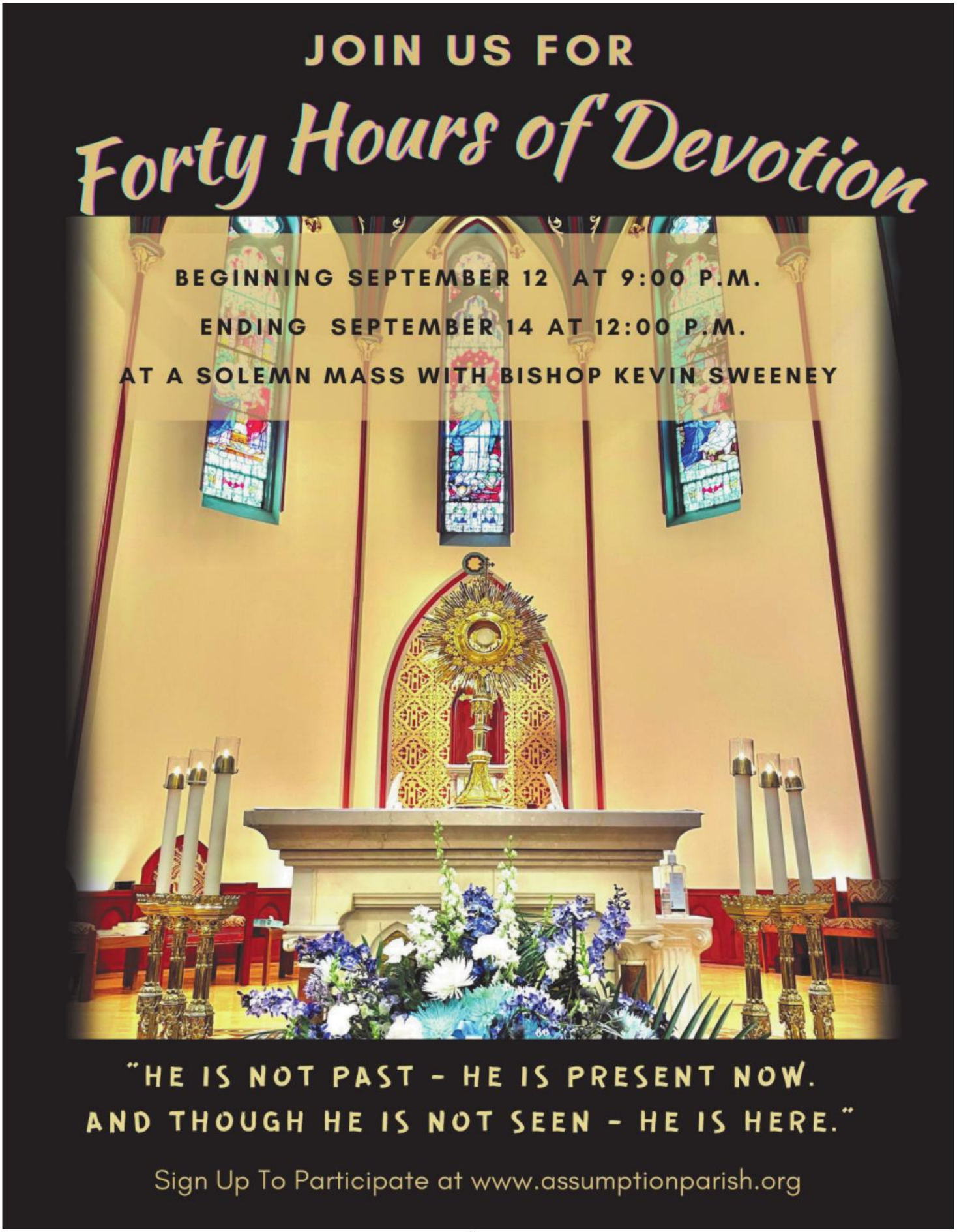
## SISTERS OF CHARITY GOLF OUTING

Please join us at the ***8th Annual Sisters of Christian Charity Golf Outing*** on ***Thursday, September 30, 2021*** at ***Cedar Hill Country Club*** in Livingston. To register online, go to: ***www.scceast.org/golf-outing***.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

A Montessori-based faith formation program for children ages 3 - 12 which links Scripture with Liturgy.

Visit www.assumptionparish.org for information.


JOIN US FOR
Forty Hours of Devotion
BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 12 AT 9:00 P.M.
ENDING SEPTEMBER 14 AT 12:00 P.M.
AT A SOLEMN MASS WITH BISHOP KEVIN SWEENEY
"HE IS NOT PAST - HE IS PRESENT NOW.
AND THOUGH HE IS NOT SEEN - HE IS HERE."
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## THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

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What a gift to the universal Catholic Church to have a year dedicated to the fatherhood of St. Joseph! In honor of St. Joseph, the children of Assumption have written prayers and poems about St. Joseph. Each weekend we will share these simple, heartfelt homages to St. Joseph.

Joseph our Saint
We owe our thanks to you
You saved our savior and his mother too
If people saw what you did they would faint
Thats why we love you our Patron Saint

St. Joseph

Wise, loyal
caring, loving, obeying
Protective to his son and others

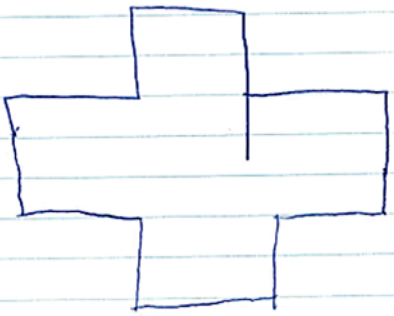
Dear Saint Joseph,

Help me to be kind, caring, and humble, to put others first. Help me to always work hard, to be just, attentive, and generous. I ask this throug your help.

Saint Joseph
leader, obediente
believing, forgiving, trusting
Patron Saint of hardworkers
carpenter

prayer:
Dear saint Joseph, you are a brave, caring leader. Teach me your ways so I can be like you.

Cinquain poem:
Saint Joseph
Strong, brave
protector, caring, dedicated
believer, smart, guardian
trustworthy



There was a holy man of Nazareth
Who fled to Egypt
to protect Jesus from Death

He doesn't just protect his family
he also loves us!
So be humble like Joseph
whos faithful and just.

He's wise, strong, and nobel
faithful, humble, and hopeful

So be grateful for a protector
listen with your ear
and Please remember
Saint Joseph is here

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# Keeping Clean

In today's Gospel reading Jesus tells the Pharisees that having your soul clean from sins is more important than keeping your body clean!

But that doesn't mean that we should be dirty! God wants us to keep our bodies and our souls clean. We keep our bodies clean when we wash our hands or take a bath. Do you know how we keep our souls clean?

When someone does a big sin he or she needs to go to confession to get cleaned up. Confession cleans away our little sins too. Other things that take away small sins are going to Holy Communion, praying, and blessing ourselves with holy water.

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# The Kids' Bulletin

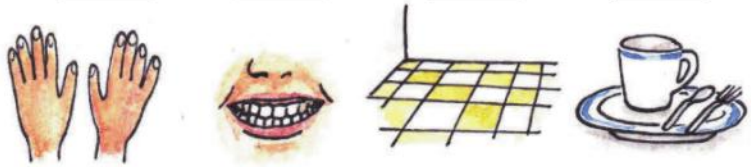
**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
**August 29th, 2021**

*Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23*

*The Jews knew that it was important to keep their bodies and their dishes clean.*
*But Jesus told them that something else was more important. What was it?*

Match the letters from the top pictures with the things they clean at the bottom of the page to find out what is the most important thing to keep clean!

Your _____ _____ _____ _____ !



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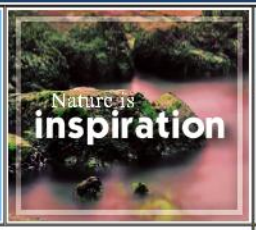

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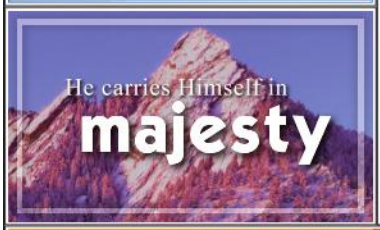


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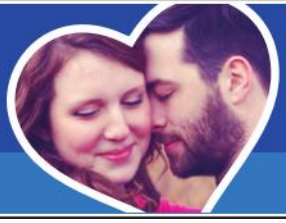

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