

## ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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Office Hours: Weekdays 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM  
(Office closed for lunch from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM)

### MASS SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday: 6:30 AM & 8:30 AM

Saturday: 8:30 AM & 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM & 6:00 PM

PASTOR: REV. CHARLES C. DILLINGHAM

Associate Pastor: Rev. David F. Murphy

Weekend Assistant: Rev. James B. Smith

Deacons: John Giacci, Larry Brecht

Joseph W. Jackson, Larry R. Morris

### PARISH OFFICE STAFF

Janet Aluise, Receptionist	ext. 10
Daniel M. DiGiacobbe, Business Manager	ext. 11
Annette Fad, Parish Secretary	ext. 33
Sandy Fiscella, PREP Coordinator	ext. 18
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Pablo Gonzalez, Facility Manager	ext. 41
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Cindy Krebs, Director of Religious Ed.	ext. 17
Elizabeth Perry, Communications Coordinator	
Karen Rombach, Director of Preschool	ext. 34
Denise Troise, Bookkeeper	ext. 14

### PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

PREP: Grades 1 through 8

Confirmation: Grade 9

Mrs. Cindy Krebs, DRE (302) 239-7100, ext. 17.

### ST. MARY'S PRESCHOOL

Ages 2 through Pre-K.

Mrs. Karen Rombach, Director (302) 239-7100, ext. 34.

### ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

We are a sponsoring parish. For further information, contact Mary Elizabeth Muir, Ed.D., Principal (302) 995-2231, [www.ascsd.org](http://www.ascsd.org).



### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 PM or by appointment.

### BAPTISM

During a Mass or Sunday afternoon  
at 1:00 PM.

Baptisms are scheduled the second  
and fourth Sundays of the month.  
Baptism classes are every other month.  
Please call Parish Secretary for details  
(302) 239-7100 ext. 33.

### MARRIAGE

Contact Parish Secretary before a wedding date is finalized.  
The diocese requires one year of preparation.

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

In an emergency, contact the Parish Office.

### COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Each weekend, Extraordinary Ministers of  
Holy Communion to the Sick bring Communion  
to those unable to attend Mass on a regular basis.  
Contact the Parish Secretary to arrange for this ministry.

### ST. PATRICK'S CEMETERY

For information, contact Parish Office (302) 239-7100.



**Pentecost Sunday  
May 31, 2020**

**There appeared to them tongues as of fire,  
which parted and came to rest on  
each one of them.  
— Acts 2:3**

**Weekly Mass Intentions**

**Monday June 1, 2020**

6:30 am John J. McGrellis, IV  
8:30 am Grazia LoPorto

**Tuesday June 2, 2020**

6:30 am Gene Sinko  
8:30 am Ignazio, Rosalia & Gino Torres

**Wednesday June 3, 2020**

6:30 am Eleanor Fontana  
8:30 am Theodora Mary Joachimowski

**Thursday June 4, 2020**

6:30 am Walter Gilefski  
8:30 am Gifford Nowland

**Friday June 5, 2020**

6:30 am Philip Bellace  
8:30 am Martha Ann & Lucille Cooper

**Saturday June 6, 2020**

8:30 am Bert Wilson, Jr.  
5:00 pm Maria & Herbert Sperger

**Sunday June 7, 2020**

7:30 am Nancy Shaw (Living Intention)  
9:30 am Stan Luszcz  
11:30 am Reyn Cierniak  
6:00 pm Parishioners

The Rosary is said Monday-Saturday  
in the Chapel, before the 8:30 am Mass



**St. Mary of the Assumption**

Dear Parishioners,

Fr. Smith, Fr. Murphy, the Deacons and I really miss seeing you at daily and Sunday Masses. Please be assured that you and your families are constantly in our prayers and are with us at the altar when we celebrate our private Masses.

I am reluctant to mention parish finances at this very challenging time, yet I feel that I must address this issue. The parish is facing a financial challenge due to your inability to make a weekly/monthly contribution through the envelopes collected at Sunday Masses. Your weekly contributions are still essential for the good of the parish. While we are cutting back on our expenses including the reduction of staff hours, we are still responsible for fixed costs such as utilities, insurance and other essential operating expenses.

Please know that I am very much aware that some of you are experiencing a loss or a reduction in your income at this moment.

Bearing all of this in mind, I would respectfully request your help at this difficult time. I would be extremely grateful if you would continue your offertory contributions to the best of your ability. Your contribution can either be mailed to the parish using the enclosed envelope or dropped off at the office.

Your clergy are profoundly saddened that we are not able to celebrate Masses and Sacraments with you as a parish community. Please continue to be aware that Christ and his Blessed Mother are with us at all times, most especially at times of worry and anxiety such as these. We pray for all of you, most especially for those who are suffering and have died from the virus, medical personnel, military, first responders and for all who are risking their health for our sake.

With prayers, blessings and much concern,

*Father Dillingham*

Pastor

**In your charity, please pray for all who have gone  
before us and all the deceased of  
St. Mary of the Assumption.**

**+Jerome Toner, husband of parishioner Patricia Toner**





### THE RICHNESS OF THE SPIRIT

Students, and most adults recalling their school days, are familiar with the phrase “compare and contrast” that shows up from time to time on tests. Today we hear two different accounts of the giving of the Holy Spirit to the church. Let’s contrast, then compare. Luke’s account from Acts is filled with arresting details: the mighty wind from heaven, the tongues of flame, the miracle of different languages. John’s account seems timid: fearful disciples, the wounded Christ, the expelling of breath from his risen body, not from the sky. Our literal, modern minds wonder which way it happened; our noisy culture probably makes us prefer the former. But if we compare the two, we find that the dazzling richness of the Spirit fills both accounts, for it is the very breath of the risen Christ, ascended to the sky in Luke, that appears to his disciples in John and sends his followers forth to carry on his mission of forgiving sin and proclaiming the mighty acts of God.



## SEEING CHRIST

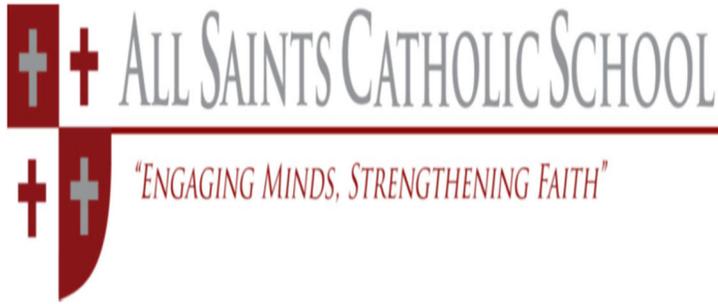
IN THE FACES OF OTHERS

### May 31, 2020 – Pentecost 2020 Annual Catholic Appeal – Seeing Christ in the Faces of Others

The Annual Catholic Appeal, with its theme, *Seeing Christ in the Faces of Others* invites each of us to open our eyes and recognize Him in those who seek our help. It is a reminder of the parable when Jesus said that “whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.” (Matthew 25:40) That verse was a favorite of St. Teresa of Calcutta, who said, “I see Jesus in every human being”.

Within the next few days, you may receive a mailing from Bishop Malooly inviting your participation in the Annual Catholic Appeal. For those of you who have given to this year’s Appeal, thank you for your generosity. For those who have not, please prayerfully consider supporting this important effort.

In the meantime, you are encouraged to learn more about the Annual Catholic Appeal by visiting [www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal](http://www.cdow.org/annualcatholicappeal). Please view the brief video offering inspiring testimony from recipients of featured Appeal supported ministries. A direct link to video can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=80qz5V5VaH8&t=2s>.



*Dear All Saints Catholic School Benefactors and Friends,*

*It is with a broken heart, gut-wrenching sadness, and prayer that we let you know that All Saints Catholic School will be closing at the end of the current school year. This decision was forced by our inability to create a viable financial plan for the upcoming school year (and beyond) in the current crisis.*

*As donors who have supported ASCS, we express our profound gratitude to you for your partnership and your belief in our mission. Your support sustained and enhanced our beloved school over the past several years.*

*We are in awe of our students and their families, who have shown grace and resilience in the face of this news. We are assisting families with identifying the best option for next year to ensure that children can continue their Catholic school education. We applaud the outstanding team of faculty and staff of All Saints, whose dedication to ensuring the best future for every child within our school has been exemplary. We are grateful to include you as a member of our very special All Saints family, and we continue to hold you in prayer with gratitude for your support.*

*Gratefully,*

**Mary Elizabeth**

*Mary Elizabeth Muir, Ed.D. Principal*

## **Did you Know?**

### Thought on the Rosary from Padre Pio

Padre Pio was always seen fingering his Rosary beads and was known to be a great lover of the Rosary. Here are five times he mentioned this devotion, and the Queen to whom it is directed:

**Be gone Satan**-Satan wants to destroy this prayer, but in this he will never succeed. The Rosary is the prayer of those who triumph over everything and everyone. It was Our Lady who taught us this prayer, just as it was Jesus who taught us the Our Father.

**Holding Mama's hand**-In times of darkness, holding the Rosary is like holding your Blessed Mother's hand. Pray the Rosary every day. Abandon yourself in the hands of Mary. She will take care of you.

**Right beside her**-The attention must be on the "Hail Mary" and to the greetings which you give to the Virgin and on the mysteries which you contemplate. She is present in all the mysteries and she participated in everything with love and pain.

**Always and often**-Love our Lady and make her loved; always recite the rosary and recite it as often as possible.

#### **A prayer to Our Lady from Padre Pio:**

Have pity on me! May one compassionate look of yours revive me, purify me and lift me up to God; raising me from the filth of this world that I may go to Him Who created me, Who regenerated me in Holy Baptism, giving me back my white stole of innocence that original sin had so defiled. Dear Mother, make me love Him!

Aleteia

Submitted by the Legion of Mary

Listen to The Legion of Mary Immaculate Concepcion Praesidium weekly broadcast of their Internet radio programs every Friday at 3 p.m., in cooperation with Oremus Communications (OC). Simply visit [www.oremuscomms.com](http://www.oremuscomms.com) and click on "Listen Live". The Divine Mercy Chaplet is the main focus of the broadcast but every week various topics and prayers are included in the hour broadcast. Also if you missed any broadcast, you can still access them in the archives file using [www.oremuscomms.com/archives-lom](http://www.oremuscomms.com/archives-lom)

## Pentecost

Today as we celebrate Pentecost, Jesus says to his disciples: "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

**Last month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul brought the love and care of Jesus to the poor by assisting 5 families in April, providing \$2,000 in help for food, utility and rent bills, etc. Thank You!**

*I was Hungry...I was Thirsty...I was a Stranger...And you cared.*



*Looking to grow in your faith and help others at the same time?*

*Become a Vincentian*

	<p><b>Why Join?</b></p> <p><i>Help people in a very tangible way</i> – providing assistance for life’s basic necessities like rent, utilities, food, etc. through personal contact</p> <p><i>Grow in faith</i> – inspired by Christian values, work for the good of humanity</p> <p><i>Make new friends</i> – work with other Vincentians in your parish friendship</p>
	<p><b>Who are we?</b></p> <p><i>Catholic lay organization</i> - The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) was founded in Paris in 1833 and is now a global effort dedicated to serving those in need.</p> <p><i>Our parish Conference is a group of 15 – 20 people of varying ages and backgrounds.</i> We meet once a month all together and work in pairs throughout the month, as available, to speak with our neighbors in need and visit them in-person.</p>
	<p><b>The impact (this past year)?</b></p> <p><i>Helped &gt; 300 people: &gt;100 in-person visits and &gt;250 phone calls</i></p> <p><i>Provided &gt;\$70,000 in financial assistance</i> (the funding is possible thanks to the generosity of St. Mary’s parishioner’s donations.)</p>
	<p><b>Who to contact to become a Vincentian:</b></p> <p><i>Call Mercedes Diaz, St. Mary’s SVdP Conference President, 302-239-7100 ext.15.</i></p>



# Children's Catholic Corner



Every human person is created in the image and likeness of God. The conviction that human life is sacred and that each person has inherent dignity that must be respected in society lies at the heart of Catholic social teaching.

Calls to advance human rights are illusions if the right to life itself is subject to attack. We believe that every human life is sacred from conception to natural death; that people are more important than things; and that the measure of every institution is whether or not it enhances the life and dignity of the human person. (*US Bishops: Faithful Citizenship - Civic Responsibility for a New Millennium, 1999*).

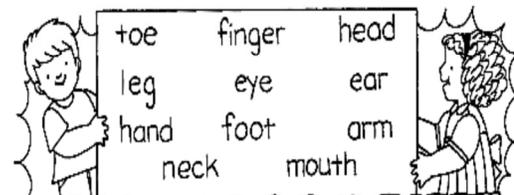
*Priests for Life*

### SAINT CHARLES LWANGA AND HIS COMPANIONS (martyred 1886-87) June 3

“Master of Pages,” reputedly the handsomest man in all Uganda, Charles Lwanga, lay catechist, courageously led about forty teenaged boys, Catholics and Anglicans, on a forty-mile forced march to martyrdom for their common Christian faith. Teaching each other the hymns of their different churches, they strengthened one another for the ordeal ahead. King Mwanga, himself barely twenty, had ordered them executed for being “those who pray.” But these royal pages were the king’s male harem, who, now Christians, refused what pious accounts demurely describe as his “unreasonable demands.” Some were clubbed to death, most burned alive; the youngest, thirteen-year old Saint Kizito, whom Charles had often shielded from the King’s lust; the most tragic, Saint Mbagwa, whose father was his executioner! In 1964, Paul VI canonized the young Catholics and praised their Anglican companions, recalling the heroism of early Christianity’s African martyrs, which we modern Christians of far less faith never expected to see repeated. Forty years after the pope’s words, what does our faith cost us? Heroism aside, how generous is our response?

### Pentecost

All of our body parts are important to us.  
We are all important parts of the Body of Christ (see 1 Corinthians 12:12-13).  
See how fast you can find and circle the names of these body parts.  
Look up, down, across, and diagonally.



a	w	a	r	s	x	n	t	l
k	r	k	g	m	h	m	k	e
l	m	m	t	o	e	o	z	g
b	c	r	r	t	a	u	b	a
n	q	h	a	n	d	t	f	j
e	y	e	e	i	o	h	r	v
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**St. Mary of the Assumption Parish Ministry Contact list for phone numbers please call our parish office**

Adult Faith Formation, **Joan Fortugno**  
 Athletic Association, **Mike Pietlock**  
 All Saints Catholic School Liaison, **Dennis Fish**  
 Bulletin, **Annette Fad**  
 Church Camp, **Cindy Krebs**  
 Communications, **Elizabeth Perry**  
 Cornerstone, **Mike McDonnell**  
 Divine Will Prayer Group, **Linda Riofski**  
 Emmanuel Dining Rooms S.E., **Bunny Stike**  
 Emmanuel Dining Rooms East, **Mary Ellen Long**  
 Sojourners, House of Joseph, **Suzanne Barba**  
 Finance Council, **Bill Foley**  
 GIFT, **Eileen Gaus**  
 Holy Spirit Prayer Group, **Rich Deegan**  
 Knights of Columbus, **Mike Bailey**  
 Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary, **Judy Safranski**  
 Knights of Columbus Ride Program, **Steve Haller**  
 Ladies' Guild, **Janet Kook & Rosemarie Morris**  
 Lazarus Ministry, **Rita Willis**  
 Legion of Mary, **Jane Aniceto**  
 Mary Mother of Hope, **Kate Morris**  
 Meals on Wheels, **Kathy di Girolamo**  
 Men's Small Group, **Jim Robinson**  
 Mother's Prayer Group, **Sandra Cleary**  
 Pastoral Council, **Bill Raiford**  
 Prayer Line, **Parish Office**  
 Pro-Life Committee, **Ann Courtney**  
 RCIA, **Deacon John Giacci**  
 Refresh Group, **Deacon Larry Brecht, Mike Bailey**  
 St. Patrick's Cemetery, **Dan DiGiacobbe**  
 Safety Committee, **Bernie McKay**  
 Sages (50+ Group), **Nick Mastrocinque**  
 Scouts (Boy & Cub), **Greg Weaver**  
 St. Vincent de Paul Society, **Mercedes Diaz**  
 Visitors for Christ, **Mary Lloyd**  
 WilCYA, **Elise Maloney**  
 Women's Faith Sharing, **Mary Tigani**  
 Youth Athletic Dance Coordinator **Heather Green**

**Weekly Scheduled Events**

**Please note:** The parish calendar schedule is subject to change during the week, please check with your Ministry if you have any questions, or concerns of scheduled events.

**Saturday, May 30, 2020**

**Special Second Collection:**  
 Diocesan Priests' Retirement Fund

**Sunday, May 31, 2020**

**Special Second Collection:**  
 Diocesan Priests' Retirement Fund

**Monday June 1, 2020**

**Tuesday June 2, 2020**

**Wednesday June 3, 2020**

**Thursday June 4, 2020**

**Friday June 5, 2020**

**Saturday June 6, 2020**

**Second Collection: Facility Maintenance Fund**

**Sunday June 7, 2020**

**Second Collection: Facility Maintenance Fund**

(CF) = Coffee Run, (J) = St. Johns, (M) = St. Mary, (CP) = Chapel, (C) = Church, (GS) = Gathering Space, (H) = Hall

**Please submit all bulletin articles (2) weeks in advance to [office@smachurch.com](mailto:office@smachurch.com).**



**Need a Ride???**

**Fellow Parishioners!!! Do you occasionally need a ride to Church for Mass or perhaps elsewhere? As one of the service organizations of our parish, The Knights of Columbus may be able to help. Contact Steve Haller, Community Director for the council. You may contact him at, 302-690-6164 or email: govmler@hotmail.com**



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