

**Universal Prayer**  
**Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
**August 15**

**We pray for the Church, God's temple, the shrine of the ark of the covenant:** that she may shine like Mary with the radiance of faith, hope, and love.

**We pray for all members of the Church:** that we who celebrate Our Lady's Assumption today, may renew our hope in our own resurrection, taking our part in the struggle to destroy every sovereignty and power that opposes God's victory in our lives.

**We pray for all nations of the world:** for an increase of charity, understanding, and reconciliation for those currently struggling with division and unrest.

**We pray for those experiencing suffering in their life:** that Our Lady, who sang of God's power in raising up the lowly, may stir up in all people a reverent love for the smallest of God's children.

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**We pray for teachers, and administrators, and students of all ages returning to school.** May they be strengthened by prayer and the Eucharist, and turn to the Holy Spirit for knowledge and wisdom throughout the coming school year.

**We pray for us gathered in faith this day:** that, like Mary, we will respond with faith and trust to the prompting of the Holy Spirit in daily living.

**We pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith:** that they may be brought to life in Christ who has destroyed death as the final enemy under His feet...and for

<b>7am</b>	Ely Gillespie – and Kenneth Leroy Scott, Jr.
<b>6pm</b>	Megan Saldanha – James & Lois Beck – Tom Levrault – and Josephine Freeburg

...who **is/are** remember in this Mass.