

## Sunday, August 15, 2021

Church and Parish Office:

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Weekend Mass Times
Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 12:00 pm Masses

Daily Mass Schedule 6:30 am - Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:15 am - Tuesday, Friday

Eucharistic Adoration

After morning Mass, Monday through Friday, until 7 pm

ABVM Adoration Chapel

No Adoration on public holidays or snow days.

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#### Sacraments and Devotions

Baptism: Sundays at 1:15 pm in Church (bimonthly)

Matrimony: Engaged couples are asked to meet with the parish priest at least six months prior to the wedding and enroll in a marriage-prep program.

Reconciliation: (Church) Saturdays, 11:00 am-12:15 pm

Rosary: Wednesdays, 6:30 pm - 7:00 pm Patriotic Rosary: 2nd Wednesday of the month, 6:30 pm

Flame of Love Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet: Thursdays, 6:00 pm -7:00 pm

Bulletin: Submit articles by 8:00 am on Thursday for publication the following week. Submit to the Parish Office or email DonnaABVM@comcast.net.

Hearing Assist Devices are available for use at Mass. Please see an usher for details.



#### Dear Parishioners.

I present below the statement by our chief shepherd regarding the reimposition, effective today – the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary – of the mandate to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation. As you know, an essential component of the observance of the Third Commandment by Catholics is to attend Mass in person. The willful violation of the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and holy days is a grave offense against God. All who are guilty should seek absolution by a sacramental confession as soon as possible. There are circumstances which human beings face, however, which may prevent them, against their will, from attending Mass. When this is the case, there is no sin in not attending Mass, but the Lord's Day should be honored in some way by prayer, Scripture reading and other spiritual practices. I am grateful to the Archbishop for his pastoral sensitivity in explaining how the mandate ought to be observed. May we approach this and all the commandments of God with a good will and a heart set on pleasing Him. - Faller Scott

#### Statement of Archbishop Pérez Regarding Safety As Mass Obligation Resumes

Ensuring the health and welfare of those entrusted to the pastoral and temporal care of our Church, especially as we navigate a global pandemic, is a paramount priority as the Archbishop of Philadelphia. During this time of acute hardship and struggle, I have worked in conjunction with the Catholic Bishops of Pennsylvania and the senior administration of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia to implement best practices intended to mitigate the spread of COVID-19 and protect those most vulnerable.

As the COVID-19 landscape evolved, we continuously re-evaluated those efforts in consultation with public health officials and based on data.

As your Shepherd, I am called to provide the Eucharist in a safe environment. To that end, I ask that you prioritize your own health and the health of your neighbors and faith communities.

As previously announced, the Catholic Bishops of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are reinstating the obligation to attend Mass in person on Sundays and holy days beginning on Sunday, August 15, 2021. However, by longstanding Church law, this obligation does not apply to those who are

- sick;
- have a serious health risk;
- live in a household with those at risk:
- serve as primary caregivers to those at risk;
- have serious anxiety or concerns about being in a large-group setting due to COVID-19; or
- are unable to attend Mass in person

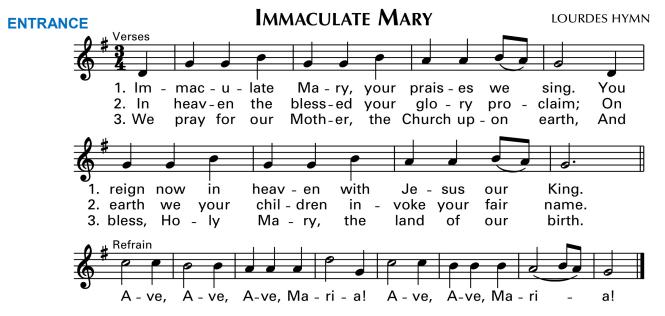
As an act of charity, all who are able should become fully vaccinated. Anyone who believes they might have COVID-19 or one of its variants should seek testing and take every precaution for the preservation of public health. As a people of hope, let us pray for an end to this health crisis.

Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez Archbishop of Philadelphia



## ORDER of WORSHIP

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Sunday, August 15, 2021



Text: 11 11 with refrain; anon. in Parochial Hymn Book, Boston, 1897; rev. of Hail Virgin of virgins by Jeremiah Cummings, 1814–1866, alt. Music: Trad. Pyrenean melody, pub. Grenoble, 1882; alt. by Augustus Edmonds Tozer, 1857–1910.

#### **GLORIA**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### (Vigil Mass) FIRST READING 1 CHR 15:3-4,15-16; 16:1-2

David assembled all Israel in Jerusalem to bring the ark of the Lord to the place which he had prepared for it. David also called together the sons of Aaron and the Levites. The Levites bore the ark of God on their shoulders with poles, as Moses had ordained according to the word of the Lord. David commanded the chiefs of the Levites to appoint their kinsmen as chanters, to play on musical instruments, harps, lyres, and cymbals, to make a loud sound of rejoicing. They brought in the ark of God and set it within the tent which David had pitched for it. Then they offered up burnt offerings and peace offerings to God. When David had finished offering up the burnt offerings and peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord.

#### (Mass during the Day) FIRST READING REV 11:19A; 12:1-6A, 10AB

God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant could be seen in the temple. A great sign appeared in the sky, a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was with child and wailed aloud in pain as she labored to give birth. Then another sign appeared in the sky; it was a huge red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on its heads were seven diadems. Its tail swept away a third of the stars in the sky and hurled them down to the earth. Then the dragon stood before the woman about to give birth, to devour her child when she gave birth. She gave birth to a son, a male child, destined to rule all the nations with an iron rod. Her child was caught up to God and his throne. The woman herself fled into the desert where she had a place prepared by God. Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: "Now have salvation and power come, and the Kingdom of our God and the authority of his Anointed One."

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

(Vigil Mass) Lord, go up to the place of your rest, you and the ark of your holiness.

(Mass during the Day) The queen stands at your right hand, arrayed in gold.

#### (Vigil Mass) SECOND READING 1 COR 15:54B-57

Brothers and sisters: When that which is mortal clothes itself with immortality, then the word that is written shall come about: *Death is swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?* The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### (Mass during the Day) SECOND READING 1 COR 15:20-27

Brothers and sisters: Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through man, the resurrection of the dead came also through man. For just as in Adam all die, so too in Christ shall all be brought to life, but each one in proper order: Christ the firstfruits; then, at his coming, those who belong to Christ; then comes the end, when he hands over the Kingdom to his God and Father, when he has destroyed every sovereignty and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death, for "he subjected everything under his feet."

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

#### (Vigil Mass) GOSPEL LK 11:27-28

While Jesus was speaking, a woman from the crowd called out and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that carried you and the breasts at which you nursed." He replied, "Rather, blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it."

#### (Mass during the Day) GOSPEL <u>LK 1:39-56</u>

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "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? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." And Mary said: "My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, and has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel for he has remembered his promise of mercy, the promise he made to our fathers, to Abraham and his children forever." Mary remained with her about three months and then returned to her home.

#### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### SALVE, REGINA

Hail, Holy Queen

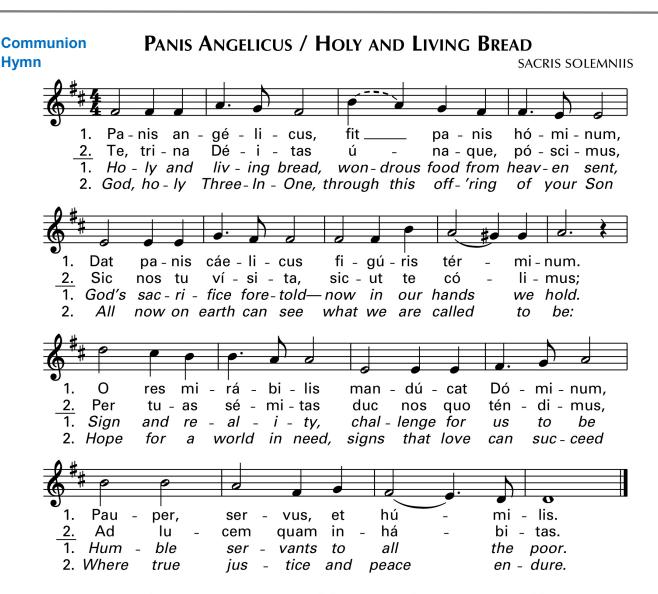
Chant, Mode V

Salve, Regína, Mater misericórdiae:
Vita dulcédo et spes nostra, salve.
Ad te clamámus, éxsules, fílii Hevae.
Ad te suspirámus, geméntes et flentes
in hac lacrimárum valle.
Eia ergo, Advocáta nostra,
illos tuos misericórdes óculos ad nos convérte.

Et Jesum, benedictum fructum ventris tui, nobis post hoc exsilium ostende.

O clemens, O pia, O dulcis Virgo María.

Text: Latin attr. to Hermannus Contractus, 1013-1054.



#### Meditation Hymn

#### AVE MARIA

- Ave Maria, gratia plena,
   holy Mary, full of grace;
   Dominus tecum, with you the Holy One.
   Such is your gift to know God in your heart.
- 2. Benedicta, blest among women, benedictus, the child that you bore: Jesus the Savior, God's love incarnate, benedicta, deep woman of faith. Ave Maria, Ave, Ave Maria.
- 3. Sancta Maria, Holy Mary,Mater Dei, Mother of God:Ora pro nobis, pray for our faithfulnessall through the seasons of life with hope and with love.Ora pro nobis, pray for our faithfulnessall through the seasons of life with hope and with love.
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#### Recessional HAIL, HOLY QUEEN **Hymn** SALVE REGINA COELITUM Verses Ma - ri - a! Hail. 1. Hail, ho - ly Queen en-throned a-bove; 2. Our life, our sweet-ness here be-low, Ma - ri - a! Our 3. And when our life - breath leaves \_\_\_\_ Ma - ri - a! Show Refrain of 1. moth-er of mer - cy and love. 2. hope \_\_\_ in sor - row and in Ma - ri - a! Tri-umph, woe. us \_\_\_\_ thy Son, Christ Je sus. all ye cher-u-bim; Sing with us, ye ser-a-phim! Heav'n and earth re-

Text: 84 84 with refrain; Salve, Regina, mater misericordiae, ca. 1080; tr. anon. in Roman Hymnal, 1884. Music: Melchior Ludwig Herold, 1753–1810; Choralmelodien zum Heiligen Gesänge, 1808.

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### Prayer to Saint Michael

sound the hymn: Sal -

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the Power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

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#### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, August 14, 2021

4:30 pm Mass - People of the Parish

Deacon: Deacon Hannan, EMofHC: S. Hannan, M. Petrarca,

R. Schill Readers: C. Foy, D. Buoni Servers: E. & H. Char, 2 servers needed Sacristan: F. Buoni Music: Anthem

Sunday, August 15, 2021

8 am Mass - John and Anna Budzynski, req. by The Family

Deacon: Deacon Hannan, EMofHC: M. Bruecks, L. Lanciano,

B. Michalski Readers: M. Debes, M. Losito Servers: L. & T. Wilson, 2 servers needed Sacristan: Fred Buoni Music: N. Boysen, M. Lundy

10 am Mass - David and Alfredo Silva, req. by The Silva Family

<u>Deacon</u>: Deacon Lewis, <u>EMofHC</u>: J. Chapman, L. Goldstein, D. Lauletta <u>Readers</u>: A. Pfaff, E. Sigda

Servers: J. & S. Calabretta, N. Goldstein, 1 server needed Sacristan: J. Lyons Music: Festival Choir, M. Lundy

12 pm Mass - Rainer Naus, req. by Mike and Ella Havrilak Deacon: Deacon Lewis, EMofHC: E. Barron, T. Caruso, D. Shannon

Readers: J. Battinieri, K. Hamill-Clark

Servers: 4 servers needed

Sacristan: J. Lyons Music: G. Kull, M.Lundy

Monday, August 16, 2021, 6:30 am Mass

Doris Blizzard, Janet Morgan, Helen Henry and Elaine Morse, req. by Joe Bunting

Tuesday, August 17, 2021, 8:15 am Mass Pattie Perry, req. by The Sciotto Family

Wednesday, August 18, 2021, 6:30 am Mass Jim Kirwin, req. by Bernadette Muto

Thursday, August 19, 2021, 6:30 am Mass William and Mary Shannon, req. by Dennis Shannon

Friday, August 20, 2021, 8:15 am Mass

William G. Sigmund, req. by The Shields Family

Saturday, August 21, 2021

4:30 pm Mass - Deceased Members of the Petrollini Family, req. by The Quinn Family

<u>Deacon</u>: Deacon Hannan, <u>EMofHC</u>: E. Barron, L. Lanciano, R. Schill

Readers: K. Hamill-Clark, M.A. Schill

Servers: 3 servers needed

Sacristan: Jen Hoffman Music: N. Boysen, M. Lundy

Sunday, August 22, 2021

8 am Mass - Frank DiFerdinando, req. The Riordan Family

<u>Deacon</u>: Deacon Hannan, <u>EMofHC</u>: M. Bruecks, M. Petrarca, P.

Wengloski Readers: M. Losito, A. Pfaff Servers: L. & T. Wilson, 1 server needed

Sacristan: Sacristan needed Music: A. Wengloski, M. Lundy

10 am Mass - Carmen and Helen Taraborelli, req. by Helen **Bunch and Children** 

Deacon: Deacon Lewis, EMofHC: J. Chapman, L. Goldstein,

D. Lauletta Readers: H. Leinhauser, G. Charlton

Servers: N. Goldstein, H. & E. Char Sacristan: S. Gempp Music: Anthem

12 pm Mass - Dan Welch, req. by Sheila Connolly

<u>Deacon</u>: Deacon Lewis, <u>EMofHC</u>: T. Caruso, D. Shannon,

M. Wharton Readers: S. Liberatore, C. Foy

Servers: 3 servers needed

Sacristan: J. Lyons Music: M. McDonald, M.Lundy

#### PRAYER REQUESTS



Judy Geller, Ruth Louf, Pam Davidson, Dan Miller, Sharon Kraynak, Brent & Stephanie Starkey, Sharon DeNapoli, Marilyn DePhillips, Dawn Farrugia, Coz Daiello, Bill Sauerwine, Stephen Felicetti, Frankie Knowles, Jose Gonzalez, Cheryl Sedlak, Victor & Dee Beirger, Joseph & Philip Caruso, D'Ambrosia Family, Peter Haggerty, Hilde Varglien, Marianne Boyd, McFillin Family, Logan Moyer, Terry Pia, Kathy & Michele Moro, Lori Gaffney, Lorraine Moulder, Daniel Hill, Cathy McKeaney, Virginia Morneau, Marie & Carl Nardi, Mary Martini, George Timer, Aimee Gallick, Bishop Francis Malooly, Joe Bruecks, Lauren G., Reynolds Family, Jose Gonzalez, Robert DiStefano, Margie Nason, Judith Hasson, Dorothy Verna, Ryan Coyle, BJ Budzynski, David Powell, Patrick Mahan, Visitation Prayer Intentions

Requests will be printed in the bulletin for one month and military prayers for six months. You may renew as often as you wish by calling the Assumption BVM Parish Office at 610-869-2722 or email DonnaABVM@comcast.net.

#### PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Let us continue to pray for our Armed Forces. We thank God for their sacrifices they make to ensure our freedom.

- ♦2 LT Emily Fanning
- **♦LT Ryan Hoffman**
- ♦HM1 Matthew Rosenberg
- ♦SGT Meghan Guerrera
- ♦SGT Michael Guerrera
- ♦SGT James Francis
- ♦2 LT Nicholas J. Caruso ♦SSGT James McWilliams
- **♦**SGT Andrew Wolfe
- ♦AB Michael Connelly & FLT277, Lackland AFB
- **♦SPC Thomas Wolfe**
- **♦**SGM Nicolas Relacion
- ♦CPL Charles M. Griffith
- ♦Service Members & Coalition

Military Plague to honor those who are currently serving in the U.S. Military is on display in the Church Vestibule. If you would like to have your loved one's picture displayed, contact Dave Besselman at 484-667-0267 or dbesselman1@gmail.com.



We would like to welcome the following new members to our Parish Family:

> Zachary and Julia McCrea Family

Are you new to our Parish and would like to register? We would love to have you!! Please call the ABVM Parish Office, weekdays, or visit our parish website. for a registration form.

#### **Parish Finances**

Thank you for your support and generosity!

Collection for August 8, 2021

Includes \$6,550 estimated E-Giving

-47% participation

**Budgeted Weekly Collection 2022** 

\$13,846 **Actual Average Weekly Collection 2022** \$13,096

We have budgeted \$720,000 for our Offertory income for the 2022 budget year. This is less than what we need to balance the overall parish budget. We will make up this deficit from the Annual Parish Appeal. This week about seventy-nine percent of our regular weekly donors contributed. As a result, our Offertory financial support for August 8th was \$267 more than the budgeted Offertory income. Please keep up your good work until all our weekly donors return to Mass.

#### **Parish Appeal Update**

The 2021 Parish Appeal is doing well thanks to you. In the first forty-one weeks of the campaign, we have commitments from two hundred seventy-seven families for more than \$158,900 with \$150.028 received. The first \$125.000 will go toward parish expenses; the remainder will go to the emergency fund for unbudgeted, major expenses for the church; e.g., the ultimate replacement of the church roof.



The Finance Council and Father Scott thank you for your generosity to the parish. There are multiple ways to donate to the Offertory and Parish Appeal:

- \*Place your Offertory and/or Parish Appeal envelope in the collection basket
- \*Mail the Offertory and/or Parish Appeal envelope to the Parish Office
- \*Text 610-810-5080 from your smart phone or click on this link: https:// membership.faithdirect.net/PA832.



Consider a gift to ABVM Parish in your will, estate plan or life insurance. Your gift ensures the vitality of the parish for years to come.



As we celebrate our Patronal Feast Day of our Parish, join us after each Mass this weekend for a Reception. Let's give thanks to Almighty God for giving us such a beautiful, loving Mother!

#### Rest in Peace

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

> Dennis Lafferty James Murphy, III Alfred Pautler

Sacred Heart of Jesus, I adore in You in the Most Blessed Sacrament.

#### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

After Morning Mass until 7 pm Weekdays

Jesus is waiting for you!





On Sunday, August 8, 2021, the following child was welcomed into the Assumption BVM Parish Family:

Adam Christopher Gravina



## Come Pray the Rosary at ABVM

Rosary: Every Wednesday, 6:30 pm (Chapel)

Patriotic Rosary: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month,

6:30 pm - 7 pm (Church)

Rosary with Flame of Love Prayers: Thursdays at 6 pm, and Tuesdays & Fridays at 7:30 am (Chapel)



## Wednesday, September 15th

7:00 pm, ABVM Parish Life Center

If you know someone who has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic or someone who was baptized as a child but has not yet celebrated the sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist, have them contact Deacon Ron by phone or e-mail. This Fall, the RCIA program will be offered here at Assumption BVM. Join Deacon Ron Lewis for a *Meet and Greet* on Wednesday, September 15th at 7 pm in the Parish Life Center (Church lower level). The RCIA program will begin late September and, God willing, will culminate on the Easter Vigil next year with the welcoming of several new Catholics to our Parish! So, get the word out! It may result in the greatest journey someone you know will take...the journey to our Catholic Faith in Jesus Christ. Contact Deacon Ron at RCIA@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org or call 302-547-8586.

#### **FOOTBALL MANIA**

Football Mania begins Sept. 9th. Send your score card stubs and money to the ABVM Parish Office (300 State Road, West Grove, PA 19390). Make checks payable to Assumption BVM Church. Winners will be notified by mail or you can view the winning game cards at www.charitymania.com. Tickets: \$25. Additional score cards can be picked up in the Church vestibule. Return your ticket stubs and payment by August 30th.



### Carpet Replacement in the ABVM Church/Chapel

During the week of August 23-27, 2021, the Main Church and Chapel carpets will be replaced. Weekday Masses will be relocated to the Parish Life Center (Church lower level). Eucharistic **Adoration** will also be relocated to the Parish Life Center (Church lower level). We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

### ABVM News



#### **School Calendar:**

Aug. 23rd: Meet the Teachers, 6 pm - 7 pm

Aug. 30th: First Day of School, 1st-8th Grades

Aug. 31st: First Day of School, Pre-K & Kindergarten;
Band Demos for 3rd-7th Grade Students

Sept. 1st: Band Parent Meeting, 6:30 pm

Sept. 3rd: 8:15 am First Friday Mass, 11 am Dismissal

Sept. 6th: Happy Labor Day - School Closed

Sept. 8th: Back to School Night

Sept. 10th: 8:15 am Mass (Kindergarten & 8th Grade)

Sept. 17th: 8:15 am Mass (1st & 7th Grades); Home and School Movie Night

Sept. 18th: ABVM Community Picnic—All are invited

Sept. 23rd: Virtual NED Show Assembly Positive Mindset Mission

Sept. 24th: 8:15 am Mass - Student Council Installation Mass - Class Representatives

### Prayer for a New School Year

God of wisdom and might, we praise you for the wonder of our being, for mind, body and spirit. Be with our children as they begin a new school year.

Bless them and their teachers and staff.
Give the strength and grace as their bodies grow; wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding; and peace and zeal to their hearts.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.





# Children's Liturgy of the Word

Resumes September 12<sup>th</sup> 10:00 am Mass

This is an opportunity for young children, ages 4 to 7, who have not yet made the Sacrament of Holy Communion, to listen to, discuss, and understand the Mass Readings on an age-appropriate level, so that they too may *Know Jesus, Love Jesus, and Serve Jesus*. No registration is required. For participation in this program, please bring your children or grandchildren to the Adoration chapel prior to the start of Mass. As the Entrance Hymn begins, the Children's Liturgy of the Word leaders will walk your children downstairs to the St. Cecilia Room, where they will gather to hear God's Word. If you feel called to volunteer for this beautiful ministry, please contact Lisa Goldstein at KidsMass@assumptionbymwestgrove.org



#### Registration 2021-22:

At Assumption BVM Parish, we enthusiastically offer a leading On-Site and Home-Based Faith Formation Program, structured to meet the various needs of our students. Ongoing registration is available on our website with further details. We welcome all children, levels 1-7, to grow closer to Christ and journey in faith and Sacramental preparation with us! For questions or additional information, please contact Janine Kramer at call 610-869-8575, email abvmfaithformation@gmail.com, or visit https://assumptionbvmwestgrove.org/catholic-youth-faith-formation.

#### **Safe Environment Clearances**

Safe Environment Clearances are needed prior to volunteering for School, CYFF, CYO, Scouts, and anything that involves children. A list of clearances can be found at www.assumptionbymwestgrove.org, select *About Us*, then select *Safe Environment Clearances*. Completed clearances/certificates need to be sent to the Parish Office. For questions, call the Parish Office at 610-869-2722 or email DonnaABVM@comcast.net.

## Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish Prayer

Mary of the Assumption, we come before you as your faithful children. Through your intercession, increase our faith to enable us to live in unity with your Son and each other. Help us to accept the will of our Father, as you did, with



hope and trust. Strengthen us to walk in the ways of your Son and to be open to the workings of the Holy Spirit.

Oh, Mary, our mother, protect us and may your Gentle Love abide in our family homes and in your community of West Grove. Amen.

#### **Announcements**

#### **Pray the Rosary for Life** (8/15-8/21/21)

Sun. T. & D. Harrison
Mon. C. Sedlak
Tue. G. Bryson
Thu. M. Kennard
Fri. R. Gaffney
Sat. M. Mueller

Wed. J. Patrick (Sign-up to pray in the vestibule.)

- \*HopeAfterAbortion.com; afterabortion.org; RachelsVineyard.org 610-354-0555,
- \*Pregnant? Need Help? Call 1-800-CARE-002.
- \*Birthright: 610-436-0773.
- \*Annulment Proceeding: Metropolitan Tribunal, Archdiocese of Philadelphia (215) 587-3750.
- \*Al-Anon: Email Mondayodat@gmail.com or visit https://al-non.org.
- \*Lions Club Hospital Equipment Loan
- **Program**: Contact 484-883-0515; www.aglions.com.
- \*Courage: Courage ministers to those with same-sex attractions and their loved ones. A weekly peer support group is offered to homosexual men and women who wish to live according to the teaching of the Catholic Church. Call 215-587-4505. Confidentiality assured.
- \*Catholic Men's Pornography Addiction Group: Call confidentially at 215-490-4660.
- \* Suicide Prevention Hotline: 800-273-8255.
- \*Hope in Christ: Spiritual Support for Addiction: visit archphila.org/hope.
- \*STRIVE 21 Day Detox from Pornography. Register at cardinalstudios.org.
- \*Disabilities & Autism Help-Line: Need help accessing services and support for someone with an intellectual disability or autism? Call 484-472-5041.

## Assumption BVM Church



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#### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Walking with Purpose is more than a women's Bible study. It is a faith community that supports, encourages, and challenges one another. It is a safe place where you will discover authentic friendships and meaningful discussions as your heart is transformed by the Word of God. It is everything you need to get back to living a life that you love.

**OPENING YOUR HEART (For women new to the program)** This 22 week foundational course begins <u>Wednesday, September 22nd</u>, 9:00-10:30 am, ABVM Parish Life Center.

GROUNDED IN HOPE (For women who have already completed Opening Your Heart) This 17 week course begins <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>September 21st</u>, 9:00-10:30 am, ABVM Parish Life Center.

**BLAZE (For 7th and 8th Grade Girls)** The mission of Blaze is to use Scripture to speak truth into the hearts of young girls who are bombarded by lies about their true worth and beauty. This 20 week course begins <u>Sunday</u>, <u>October 10th</u>, 11 am-12 pm, ABVM Parish Life Center.

For information or to register, contact Stephanie at BibleStudy@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org or call 484-467-6675.

## Catholic Young Adults of Chester County (CYACC)

Join CYACC for PARK NIGHT on Wednesday, August 18th, 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm. We will meet at Kerr Park in Downingtown near the gazebo. Outside games will be provided but also feel free to bring your own as well. Sneakers and casual clothing are encouraged. In the event of rain, we will go rock climbing at Downingtown Rock Gym (462 Acorn Lane, Downingtown). Looking forward to seeing you there! For information about our organization, check www.cyacc.org, find us on Facebook or email us at cyacc1@gmail.com.



## ABVM CYO Sports Corner

Registration has been extended to



## Sunday, August 22nd

VOLLEYBALL: Grades 5 and 6 (JV Only)
CROSS COUNTRY: Grades 5 thru 8

For Cross Country we do not have a coach.

If interested in coaching Cross Country, reach out to Neil O'Donnell at cyo@assumptionbvmwestgrove.org.

Varsity Volleyball is now closed as we have reached our limit of participants for the team.

Our registration site is:

http://assumptionbvmwestgrove.website.sportssignup.com



## **Red Cross Blood Drive**

## Thursday, August 19, 2021

11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**ABVM Parish Life Center (Church lower level)** 

Schedule at redcrossblood.org (code: assumptionbvm) or call 1-800-733-2767.

Contact tedra.farrell@redcross.org if you experience issues scheduling donor appointments. For questions, contact ABVM parishioner, Ann Barr, at 610-869-8559.



Please remember one donation has the potential to save up to three lives.



Save the Date
OKTOBERFEST
Saturday, October 16, 2021

Assumption BVM Parish Center West Grove, PA 6:00 pm – 10:30 pm

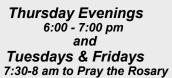
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### Flame of Love Prayer Group

**ABVM Adoration Chapel** 



This is a vibrant prayer group consisting of men and women from our parish who meet each week for prayer and meditation on the spreading of love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Join us for the Flame of Love Rosary, short meditation and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. For information, visit the National website at www.flameoflove.us.

#### Director of Parish Services Sacred Heart Church, Oxford

Sacred Heart Church, Oxford, PA, is seeking a part-time staff person (up to 19 hours per week) to serve as the Director of Parish Services. This person will report directly to the Pastor, while collaborating with other Parish Staff members. For information about the position, visit https://sacredheart.us. Candidates should send a cover letter and resume to Reverend Joseph T. Shenosky, 203 Church Road, Oxford, PA 19363, or email info@sacredheart.us.

#### Director of Music St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother

St. Gabriel in Avondale is looking to fill a part-time position as Music Director. This position requires the ability to play the pipe organ and piano and reports directly to the pastor. Our program requires building up and we are looking for someone creative and energetic to recruit choir members and musicians. To apply, please send your resume to: St. Gabriel of the Sorrowful Mother Church, P.O. Box 709, Avondale, PA 19311 or email stgabriel@kennett.net.



## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

- \* WEEKEND COUPLES RETREAT (September 10-12, 2021, Malvern Retreat House, Malvern, PA) Join us for a weekend of renewal and rejoicing in your marriage. Enjoy wonderful meals, conferences, and time together. To register, visit malvernretreat.com/register or call 610-644-0400.
- \* A DAY OF PROMISE GOLF TOURNAMENT (September 13, 2021, 1 pm Shotgun Start, 5 pm Dinner, Kennett Square Golf & Country Club, Kennett Square) Family Promise of Southern Chester County is sponsoring this Golf Tournament to help support homeless families, because every child deserve a home. Visit www.familypromisescc.org/events.
- \* MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND (September 17-19, 2021, Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA) Register at wwme.org.
- \* ABBEYFEST (September 18, 2021, Daylesford Abbey, Paoli, PA) Don't miss this one of a kind experience celebrating faith, music and powerful witness! Nine-time Grammy nominee, Matt Maher, will headline this year's festival. Enjoy powerful music by Firehill Worship, The Scally Brothers, Alverlis and more. Call 800-965-9324, visit https://www.theabbeyfest.com, or email tickets@www.TheAbbeyFest.com.
- \* PADRE PIO FESTIVAL (September 18/19, 2021, St. Bede Church, Holland, PA) Events include Mass, veneration of Padre Pio relics, Healing Service with Confessions, live musical entertainment, food tents, craft vendors, amusements for children, and much more. Call 215-357-5720 or visit padrepiofestivalhollandpa.com.
- \* **SEMINARY OPEN HOUSE** (October 3, 2021, St. Charles Borromeo Seminary, Wynnewood, PA) Celebrate the 150th anniversary of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary! Open House and Tours start at 2 pm led by seminarians. Vespers will be in St. Martin of Tours Chapel at 5 pm. Visit www.scs.edu/. Come see the seminary before it is transferred to its new location!
- \* **POST ABORTION HEALING RETREAT** (October 22-24, 2021, Malvern-Frazer, PA) All inquiries are strictly confidential. Financial aid is offered if needed. Contact Georgeann at 484-955-4278, geemcgarry@gmail.com or Susan at 610-716-4795, susiemck@comcast.net.
- \* CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE (October 23, 2021, Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA) Women are invited to attend one, 2 hour, in-person mini-conference, morning or afternoon, and enjoy four video talks at home at your leisure. Carpooling available from our parish. Call Stephanie at 484-467-6675. Visit www.catholicwomensconference.org.
- \* HEALING RETREAT FOR VETERANS (November 18-21, 2021, Discovery House, Hammonton, NJ) Experience growth, redemption and restoration. Retreat includes daily Mass & Confession, Eucharistic Adoration, sunrise hikes, outdoor experiential activities, gourmet food, military camaraderie, and encouraging conversation in a peaceful, tranquil setting. Visit <a href="https://davidretreat.com/retreat/healing-retreat-for-veterans/">https://davidretreat.com/retreat/healing-retreat-for-veterans/</a>.

## WEEKLY PRAYER



## Archdiocesan Novena to Saint Joseph

(Pray the 19th of each month from 3/19-11/19/21)

The praying of this Novena is to unite everyone in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia on the 19th of each month, from March through November 2021, in single petition of confident prayer to the Lord through the heavenly intercession of Saint Joseph. Please keep in mind the monthly Archdiocesan intention (August 19th: For all those afflicted with disease, addiction and sickness of any kind.) For novena prayers, please visit www.archphila.org/joseph.

O Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Foster Father of the Divine Child, Jesus, you were entrusted as the protective guardian of the Holy Family in Nazareth. Give today this same protection to the family of the Church in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Amen.

#### **OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 15, 2021**

**Sunday:** The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday: St. Stephen of Hungary
Thursday: St. John Eudes, Priest

Friday: St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church

Saturday: St. Pius X, Pope

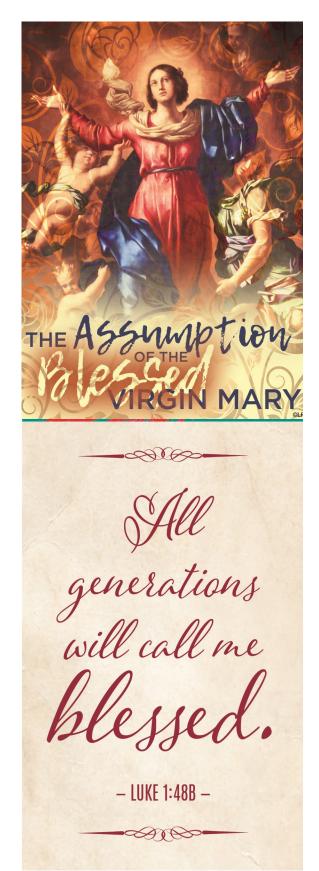
Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### LIVE THE LITURGY

#### Reflection on the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Solemnity of the Assumption celebrates the Blessed Mother's entrance into heavenly glory. The Catechism explains that Mary "was taken up body and soul into the glory of heaven, where she already shares in the glory of her Son's Resurrection, anticipating the resurrection of all members of his Body" (CCC, 974). Mary's Assumption into heaven reminds us that life on earth is a pilgrimage to our ultimate destination. We prepare in hope for our own passage into eternal life by the choices we make today. When we choose to love and follow God in our daily lives, we strengthen our relationship with Him, and this relationship is the true meaning of heaven: "To live in heaven is to be with Christ". Our Blessed Mother shows us how the way we live today can prepare us, in hope, to also enter into heavenly glory at the end of our lives. Are we open to God's precious gift of new life? How do we support expectant mothers and parents of young children? Do we prioritize showing our love and care for loved ones who are ill or aging?

Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.



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