



GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

June 16, 2019

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity



June 8th, 2019

MASS

Sunday: 7:30 a.m./9 a.m.
10:30 a.m./Noon/ 6 p.m.
Saturday: 8 a.m./5 p.m.
Monday-Friday: 6:30 a.m./8 a.m.

CONFESSION

Sundays Before Masses
Saturdays 4-4:45 p.m.
Wednesdays 6-6:45 p.m.
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This Week

SUN 6/16	8 a.m. TWB Gift Cards Available-LL 10:15 a.m. Living with Loss-REC 7 p.m. Our Lady of Guadalupe for Life-AC
MON 6/17	8:30 a.m. Rosary-CH 11:30 a.m. Senior Monthly Speaker Luncheon-LL 6:30 p.m. St. Vincent de Paul Meeting-REC 7 p.m. ACTS Men Formation-ACTS 7 p.m. Ladies' Volleyball-GYM
TUE 6/18	8:30 a.m. Exercise-LL 8:45 a.m. Rosary-CH 5:30 p.m. ELC Picnic in the Park -Suson Park 6:30 p.m. Fatima Rosary-CH 7 p.m. W.I.N.E. Book Club-LL
WED 6/19	8:30 a.m. Rosary-CH 8:30 a.m. Senior Wednesday-LL 9 a.m. Quilters-LL 10 a.m. Chair Exercises-LL 6 p.m. Parish Holy Hour-CH 6 p.m. Senior Ministry Core Team-REC 7 p.m. Respect Life Meeting-REC 7:30 p.m. Athletic Assoc. Meeting-Outside 7:30 p.m. Boy Scouts (Thomas)-CAFÉ
THU 6/20	8:30 a.m. Rosary-CH 8:30 a.m. Exercise-LL 6 p.m. Men's ACTS Send-Off-CH 7 p.m. Men's ACTS Small Group-LL
FRI 6/21	8:30 a.m. Rosary-CH 10 a.m. Chair Exercises -LL
SAT 6/22	8 a.m. St. Vincent de Paul Donations-SVdP GARAGE 8:30 a.m. Rosary-CH 4 p.m. Confessions-CH
SUN 6/23	8 a.m. TWB Gift Cards Available-LL 11:30 a.m. Men's ACTS Return Luncheon -LL 11:30 a.m. YACHT Sundae Fundae Picnic -Outdoor Classroom 2:30 p.m. Living Rosary-CH 7 p.m. Our Lady of Guadalupe for Life-AC

CH—Church SC—School CAFÉ—Cafeteria
H—Parish Center REC—Rectory Lower Level
LL—Church Lower Level AC—Chapel

Special Events

June 20-23 Men's ACTS Retreat
July 4 Only one Mass at 9 a.m. for the Holiday
August 20-24 August 27-31
September 3-6 September 10-14
Parish Directory photos taken
Oct. 10-13 Women's ACTS Retreat
Oct. 19 Assumption Gala & Auction

Closings for July 1-5:

Our Parish Office will be closed on July 4-5 for the holiday.
From July 1-5, our school building will be completely closed for cleaning & renovations.

We will not have Camp Assumption or ELC this week, nor will foot-traffic be permitted in the building.
Thank you for your patience and cooperation!



All are welcome to join us for a *Eucharistic Procession* around our parish grounds NEXT SUNDAY, **June 23**, as we celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi! The Procession will start after the 6 p.m. Mass and will conclude with ice cream for all!

Young Adults & Young Families!

Come join us for...



SUNDAE FUNDUE

BYO Lunch & join us for a picnic
& some Ted Drewes' ice cream after Mass!
June 23 @ 11:30 a.m. in the Outdoor Classroom

Mass Intentions †

June 16	SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.	Charles Failla †
9 a.m.	Dan Connors †
10:30 a.m.	Sal Catanzaro †
Noon	People of the Parish
6 p.m.	Helene Wanninger †
June 17	MONDAY
6:30 a.m.	Lisa McDaniels †
8 a.m.	Evelyn Tucker †
June 18	TUESDAY
6:30 a.m.	Helen Bell †
8 a.m.	Eileen Otti †
June 19	WEDNESDAY
6:30 a.m.	John Koelbel †
8 a.m.	Wilbert Eckstein †
June 20	THURSDAY
6:30 a.m.	Joe & Theresa Bellosi †
8 a.m.	Anthony Mroczkowski †
June 21	FRIDAY
6:30 a.m.	Kyle & Sarah Manning
8 a.m.	Vi & Al Camenzind †
June 22	SATURDAY
8 a.m.	Dan Mueller †
5 p.m.	Helene Wanninger †
June 23	SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
9 a.m.	Robert Adams †
10:30 a.m.	Joan Biecha †
Noon	Sandra Stone †
6 p.m.	Special Intention
	† denotes deceased

† Please see page 8 for the Missouri Bishop's statement on the recent change in the amount for Mass stipends. Usual contributions for Mass offerings are now \$10. Please stop by the Parish Office during office hours to arrange to have a Mass said.

In Our Prayers

THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Josefina Antenor
Tim Dunn
Mary Lou Distler
Rosalyn P.
John Paquet
Jim Penrose
Lois Pitchford
Mary Ann Pizzo
Bert Pohl
Ron Pohl
Ann Prasuhn
Jerry Pyle
Barb Radake

OUR MILITARY *denotes parishioner

Michael Cole
Sean Danaher, USAF
David DiFranco, USA
Kevin Deitz
Matthew Eberhart, USA
Michael Faulkner, USMC*
Wyatt Flieg, USN
William Florich, USAR*
Tracy Freeman, USAR
Michael Fresenberg, USA
Thomas Graham, USAF
Josh Gregory, USAR*
Devon Harris, USN

Rest in Peace

Marianne Loveless
Marie Mudd
Marian Ruth Kinsella
Francse Riek

Weekly Readings

Sunday: Prv 8:22-31/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2a]/Rom 5:1-5/Jn 16:12-15
Monday: 2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4 [2a]/Mt 5:38-42
Tuesday: 2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a [1b]/Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday: 2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9 [1b]/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday: 2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8 [7a]/Mt 6:7-15
Friday: 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [cf. 18b]/Mt 6:19-23
Saturday: 2 Cor 12:1-10/Ps 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [9a]/Mt 6:24-34
Next Sunday: Gn 14:18-20/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17

Welcome to our Parish!

Anne Beach
Keith Mosberger

Welcome to Assumption!
We are so glad that you have chosen to be part of our Parish family!



**Our Lady of Guadalupe
for Life's**

**Living Rosary
for Life**

**June 23rd
at 2:30 p.m.**

Come pray a rosary with us at 2:30 p.m. in the Church with a light reception to follow downstairs!

Honoring in the month of June:
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

NEW SUMMER BIBLE STUDY FORMING!!!

WEDNESDAYS @ 7 P.M.
JULY & AUGUST



WORD
on FIRE's

"THE MASS"

ENCOUNTERING
HEAVEN ON EARTH

MORE INFO AT
ASSUMPTIONSTL.ORG/BIBLE-STUDIES

Parish Picnic Thank You!

Our Assumption Parish
Picnic on June 8th, 2019
was a smashing success!

Thank you to all of our
amazing volunteers
who put together this fun
event for the whole parish!



Notice:

Assumption's Financial Stewardship contributions for the weekend of June 9th were not accounted for in time for the printing of this bulletin. They will be in next week's *Good News Messenger*. Thank you for your patience!

The Assumption Men's ACTS Retreat is June 20-23, 2019 !

For more information or to sign up, please contact retreat director Paul Hesse at prhesse@swbell.net. An ACTS retreat is a parish-based retreat that offers you the opportunity to strengthen your faith and to build lasting friendships.

Baptisms



Congratulations to Benjamin on his
Baptism on June 2nd, 2019.
Pictured with Benjamin are his parents,
Drew & Kate, his two big brothers,
as well as Deacon Dave Schaefer.

Registering at Assumption

Everyone needs a family.
Belonging to a parish family unites us
with people of all ages and backgrounds
in the journey to Jesus Christ.

Assumption Parish (Mattese) warmly welcomes you to our family of Faith!

I/We would like to register at Assumption:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Please return this slip to the Parish Office (located in the Rectory) or drop in the offertory basket, and we will be in touch soon to help you register here! You may also visit the office Monday-Friday, between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. to register.



Assumption Parish Mission

Our Mission:
-Worship God
-Share the
Good News
of Jesus
-Serve Christ
in others

Our Vision:
-Continue the work
of Jesus Christ

Our Goal:
Every parishioner
— a saint!



Visit the Parish
Website to register today
for Online Giving !

Pastor's Column

Fr. Thomas Keller



Sister Parishes

Last year, the Parish Council recommended we revive the sister parish program. Additionally, some parishioners, on their own, asked if could offer opportunities to provide direct service to others. Assumption is a very generous parish; if we take up a collection, it is always strongly supported. But, aside from a handful of groups like the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, we have few opportunities for our parishioners to directly serve others. However, it is not easy to establish a ministry of direct service in a suburban environment and it takes ongoing relationships to develop one.

One possible route is a sister parish. A “sister parish” is an arrangement where a suburban parish and an urban parish work together. There are multiple advantages to this relationship. Urban parishes often lack the resources that suburban parishes take for granted and suburban parishes often become insular and have few opportunities to serve outside of their boundaries. In a racially divided region like St. Louis, sister parishes also give Catholics the opportunities to break down walls, to encourage relationships and to provide us with opportunities to work together.

Assumption has had a sister parish in the past. I’m told that at one time, St. Elizabeth, Mother of St. John the Baptist Parish and Assumption Parish had a vibrant relationship. Families from St. Elizabeth still receive Christmas gifts through our Sponsor a Family Program. We will continue that relationship, but we also have the opportunity to develop a new sister parish relationship.

Fr. Art Cavitt, the pastor of St. Nicholas Parish and the executive director of the St. Charles Lawanga Center, came to Assumption a few months ago to speak at our Senior Ministry Speaker and Luncheon Series. During a Q & A session, the idea of starting a sister parish relationship with St. Nicholas Parish was discussed.

St. Nicholas Catholic Church is located downtown at 701 N. 18th Street. Their website is stnickscatholicchurch.com.

After Fr. Cavitt and I began emailing each other, the idea was discussed at St. Nicholas Parish. Fr Cavitt and I believe the next step is for parishioners from Assumption to meet parishioners from St. Nicholas. I’ve asked Deacon Dave Schaefer to help with this project.

What I need are some Assumption Parishioners who are excited about this idea to form a “Core Team.” The Core Team will be invited to attend Mass on June 23 at 10:30 a.m. and to meet Fr. Cavitt and the parishioners.

If you are willing to serve on the Sister Parish Core Team, please contact Deacon Dave or me.

Personally, I think that Assumption has the capacity on multiple levels to open up our programming and resources to other parishes including our ACTS Retreats, many of our Youth Ministry and Senior Ministry events, and other parish activities. Our shuttle makes transportation easy. I would love to see our parishioners participating in St. Nicholas’ activities or even start new apostolates together to serve the poor of downtown St. Louis. Most of all, I would love to see Catholics of different backgrounds coming together to proclaim the Gospel to the world by our unity.

God bless, Fr. Keller

RECLAIMING MY CATHOLIC FAITH

How to Keep Holy the Lord's Day

To the Catholic, the Lord's Day is about celebrating God's creation and Christ's redemption of humanity. Sunday is the greatest feast day for the Catholic. Every Sunday commemorates Christ's resurrection from the dead. Ever since the time of the earliest Christians, Holy Mass is central to Sunday, but it is not the entire experience.

In the time of Jesus, and still today, Jews observe the Sabbath (Saturday) by refraining from all work. The strictest of Jews today won't even flip a light switch on the Sabbath. The lack of work represents how man should not place himself before God, who only worked for the six days of creation. Does that mean Catholics trying to observe the Lord's Day should be so literal?

Faithful Catholics do not keep the Lord's Day like observant Jews, but certain labors should be avoided – while other labors are encouraged as we celebrate creation and redemption in Christ.

The “Work of God”—the sacred Liturgy of the Church—must be observed on Sundays. Every Catholic should be dedicated to Sunday Mass (or the Vigil of Sunday on Saturday evening.) No Catholic should lightly excuse themselves from Holy Mass, except for serious reasons of health, serious reasons of employment, or when, if traveling, no opportunity for Holy Mass exists.

Another work that is encouraged on the Lord's Day is the bringing together of family to celebrate family life. The preparation of meals and other family activities can occur on the Lord's Day to celebrate God's creation.

One strong warning is that sports cannot take the place of Holy Mass, and to do so is a most serious sin, which is compounded if one teaches children to take the obligation of Mass lightly. Nor should organized sports be a replacement of quality family time spent together at meals and in conversation.

Another temptation is to leave chores like yard work or laundry to Sunday. This can become sinful because it takes away from the daylong celebration of God's creation and redemption.

There is a practical reason to refrain from shopping all day and dining out on Sundays, especially in the mornings, as this forces employees of businesses to work on the Lord's Day. We owe it to our neighbors and to society to create an environment where everyone else can observe the Lord's Day too. In the city of Rome, there is a wonderful tradition where most businesses, except those who cater to pilgrims (they have to eat!), are closed on Sundays until the evening time. Then, the whole city comes alive as restaurants open and the streets fill up!

Questions for reflection:

- Do I make Holy Mass the greatest priority of my week?
- Do I prioritize sports, chores, or other interests over my duty to God?
- Do I encourage a culture of respect for the Lord's Day by my shopping and dining habits?

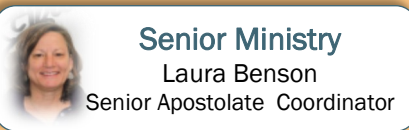


CGS MATERIALS MAKING PARTY

Special thanks to all who helped!
Want to share your artistic skills?
More helpers are always welcome!

Contact Valerie at stringerv@assumptionstl.org to join the next gathering!

Building the Atrium at Assumption



Senior Ministry Activities

- 6/17** 11:30 am June Luncheon with Bob Grimm and friends, banjo players. ***If you have not already signed up, please call 314.487-7970 ext 1221 Monday morning to ask about lunch availability.*** Free will donations appreciated. You can come to the music session without an RSVP.
- 6/19** 8:30 a.m. Coffee, juice & sweet treats
9:15 a.m. Rosary in the Adoration Chapel for Men on ACTS retreat (6/20 - 6/23)
10 a.m. Chair exercises
11 a.m. 2nd part of an audio prayer retreat with Joyce Rupp. "Meeting God in our Transition Times". One hour. Rupp is a member of the Servants of Mary community, has led retreats internationally with her background in Religious Education & Psychology. We will listen to her tape and then journey outside to the parish outdoor garden for guided prayer. ***Please call Laura 314.487.7970 ext 1221 by Tuesday, 6/18 at 3 p.m. if you plan to join us for this 90 minute prayer retreat. Please bring a brown bag lunch.***
- 6/21** 10:00 a.m. Chair exercises

PROJECT LIFE 2019



Praise God for these amazing teens and the work the Lord did in their hearts throughout the week!

Last week, 11 AYM teens gave up an entire week of their summer to do service in North County. Teens served at various work sites during the day, including food pantries, thrift stores, a Catholic grade school, home/yards of the elderly, abandoned properties, etc.

In the evenings, they encountered Christ through talks, fellowship, adoration, daily Mass, and in time for reflection.

Olivia Evers, sophomore, said,
"During Project Life, God touched my heart and allowed me to spread goodness and joy with others and increase my relationship with Him."

ROBERTUS IACOBUS

Divina Miseratione et



Apostolicæ Sedis Gratia

ARCHIEPISCOPUS SANCTI LUDOVICI

**DECREE
REGARDING MASS OFFERINGS**

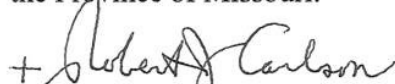
We recall that “the Christian faithful who give an offering to apply the Mass for their intention contribute to the good of the Church and by that offering share its concern to support its ministers and works” (canon 946). Moreover, priests deserve remuneration to “provide for the necessities of life” and for “the equitable payment of those whose services they need” (canon 281 §1).

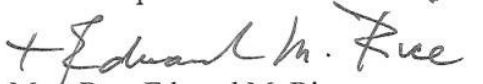
We note that the Christian faithful in the Province of Missouri usually suffer no hardship by offering ten (10) dollars to the priest who applies the Mass for their intention, and that a priest may accept for the application of a Mass a voluntary offering which is smaller than the offering established for the province (canon 952 §1).

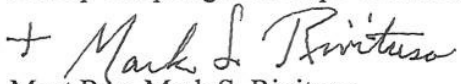
Therefore, we, the undersigned bishops of the Province of Missouri, by unanimous vote on April 14, 2019 in accord with canon 952 §1, have determined that the offering to be given for the celebration and application of Mass in the Province of Missouri shall be ten (10) dollars.


We, with the universal law of the Church, earnestly recommend “to priests that they celebrate Mass for the intentions of the Christian faithful, especially the needy, even if they have not received an offering” (canon 945 §2).

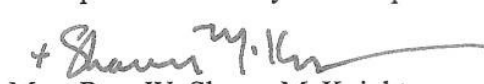
The present decree becomes effective July 1, 2019, and shall be promulgated in each diocese in the Province of Missouri.

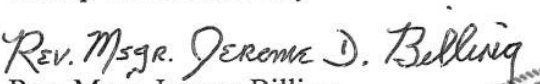
+ 
Most Rev. Robert J. Carlson
Archbishop of St. Louis

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Most Rev. Edward M. Rice
Bishop of Springfield-Cape Girardeau

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Most Rev. Mark S. Rivituso
Auxiliary Bishop of St. Louis

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Most Rev. James V. Johnston, Jr.
Bishop of Kansas City-St. Joseph

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Most Rev. W. Shawn McKnight
Bishop of Jefferson City

+ 
Rev. Msgr. Jerome Billing
Chancellor for Canonical Affairs, St. Louis

Dated this ninth day of June, in the year of Our Lord, 2019, the Solemnity of Pentecost.



Parish School of Religion (PSR) registration

Whether you are a new family or a returning family, you can go to the PSR section of our website (assumptionstl.org) for more info or to register!

ATTENTION: SEPARATED, DIVORCED, WIDOWED OR REMARRIED OF ALL AGES

You are invited to join us for fun and to make new friends at the meeting of the South County Separated, Divorced, Widowed and Remarried Catholics (SCDC) on Thursday, June 27, 2019 at 7 p.m., at the Saint Catherine Laboure parish cafeteria (next to the playground) 9740 Sappington Road, Sunset Hills, Missouri. SCDC is a support group for the separated, divorced, widowed and remarried of our community. SCDC offers social activities and a support group that provides the opportunity to share your personal story with caring people. Lamar Pilsing will play music and sing to entertain us at this get together and then we will have refreshments and a short meeting afterward. For more information, please call Bill DeCoursey at (314) 894-0733.

Parish Auction Donations Needed

In order to make it easy for you to drop off your donations for our upcoming auction, there will be someone outside the white house every Saturday from 9 a.m. until noon to make it easy for you. All you have to do is drive around the back and we'll help you unload it from your car. If you have a bigger item that you need picked up, you can contact Mike T. at 314-852-1260 and he will arrange to come and get it. With every donation you can enter your name to win two free tickets to the auction!

That drawing will be held on August 1st.

Thanks for your support. Your donations will help to make our auction a huge success!



Ladies' Volleyball

Assumption Gym

Mondays, 7:00-9:30pm

June 10, 17

July 8, 15, 22, 29

Games are purely recreational
and all skill levels are welcome!

Questions? Call/text Danielle @ 314-302-7695

Delmar Gardens Volunteers Needed

The Sunday morning group providing the Eucharistic Service to our fellow Catholics at Delmar Gardens South could use a few more volunteers to assist bringing residents to the service. Eucharistic Ministers could also assist in the distribution of communion.

If interested, call Ken at 311-487-7170.



Our Lady Help of Christians Adoration Chapel

Open 24/7.

(Contact the Parish Office)



Assumption Young Family Summer Movie Night



**Thursday, July 11 at 7 p.m.
in the Parish Hall (Gym)**

Go to assumptionstl.org/young-adult-ministry for more info!

ASSUMPTION PARISH HOLY HOUR

The Parish Holy Hour is open to everyone. It is intended as an opportunity for parishioners to spend time in prayer and adoration, as well as receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Join us each Wednesday from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the church.

THE ZECHARIAH MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST ...

... is focused on sharing the story of an encounter with Christ, one man at a time. Come to breakfast Saturday, June 29, 2019 in the May Room, Cardinal Rigali Center, 20 Archbishop May Drive in Shrewsbury (63119), 9a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Our speaker **RICK HERMANN** is a local author of How to Forgive Anyone for Anything and three other books. Breakfast reservations (\$15 at the door) may be made by email to gary.whitlock@att.net, by phone to 636-296-2903, or online at **STLRENEWAL.ORG/ZPB**. Information is at the **Catholic Renewal Center** website, **ARCHSTL.ORG/RENEWAL**.

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Good News Messenger

Issue	Deadline (4 p.m.)
June 23	June 14
June 30	June 21

ATTN: New way to submit bulletin news

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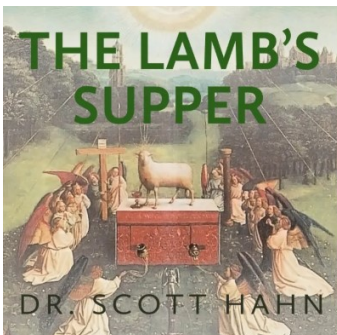


Today as we celebrate the mystery of the Trinity, we also realize the mystery of how much God loves & cares for us each day. Believing in this, our lives can then overflow in thanksgiving and praise. Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can help those who are suffering.

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FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK



In this audio presentation based on his bestselling book, Dr. Scott Hahn reveals the early Christians' key to understanding the Mass: the Book of Revelation. With its' bizarre imagery, mystic visions of Heaven, and end-times prophecies, it mirrors the sacrifice and celebration of the Holy Eucharist. See the Mass with new eyes, pray the Liturgy with a renewed heart, and enter into the Mass more fully and enthusiastically!

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