



GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 29, 2020



5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus told her, "I am the resurrection and the life;
whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live."
- Jn 11:25

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MASS

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

CONFESSION

Saturdays 4-5 p.m.
Wednesdays 6-7 p.m.
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Maintenance	\$5.00
Parish Gift	\$425.00
Partners in Education	\$25.00
Preserving Our Heritag	\$55.00
Retired Religious	\$5.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$20.00
St. Louis Review Subscription	\$35.00
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Total	\$15,691.36

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- Rosary (M-F) at Noon

**- Stations of the Cross
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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!

Mass Intentions †

March 29	SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.	Vincent Domagalski †
9 a.m.	People of the Parish
10:30 a.m.	Jim Blume †
Noon	Catherine Baumgartner †
6 p.m.	Marilyn Sandweg †
March 30	MONDAY
6:30 a.m.	Bob Frey OCDS
8 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
5:30 p.m.	Marilyn Baum †
March 31	TUESDAY
6:30 a.m.	Frances Bocklage †
8 a.m.	Barbara Reagan †
5:30 p.m.	Vincent H. Eschbecher †
April 1	WEDNESDAY
6:30 a.m.	Tom & Dorothy Figliola †
8 a.m.	Dori Thorton †
5:30 p.m.	Mary Pudlowski †
April 2	THURSDAY
6:30 a.m.	Yvonne Conlon †
8 a.m.	Jack Camenzind †
5:30 p.m.	John Bommarito †
April 3	FRIDAY
6:30 a.m.	Brett D. Grant †
8 a.m.	George Brueggemann †
5:30 p.m.	Linda DeClue †
April 4	SATURDAY
8 a.m.	George Trembath †
5 p.m.	Dan Rogaczewski †
April 5	SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.	Vincent Domagalski †
9 a.m.	People of the Parish
10:30 a.m.	Marie Mudd †
Noon	Linda DeClue †
6 p.m.	Danny Martin †
	† denotes deceased

In Our Prayers

THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Bob Schraut
Genevieve Lauer
Janet Leisure
Ray Leisure
Marietta Lewandowski
Marie LoPiccolo
Kristen Lowry
Ed Lueders
Ann Macke
Michael Manning
Ann Marie Marelli
Marilyn Massey
Charlie McFarland
OUR MILITARY *denotes parishioner
Andrew Titus USN*
Matthew Titus USN*
Eddie Torres, USAF
Marti Torres, USAF
Jenna Welchlen, USA
Steven Wodraska, USN
Nicole Wright, USA
Joshua Zarr
Tim Andrews USCG
Isaiah Angeli USMC*
Davey Ardrey USAR
Raymond Bast USN
Ryan Boedeker

† Usual contributions for Mass offerings are \$10. Please stop by the Parish Office during office hours to arrange to have a Mass said.

Weekly Readings

Sunday: Ez 37:12-14/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Rom 8:8-11/Jn 11:1-45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45
Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [4ab]/Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9/Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21/Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9/Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Jn 8:51-59
Friday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7 [cf. 7]/Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28/Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13 [cf. 10d]/Jn 11:45-56
Next Sunday: Mt 21:1-11/Is 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/Phil 2:6-11/Mt 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54

Dynamic Catholic, Alive! -Spiritual Sight

The Gospel story of Christ raising Lazarus from the dead is a beautiful account that teaches the power of faith, hope, and charity. These virtues are essential in allowing us to participate in the life of God. Christ states that he is the resurrection and the life and that those who have FAITH in Him will never die but will live forever. Those who HOPE in the Lord will not be disappointed but will look forward to eternal life with a fervent desire for heaven. Hope enables us to trust in God's promises and to rely on His grace and not our own efforts. Finally, the story shows the LOVE Jesus had for His friend Lazarus. Jesus loves the Father perfectly and all His creation for the love of God. The theological virtues are infused by God into our souls to make us capable of acting as God's children and of meriting eternal life (CCC 1813). As we approach Holy Week, let us pray for a deeper awareness of these glorious virtues that are present in us when we are in the state of grace.

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Pastor's Column

Fr. Thomas Keller

Life: Social Distancing

Well, here we are. It's been a full week since the shelter at home started. The parish is operating with a skeleton crew; just one person to help with the important office work and two others to care for our campus facilities. Poor Fr. Weber is wandering around somewhat disoriented and bored—of course that's nothing unusual—and pretty soon I'm going to break the news to him that we are closed. However, the grade school is still active over the internet. Mrs. Sykora and our teachers are doing an amazing job shifting from traditional classroom instructions to online leaning. And our prayers are with our families who have had to make huge lifestyle changes to become “instant homeschoolers.” People are asking me how I'm doing. I'm still trying to be reasonable and industrious as my Danish genes drive me to do, and I'm an only child and a natural introvert, so aside from worrying about what the world is going to be like when this is over, I'm fine. I hope all of you are coping with a surreal world too. I'm praying for you every day. I know there is a lot of suffering out there. Although as of this writing, there are relatively few positive cases of Coronavirus in St. Louis, everyone is suffering financially, emotionally, and many are suffering spiritually with the loss of easy access to the sacraments. Here at Assumption we are trying to help any way we are able.

Live streamed Masses and Devotions

Our live-streamed Masses have had some glitches as YouTube, which hosts our videos, has been overloaded. Hopefully, our faithful tech volunteers have smoothed out the issues and you are able to catch us for daily or Sunday Mass, Rosary at noon, or Friday Stations of the Cross at www.assumptionstl.org

Holy Week and Easter

As you have probably heard, Holy Week and Easter liturgies cannot be celebrated publicly this year. This is an unprecedented move by the Pope and bishops. As unbelievable as it may seem, the shepherds are just trying to protect the flock from an unseen wolf that will devour, if given the chance. Pray for them, it is unnatural and difficult for priests to encourage the faithful to stay away from Masses. However, the church is still unlocked from 6 a.m.-5:30 p.m. for prayer.

We will still bless palm branches on Palm Sunday and allow you to pick them up later. We will make Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday Liturgies available online. I'm considering linking everyone to the Cathedral Basilica's Holy Week live-streamed liturgies. If we cannot be united in person, we might as well be united as an Archdiocese. I want to do something safe but special for Easter. We'll see. There's no page in the Pastor Playbook on this one.

Angel's Arms Foster Care Success!

Thank you for all your donations to Angel's Arms Foster Care. It was incredible to see so much donated; even after resources became difficult to find in stores. Your donations were like little miracles to the foster families in a time of incredible need. We filled the Assumption Shuttle to the ceiling and with a small fleet of pick-up trucks, we transported the much appreciated household items to their headquarters. Only the photographs give some sense of the generosity our parishioners. *(Continued on next page 5).*

IMPORTANT:

Now we have to focus on solving the next problem: **The St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry needs food! We need a Thanksgiving Day-styled infusion of food for our many neighbors who are losing their employment during this disaster and must turn to us for help.** Assumption – now that our charitable giving to Angel's Arms is complete, let's start dropping non-perishable food items off by the Baptismal Font for the St. Vincent de Paul Society Food Pantry! **A list of the most needed items can be found below in this edition of the Good News Messenger.** We will update next week. While you are in church dropping off much needed food items, stop and pray for a swift end to this pestilence!

At this time, I have not heard of any parishioner who has been diagnosed with the COVID-19 Coronavirus, and we pray that it stays this way. We also pray for so many Americans and citizens of the world who are struggling with the disease and we pray for all the health care workers who are doing what they can. We pray for our leaders that they may see us safely through this disaster. And we are in solidarity with Catholics from all over the world who yearn to return the sacraments in their fullness and a quick restoration to the normal life of the Church again soon.

God bless, Fr. Keller

Our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry needs:

- **Laundry Detergent**
- **Dish Detergent**
- **Toothpaste**
- **Canned Chicken Breast**
- **Manwich**
- **Canned Fruit**
- **Applesauce**
- **Protein/Granola Bars**
- **Toilet Paper**
- **Bread**



Who are these
men who are
called
Knights?

Knights and their families work within our parish to change and save lives! We change lives through our Spiritual Programs and Charity work in the parish in the community. We save lives through our prolife activities such as placing an ultrasound machine at South County Pregnancy Resource Center. Any man and their family at Assumption are asked to consider joining the Fr Griffin Council Knights of Columbus. If you join online by March 31, your dues will be \$15 for 1 calendar year (normally \$31.50). Join today at www.kofc.org/joinus and enter the promo code "MOKOFC". In the preferred council, type in "3586". Find out more about us at www.kofc3586.org or on our Facebook page — "Knights of Columbus 3586".

Assumption Parish School
Jenn Sykora
Principal



The teachers are using Zoom, Google Classroom, youtube, and ClassDojo to stay connected with students and implement distance learning. In this picture, First grader Will is on Zoom with Miss Brotherton and his classmates. They are reviewing their math concept for the week, singing a song together, and reading Peanut Butter and Cupcake!



CONFESSIONS

Saturdays
4-5 p.m.

Wednesdays
6-7 p.m.

Senior Ministry

Lynn Ewy & Stacey Macko
Senior Ministry Coordinators



Senior Ministry Update:

WE ARE HERE FOR SENIORS IN NEED

If you, or someone you know in our parish, who is 60+ years of age, or has underlying health issues that put you, or them, in an at-risk category at this time, please contact our Assumption Senior Ministry Office at 314.487.7970 ext. 1228. You can also reach us by email at the addresses below. We can help with obtaining medications and other essential items. If leaving a voice message, please clearly state your name, including the spelling of your last name, and a phone number where you can be reached. If you have an emergency, or need immediate assistance, please contact your doctor.

Be assured we hold you in prayer during this time. Let us continue to rely on the enduring presence of our Lord and the prayerful intercession of our mother Mary and all the saints.

God's peace & blessings,

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Knights of Columbus Fisher House Benefit Golf Four Person Scramble Saturday, May 9, 2020



Why?

- ♦ The 20-suite "Fisher House in St. Louis" on the JB VA Campus is operating at a 95% occupancy rate.
- ♦ Fisher House provides free lodging so families can be together while their soldier receives treatment.
- ♦ You can help us support these military families!

Where?

- ♦ Forest Park Golf Course, 6141 Lagoon Drive, Saint Louis, MO 63112

When?

- ♦ Saturday, May 9, 2020, 7:30 am shotgun start, (registration 6:30 am, coffee, donuts, etc.)



- ♦ **Per golfer ENTRY of \$100.00**
- ♦ Includes 18 holes, cart, free beverages on-course, longest drive from the white, yellow and red tees and one (1) mulligan per player!
- ♦ **Prizes** for three (3) flights and two (2) closest-to-the-pin holes!
- ♦ Burger, hot dog, brat buffet with two sides and beverage!
- ♦ **EXTRA!** Raffle items and 50/50!
- ♦ **Mail Fr. Griffin Knights golf registration form and check payable to "K of C 3586" by Friday, May 1, 2020 to: Tim Hessel, 4780 Titan Ct, St. Louis, MO 63128**

Questions? Call Gary Lottmann, 314-968-3787 or Tim Hessel, 314-807-0510 or visit www.kofc3586.org

Golfer #1: Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Golfer #2: Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Golfer #3: Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Golfer #4: Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Not a golfer, but wish to help?

- ♦ **Sponsor a flag for \$250!** Name on signage at tee box and receive a frameable commemorative flag!
- ♦ **Sponsor a hole for \$125!** Your name will appear on signage at the tee box!
- ♦ **Make check payable to "K of C 3586" and mail to: John Lorentz, 4614 Gatesbury Dr., St. Louis, MO 63128**
- ♦ **Please note: *The golf tournament will take place unless additional restrictions are implemented.***
Please refer to the Council website for current information: www.kofc3586.org

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Issue	Deadline (4 p.m.)
April 5	March 27
April 12	April 1

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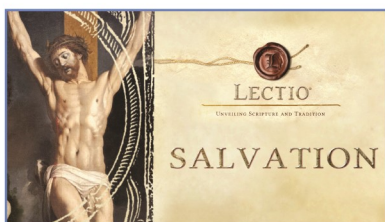
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