



## GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

October 25, 2020



### ASSUMPTION PARISH FISH FRY is coming BACK

for *three Fridays* this November!

**November 6, 13 & 20**  
**4:30-7 p.m.**

Drive-thru or Pre-Order online  
at [AssumptionFishFry.org](http://AssumptionFishFry.org)!

#### 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.

#### CONFESSION

Saturdays 4-4:45 p.m.  
Wednesdays 6-6:45 p.m.  
Sundays Before All Masses  
By Appt: Call Fr. Keller or Fr. Weber

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## Purgatorial Mass

Our annual Mass to pray for a loved one who has died during this past year will be held on Monday, November 2nd at 7 p.m. Masks are required. Thank you!

## This Week's Topic: *Purification from Sin*

INSIDE

# Catholicism

**Wednesday, October 28**  
**7:15 - 8:30 p.m.**  
**in the Church Lower Level & over ZOOM!**

**For the ZOOM Link, go to:**  
**[AssumptionSTL.org/Inside-Catholicism](http://AssumptionSTL.org/Inside-Catholicism)**

## Special Events

|         |                                      |
|---------|--------------------------------------|
| Nov. 2  | Purgatorial Mass                     |
| Nov. 6  | Fish Fry                             |
| Nov. 7  | Assumption Women Renew               |
| Nov. 13 | Fish Fry                             |
| Nov. 14 | Respect Life Convention<br>Screening |
| Nov. 20 | Fish Fry                             |

## October 18 Stewardship

|                           |                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| #AssumptionTogether       | \$115.00           |
| Diaconate Formation Fund  | \$210.00           |
| General Fund 2020         | \$20,384.08        |
| Maintenance Fund          | \$5.00             |
| Mission Society — October | \$255.00           |
| Parish Gift               | \$100.00           |
| Partner in Education      | \$387.00           |
| Pro-Life Foundation       | \$278.00           |
| Pro-Life Stewardship      | \$185.00           |
| St. Vincent de Paul       | \$1,210.00         |
| Tithing for the Poor      | \$55.00            |
| World Mission Sunday      | \$720.00           |
| <b>Total</b>              | <b>\$23,904.08</b> |

## SPONSOR-A-FAMILY COVID STYLE

As with everything in the world right now, we have to retool this very worthy Christmas program. Instead of adopting our usual 60 or so families, we'll sponsor 193 individual school kids with a small gift bag, to include a family gift, that they can carry home from school. **To cut down on bulk we're asking for: \$25 GIFT CARDS from grocery stores, Walmart, Target, Kohl's, Macy's, and the like. Fast food is ok too.** Gift cards can be dropped in the offertory in an envelope clearly marked SAF, or dropped at the parish office. Near the end of October, we will also put baskets at the back of church for hats and gloves for the kiddos. We will have a small number of local families to adopt closer to Thanksgiving. We are praying for a strong level of support to support these families that are in great need. Please call Amy Craig with questions at 314-221-4268. Thank you!

## Registering at Assumption

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!

## Mass Intentions †

| October 25 | SUNDAY               |
|------------|----------------------|
| 7:30 a.m.  | Robert Schraut †     |
| 9 a.m.     | Tina Bridgman †      |
| 10:30 a.m. | Chris Maloney †      |
| Noon       | Ron Halbach †        |
| 6 p.m.     | People of the Parish |
| October 26 | MONDAY               |
| 6:30 a.m.  | Dan Neff †           |
| 8 a.m.     | Dan Rogaczewski †    |
| October 27 | TUESDAY              |
| 6:30 a.m.  | Teri Van Hecke †     |
| 8 a.m.     | Helen Getchman †     |
| October 28 | WEDNESDAY            |
| 6:30 a.m.  | Shirley Wnuk †       |
| 8 a.m.     | William Franklin †   |
| October 29 | THURSDAY             |
| 6:30 a.m.  | Louis Kilo †         |
| 8 a.m.     | Tom Connelly †       |
| October 30 | FRIDAY               |
| 6:30 a.m.  | Linda DeClue †       |
| 8 a.m.     | Hubert Heimos †      |
| October 31 | SATURDAY             |
| 8 a.m.     | Kenneth Kline †      |
| 5 p.m.     | Norma Murphy †       |
| November 1 | SUNDAY               |
| 7:30 a.m.  | Robert Schraut †     |
| 9 a.m.     | Roy Ottenlips †      |
| 10:30 a.m. | People of the Parish |
| Noon       | Nick Winston †       |
| 6 p.m.     | Chris Maloney †      |
|            | † denotes deceased   |

## In Our Prayers

### THOSE WHO ARE ILL

|                      |
|----------------------|
| Daniel Macke         |
| Theon Heisserer      |
| Jacqueline Helberg   |
| Bill Henzey          |
| Sheree Henzey        |
| Roxanne Holdegraver  |
| Richard G. Horn, Jr. |
| Barbara Huber        |
| Amy Hufker           |
| Jean Huston          |
| Lorraine Jackson     |
| Harold Johnston      |
| Julie Kauffmann      |

### OUR MILITARY \*denotes parishioner

|                         |
|-------------------------|
| Nicole Wright USA       |
| Joshua Zarr             |
| Tim Andrews USCG        |
| Isaiah Angeli USMC*     |
| Davey Ardrey USAR       |
| Raymond Bast USN        |
| Ryan Boedeker           |
| Kyle Bottorf            |
| Justin Brock USA*       |
| Robert Bryant III USAF* |
| Dustin Burnett USAF     |
| Dominic Catalano        |
| Dakota Chappel          |

## Weekly Readings

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51 [2]/1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40  
Monday: Eph 4:32—5:8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Eph 5:1]/Lk 13:10-17  
Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [1a]/Lk 13:18-21  
Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5a]/Lk 6:12-16  
Thursday: Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 [1b]/Lk 13:31-35  
Friday: Phil 1:1-11/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 14:1-6  
Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2, 3 5cdef/Lk 14:1, 7-11  
Next Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

## The AELC is now hiring Early Childhood Teachers!

The Assumption Early Learning Center seeks part-time & full-time early childhood teachers who want to work in a great environment. Candidates must be nurturing, support the teachings of the Catholic Church and respect the major tenets of the Christian faith, skilled in technology, and physically able to work 15-40 hours a week.

Candidates must be willing to complete the Archdiocesan Safe Environment Program. This position requires education and experience with Early Childhood Education. Position is in the Infant & Toddler Classrooms.

E-mail resume to Shelley Michael at [michaels@assumptionstl.org](mailto:michaels@assumptionstl.org).  
No phone calls please.

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





## Pastor's Column

Fr. Thomas Keller

### 'Fish Fry! Fish Fry! Fish Fry!

And now, for the most anticipated moment of 2020 – Yes! The Return of Assumption Fish Fry! No, it's not Lent yet, but we are hosting St. Louis' favorite fish fry on November 6, 13, & 20 from 4:30-7 p.m. In keeping with Social Distancing, all meals will be delivered to your vehicle. There will be no inside dining at this time. Credit card payments are preferred.

There are TWO ways to order:

1. Come at your convenience, enter on Basler Lane and order at our Drive-Thru
2. Or pre-order & choose your pick-up time online at [AssumptionFishFry.org](http://AssumptionFishFry.org) and enter at Ambs Road.

Unfortunately, due to Covid precautions we are not offering homemade desserts, but all your favorite fish entrees are available. Since it is not Lent yet, we added chicken strips! Go to [AssumptionFishFry.org](http://AssumptionFishFry.org) to see the full menu. See you at the fish fry! All proceeds will benefit Assumption Parish School and Early Learning Center.

### #AssumptionTogether

Challenge gifts are coming in as we begin our #AssumptionTogether campaign. This campaign is an emergency measure to make up for lost revenue due to the COVID-19 shut-down and the additional expenses necessary to operate our programs during this difficult time. Challenge gifts will be compiled in early November and published as I ask the whole parish to match these gifts.

Reflect and pray how you can help Assumption continue to be a vibrant parish. Donations will make sure that we do not run out of money this year and are able to preserve our beloved apostolates and ministries until we return to normal. I know if we pull together, we will come out stronger! Thank you, in advance, for your participation.

### Online Scrip

In the past we sold gift cards, but we had to retire that program as changing IRS rules made it impractical. Now we are able to reintroduce gift card sales with "Online Scrip." [ShopwithScrip.com](http://ShopwithScrip.com) is the website parishioners can now use for their shopping and support Assumption. There's no additional cost to participants, but businesses will reward Assumption up to 10% for every card sold. It is a win-win for everybody. Don't fret over Christmas gifts, as you can do ALL your Christmas shopping with [ShopwithScrip.com](http://ShopwithScrip.com)!

The Parish Office will begin selling Dierbergs and Schnucks cards (\$25 and \$100 value) as well. More information will be published on [AssumptionSTL.org](http://AssumptionSTL.org) and in the *Good News Messenger* next week.

All gift card proceeds will benefit Assumption Parish School and Early Learning Center.

### Other Parish Updates

Lifetouch shipped our Parish Pictorial Directories!

The foundation for our new garage is being poured this week (weather permitting) only 15 months after we applied for St. Louis County permits. Pray we have favorable weather to complete construction before winter!

God bless, Fr. Keller



**Senior Ministry**  
Lynn Ewy & Stacey Macko  
Senior Ministry Coordinators



## *ASM Updates & Calendar of Events*

**October 26** - Mentors Meeting for Assumption Cyber-Seniors Program\*

**October 27** - VPs Mass\* (last Outdoor Mass this season)

**October 29** - Outdoor Gathering featuring The Funshine Strummers\* (last of the season)

\*These events require registration. With questions or to register, email [seniorministry@assumptionstl.org](mailto:seniorministry@assumptionstl.org) or call our **General Mailbox 487-7970, ext. 1228**. For any of our outdoor gatherings, a forecast of rain will cancel the event.



### **Mentors Needed for Assumption Cyber-Seniors**

Do you know a tech-savvy young person looking to earn community service hours? Or perhaps someone looking to gain valuable experience and enhance their college application or résumé. If so, invite them to be come a mentor for Assumption Cyber-Seniors. An informational meeting for mentors will be held **TOMORROW Monday, October 26, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.** Cyber-Seniors is a program that gives people the opportunity to put their tech expertise to great use by mentoring older adults on how to navigate today's technological gadgets and the Internet. Assumption Parish - Mattese will be establishing a Cyber-Seniors Program. If you are interested in finding out more about this program, please contact Assumption Senior Ministry at 314.487.7970, ext 1228 or [seniorministry@assumptionstl.org](mailto:seniorministry@assumptionstl.org).

### **Last Tuesday VP Outdoor Mass on 10/27**

If you know anyone who is not comfortable attending Mass inside yet, this outdoor option at 6 p.m. allows for sitting at a distance in your lawn chair or you may remain in your car. This is the LAST VPs Mass of the season! Sign up online at [AssumptionSTL.org](http://AssumptionSTL.org) or please contact Assumption Senior Ministry at 314.487.7970, ext 1228 or [seniorministry@assumptionstl.org](mailto:seniorministry@assumptionstl.org).

### **Let's Get Together!**

Our LAST outdoor Get Together is this **Thursday, October 29, from 6 to 7:30 p.m** in the School Courtyard. We will have a live music sing-a-long led by **The Funshine Strummers Ukulele Group**. It's an uplifting performance by seniors for seniors. Some members have direct connections to Assumption Parish! Bring your lawn chair, jacket/blanket, and personal beverage. This is our last outdoor gathering in-person for the season.

### **Prevent and Protect STL**

If you are or wish to be a Senior Ministry volunteer at Assumption and are not yet registered in the new system for Protecting God's Children, please do so as soon as possible.

- It is mandatory.
- It is free to you.
- Assumption Parish will pay for your background check, but after 12/31/2020, the fee will increase drastically

The new system is called **Prevent and Protect STL**. To register, please click the link to go to the Assumption [Safe Environment](http://SafeEnvironment.org) page to access the registration information. Please complete ALL of the modules to be APPROVED.

God bless,  
Lynn ([ewyl@assumptionstl.org](mailto:ewyl@assumptionstl.org)) ext. 1221,  
& Stacey ([mackos@assumptionstl.org](mailto:mackos@assumptionstl.org)) ext. 1255

# *Assumption Women,*

Do you need a *morning to yourself*?

Do you feel *distanced* from God  
& your community of sisters in Christ?

*This morning is for you!*

*Join us at 10 a.m. on Saturday, November 7th*

*in the church as we reflect on how to move  
onward with FAITH  
in a time of FEAR!*

# *Renew*

ASSUMPTION WOMEN

**Talk** by Catholic speaker  
& radio host, *Patty Schneier*!

**Worship Music** by *Cecilia Detwiler*!

**RSVP online for In-Person or Virtual!**


Watch it LIVE at home or RSVP online for in-person!


[AssumptionSTL.org/Renew](https://AssumptionSTL.org/Renew)



\*There is no cost to attend,  
but Free Will offerings will be accepted to help fund future events!







# OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8

CAMPUS TOURS  
11 AM to 4 PM  
*by appointment*

[vianney.com/openhouse](http://vianney.com/openhouse)

## MEN *of* CHARACTER & ACCOMPLISHMENT

### COVID-19 Information

63128 Zip Code =  
95 new positive Coronavirus  
cases in the last 14 days

Please be extra mindful of your fellow  
parishioners at this time.

For more information about  
Assumption's social distancing  
policies: [AssumptionSTL.org](http://AssumptionSTL.org)

For more information about St. Louis  
County coronavirus cases: go  
to [STLCorona.com](http://STLCorona.com).

### Our Lady Help of Christians Adoration Chapel

Open 24/7.  
(Contact the Parish  
Office for the  
keycode.)



### Chaminade Open House—Nov. 8



Chaminade College Preparatory School is happy to  
announce our annual Open House is back! On Sunday,  
November 8 we will be hosting prospective families on  
campus from 10:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. In order to allow for  
social distancing and follow safety protocols, pre-  
registration is required. There will be limited number  
of spots available, so reserve your spot today:

[https://chaminade-stl.schooladminonline.com/portal/  
public\\_calendars/open\\_house](https://chaminade-stl.schooladminonline.com/portal/public_calendars/open_house).

Questions? Please email [admissions@chaminade-stl.org](mailto:admissions@chaminade-stl.org).

### Mass for the Election with Archbishop Rozanski At St. Gabriel's Church

On the evening before the Election, Nov. 2, the Legion of Mary  
organization at St. Gabriel's parish (6303 Nottingham Ave.) will pray a  
Rosary at 7 p.m. and Mass at 7:30 p.m. with Archbishop Mitchell  
Rozanski as the Principal Celebrant. To watch this Mass over  
livestream, go to [StGabrielSTL.org](http://StGabrielSTL.org) to access the link! The capacity in  
church is 200 people. Masks are required. This event is sponsored by  
Our Lady of Guadalupe Praesidium of Legion of Mary, which is a part  
of the Archdiocesan Respect Life Apostolate. We will be following the  
guidelines for observing social distancing that have been established by  
the Catholic Bishops of MO.



## Assumption 8th Grade Fundraiser for the Mystery Trip

**6.5" pot \$10**

**8.5" pot \$20**

**Red** is the only color available in both sizes this year.

**Poinsettias can be purchased after all Masses on  
November 7-8 & November 14-15 or by filling out the form below and  
returning it to Assumption School or Church Office  
no later than Monday, November 16.**

Poinsettia pick-up will be **Saturday, December 12** after 5:00 pm Mass  
and **Sunday, December 13** after all Masses until 1:30 pm.

The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class of 2021 truly appreciates your support!!!

### *Poinsettia Order Form*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

|          | Red 6.5" pot \$10 | Red 8.5" pot \$20 |
|----------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Quantity |                   |                   |
| Total    |                   |                   |

**Payment is due with this form. We accept checks or cash.  
Checks should be made payable to **Assumption Parish School**.**

Please contact Sarah Schwartz at [sarah\\_schwartz@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sarah_schwartz@sbcglobal.net) or at  
(314) 780-6849 if you have any questions.

Name of 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Student Seller: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Circle One: Cash or Check





October 6, 2020

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Numerous Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests past age 70 benefit from the Retirement Fund for Religious collection. Donations to this special collection provide funding that helps religious communities care for their aging members.

On the weekend of November 1, all parishes in the Archdiocese of St. Louis will take up the annual collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

Senior religious were influential in establishing Catholic parishes, schools, hospitals, and charitable agencies throughout our archdiocese and the United States. They initiated programs to promote social justice and ministered to the neediest among us. Many of our senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little to no pay.

Today, many religious communities do not have enough retirement savings and struggle to provide for a growing number of elder members. Increasing health care costs and decreased income make it difficult to provide necessary medical care, costly medications and basic services. Covid-19 has only increased the challenge to provide adequate care.

Please consider making a financial gift to assist with the care of our senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. Many thanks for considering this request.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mitchell T. Rozanski" with a cross symbol at the beginning.

Most Reverend Mitchell T. Rozanski  
Archbishop of St. Louis

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## Good News Messenger

| Issue      | Deadline (4 p.m.) |
|------------|-------------------|
| November 1 | October 22        |
| November 8 | October 29        |

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  - PDF files cannot be used
  - .jpg files required for any photos/graphics
- Questions or comments?**  
[newsletter@assumptionstl.org](mailto:newsletter@assumptionstl.org)

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## Volunteer to Help a Neighbor!

The Society of St. Vincent De Paul needs you. If you have a little bit of free time and would like to help out your neighbor in need, please consider joining the parish ministry that closely adheres to the call of Christ to love our neighbor. Please contact John Maloney at 314-707-9822 or [jsmaloney@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jsmaloney@sbcglobal.net).

If you or someone you know within our Parish Boundaries is in need of assistance, please call:  
**The Society of St. Vincent de Paul**  
**Hotline: 314-289-6101, ext. 2227**

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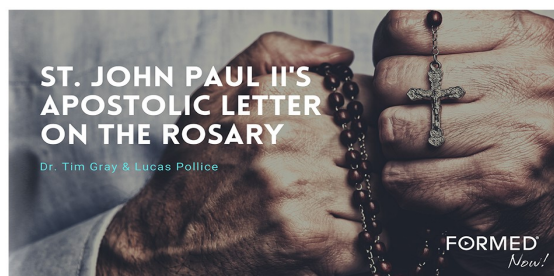
PICK OF THE WEEK

October 25, 2020

WATCH

## FORMED NOW! POPE JOHN PAUL II'S LETTER ON THE ROSARY

To close out October, the month dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary, enjoy this discussion between Dr. Tim Gray and Lucas Pollice on St. John Paul II's letter on the Rosary. This wonderful discussion will help draw you deeper into the mysteries of Christ meditated on in the Rosary.



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