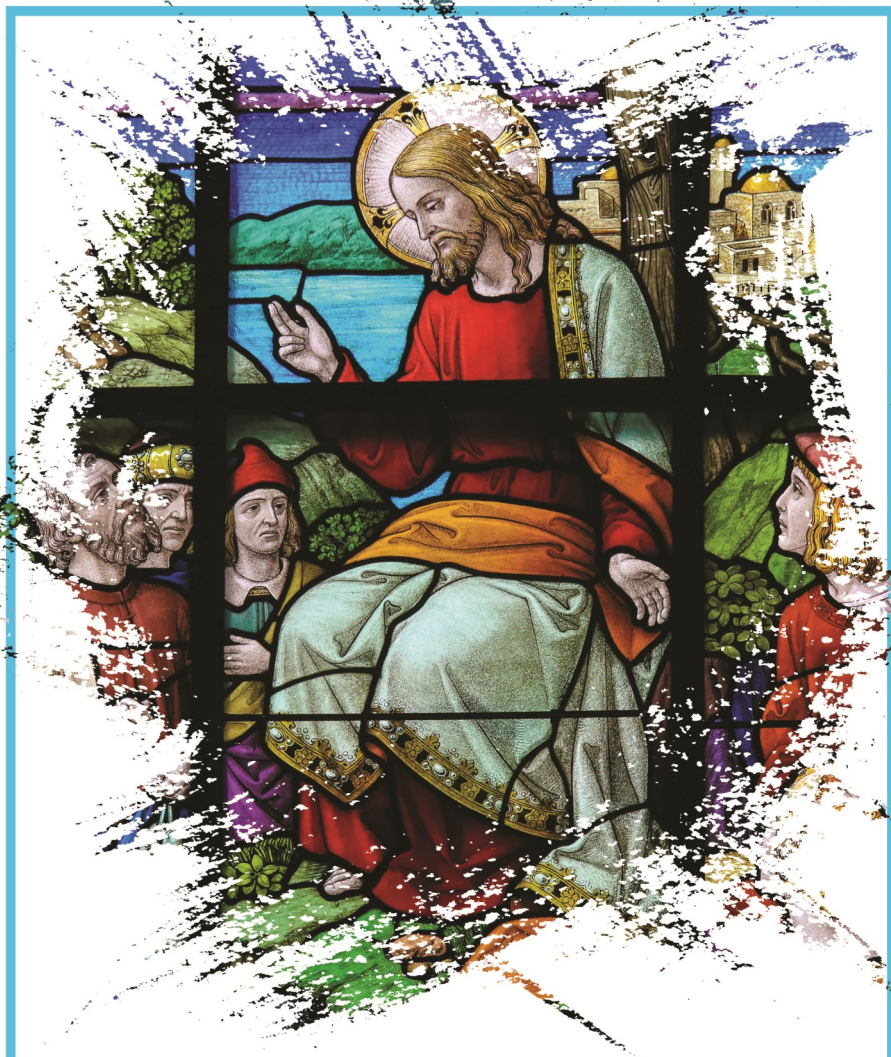




GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 29, 2021



"HEAR ME, ALL OF YOU, AND UNDERSTAND."
- MK 7:14

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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.

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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Lawn Care Volunteers

Our Assumption Lawn Care Volunteers enjoyed a summertime barbeque after another day of taking care of our parish grounds and keeping them looking beautiful! If you are free on Wednesday afternoons, enjoy yard work, and want to help the parish, they could always use more helpers! To get involved, please contact Ken Dunn at ken.dunn61@gmail.com!



That Man is You!

Starting on Saturday, September 18th, That Man is You (TMIY) is coming to Assumption Parish! Please see the attached flyer in the Good News Messenger or go online to AssumptionSTL.org/tmiy for more details!



**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!

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 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to register.

Special Events

Sept. 18 That Man is You! Begins

Sept. 21 Red Cross
Blood Drive

Sept. 29 Wild Goose Series
Night #1

Oct. 2 Young Family
Movie Night

Oct. 18 Spiritual Gifts
& 25 Seminar

August 22 Stewardship

#AssumptionTogether	\$100.00
Assumption	\$190.00
General Fund 2021	\$16,529.40
Maintenance Fund	\$5.00
Memorial Gift —Hand Bell Fund	\$103.00
Non Cash Contributions	\$24.09
Partner in Education	\$80.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$5.00
ProLife Stewardship	\$5.00
Retired Religious	\$5.00
School Support	\$50.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$570.00
Tithing for the Poor	\$80.00
Total	\$17,746.49



Visit AssumptionSTL.org
to register today for
Online Giving!

Mass Intentions †

August 29	SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.	Jean Garst †
9 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Isodore Bohnert †
10:30 a.m.	James Allen †
Noon	People of the Parish †
6 p.m.	Special Intention
August 30	MONDAY
6:30 a.m.	Joan Klutho †
8 a.m.	Motz Gapsch †
August 31	TUESDAY
6:30 a.m.	Don Grant †
8 a.m.	Janet Thiemann †
September 1	WEDNESDAY
6:30 a.m.	Tom Aleto †
8 a.m.	Angela Sherman †
September 2	THURSDAY
6:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
8 a.m.	Hubert Heimos †
September 3	FRIDAY
6:30 a.m.	Skip Bergman †
8 a.m.	Brett & Don Grant †
September 4	SATURDAY
8 a.m.	Lavern Hempen †
5 p.m.	Harold Duchek †
September 5	SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.	Dr. Joseph Byers †
9 a.m.	Bob Seyer †
10:30 a.m.	Timothy Meagher †
Noon	Ron Halbach †
6 p.m.	People of the Parish
	† denotes deceased

In Our Prayers

THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Richard G. Horn
Barbara Huber
Amy Hufker
Jean Huston
Lorraine Jackson
Harold Johnston
Julie Kauffmann
Carol Koller
Elizabeth Kelly
Bob Kemper
Kent Kenniston
Debra Kersting
Victor Klutho

OUR MILITARY *denotes parishioner

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
Jason Hawkins, USMC
Chris Hemmelgarn, USA*
Victor Huber, USA*

Rest in Peace:

Rick Allgeyer
Annetta Long
Jerome Reichert
Thomas Vorholt

Weekly Readings

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37

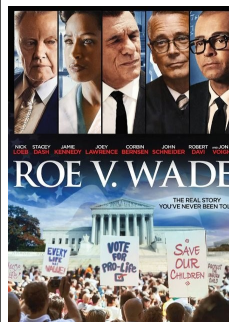
Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37



"Roe v. Wade" Free Movie Showing

Please join us for a FREE showing of the important film, "Roe. v. Wade" on Wed., Sept. 15 at 7 p.m. at the St. Margaret Mary Alacoque Parish Center (4900 Ringer Rd.). This showing is sponsored by the Respect Life Ministries of St. Francis of Assisi & St. Margaret Mary Alacoque Parishes. If you thought you knew all of the facts surrounding the 1973 Supreme Court decision that led to the death of over 60 million unborn children, you need to see this film and learn how this case was really decided. Space is limited. To reserve your spot(s) please contact Ray Kalbac at 314- 461-2367 or Michelle Breihan at 314-894-1672.

† Usual contributions for Mass offerings are \$10.

Please stop by the Parish Office to arrange to have a Mass offered.



Pastor's Column

Fr. Thomas Keller

Behind-the-Scenes at Assumption

Our Parish Office staff has completely rolled over to new employees. Deacon Jim, who came a few months ago to replace Denise Riek, has hired Michelle Foster to be our receptionist-secretary and Shari Heitmann to serve as bookkeeper. Please stop in sometime to welcome them and introduce yourself.

Two Kenrick Seminarians are coming to Assumption to assist on the weekends. Jake Rosenmeyer of the diocese of Sioux City, Iowa and Carson Haupt of the diocese of Dodge City, Kansas will be with us for the school year on Sundays for Mass and will help with our Assumption Youth Ministry. Please welcome them when you have the opportunity!

Some men from Assumption are putting together TMIY (That Man is You!) It helps identify five traits in authentic male leadership and focuses on scripture, the teachings of the Church, and the wisdom of the saints. I hope many men of the parish participate in the program! More information can be found elsewhere in the *Good News Messenger*.

Our Assumption Auction and Gala is on October 16th. It is going to be another amazing evening at Assumption. I hope everyone participates to make this a huge fundraiser for the parish and school.

Reminder—everyone is invited to a Town Hall Meeting with St. Martha's Hall on Monday August 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the Church Lower Level to discuss the use of the Knobbe House at the corner of Mattis Road and Basler Lane.

Pastors of area churches (Catholic and non-Catholic alike) have begun meeting with the St. Louis County Police to form an Interfaith Partnership. I attended the first meeting last Monday. We are planning some initiatives that will help improve communication with the police to improve safety and security in the area. Although South County is the safest neighborhood I've ever lived in, (it's God's Country after all) a partnership like this has the possibility to improving our understanding of policing methods, identifying potential security issues in our homes and vehicles, and addressing perennial issues like homelessness and mental health.

God bless, Fr. Keller

AUCTION REQUEST SPOTLIGHT!



Homemade Quilt

Do you love to quilt? Or know a friend that does?
We are looking for a quilt for our auction!

If you can help us out, please contact the Parish Office at 314-487-7970 or email Brenda at brendaelf@att.net.

NEW FACES

at Assumption-Mattese Parish

Meet our new Seminarians & Staff Members!



**Michelle Foster,
Secretary**

Hello Assumption! I am the new parish secretary and I have 23 years of experience working for the Church, as a Director of Religious Education for 18 years & a PSR

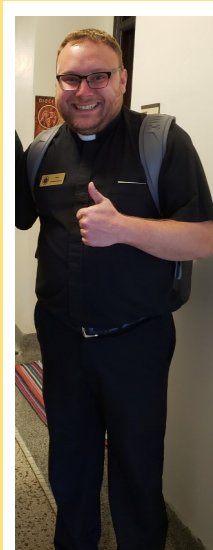
teacher for 5 years at another parish. Fun fact: My uncle, Fr. Don Buhr, was the pastor here at Assumption, some years ago! I am married to my husband, Dale, and we have 4 sons and 6 grandchildren. I enjoy sewing, babysitting my grandchildren, & sewing pillow cases for local childrens' hospitals!



**Shari Heitmann,
Bookkeeper**

I am happy to be working at Assumption part-time and I have over 20 years of experience in parish office work! Before that, I was a hospital social worker for 20

years! In my free time, I love volunteering at Ranken Jordan Pediatric Hospital, helping with the infants, & keeping up with Pearl, my 4-year-old Golden Doodle!

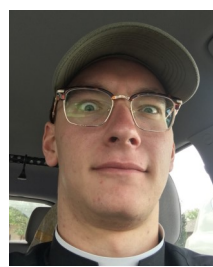


**Jake Rosenmeyer,
Seminarian**

I am from the Diocese of Sioux City, Iowa. I grew up on a small farm. Catholic school was a staple of my life Pre-K through college and now seminary.

After graduating from college in 2015, I taught Middle School and High School Religion for 4 years before entering seminary in

2019. I attended Pre-Theology at Kenrick, which finished last spring. This Fall, I will begin my studies in Theology 1!



**Carson Haupt,
Seminarian**

Thanks for welcoming me to Assumption! My name is Carson Haupt, and I'm a first-year theologian from the

Diocese of Dodge City. I'm looking forward to getting to know all of you and to spending time here at Assumption. God bless!



**SAVE THE DATE FOR
AN EVENING OF ELEGANCE
UNDER THE BIG TOP
ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16TH!**

More Information Coming Soon!
See AssumptionSTL.org/auction for all updates!

**EASY WAYS TO DONATE ITEMS & MAKE OUR AUCTION
THE GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH!**

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**1. BUY A GIFT FROM OUR
ASSUMPTION AUCTION
ONLINE REGISTRIES!**

It's never been EASIER to donate Live or Silent Auction items! We have registered for a variety of auction items, with a wide range of pricing, on Target and Amazon. You just click, pay, and they will ship the items to us for **FREE**! Visit our website www.AssumptionSTL.org/auction to access direct links to both sites.

**2. HAVE BRAND-NEW STUFF LYING AROUND AT HOME
THAT YOU THINK WE COULD USE? DONATE IT!**

If you have something that isn't on our auction's online registry, but you think it could be useful for the Parish Auction, please feel free to drop it off at the Baptismal Font in church! If you need the item to be picked up, please contact the Parish Office at 314-487-7970.

**3. NO TIME TO SHOP?
DONATE CASH &
WE'LL SHOP FOR YOU!**

If you aren't much of a shopper or don't have the time to shop, you can still contribute to our auction efforts! We have a small designated box by the Baptismal Font where you can drop-in any cash or check donation (write "auction donation" in the memo line). Our volunteer auction shoppers are more than happy to go to the store for you!

Volunteer Health Ministry Forming!

Assumption hopes to support the health needs of our community by providing health education, finding medical equipment, connecting individuals with resources, and visiting the homebound.

We are looking for volunteers who may have any experience in health care, social services, caregiving, or other related fields.

Please contact Sarah Dalton
at 314-852-3404
for more information
on how to get involved!



[Have an unused walker, cane, wheelchair, etc?](#)
[Mobility Aid Closet Donation Request](#)

St Raymond/St Elizabeth of Hungry parish is starting a mobility aid closet and is in need of gently used or new durable medical equipment (ie. walkers, wheelchairs, lift chairs, tub benches, etc.) With the high cost of medical equipment and limitations on insurance coverage, we recognize a need for assistance in this area. Our intention is to lend equipment to community residents as needs arise.

Please contact Patty Renschen at 314-517-7044 for more information/questions and to arrange drop off or for equipment needs. Thank you!

Save the date!
RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE



September 21, 2021
2-6 p.m. in the
Church Lower Level
*To schedule
an appointment -*

visit RedCrossBlood.org
and enter: AssumptionCC

**Want to
learn more
about**

the Catholic faith

or how to

become Catholic?

Contact our coordinator of RCIA,
Deacon David Schaefer, at
schaeferd@assumptionstl.org.



Pray & Stay



Assumption Seniors 55+

Please join us **Thursday, Sept. 9, 6:30-8:00 pm** at the outdoor altar by the Rectory for a time to pray and catch up with friends! We're calling it **Pray & Stay**. We'll start by praying the Rosary and/or the Divine Mercy Chaplet and finish with some social time. Bring your lawn chair and bug spray. Snacks and bottled water provided by Senior Ministry!

Other Upcoming Events & Activities

- ♦ Tuesday, Sept. 7—Dominoes (1:00 pm Church Lower Level)
- ♦ Thursday, Sept. 9—Pray & Stay
- ♦ Tuesday, Sept. 14—Bingo (1:00 pm Church Lower Level)
- ♦ Thursday, Sept. 23—Pray & Stay
- ♦ Tuesday, Sept. 28—Dominoes (1:00 pm Church Lower Level)



Dynamic Catholic, Alive! – The “What” Versus the “Why”

In Mark's Gospel reading Jesus says, “This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.” Think of your parish community, how many things happen because “that's the way we've always done things.” This is a universal statement in most parishes. Because we are creatures of habit, unintentionally, certain parish customs, activities and events have become engrained in the parish culture. We get more focused on “what” we do instead of “why” we do it. All these “what's” eventually lead to a lukewarm parish culture and parishioner burn-out, leading people away from God instead of closer to Him (the “why”). Quite frankly, many parishes have become centers of activities and events (what) at the expense of encountering the Lord (why). Of all the gifts that God has given us, the one He wants the most is our heart. Do you want to encourage people back to the parish? Maybe it's time to rethink your parish mission and emphasize the “why” instead of the “what.” archstl.org/dynamic

AYM BIG NEWS! Upper Room

WEDNESDAYS, 7-9 P.M.

STARTING SEPT 8TH.

After three years of praying & visioning, youth ministry is launching a second weekly youth group night. It was in the Upper Room that people truly encountered the Lord and it's our hope that the Youth Room will become a new upper room where our teens have profound encounters with God as they grow in their faith with this community!

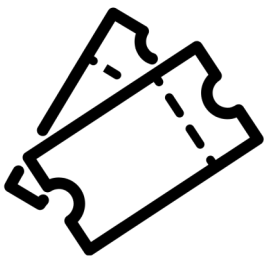


We can't wait to see you there!

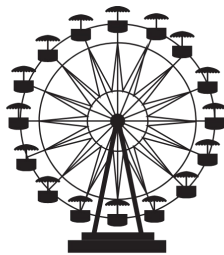
DO YOU HAVE A CONNECTION?

For the Assumption Parish Auction Gala, we are looking for marvelous EXPERIENCES to add to our Live & Silent Auctions. Do you or someone you know have a connection that could provide us with an EXCITING experience? Let us know! More ideas are listed at AssumptionSTL.org/auction, but if you thought of something that is not on this list, we would still love to hear your idea! Contact the Parish Office at 314-487-7970 or email Brenda at brendaelf@att.net.

Here are a few examples of what we are looking for:



Tickets to a Concert or Sporting Event



Tickets to a Unique Experience



Access to a Vacation Home



Private Helicopter or Plane Ride



Private Tour of a Brewery or Winery



Foursome at an Exclusive Golf Course

8th Grade Shadowing at SLUH

St. Louis University High School invites all 8th grade boys to come for Shadow@SLUH. Spend ½ school day with a Jr. Billiken host beginning in late September. Visit admissions.sluh.org to create your SLUH Admissions Account and register.

Middle School Trivia Night at St. Pius X High School

A fun evening of trivia for middle school students, grades 6 - 8. \$5.00 a person includes trivia, water and popcorn. Round up your friends to join in the fun, in tables of 6 please! Just like any trivia night, feel free to bring outside food and drinks. Our concessions will be available at additional charge. Doors open at 6 p.m.- Trivia begins at 6:30 p.m. To sign-up, contact Breanna Easter at beaster@stpius.com.

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Good News Messenger

Issue	Deadline (4 p.m.)
Sept. 12	Sept. 2
Sept. 19	Sept. 9

— Please go to www.assumptionstl.org/bulletin-submissions and submit an online form to request event promotion and/or to book a room

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PICK OF THE WEEK

August 29, 2021

LOVE, SACRIFICE, TRUST: HE SHOWED US THE WAY BY FR. MIKE SCHMITZ

In this talk, Fr. Mike Schmitz shares with us the need to pick up our crosses and embrace Christ in our own suffering. He reminds us that love often means sacrifice!



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