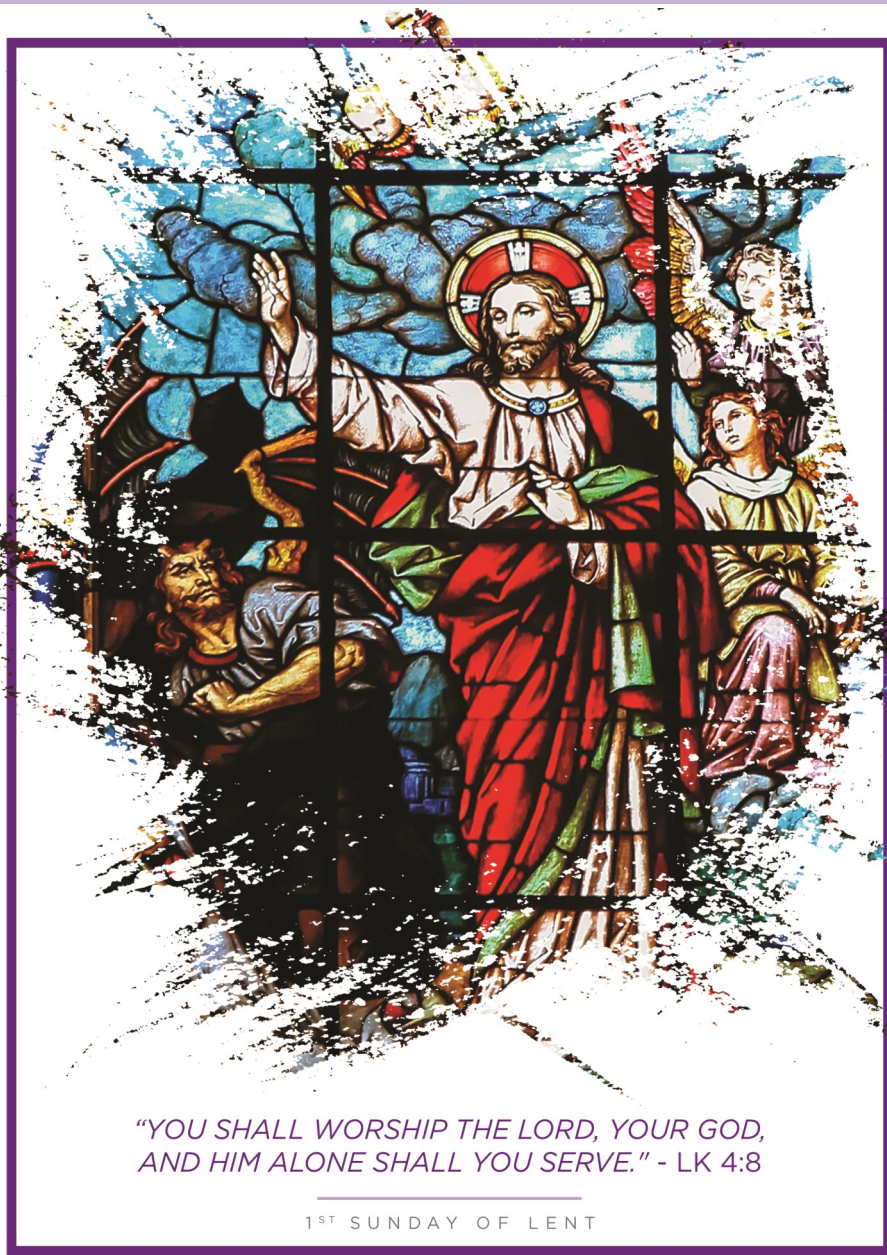




GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

First Sunday of Lent

March 6, 2022



*"YOU SHALL WORSHIP THE LORD, YOUR GOD,
AND HIM ALONE SHALL YOU SERVE." - LK 4:8*

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

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

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Baptism



Congratulations to Milah who was received into the Church on February 27, 2022 at her Baptism! Pictured with Milah are her parents, Chris & Stephanie, her siblings, Jady, Novak, and Stanley, and her godparents, Nathan and Kellan.

First Communion



Congratulations to Beth, Kirk, Charlie, and Kaylyn, who all celebrated their First Holy Communion on Sunday, February 27th!

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: _____

Address: _____

Zip Code: _____

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

- Mar. 9 Parish Penance Service
- Mar. 11 Fish Fry
- Mar. 19 Blessing of Bread
- Mar 21-23 Parish Mission
- April 9 Lenten Day of Reflection
- April 24 Donna Cori Gibson Concert

Stewardship February 21-27

#AssumptionTogether	\$69.00
Candle Fund	\$31.00
Eastern Europe Church	\$60.00
Fill the Gap	\$10.00
General Fund 2022	\$28,232.75
Maintenance Fund	\$55.00
Memorial Gift	\$200.00
Partner in Education	\$50.00
Pro-Life Stewardship	\$5.00
St. Louis Review Subscription	\$35.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$834.00
Total	\$29,581.75

St. Louis Review Subscriptions

We will be submitting our St. Louis Review list next week. Please turn in your Review envelope or call the parish office and let us know if you would like to receive the Review or not.

Mass Intentions †

March 6	SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
9 a.m.	Rick Allgeyer †
10:30 a.m.	Etta Stoll †
Noon	Charles Birke
6 p.m.	People of the Parish
March 7	MONDAY
6:30 a.m.	Jim Cox
8 a.m.	Donald Nary †
5:30 p.m.	Marilyn Folkl †
March 8	TUESDAY
6:30 a.m.	Ed Perniciaro †
8 a.m.	Joseph Hess †
5:30 p.m.	Ed Perniciaro †
March 9	WEDNESDAY
6:30 a.m.	Sr. Kathleen Reichert †
8 a.m.	Daniel Huddleston †
5:30 p.m.	Fr. Raymond Buehler
March 10	THURSDAY
6:30 a.m.	Genaro Mocerro †
8 a.m.	Motz Gapsch †
5:30 p.m.	Jim McMahon †
March 11	FRIDAY
6:30 a.m.	Joanne Wangelin †
8 a.m.	Daniel Steffen †
5:30 p.m.	Catherine Kinworthy †
March 12	SATURDAY
8 a.m.	Gary Lindsey †
5 p.m.	Timothy Meagher †
March 13	SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.	Jean Dulle †
9 a.m.	John Held, Jr. †
10:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
Noon	People of the Parish
6 p.m.	Eloise Nilges †
	† denotes deceased

In Our Prayers

THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Madeline Schaefer
Sandy Schnaidt
Greg Schmidt
Don Steffan
Robbie Sullens
Sharon Therman
Arlene Torrillo
Sister Marie Louis Twoney
Colleen Valley
Joanne Vasquez
Micheline Vendryes
Christina Vogler
Mary Ann Wheatley

OUR MILITARY

**denotes parishioner*

Ryan Nardin
Todd Nicely, USMC*
Ryan O'Neil, USA
Jordan Osmack
Daniel Parker, USA
Michael Rapp, USN
Derek Ryan
Timothy Scott, USMC
John Siebert
Todd Smick, USN
Aaron Staryak
Robert Stockwood, USMC
Andrew Titus, USN*

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

Welcome New Parishioners!

Jacob Brock on
Ambs Road

Jacob Van Dyke on
Sugar Creek Trail

Edmund Reichert on
East Lane

John and Maria Vlastelin on
Heather Bluff Court

Rest in Peace:

David Hall
Adele Rensing
Lloyd Wester

Weekly Readings

Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 [cf. 15b]/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48

Next Sunday: Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36

ASSUMPTION PARISH MISSION

March 21-23, 7 p.m.

Mass, Adoration, Confession, and Benediction available nightly from 5:30-6:45 p.m.

7:00 p.m. presentation in Church, followed by Q&A, food, and fellowship in the St. Marie Hall

Night 1: The Adventure!

Pope Saint John Paul II boldly declared, "Life with Christ is a wonderful adventure." In response to this claim, this talk explore human desires for joy and adventure, and how to maintain a life *with* Christ.

Night 2: The Pursuit!

Humans cycle through stages. Faith can be another one of those phases. But regardless of our attitude towards God, God is constantly in pursuit of the human heart. This talk addresses the identity of the Pursuer and how to respond to His invitation of love.

Night 3: The Rescue!

Based off a personal story of whitewater rafting, this talk acknowledges the presence of temptation and sin in the lives of all Christians. Speaking on the power of mercy and the Sacrament of Reconciliation, this talk discusses the steps one must take to "get back in the boat" and continue living the Christian life.

Presenter: MAGGIE CRAIG

Come and be inspired! Maggie Craig is a dynamic Catholic speaker who naturally captivates her audiences by seamlessly mixing personal experience, effortless humor, and relatable anecdotes with solid, Catholic theology. Maggie speaks with a down-to-earth, open, and honest love for God that makes you want to hear more! Don't miss this opportunity to hear this talented young woman!



Disciple Maker Index SURVEY



The Disciple Maker Index Survey is now live! Please follow the link below to complete it online or obtain a paper copy and return it to the Parish Office.

Surveys are due by April 4, 2022.

Thank you for helping with this important project!

LINK TO SURVEY: portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/y15dpy



ASSUMPTION *Lenten Challenge* 2022

Each year, we support a charity during Lent. We call it “The Lenten Challenge.” This year, we are supporting our new neighbors, St. Martha’s Hall. They care for women and children affected by domestic abuse. St. Martha’s provides counseling services on our campus, but they also have a residential facility for women and children at another location.

Our donations will support the residential facility.

Each week during Lent, we focus on a different need.

DONATION SCHEDULE:

Week 1 (March 6): Reusable grocery bags or simple tote bags

Week 2 (March 13): Hand soap

Week 3 (March 20): Paper towels and toilet paper

Week 4 (March 27): New bath towels and wash cloths

Week 5 (April 3): Disinfecting products

Please drop off all donations at the Baptismal Font

OTHER LENTEN EVENTS

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday
2:15 p.m. and 7 p.m.

DAILY ROSARY

Monday-Saturday
8:30 a.m.

FISH FRY

All Lenten Fridays
4:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

MARCH 9

Parish Penance Service
6 - 7 p.m.

MARCH 19

Blessing of Bread on the
Solemnity of St. Joseph
8 a.m. Mass

MARCH 21-23

Parish Mission
Presenter: Maggie Craig
7 p.m.

APRIL 9

Parish Day of Recollection
8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.



Tuesdays this Lent!

First meeting: March 8, 1:00-2:15 p.m.
Meetings on remaining Tuesdays of Lent
will be from 11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

You are invited to join fellow parishioners for weekly reflections on the Sunday readings of Lent using the "Journey through Lent" program, created by retreat leader, professor, and author Art Zannoni. Participants will meet in Church to share the scripture and reflection for the upcoming Sunday celebration and then proceed downstairs for light snacks, additional discussion, and sharing. For questions or to RSVP (so we can print the correct number), email mackostacey@gmail.com or call the parish office at 314-487-7970 ext. 1228

Spiritual Adoption

Have you ever heard of **spiritual adoption**? "What is spiritual adoption?", you may ask. It is when a person pledges to pray for an unborn baby who is in danger of abortion. The Assumption Parish family will have the opportunity to "spiritually adopt" a child who is newly conceived this month. Not all newly conceived babies are given the opportunity to be born. In 2019, the CDC reported 629,898 abortions in the United States and an abortion ratio of 195 abortions per 1000 live births. It is these babies that you are being invited to "spiritually adopt". You may "adopt" a child individually or as a family by signing a pledge card. Pledge cards will be available next weekend in the pews and in the church foyers for you to take home. Our parish spiritual adoption program will begin on March 25th, the Feast of the Annunciation, where the Angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she would give birth to Jesus, and end on December 25th, the day Jesus was born! Those who decide to "spiritually adopt" a child will pledge to pray for that child each day for the duration of nine months. This pledge includes a daily spiritual adoption prayer and other suggestions of prayers and works of mercy. Watch the bulletin for monthly reports describing your adopted baby's development. There are millions of unborn babies desperately in need of your prayers. Won't you please "spiritually adopt" one and share the love for life that God has given to each one of us? Thank you! For questions about this program, please contact Christine Grijalva at 314-607-8163.

LIVING WITH LOSS: **Widow/Widower Support Group**

If you are widowed and are trying to learn how to Live with Loss, come and join others who understand what you are experiencing. We will give you a safe place to express your grief. And you will meet others who are or have been, where you are. It will be a time for those dealing with the loss of a spouse to come together and share their challenges and triumphs. You do not have to be newly widowed to attend. We know that grief is ongoing. And we also know that it is in sharing our stories that we help others to get through this most painful time. We meet on the third Sunday of the Month in the Rectory basement (side door along Mattis) from 10:15-11:45 a.m. Our next meeting will be on Sunday, March 20. Call Bobbi Farley at 314-805-1827 for more information.

SAVE THE DATE

APR | 8 A.M.
 9 | 1:30 P.M.

All are welcome to join the Knights of Columbus
 for a Lenten Day of Reflection,
 featuring a presentation by Archbishop Carlson!

SIGN UP INFO TO COME!

Assumption Youth Ministry

Upcoming Events

March 6: No Life Night
Rest up after Spring Retreat!

March 9: Upper Room
But Wait... There's More!
Night on Lent (pt. 1)

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want to give this year's
8th graders the same
amazing experience?

APRIL 22-
24TH, 2022



Luke 18

TEAM APPLICATIONS ARE OPEN!

First Meeting: March 13th, 2022 at 7pm



APPLY AT
ASSUMPTIONSTL.ORG/HIGH-SCHOOL-LIFETEEN



JONAH PRAYER MINISTRY

COMING TO ASSUMPTION!

JONAH 2:2 Jonah prayed to the Lord, his God, from the belly of the fish: Out of my distress I called to the Lord, and he answered me; from the womb of Sheol I cried for help, and you heard my voice.

Mission of Jonah Prayer Ministry

"To more fully awaken everyone to the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit and their importance in empowering the ministry of bringing Christ to others through team prayer with each other in the Parish or Archdiocese."

We are happy to announce that Assumption is joining the 34 St. Louis area parishes serving their congregation with the Jonah Ministry. Praying for each other is an excellent way to affirm each other's faith as a community, to let the Holy Spirit heal our hurts, and to open our eyes to being thankful for the truth and love in every situation that we experience.

What is Jonah Prayer Ministry?

Hopefully, we individually pray for each other, family members, friends, and the world. Jonah Prayer is based on a parish, community level of interceding, asking God for specific needs. Just as Jonah cried out to God in his time of distress, God longs for us to call upon Him in times of spiritual, emotional, and physical challenges. The Ministry involves stating, with faith in God's healing power, what your prayer needs are to 2-3 Ministers who will then pray for you, calling upon the Holy Spirit to guide them, and entrusting your needs to Jesus' healing powers. In summary, Jonah Prayer Ministry is another beautiful way that the Holy Spirit can have profound direct spiritual impact both in the parish community and in personal lives. Jonah Prayer Ministry is about being present to fellow parishioners through prayer and praying with expectant faith knowing God brings about transformation/healing/growth.

Who are Jonah Prayer Ministers?

Jonah Prayer Ministers are people like yourself who are approved by the pastor for this ministry. The Ministry Team is comprised of Archdiocesan trained Jonah Prayer Ministers from Assumption who have felt called to pray for others and have the desire to use their spiritual gifts given by the Holy Spirit. For information about joining Jonah Prayer Ministry, contact Tina Ferder at the Catholic Renewal Center, 314-731-6100, catholicrenewal@archstl.org

Do I have to sign up? Not necessary, just approach the prayer teams directly after Mass. There will be a person to direct you to a group of Ministers.

Is it confidential? Absolutely, confidentiality is one of the main principles of this Ministry. No information is shared about the person being prayed with and a level of quiet is requested.

Is there a cost? There is no cost. Your powerful prayer for the continuation of this Ministry would be helpful and appreciated.

JAMES 5:16 ...pray for one another, so that you may be healed.

The fervent prayer of a righteous person is very powerful and effective.

BE WATCHING FOR OUR MINISTRY SCHEDULE IN THE GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

ASSUMPTION PARISH FISH FRY



**Dine-In or Carry-Out in the
Parish Center**

**Pre-order for Curbside Pickup
at AssumptionFishFry.org**

**Fridays During Lent
from 4:30 - 7 p.m.**

**Cash Accepted,
Credit/Debit Cards Preferred!**

March 4 March 11 March 18 March 25 April 1 April 8 April 15

Dinner Menu

*Includes:
2 Hush Puppies,
2 Sides, & 1 Cookie*

1 Piece Pub Style Fried Cod Meal	\$12.00
2 Piece Pub Style Fried Cod Meal	\$17.00
1 Piece Fried Catfish Meal	\$12.00
2 Piece Fried Catfish Meal	\$17.00
1 Piece Baked Fish Meal	\$12.00
2 Piece Baked Fish Meal	\$17.00
5 Piece Fried Shrimp Meal	\$12.00
10 Piece Fried Shrimp Meal	\$17.00
Adult Pasta Meal	\$12.00

Kids Menu

*Includes:
1 Hush Puppy,
1 Side, & 1 Cookie*

Baked Fish Meal	\$6.00
Catfish Meal	\$6.00
5 Piece Fried Shrimp Meal	\$6.00
Pub-Style Fried Cod Meal	\$6.00
Pasta Meal	\$6.00

Family Meal Menu

ONLY AVAILABLE FOR PRE-ORDER

Mission from Cod Meal Deal - \$50

6 Piece Pub Style Fried Cod,
a JUMBO order of Fries,
8 Hush Puppies, choice of
4 Individual Sides & 4 Cookies

Surf and Surf Meal Deal - \$50

4 Piece Pub Style Fried Cod,
10 Piece Fried Shrimp,
a JUMBO order of Fries, 8 Hush Puppies,
choice of 4 Individual Sides & 4 Cookies

Catholic Family Meal Deal - \$90

8 Piece Pub-Style Fried Cod,
15 Piece Fried Shrimp,
2 JUMBO orders of Fries,
18 Hush Puppies, choice of
6 Individual Sides & 8 Cookies

Family Meal Deal - \$34

4 Piece Pub-Style Fried cod,
a JUMBO order of Fries,
6 Hush Puppies, choice of
2 Individual Sides & 2 Cookies

Side Dishes

**Bartolino's Pasta, French Fries,
Green Beans, Applesauce, or Slaw**

**Additional Side - \$3
1 JUMBO Order of Fries - \$5**

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Good News Messenger

Issue **Deadline (4 p.m.)**

Mar. 20 Mar. 10

Mar. 27 Mar. 17

Apr. 3 Mar. 24

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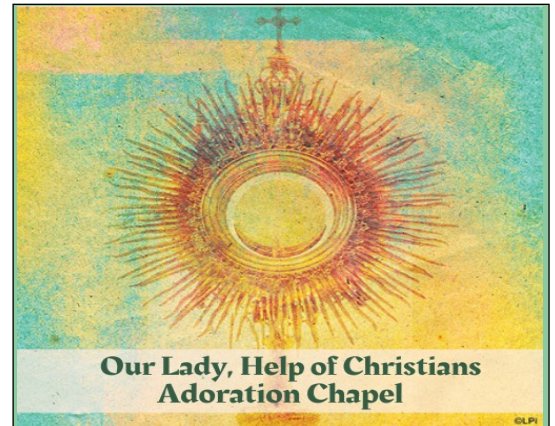
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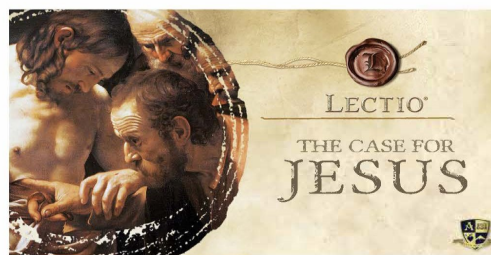
PICK OF THE WEEK

March 6, 2022

LEARN

LECTIO: THE CASE FOR JESUS

In nine sessions, Dr. Brant Pitre answers the key question of faith: Who is Jesus? Dr. Pitre presents evidence from early Christian and non-Christian writings that attest to the authenticity of the Gospels. Timed to lead up to the Triduum, Dr. Pitre looks in-depth at the accounts of Jesus's Crucifixion and Resurrection and his proclamation of divinity.



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