



GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

Third Sunday of Lent

March 20, 2022



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!" - Lk 13:2-3

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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 Brady who was received into the Church on March 5, 2022 at his Baptism! Pictured with Brady are his parents, Tu and Nhi, and his godparents, Christian and Teresa.

Special Events

Mar. 21-23 Parish Mission
 April 3 40 Days for Life
 April 9 Lenten Day of Reflection
 April 24 Donna Cori Gibson Concert

Stewardship March 7–13

#AssumptionTogether	\$315.00
Black-Indian Missions	\$185.00
Cardinal Glennon Hospital	\$100.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$32.00
Ash Wednesday	\$405.00
Easter Flowers	\$10.00
Fill the Gap	\$10.00
General Fund 2022	\$19,577.41
Maintenance Fund	\$5.00
Partner in Education	\$102.00
Pro-Life Stewardship	\$5.00
Pro-Life Foundation	\$125.00
Seminary	\$25.00
St. Louis Review Subscription	\$140.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$1,490.00
Total	\$22,526.41



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: _____

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.

Mass Intentions †

March 20	SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
9:00 a.m.	John Kelly †
10:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
Noon	Tiffany Lentz †
6:00 p.m.	Gayle A. Kenniston †
March 21	MONDAY
6:30 a.m.	Thomas & Helen Bujewski †
8:00 a.m.	James E. Dooley Sr. †
5:30 p.m.	Donald Nary †
March 22	TUESDAY
6:30 a.m.	Alec Fister †
8:00 a.m.	Mabel Deibel †
5:30 p.m.	Ina Braun †
March 23	WEDNESDAY
6:30 a.m.	Jamie Secrest †
8:00 a.m.	James Mackiewicz †
5:30 p.m.	Ed Perniciaro †
March 24	THURSDAY
6:30 a.m.	Richard S. Blumm †
8:00 a.m.	Jack Camenzind †
5:30 p.m.	Vera Lee Saggio †
March 25	FRIDAY
6:30 a.m.	Helen Roeslein †
8:00 a.m.	Eleanor Catanzaro †
5:30 p.m.	Margaret Moglia †
March 26	SATURDAY
8:00 a.m.	Rick Allgeyer †
5:00 p.m.	Gerard Behnen †
March 27	SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.	Donald Nary †
9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
10:30 a.m.	Rick Allgeyer †
Noon	Linda DeClue †
6:00 p.m.	Carole & George Bruggemann †
	† denotes deceased

In Our Prayers

THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Jacob Bartola
Bernadette Bendall
Gary Bergholtz
Doris Brady
Linda Breck
Betty Bresnahan
Jack Bresnahan
Jim Brockmeyer
Donny Brooks
Jim Burkhardt
Eileen Caldwell
Ralph Cernich
Mary Ann Chalmere
OUR MILITARY *denotes parishioner
Robert Bryant III, USAF*
Dustin Burnett, USAF
Dominic Catalano
Dakota Chappel
Lauren Chellis, USN
Michael Cole
Sean Danaher, USAF
David DiFranco, USA
Kevin Deitz
Matthew Eberhart, USA
Michael Faulkner, USMC*
Wyatt Flieg, USN
William Florich, USAR*

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

Welcome New Parishioners!

Robert & Marissa Fraraccio Family
on Quail Crest Court

Andrew & Libby Austermann on
Tonga Drive

Rest in Peace:

Marlene R. Dempsey

Weekly Readings

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25: 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32



Pastor's Column

Fr. Thomas Keller

Holy Week and Easter

I invite everyone to enter more deeply into the mysteries of Christ's Passion, Death, and Resurrection by participating in the Sacred Triduum on April 14-17.

According to ancient custom, there are no morning Masses on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Holy Saturday, except the Holy Thursday Chrism Mass at the diocesan cathedral. Everyone is welcome to attend the Chrism Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis on Lindell Boulevard at 10:00 a.m. on April 14. Archbishop Rozanski will celebrate the Mass and the priests of the Archdiocese concelebrate. At that Mass, the Holy Oils that are used for sacraments are blessed and consecrated and the priests will renew their priestly vows.

At Assumption, we will offer the following rites and ceremonies for the Sacred Triduum:

On Holy Thursday at 7:00 p.m., we will offer the Mass of the Lord's Supper, commemorating the Last Supper where Jesus instituted the sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Holy Orders. After Mass, around 8:00 p.m., the Blessed Sacrament will be solemnly transferred to a special Altar of Repose, representing the Garden of Gethsemane. Parishioners are encouraged to come spend time in prayer with Jesus just as He invited His disciples to pray with Him in the garden. At Midnight, the church will be locked, commemorating the arrest of Jesus.

The Adoration Chapel will be closed to Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Holy Thursday at 6:00 p.m. until Holy Saturday evening at 11:00 p.m. However, all Eucharistic Adorers are encouraged to attend Adoration before the Altar of Repose in church from 8:00 p.m.-midnight

On Good Friday, parishioners are welcome to come and pray anytime between noon and

3:30 p.m. During that time, we will observe the Tre Ore (Three Hours) of Christ's Passion. Confessions will be available between noon and 3:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross are at noon. Immediately after Stations, the brief meditations of the Seven Last Words of Jesus will be presented occasionally until 3:00 p.m. At 3:00 p.m., we will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat. Our Fish Fry will be from 4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. At 7:00 p.m., we will offer the Celebration of the Lord's Passion. This is the main celebration of the day, where we hear the reading of the Passion according to St. John, we venerate the Holy Cross, and receive Holy Communion.

According to ancient custom, nothing is publicly celebrated on Holy Saturday. The 5:00 p.m. Mass is cancelled. The Great Easter Vigil is celebrated during the night, beginning at 8:00 p.m. At this liturgy, the Easter Fire and Holy Water are blessed, the history of salvation is recounted, the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and first Holy Communion are administered to adults who have been preparing for acceptance into the Catholic Church, and the Church begins the great feast of Easter!

On Easter morning, we return to our regular schedule with the 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and Noon Masses. There will be no 6:00 p.m. Mass on Easter Sunday.

I promise all parishioners who participate in some or all of the Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday ceremonies will find themselves deeply satisfied, having entered into the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ, and they will forever be closer to Him.

God bless,
Fr. Keller

ASSUMPTION PARISH MISSION

March 21-23, 7:00 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!


**40 DAYS
FOR LIFE**TM

Prayer Vigil

March 2-April 10

Assumption will man
the local vigil at Planned
Parenthood Forest Park from
11 a.m.-7 p.m. on Sunday, April 3

Prayer volunteers are needed for one-hour time slots throughout the day. To sign up, visit assumptionstl.org/40days or contact Tim Hessel at 314-807-0510.

Your presence on the sidewalk can change the mind of an abortion-minded parent.

LENTEN DAY OF REFLECTION



Saturday, April 9th from 8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Join us for a Lenten Day of Reflection, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. The day will include Mass, a continental breakfast, a presentation by Archbishop Carlson, Adoration, Benediction, and lunch. This event is open to all parishioners. **Please register for this event at assumptionstl.org/lenzen-day-of-reflection**

This is a free event, but we will take up a good will offering on the day of the event. Questions? Contact Stan at 314-630-8211.

Spiritual Adoption

You are invited to participate in Assumption's *Spiritual Adoption* program. *Spiritual adoption* is when a person or family prays for an unborn baby who is in danger of abortion. Our parish spiritual adoption program will begin March 25th, the Feast of the Annunciation, and end December 25th, the day Jesus was born! You may "adopt" a baby by signing a pledge card. Those who spiritually adopt a child pledge to pray for that child each day for nine months. Blue and pink pledge cards are available in Church. Choose one (or more!) and fill it out. You keep the half with the daily prayer on it. Please return the other half with the pledge to the spiritual adoption basket. These pledges will be placed at the foot of the statue of the Blessed Virgin. At the end of nine months, Assumption will celebrate by having a drive to collect items for pregnancy help centers to help mothers and their beautiful newborn babies. Thank you! For questions, please contact Christine Grijalva at 314-607-8163.



Lift Up Your Voices! Choir is Coming Back!

It's been a LONG break, but the Assumption Adult Choir is gearing up to sing! And we need your voice! If you love singing, even in the shower, why not share your voice as we lead the congregation in praising our Lord in song? If you are unsure, just do as our Lord suggested . . . "Come and see!"

Practices are held on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in church. We are warming up our voices and will be singing at Masses later this spring! If you have any questions, please see Music Director Nancy Pyle after any Mass or call her at 314-322-6105. And remember, "When you sing, you pray twice."



SVdP Monthly Food and Clothing Drive



We will hold our monthly collection on **Saturday, March 26th from 9:00 a.m.-Noon.** Please be advised that we cannot accept furniture nor electronic items. We thank you for your generous and continued support.



Medical Staff Openings

Registered Nurses, Licensed Practical Nurses, and Certified Nurse Assistants needed at Jesuit Hall for Retired Jesuit Priests in their home setting. Full time, part time, and as needed positions are available.

Please call 314-633-4546 or email cyndisdonfusz@gmail.com.

PARISH HOLY HOUR

The Parish Holy Hour is open to everyone. It is intended as an opportunity for parishioners to spend time in prayer & adoration, as well as receive the

Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Join us each Wednesday from 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the church!



ALL THINGS NEW

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Take the DMI Survey!

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Due by April 4th!



Novena for Life begins Saturday, March 26th

The Fr. Griffin Council of the Knights of Columbus will host a Novena for Life, starting after the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Saturday, March 26th and ending on Sunday, April 3rd. The Novena for Life will be prayed after all Sunday Masses and after the 8:00 a.m. weekday Masses.

ASSUMPTION PARISH FISH FRY



EVERY FRIDAY Dine in! Carry out!
IN LENT Pre-order for
4:30 - 7:00 p.m. Curbside Pickup!

Now accepting homemade desserts!
Bring desserts to the school main entrance
BEFORE 3:00 p.m. or
to the gym AFTER 3:00 p.m.

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Rosary for Ukraine

Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.
In Church or via livestream



Join us to pray the Rosary before the statue of the Blessed Mother. We will offer this Rosary for the people of Ukraine, praying that they will be protected from harm, that there will be a swift end to the hostility and hardship they currently face, and for restoration of peace in the region.



Egg My Yard!

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Visit assumptionstl.org/egg-my-yard **BY MARCH 25th**
to sign up for a day (either April 9th or April 16th), a time block,
and the number of eggs you want hidden.

Pricing: \$20 for 30 Eggs \$30 for 50 Eggs \$50 for 70 eggs



**CALLING ALL 8TH GRADERS!
YOU'RE INVITED TO...**

LUKE 18

April 22-24th

LIFE WITH CHRIST IS A WONDERFUL ADVENTURE! - SAINT JPII

SCAN TO
SIGN UP



Assumption Youth Ministry Upcoming Events

MARCH 20: LIFE NIGHT
LUKE 18 MEETING #2

MARCH 23: UPPER ROOM
BUT WAIT... THERE'S MORE!
NIGHT ON LENT (PT. 2)

MARCH 27: LIFE NIGHT
LUKE 18 MEETING #3

Save the Dates

JUNE 13-17

Totus Tuus Summer Camp



Open to Grades 1-6



What is Totus Tuus?

Totus Tuus, a missionary based youth camp, will be at Assumption June 13-17th. It meets from 9 AM to 3 PM daily, includes Mass, and is open for 1st through 6th grade students. Older students and adults can volunteer to assist! Save the date and get ready to register your child! Visit the Totus Tuus page on Assumption's website for more information, or to register your child(ren)! Contact our Director of Elementary Religious Education, Valerie Stringer (stringerv@assumptionstl.org), if you have any questions.



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 3 (March 20):	Paper towels and toilet paper
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Week 4 (March 27):	New bath towels and wash cloths
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Week 5 (April 3):	Disinfecting products
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Please drop off all donations at the Baptismal Font

OTHER LENTEN EVENTS

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday
2:15 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

DAILY ROSARY

Monday-Saturday
8:30 a.m.

FISH FRY

All Lenten Fridays
4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

MARCH 21-23

Parish Mission
Presenter: Maggie Craig
7:00 p.m.

APRIL 9

Parish Day of Recollection
8:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

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Good News Messenger

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

Apr. 3 Mar. 24

Apr. 10 Mar. 30

Apr. 17 Apr. 5

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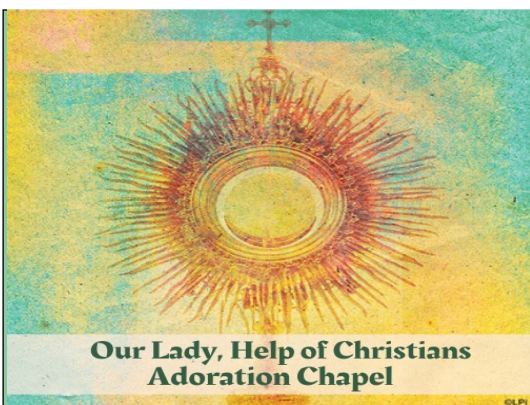
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PICK OF THE WEEK

March 20, 2022

WATCH

THE SANCTUARY COURSE FOR CATHOLICS

Today, misconceptions surrounding mental illness can prevent us from responding well to those suffering. This eight-session course explores the realities of mental illness, as well as the need for faith-based conversations about this topic. The sessions feature the stories of Catholics living with mental health challenges, along with the insights of archbishops, theologians, and psychologists.



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