



## GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ

June 19, 2022



### THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Then taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing over them, broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. They all ate and were satisfied. And when the leftover fragments were picked up, they filled twelve wicker baskets. - Lk 9:16-17

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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. Buehler

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### Corpus Christi Procession

Today (Sunday, June 19th) is the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ and we will once again be having a Eucharistic Procession! Please join us right after the 6:00 p.m. Mass for the procession around our campus.

## Welcome New Parishioners!

Timothy & Natalie Burford Family  
on Pardee Rd.

Travis & Aimee Schulte Family  
on Darfield Ct.

Kevin & Kaela Louie  
on Golf Ridge Dr.

Peter & Anna Tran Family  
on Kensington Manor Dr.



### 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.*

## Special Events

- June 19 Corpus Christi Procession
- June 24 Consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus (8 a.m. Mass)
- July 12 Assumption Night with the Cardinals
- July 15-17 AYM Steubenville Conference
- July 17 Investiture of the Brown Scapular

## Stewardship June 6–12

#AssumptionTogether	\$318.00
Cardinal Glennon Hospital	\$378.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$5.00
Church in Central & Eastern Europe	\$155.00
Friends for Life Campaign	\$15.00
General Fund	\$18,026.97
Lifeline Coalition	\$500.00
Maintenance	\$5.00
Partners in Education	\$580.00
Pro-Life Stewardship	\$505.00
Pro-Life Foundation	\$250.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$1,555.00
Tithe for the Poor	\$505.00
Youth Ministry	\$145.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$22,942.97</b>



## Mass Intentions †

June 19	SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
9:00 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
10:30 a.m.	Sal Catanzaro †
Noon	Anthony Mortignon †
6:00 p.m.	Gayle A. Kenniston †
June 20	MONDAY
6:30 a.m.	Joe & Theresa Bellosi †
8:00 a.m.	Raymond Sherman †
June 21	TUESDAY
6:30 a.m.	Eunice Buscher †
8:00 a.m.	Timothy Meagher †
June 22	WEDNESDAY
6:30 a.m.	Benedictine Priors
8:00 a.m.	Anthony Mroczkowski †
June 23	THURSDAY
6:30 a.m.	Mary Claire Pike †
8:00 a.m.	Rick Allgeyer †
June 24	FRIDAY
6:30 a.m.	Mary Sherman †
8:00 a.m.	Tim Mooney
June 25	SATURDAY
8:00 a.m.	Richard Jaggie †
5:00 p.m.	Paul Sauerburger †
June 26	SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.	Lawrence Birkenmeier †
9:00 a.m.	Richard Jaggie †
10:30 a.m.	Chris Maloney †
Noon	Linda DeClue †
6:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
	† denotes deceased

## In Our Prayers

### THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Lorretta Fieser
Donna Fitzwilliam
Pamela Gebauer
Jane C. Grimm
Greg Guidry
Connie Hartman
Ursula Heimos
Theon Heisserer
Jacqueline Helberg
Bill Henzey
Sheree Henzey
Roxanne Holdegraver
Arlene Horn

### OUR MILITARY \*denotes parishioner

Davey Ardrey, USAR
Ryan Boedeker
Kyle Bottorf
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

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

## Weekly Readings

For the week of June 19:

**Sunday:** Gn 14:18-20/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17

**Monday:** 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18/Ps 60:3, 4-5, 12-13/Mt 7:1-5

**Tuesday:** 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 10-11/Mt 7:6, 12-14

**Wednesday:** 2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3/Ps 119:33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 40/Mt 7:15-20

**Thursday:** *Vigil:* Jer 1:4-10/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5-6ab, 15ab and 17/1 Pt 1:8-12/Lk 1:5-17 *Day:* Is 49:1-6/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

**Friday:** Ez 34:11-16/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Rom 5:5b-11/Lk 15:3-7

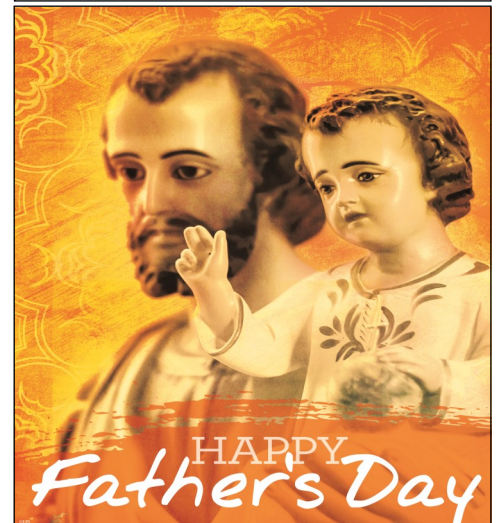
**Saturday:** Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19/Ps 74:1b-2, 3-5, 6-7, 20-21/Lk 2:41-51

**Next Sunday:** 1 Kgs 19:16b, 19-21/Ps 16:1-2, 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11/Gal 5:1, 13-18/Lk 9:51-62

## Rest in Peace:

Clara L. Rivituso

Howard J. Meine





## Pastor's Column

Fr. Thomas Keller

### All Things New Update

As I'm sure everyone knows by now, the Archdiocese of St. Louis is in the middle of a strategic planning process to address the changing demographics and declining vocations within the archdiocese. Here's an update of what is going on:

The Archdiocese has had a policy for over a decade of allowing parishes to remain open as long as they were able to financially survive. However, in a few years, it is apparent that not only will the number of priests fall significantly below the number of parishes, but many parishes, who do not have younger families moving into the neighborhoods will begin to see a drastic decline in membership. In order to make proactive decisions rather than reactive changes, the Archdiocese has partnered with a national organization known as the Catholic Leadership Institute to develop a plan to keep the Catholic Church vibrant while these major changes take place. This means every parish is involved in the process and parish vibrancy, leadership, ministries and facilities are all being evaluated.

You may remember the *Disciple Maker Index Survey* you were asked to fill out – we recently received the results. The data that the Catholic Leadership Institute provided is rather massive, and it takes time to digest. We have a committee of involved parishioners who are helping me process it. But here is a very quick summary: Assumption had a very good participation rate in the survey. Overall, Assumption parishioners are happier in areas of satisfaction with the parish and we tend to score higher in many of the key areas, compared to the diocesan and national averages. Assumption also has very good statistics for Mass attendance, school enrollment, Sunday collection, etc. Our facilities are in very good shape and there are lots of strong ministries and programs here.

One area that all archdiocesan parishes need improvement is helping individual parishioners feel comfortable sharing their experience of faith with

others. Of course, this is the key to all our problems today. Families do not share the faith with their children effectively and only a tiny minority have ever asked a young person to consider priesthood or religious life. There are many reasons for this, but clearly this will be the great challenge going forward.

Does all the positive data about Assumption mean *All Things New* will pass by our door but not affect us? Not at all. I am somewhat convinced there are some important decisions to be made on both sides of highway 270 and highway 55. I don't know what kind of decisions are being considered, so I don't know what to predict. Some dioceses have done some creative things to address issues. I also do not know what the school system in South County will look like.

The timeline, as I understand it, will look like this: Right now, the Catholic Leadership Institute and various archdiocesan committees are processing the survey information and other information that is being provided by pastors. In August, an initial set of suggestions will be shared with priests so they will provide input. Then in October, a refined set of plans will be shared throughout the archdiocese at Listening Sessions. Two Listening Sessions will take place in our parish center in October, at that time parishioners input will be welcome. The dates are not settled yet. Then, next Pentecost Sunday, May 28, a final plan will be released. It is presumed that it will take about three years to complete the plan. If I have any incorrect information or if new information becomes available, I will share it with you.

In the meantime, it is important that parishioners around the archdiocese pray for those making decisions and for all those who are directly impacted by the decisions. Invoke the Holy Spirit to lead all of us in this process.

God bless,  
Fr. Keller



are hiring!

- Middle School Math Teacher
- Music Teacher
- AELC Infant Room Caregivers
- Aftercare and Lunchroom Helpers

Interested?

Contact our principal, Mrs. Sykora at [principal227@archstl.org](mailto:principal227@archstl.org) or our AELC Director, Mrs. Michael at [michaels@assumptionstl.org](mailto:michaels@assumptionstl.org)

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### Fatima Rosary Group

All are welcome to join the Fatima Rosary Group each Tuesday in Church to pray the Rosary at 6:30 p.m.

During and at the end of the Rosary, we have an opportunity to offer any special intentions to our Heavenly Mother Mary and ask she console us and bring these to her Son, Jesus, for us. Come once, twice, or every week—whatever fits your schedule!

Call Mary at 314-359-4116 with questions.



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ST. JUSTIN MARTYR | JUNE 21 | 7:30-9PM

worship leader



Mary Kate  
Westrich

speaker



Mary Elizabeth  
Coleman

*theme:* Isaiah 43:19

### ABIDE YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

*June Calendar*

THURSDAY, JUNE 23: "MAN FOR ALL SEASONS"  
MOVIE NIGHT AT SMMA

THURSDAY, JUNE 30: MINI GOLF + ICE CREAM

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DAYTIME ONLY, ON CAMPUS

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- Stations of the Cross
- Anointing of the Sick
- Benediction
- Reconciliation
- Chaplet of Divine Mercy
- And MUCH MORE!



## Senior Ministry Upcoming Events!

June 20	10:30 a.m.	SoulCore
June 21	10:30 a.m.	Ladies' Scripture Study
June 21	1:00 p.m.	Dominoes
June 23	6:00 p.m.	Pray & Stay

SoulCore, Dominoes, and the Ladies' Scripture Study meet in the Church Lower Level. Pray & Stay meets in the grassy area near the outdoor shrine.

## HELP WANTED



### Finance Council

The Finance Council provides oversight, offers solutions, and influences decisions that affect our parish and school. Preferred backgrounds include business, accounting, or investing. Time commitment is generally six one-hour meetings a year, usually on the first Tuesday of every other month at 6:15 p.m. Contact Deacon Jim in our parish office for more information



### Mass Ushers

Several of our long-time Mass ushers retired during COVID. If you regularly attend the same Mass each week, consider serving the Assumption Community as an usher! Even if you switch Masses occasionally, it is good to have regular ushers we can count on. We need ushers at the following Masses:

**Saturday 5:00 p.m. - 5 Ushers**

**Sunday 12:00 p.m. - 6 Ushers**

**Sunday 6:00 p.m. - 6 Ushers**

Contact Michelle in our parish office for more information.



## Save the Date

13th Annual Benefit Dinner of  
Our Lady of Guadalupe for Life

Sunday, October 9th 2022 at 4:00 p.m.  
Orlando Gardens South



Bishop Joseph Strickland of  
the Diocese of Tyler, Texas  
will be our Main Speaker  
and Celebrant at Holy Mass



For more  
information,  
please contact  
Anna Maria  
Usselman at  
314-487-2066



## ASSUMPTION NIGHT WITH THE CARDINALS

TUESDAY, JULY 12

6:45 p.m. Game Versus The Dodgers!

Come cheer on the Cardinals & the  
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be singing the National Anthem  
at the game!

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## SVdP Monthly Food and Clothing Drive



Saturday, June 25th  
9:00 a.m. - Noon



## COMPASSION Grief Ministry



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**PSALM 91: 1-2**

shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust."



During these times of challenges with health and loss of loved ones, The Catholic Renewal Center would like to offer an opportunity to hopefully start your journey back to health of mind, body, and spirit. Our Compassion Ministries allow you to have the freedom to be who you are, right in that moment, without judgements or opinions, nothing is required of you. If you would like to join with others experiencing similar losses, and need to share and heal, please see the below schedule and contact names.

### COMPASSION MINISTRY – LOSS OF CHILD

- Second Saturday of the month, 9am to 11am
- Meet at Catholic Renewal Center, 1406 S. Sappington Rd. St. Louis 63126
- Facilitator – Assumption parishioner, Rita Baughman, register by emailing [rita.baughmanofs@gmail.com](mailto:rita.baughmanofs@gmail.com)





**EUCCHARISTIC  
REVIVAL**  
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# THE EUCHARIST: MYSTERY OF PRESENCE, SACRIFICE, AND COMMUNION

12 MONTHLY PRESENTATIONS WITH DR. LAWRENCE FEINGOLD

- Talk 1 – Why Did Jesus Institute the Eucharist?
- Talk 2 – Old Testament Figures of the Eucharist
- Talk 3 – Bread of Life Discourse and the Last Supper
- Talk 4 – The Fathers of the Church on the Eucharist
- Talk 5 – Christ's Presence in the Eucharist
- Talk 6 – The Sacrifice of the Mass
- Talk 7 – The Participation of the Faithful in the Offering of the Mass
- Talk 8 – The Common Priesthood of the Faithful and Ministerial Priesthood
- Talk 9 – The Fruits of the Sacrifice of the Mass
- Talk 10 – The Graces of Holy Communion
- Talk 11 – The Eucharist Builds Up the Communion of the Church
- Talk 12 – Eucharistic Spirituality and the Eucharistic Life

See <http://allthingsnew.archstl.org/eucharistic-revival>  
for a complete list of dates and corresponding locations.



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## NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

“My flesh for the life of the world”

*“Mi carne para la vida del mundo”*

John 6:51

### Mission

To renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

### Vision

A *movement* of Catholics across the United States, healed, converted, formed, and unified by an encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist—and sent out in mission “for the life of the world.”

### Strategic Pillars

- 1 Foster encounters with Jesus through kerygmatic proclamation and experiences of Eucharistic devotion.
- 2 Contemplate and proclaim the doctrine of the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist through the Truth of our teaching, Beauty of our worship, and Goodness of our accompaniment of persons in poverty and those who are vulnerable.
- 3 Empower grassroots creativity by partnering with movements, apostolates, parishes, and educational institutions.
- 4 Reach the smallest unit: parish small groups and families.
- 5 Embrace and learn from the various rich intercultural Eucharistic traditions.



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**Issue**      **Deadline (4 p.m.)**

July 3      June 23

July 10      June 30

July 17      July 7

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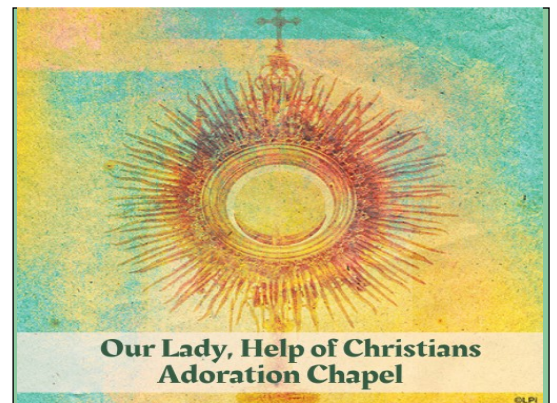
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