



GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 30, 2022

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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SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house." And he came down quickly and received him with joy. - Lk 19:5-6

Al llegar a ese lugar, Jesús levantó los ojos y le dijo: "Zaqueo, bájate pronto, porque hoy tengo que hospedarme en tu casa".

El bajó enseguida y lo recibió muy contento. - Lc 19, 5-6

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Lector Installed



Parishioner Jeremy Remiger is continuing his formation for diaconate.

Special Events

Nov. 1st All Saints Day -Parish office closed Holy Day of Obligation

All Souls Day Nov. 2nd Election Day Nov. 8th

All Things New Nov. 9th Listening Session & 10th

Reconciliation Nov. 12th Retreat

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!



Holy Day of Obligation

All Saints Mass Schedule November 1

6:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m. Noon 5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.

Holy Day

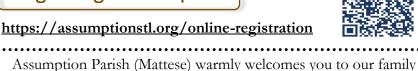
All Souls Mass Schedule November 2

6:30 a.m. 8:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.

October 17th - 23rd

Stewardship				
#AssumptionTogether	\$20.00			
All Saints Day	\$180.00			
All Soul's Day	\$150.00			
Catholic Home Missions	\$25.00			
Disaster Relief	\$150.00			
Fill The Gap-Parish School	\$10.00			
Formation of Permanent Deacons	\$45.00			
Friends for Life Campaign	\$50.00			
General Fund	\$19,241.67			
Maintenance	\$5.00			
Partners in Education	\$125.00			
Preserving Our Heritage	\$5.00			
Pro-Life Stewardship	\$420.00			
Pro-Life Foundation	\$953.00			
Retired Religious Fund	\$5.00			
Sponsor-A-Family	\$400.00			
St. Vincent de Paul	\$914.00			
Tithe for the Poor	\$60.00			
Total	\$22,758.67			

Registering at Assumption



Name:			

of Faith! I/We would like to register at Assumption:

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 †			
October 30	SUNDAY		
7:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †		
9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish		
10:30 a.m.	Gayle A. Kenniston †		
Noon	Danny Martin †		
6:00 p.m.	Raymond Sherman †		
October 31	MONDAY		
6:30 a.m.	Shirley Kneemiller †		
8:00 a.m.	Corey DePriest †		
November 1	TUESDAY		
6:30 a.m.	Honesto & Victoria Veneracion †		
8:00 a.m.	Daniel Steffen †		
Noon	Jerry Pyle †		
5:30 p.m.	Geraldine Sippel †		
7 p.m.	Poor Souls In Purgatory †		
November 2	WEDNESDAY		
6:30 a.m.	Leonard Factor †		
8:00 a.m.	Salvador & Louella Destura †		
7:00 p.m.	Deceased of the Parish †		
November 3	THURSDAY		
6:30 a.m.	Josephine Pisoni †		
8:00 a.m.	Anna Sarmiento †		
November 4	FRIDAY		
6:30 a.m.	Carole Brueggemann †		
8:00 a.m.	Don & Brett Grant †		
November 5	SATURDAY		
8:00 a.m.	Peter Heddell †		
5:00 p.m.	Donald Volansky, Sr †		
November 6	SUNDAY		
7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish		
9:00 a.m.	Joseph K. Kauffmann †		
10:30 a.m.	Gayle A. Kenniston †		
Noon	Emil & Lidia Gavach †		
6:00 p.m.	Mary Sherman †		
	† denotes deceased		

In Our Prayers

THOSE WHO ARE ILL
Michael B.
Clarence Bailey
Jinny Bailey
Vicki Baker
Jacob Bartola
Bernadette Bendall
Gary Bergholtz
Doris Brady
Linda Breck
Betty Bresnahan
Jack Bresnahan
Jim Brockmeyer
Donny Brooks
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OUR MILITARY *denotes parishioner
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NOTE! Parish office closed November 1st due to All Saints Day

Weekly Readings

For the week of October 30:

<u>Sunday:</u> Wis 11:22—12:2/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13, 14/2 Thes 1:11—2:2/Lk 19:1-10

Monday: Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:12-14

<u>Tuesday:</u> Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/1 Jn 3:1-3/ Mt 5:1-12a

Wednesday: Wis 4:7-14/Ps 25:6, and 7b, 17-18, 20-21/Rom 5:17-21/Mt 11:25-30

Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Phil 3:17—4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Phil 4:10-19/Ps 112:1b -2, 5-6, 8a and 9/Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: 2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14/ Ps 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 [15b]/2 Thes 2:16—3:5/ Lk 20:27-38 or 20:27, 34-38

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!

Questions? Call Mary at 314-359-4116.

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Pastor's Column Fr. Thomas Keller

Remembering Death

We often talk about liturgical seasons like Advent and Lent; each season having its own emphasis and character, but there are two days at the beginning of November that work like a mini-liturgical season.

Beginning on the evening of October 31, All Hallows Eve (Halloween) begins a short reflection on death. While kiddos are out trick-or-treating, the Church begins the great feast of All Saints Day, with First Vespers of All Saints. The priests and religious begin prayers glorifying God for the gift of the saints. Then for the next two days, the Church reflects on the future beyond death.

November 1st is a day of great celebration for the Church, as we remember all those who have entered Eternal Life. All Saints Day remembers all those who lived a truly Christian Life and now, having died, dwell in the eternal peace of heaven. We remember not only those canonized saints who lived lives of heroic virtue, but also those saints who quietly lived in a state of grace and now share in the Beatific Vision of God for all eternity. All Saints Day is a Holy Day of Obligation, and all Catholics should attend Holy Mass on this day to join in the heavenly celebration. Here at Assumption our All Saints Day Mass schedule is: 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m., Noon, 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Then the next day is All Souls Day. On November 2nd, Catholics pray for all those who have died in a state of grace but still await the joys of heaven. Despite popular misconceptions about death, usually anyone who dies still requires God's mercy to complete the process of spiritual perfection. Any attachments to sin or worldly affections must be purged from the soul before one enters into heaven. This can be done solely through the mercy of God. But we can pray to God asking Him to show His mercy to the poor souls in Purgatory. The most powerful prayer is the Mass. Often we offer Holy Mass for the intention of someone who has passed away. On All Souls Day we will have our regular Masses at 6:30 a.m. and 8 a.m. We will have a special Purgatorial Mass at 7 p.m. to pray specifically for all parishioners who died this last year and to remember anyone who has died.

Mass Intentions:

Catholics have a beautiful tradition of offering Masses for the intention of other people, either living or dead. Here at Assumption, many people observe this custom. You might notice in the bulletin each week that every Mass has an "intention." You might wonder "how does this work?" The priest holds the intention in his heart when he offers Mass. Anyone is welcome to go to the rectory and request a specific date and Mass. The intention can be for anyone living or dead (often it is for the dead and there is a little cross behind the name to indicate the person is deceased.) There is no cost to have a Mass intention, but a donation of \$10 is recommended by the Archdiocese, however, we will not refuse anyone who wants us to remember them at Mass. We can schedule up to one year in advance. The only reservation is that one Sunday Mass a week must be offered for the parish, it's called a Pro Populo Mass – meaning "for the people."

God bless, Fr. Keller

Middle School Youth Ministry EDGE

What: EDGE is a Catholic middle school youth ministry program.

Who: It is open to students 6th-8th grade.

When: We will meet once a week on Thursdays from 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Why: For fun, faith and community. Our goal is to help foster a relationship with Jesus. We want to help the Middle Schoolers understand the Catholic teachings in a relatable way.

Sign-up for our Flocknote by texting Parents to 84576

> For more information contact Anna Hussey 314-784-8767 or <u>husseya@assumptionstl.org</u>

Spiritual Adoption: 7 Months

The baby can taste, touch, cough, yawn and hiccup. His eyelids open and close, and his eyes look around. He now recognizes his mother's voice. His grip is even stronger now than it will be after his birth. The hair on his head is growing longer, and the downy



covering on the rest of his body is disappearing. During this time the baby will receive antibodies from his mother that will provide him with immunity to a wide variety of diseases. The baby is the size of a butternut squash. During this beautiful month of October the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates "Respect Life Month." During this month we take advantage to understand and value the gift of human life and help build a culture that cherishes and protects it. A couple of weeks ago, the Assumption Pro-Life Committee scheduled pro-life speakers after all the Masses. We heard about the good work being done in organizations such as Birthright, Gabriel Retreat Ministries, Pregnancy Help Center, Angel's Arms, Good Shepherd Children and Family Services, and Our Lady's Inn. So much good is being done in our city, and so much work still needs to be done! "Jesus, Mary, Joseph, we love you very much! Please spare the lives of the unborn babies we have spiritually adopted who are in danger of abortion!"

PARISH LISTENING SESSIONS REGISTER NOW https://allthingsnew.archstl.org/Planning-Process/Listening-Sessions Wednesday 11/9 Thursday 11/10 @ 6pm ALL THINGS NEW ***TURNING THE PROCEST AND THE PROCEST

Purgatorial Mass



Our annual Purgatorial Mass will be celebrated on All Souls Day, November 2 at 7:00 p.m. In order to prayerfully remember our loved ones who died in the past year, their names will be read during the Mass. All are welcome to participate in this Mass.



Assumption 8th Grade Fundraiser Poinsettia Sales



6.5" pot \$12

8.5" pot \$22

Red & White are available in both sizes and Pink in 6.5" *Limited quantities of White and Pink. Red will be substituted if unavailable Poinsettias can be ordered after all Masses October 29th-30th, & Nov 5-6th

OR

By filling out the form below and returning to the school or parish office no later than Tuesday November 8th.

Pick-up will be **Saturday**, **December 3rd** after 5 p.m. Mass and Sunday, **December 4th** after Mass until 1:30 p.m.

6.5" Pot \$12			8.5" Pot \$22		
	Red	White	Pink	Red	White
Qty					
Total					

Name (print)	Phone	2	
Payment is due with his form. Checks or Cash—Checks made payable to Assumption Parish School Please contact Cindy Johnson (314) - 488-0592			
Name of 8th grade Student Seller			
Total Amt	Cash or Check		



October 31	10:30 a.m.	SoulCore
November 4	7:30 a.m.	Mass & Pot Luck Breakfast
November 7	10:30 a.m.	SoulCore
November 8	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
November 8	1:00 p.m.	Cards
November 15	1:00 p.m.	Dominoes

Questions? Contact Marilyn Hogenmiller

314-894-819 (Dominoes) or Ron Reiter 314-347-5881 (Cards)



Shuttle Bus for Seniors

Are you a senior who needs a ride to Mass?
Would you like to attend larger
Senior Ministry gatherings, but can't get there?
Assumption Shuttle Bus is picking up riders
for the Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass every week.
We also may be able to
arrange transportation for you to larger Senior
Ministry events!

To sign up, go to

<u>Assumptionstl.org/shuttle</u> or contact our

Transportation Coordinator, Judy Talleur, by
calling 314-487-7970 x 1228

or email ShuttleBus@Assumptionstl.org

Want to Help a Neighbor in Need This Christmas?

Donate to Sponsor-A-Family!

Sponsor-A-Family is up and running! Once again, we are asking for your help to make Christmas a reality for those in need! We are seeking gift cards in \$25 increments or cash donations to support the elementary school kids and families at St. Elizabeth's parish. We will also be sponsoring local families through St. Vincent de Paul. Your gift, no matter what the amount, will make a difference! Donations may be dropped off at the parish office (clearly marked as SAF), or online using the following link:

https://osvhub.com/assumptionstl/giving/funds/sponsor-a-family

Thank you and please call Marilyn Angeli at 314-210-8297 or Kathy Boulicault at 314-220-9511 with any questions.



Prayer Vigil

In coordination with prayer vigils throughout the world, Coalition Life (www.coalitionlife.com) is sponsoring a daily prayer vigil at Planned Parenthood Forest Park from September 27th through November 6th.

Assumption will man the local vigil at Planned
Parenthood Forest Park from
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 5th.
Prayer volunteers are needed for one hour
time slots throughout the day.

Contact Tim Hessel at 314-807-0510 if you have questions. To sign up please go to, https://assumptionstl.org/40days

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

October has been Pro-Life Month but the Ministry Continues

In conjunction with the United States Council of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) and the Archdiocese of St. Louis, Assumption has highlighted pro-life ministries during the month of October. The goal has been to raise awareness which will result in effective and prayerful support throughout the year.

Assumption's pro-life ministry is focused on both parish activities and community outreach.

Pro-life activities within our parish include the following: annual DC March for Life, the spring and fall Forty Days for Life prayer vigils, pro-life prayer sessions (both in church and along Mattis Road), and the December National Night of Prayer for Life.

Contributions to support our parish pro-life works can be made by using the envelopes in the pews, or via the parish website, https://www.osvhub.com/assumptionstl/giving/funds/prolife-foundation. You might also consider making a memorial pro-life contribution to Assumption to honor the life of a lost friend or relative.

Your contributions to support our Assumption pro-life works help with community outreach efforts, specifically promoting pro-life causes including the support of parents and children in need for the following organizations,

- Our Lady's Inn
- Archdiocesan Respect Life Apostolate •
- Birthright
- Our Lady of Guadalupe for Life

Billboards

- Pregnancy Help Center (south county)
- Defenders of the Unborn

- Angel Arms
- ThriVe St. Louis
- Gabriel's Retreat Ministries
- Coalition Life
- Good Shepherd Children and Family Services
- Vitae Foundation

Equally important are your actions, thoughts and prayers to promote a Culture of Life throughout the year.



Gather your friends

Assumption Parish for an evening of

prayer & community, as well as a delicious Italian dinner catered by Giuseppe's!

4:30-7:30 p.m. on Sunday, November 27 in the Assumption Parish Center

Guest Speaker:

Virginia Herbers, Director of Mission Formation at St. Louis University and author of "gifts from friends we've yet to meet"

\$136 for a table of 8 or \$17 for an individual

RSVP by Nov. 21! Registration Form Online @ http://assumptionstl.org/candlelight22



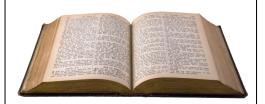
SEEK 2023 Is Coming To STL!

SEEK23 is a five-day conference for everyone. This event is an opportunity to encounter the Gospel anew and to be revived, equipped and encouraged for the life of faith Christ is calling us to lead. Expect sessions and keynotes, lunch, Mass, Adoration, concerts, entertainment and fellowship.

*** Use **ARCHSTL23** at registration for a discount.







Ladies Scripture Study

All ladies of the parish are invited to join us on Tuesday mornings from 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. to reflect on the upcoming Sunday Gospel.

Come whenever you are able. Since we are preparing for the upcoming Sunday it is not necessary to attend every week.

For questions or more information please contact Stacey Macko at 314-795-8783.

The Library is Open

The library is open now so come in and see what is available to check out. We have books and CD's for all ages. The success of our library depends on its volunteers. Consider volunteering on a Sunday after mass. The library is located in the church lower level.

Questions? Contact Sharon Bathon at aprcstl2016@gmail.com

Holy Hour for Priestly & Religious Vocations

The Monastery of St. Claire will have a Holy Hour for priestly and religious vocations to come together in front of Jesus truly present in the Eucharist to ask him to bless his Church with many holy vocations.

The Holy Hour will be held Friday, November 4th 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. The Monastery (200 Marycrest Drive) is located off the 6000 block of Telegraph Road and is south of the Bethesda Nursing facility. The monastery entrance sign is next to the Goddard Daycare Center.



Archbishop Robert J. Carlson Adoption Grant

Applications due November 1! Since its inception in 2009, the Archbishop Robert J. Carlson Adoption Grant has awarded nearly \$250,000 total to 46 grant recipients--allowing 50 children to be adopted into their forever families. This grant, offered through the Archdiocesan Office of Natural Family Planning, is available to couples who want to build their family through adoption.

For more information about the grant, contact the Office of Natural Family Planning at 314-997-7576 or email stlnfp@archstl.org. Grant applications can be found at bit.ly/ARICgrantapp.

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Good News Messenger

Issue Deadline (4 p.m.) November 6 October 27

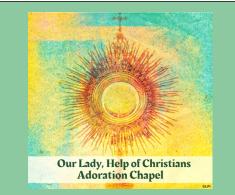
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Please go to www.assumptionstl.org/ bulletin-submissions and submit an online form to request event promotion and/or book a room

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Questions or comments?

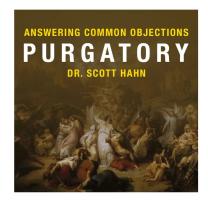
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Purgatory by Dr. Scott Hahn Answering Common Objections

This remarkable talk is an essential resource for answering the various objections that Protestants make to the Catholic Faith, including the authority of the Pope, the doctrine of Purgatory, devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Saints, the Sacrament of Confession, and the Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist.

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