



## GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

November 20, 2022



### OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

The rulers sneered at Jesus and said, "He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God." - Lk 23:35

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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  
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## Special Events

Thanksgiving Brunch	Nov. 24th
First Reconciliation	Nov. 29th
Cookies & Cocoa with Santa	Dec. 2nd
Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Dec. 8th
Christmas Concert	Dec. 20th

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\*\*Note, due to the upcoming Holidays bulletin deadlines are as follows:

Deadline	Issue
December 4	November 23
December 11	November 23
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December 25	December 16

## 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!

## Baptisms



Congratulations to William Thomas who was received into the Church Sunday, November 13th at his Baptism! William is pictured with his parents, Claire and Samuel, big sister Ruthie, and his godparents, David and Sarah.



Congratulations to Grace Catherine who was received into the Church on Sunday, November 13th at her Baptism! Grace is pictured with her parents, John and Brittany and her godparents, Jacob and Meghan.

## December Holy Day Mass Times

### Thursday, November 24th Thanksgiving Day

9:00 a.m. Mass followed by Thanksgiving Brunch

### Thursday December 8th — Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)

Masses: 6:30 a.m., 8 a.m., Noon, 5:30 p.m. and 7 p.m.

### Saturday, December 24th & Sunday 25th Christmas

Christmas Eve Masses: 4 p.m., 6 p.m., 11 p.m.

Christmas Day Masses: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., Noon (no 6 p.m.)

### Saturday, December 31st New Year's Eve & Sunday, January 1—Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God/ New Year's

New Year's Eve Masses: 5p.m.

New Year's Day Masses: 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m., Noon, 6 p.m.

## Mass Intentions †

November 20	SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
9:00 a.m.	Father Keller
10:30 a.m.	Gayle A. Kenniston †
Noon	People of the Parish
6:00 p.m.	Father Buchler
November 21	MONDAY
6:30 a.m.	Clara Rivituso †
8:00 a.m.	Jim Stecher †
November 22	TUESDAY
6:30 a.m.	William & Alberta Franklin †
8:00 a.m.	Timothy Meagher †
November 23	WEDNESDAY
6:30 a.m.	Karen Altnether †
8:00 a.m.	Dale Koch †
November 24	THURSDAY
9:00 a.m.	St. Vincent de Paul
November 25	FRIDAY
6:30 a.m.	Louis & Josephine Pisoni †
8:00 a.m.	Jan Czarnecki †
November 26	SATURDAY
8:00 a.m.	Motz Gapsch †
5:00 p.m.	Robert Schmitt †
November 27	SUNDAY
7:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
9:00 a.m.	Gayle A. Kenniston †
10:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
Noon	John & Francis Meagher †
6:00 p.m.	Andrew & Helen Roeslein †
	† denotes deceased

## In Our Prayers

### THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Ursula Heimos
Jacqueline Helberg
Bill Henzey
Sheree Henzey
Roxanne Holdegraver
Arlene Horn
Richard G. Horn, Jr.
Barbara Huber
Amy Hufker
Jean Huston
Lorraine Jackson
Judy Johnson
Julie Kauffmann
<b>OUR MILITARY</b> *denotes parishioner
Andrew Kremmel, USMC
Matthew Kren, USA
Max Kren, USMC
Justin Lock, USA
Fr. David Miloscia, USN
Stephen Miloscia, USN
Ryan Nardin
Todd Nicely, USMC
Ryan O'Neil, USA
Jordan Osmack
Daniel Parker, USA
Michael Rapp, USN
Derek Ryan

† 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 11/20:

**Sunday:** 2 Sm 5:1-3/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5/Col 1:12-20/Lk 23:35-43

**Monday:** Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 21:1-4

**Tuesday:** Rv 14:14-19/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Lk 21:5-11

**Wednesday:** Rv 15:1-4/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 7-8, 9/Lk 21:12-19

**Thursday:** Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 21:20-28

**Friday:** Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2/Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a/Lk 21:29-33

**Saturday:** Rv 22:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 3-5, 6-7ab/Lk 21:34-36

**Next Sunday:** Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44

## Rest In Peace

Nicholas Ribauda

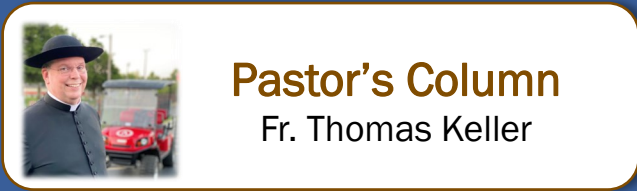
## PARISH HOLY HOUR

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!



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to register today  
for Online Giving!



## Pastor's Column

Fr. Thomas Keller

### Opportunities for Charity this Holiday Season

Assumption is a very generous parish. During the next few weeks there are multiple ways to express love from the heart and to share the many blessings we have received. Here's a brief overview of some ways you can get involved in our holiday season charities:

Thanksgiving Day Food Drive – Our St. Vincent de Paul Society collects nonperishable food donations for the parish food pantry or monetary donations to assist neighbors with utility needs. Donations are collected on Thanksgiving Morning at the 9am Mass.

The Giving Tree – Everyone loves grabbing ornaments with gift ideas off the “giving tree” and returning with those gifts the following weeks. Those items are then divided to assist families and individuals in need in the St. Louis area.

Sponsor-A-Family – Gift cards or cash donations in \$25 increments to support St. Elizabeth, Mother of John the Baptist parish families in North St. Louis and local families through our St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Christmas in Prison Meal – Some of our Assumption parishioners care for the spiritual needs of Catholic community at the Potosi Correctional Facility. Parishioners are invited to provide desserts or financial assistance to purchase the meal.

Spiritual Adoption Celebration – Nine months have passed since parishioners adopted unborn children in danger of abortion and daily prayed that they be born safely. Now we can show physical care by donating through Amazon Wish to help the Pregnancy Help Center of St. Louis.

Participate in whatever charitable program you like. PLEASE SEE THE BULLETIN FOR MORE DETAILS!

**Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9am followed by the Parish Family Brunch.** Everyone is welcome! Bring your extended family and enjoy breakfast if you are having turkey later. If you are alone for the holiday, have a full Thanksgiving meal and enjoy the company of others. Bring a salad, side, or dessert to share. Everyone gets to take home leftovers!

### Holiday Mass Schedule

November 24, Thanksgiving Day: 9am Mass followed by Parish Brunch

December 8, Immaculate Conception, Holy Day of Obligation: Masses at 6:30am, 8am, Noon, 5:30pm and 7pm

December 24, Christmas Eve Masses at 4pm, 6pm 11pm

December 25, Christmas Day Masses at 8am, 10am and Noon (note: revised)

December 31, New Year's Eve Masses at 5pm

January 1, 2023, New Year's Day Masses at 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, Noon, 6pm

God bless,  
Fr. Keller



## The Assumption Parish Family Thanksgiving Brunch

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 24

Join us for our Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9:00 a.m. followed by the Parish Family Brunch. Everyone is welcome! Bring your extended family and enjoy breakfast if you are having turkey later. If you are alone for the holiday, have a full Thanksgiving meal and enjoy the company of others. Bring a salad, side, or dessert to share. Everyone gets to take home leftovers!

Caterers will provide:

Carved turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, green beans, ham, biscuits and gravy, pasta salad,

Cranberry sauce, sausage egg souffle and veggie and egg souffle

Parishioners can provide:

Salad, Sides (besides the ones listed above) and Desserts

## Advent Fun for Young Families



Sunday, December 11  
after 9:00 and 10:30 Masses  
Church Lower Level

- Donuts and Hot Cocoa Story Time
- Get creative with a graham cracker Nativity craft
- Bambinelli Blessing

Bring the child Jesus from your home nativity sets!

**ALL AGES  
WELCOME!**



For more information:  
[stringerv@assumptionstl.org](mailto:stringerv@assumptionstl.org)



## 2022 Gift Giving Tree

Beginning, Saturday November 19th through December 11th, the Giving Tree will be adorned with more than 1,200 ornaments, each representing a gift for the needy. Ornaments list gifts from a toy to a blanket, a newborn outfit, a lady's sweater or a child's pair of jeans.



ALL GIFTS MUST BE RETURNED TO CHURCH NO LATER THAN THE NOON MASS ON **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11th.**

Please remember to securely attach the ornament to your gifts. There will be a larger tree with items for adults and a smaller tree with items for children. Please feel free to pick from either tree and take as many ornaments as you wish!

## 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.



## Women's ACTS Retreat

**A**doration  
**C**ommunity  
**T**heology  
**S**ervice

The next Women's ACTS retreat will be January 26th-29th. This parish-based retreat offers the opportunity to renew your spirituality and prayer life, to strengthen your faith and its application in your daily life, and to build lasting friendships among our members. A team of Assumption women presents the Thursday to Sunday retreat with spiritual direction provided by our priests. The retreat is held once or twice a year (alternating years) at the Marianist Retreat Center in Eureka, Missouri, where accommodations include a private room/bath for retreatants.

For full details & more information about Women's ACTS Retreats, please download a registration form at <https://assumptionstl.org/womens-acts-retreat-sign-up>

Questions? Contact Dona Hannan at 314-239-2490 or [dhannanactsstl@gmail.com](mailto:dhannanactsstl@gmail.com), or Mary Meyer at 314-607-9596.



### St. Vincent de Paul Thanksgiving Day Mass

It is that time of year once again when we reach out to ask for your support at our Thanksgiving Day Mass. The money and food we collect helps us to serve hundreds of people in need throughout the year. Here are some items we particularly need: canned chicken, meat, pasta, fruits, soups, cereals, Manwich, peanut butter and jelly.

We are in really good shape with canned vegetables but never seem to have enough canned fruit. If you are unable to attend on Thanksgiving Day, please feel free to leave your donation at any time in the Giving Tree area. Without your prayers and generosity, we could not fulfill our Ministry. Thank you and God bless.

## AYM upcoming events

**NOV 20: LIFE NIGHT**  
Seeing the Kingdom

**NOV 23: UPPER ROOM**  
Friendsgiving!

**NOV 27: LIFE NIGHT**  
5th Annual Turkey Olympics

All events are held in the youth room of the Salesian House.  
Contact Caitlyn Sextro ([chickeyc@assumptionstl.org](mailto:chickeyc@assumptionstl.org)) for more info!

## Our Lady of Guadalupe for Life Living Rosary for Life

**Sunday,  
November 20, 2022  
2:30 PM in Church**

**We will be praying the  
Chaplet of Divine  
Mercy after the Rosary,  
honoring Pope St. John  
II's feast day and the  
feast of the Christ King.**



**Questions? Contact Anna Maria Usselman  
314-487-2066**

**+**  
**CONFESSIONS**  
at Assumption

**Wednesdays**  
6-6:45 p.m.

**Saturdays**  
4-4:45 p.m.

**Sundays**  
Before All Masses

## Spiritual Adoption: 8 Months



Spiritual Adoption--8th Month We are almost done! The baby likes to listen to her mother's voice. The baby is also busy gaining weight and developing a layer of fat that will keep her warm after she is born. She is about 19 inches long and the size of a winter melon. In the ninth month, the baby's head will shift downwards, preparing for birth. Although some of her bones have begun to harden, her skull is still soft to allow it to pass more easily through the birth canal when the time comes. The baby might also be a little more active this month--stretching, kicking and hiccupping! The babies and mothers of this Spiritual Adoption program have benefitted from our prayers. Prayer is so powerful and so necessary!

**In addition, when the babies come next month, these mothers will need some material help. Our local Pregnancy Help Center has an Amazon**

**Wish List for their clients. Here is the link: <https://tinyurl.com/mrrn57jp>**

Just cut and paste this link in your browser, select an item to buy and it will be delivered automatically to the Pregnancy Help Center! Due to the busy Christmas season approaching, Assumption will not be collecting or delivering items to the Pregnancy Help Center. Any item that you wish to go to their benefit must be purchased from this Amazon Wish List. "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!"



## Senior Ministry Upcoming Events!

November 21	12:00 p.m.	Senior Speakers Series: Cooking with Marge
November 22	1:00 p.m.	Cards
November 27	4:30 p.m.	Advent by Candlelight
November 29	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
December 6	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
December 6	1:00 p.m.	Dominoes
December 13	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
December 13	1:00 p.m.	Cards
December 19	12:00 p.m.	Senior Speaker Series: History of Assumption
December 20	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
December 20	1:00 p.m.	Dominoes
December 27	1:00 p.m.	Cards

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  
[Assumptionstl.org/shuttle](https://Assumptionstl.org/shuttle) or contact our  
Transportation Coordinator, Judy Talleur,  
by calling  
314-487-7970 x 1228 or email  
[ShuttleBus@Assumptionstl.org](mailto:ShuttleBus@Assumptionstl.org)

## 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  
[hussey@assumptionstl.org](mailto:hussey@assumptionstl.org)

## SVdP Monthly Food and Clothing Drive



**Saturday,  
November 26th  
9:00 a.m. - Noon**



## 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.

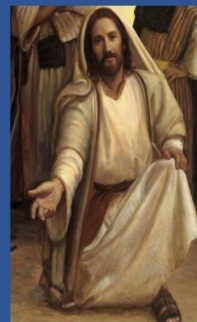
We meet on the third Sunday of the Month in the Rectory basement (side door along Mattis) from 10:15-11:45 a.m. Our next meeting will be on Sunday, November 20th.

Call Bobbi Farley at 314-805-1827  
for more information.

## NEEDPRAYER?

**Physically, emotionally, spiritually?**  
**- WE ALL DO!!**

Come forward after Mass-no  
requirements, just faith in Jesus



9:00 MASS  
November 27th  
Last Sunday of  
every month

**ASSUMPTION ... JONAH PRAYER MINISTRY**

*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.*





Gather your friends & join the women of Assumption Parish for an evening of *prayer & community*, as well as a *delicious Italian dinner catered by Giuseppe's!*



**Sunday, November 27**

**4:30- 7:30 p.m.**

**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"**

**Need a ride? Call Judy Talleur at 314-852-4090 NO LATER THAN November 19th**

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

**\*Supports Assumption Youth Ministry!\***

**Advent by Candlelight Registration:**



**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Cell Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **I will host a table of 8. Enclosed is my check for \$136.**

*Hostess provides dessert, cups for coffee/tea, & table decorations. You will receive a letter that details items to bring.*

☐ **I am joining \_\_\_\_\_ (hostess name) & am enclosing my check for \$17.**

☐ **I plan to attend, but I don't have a group. I am enclosing my check for \$17.**

*List other individual women you wish to sit with:*

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

☐ **If someone will walk me through the process, I will help host a table.**

**RSVP: Due by November 21**

**Questions? For more information, contact Dona at 314-239-2490 or dhannanactsstl@gmail.com, or Mary Meyer at 314-607-9596**

**Mail registration form with check (payable to Assumption Parish)  
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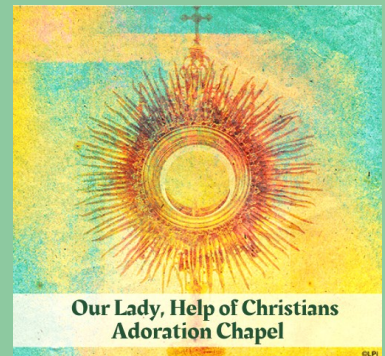
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