



## GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

August 20, 2023



### 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Then Jesus said to her in reply, "O woman, great is your faith!  
Let it be done for you as you wish." And the woman's  
daughter was healed from that hour. - Mt 15:28

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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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## Special Events

Stroke Scan Screening	Aug. 25
Good News Sunday	Sept. 3
Pro-Life Banquet	Sept. 16

## 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!



## Baptism

Congratulations to Lucy who was received into the Church on Sunday, August 13 at her Baptism! She is pictured with her parents, Michael and Emily.



## Stewardship Aug 7 – Aug 13

#AssumptionTogether	\$20.00
Cardinal Glennon Hospital	\$50.00
Easter	\$10.00
Feast of the Assumption	\$357.00
Fill The Gap-Parish School	\$10.00
Friends for Life Campaign	\$25.00
General Fund	\$33,095.80
Holy Land Good Friday	\$10.00
Maintenance	\$5.00
Mission Co-Op Summer	\$330.00
Other	\$3.00
Partners in Education	\$14,891.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$25.00
Pro-Life Stewardship	\$130.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$3,051.00
Tithe for the Poor	\$18.00
	<b>\$52,030.80</b>

## Registering at Assumption

<https://assumptionstl.org/online-registration>

Assumption Parish (Mattese) warmly welcomes you to our family of Faith! I/We would like to register at Assumption:

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

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_



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 †

<b>Aug 20</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
7:30 p.m.	Linda DeClue †
9:00 a.m.	Jean Vogler †
10:30 a.m.	Gayle Kenniston †
Noon	Arlene Torrillo †
6 p.m.	People of the Parish
<b>Aug 21</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>
6:30 a.m.	Eric Rodenberg †
8:00 a.m.	Rick Allgeyer †
<b>Aug 22</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>
6:30 a.m.	John Held, Jr †
8:00 a.m.	Tim Meagher †
<b>Aug 23</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>
6:30 p.m.	James Dooley †
8:00 a.m.	Dooley Family
<b>Aug 24</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>
6:30 a.m.	Rudy Eckstein †
8:00 a.m.	Scherrie Brennac †
<b>Aug 25</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>
6:30 a.m.	Louise Hock †
8:00 a.m.	Bujewski Family
<b>Aug 26</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>
8:00 a.m.	Dan Connors †
5:00 p.m.	Belma Ilagan †
<b>Aug 27</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
7:30 p.m.	Linda DeClue †
9:00 a.m.	Dennis Sotolar †
10:30 a.m.	Gayle Kenniston †
Noon	People of the Parish
6 p.m.	Guillermina Grijalva †
	† denotes deceased

## In Our Prayers

Madeline Schaefer
Greg Schmidt
Sandy Schnaidt
Chris & Pam Schulze
Madeline Seward
Urban Shocker
Jeanette Siebert
Patti Siebert
Don Steffen
Jack Struckhoff
Robbie Sullens
Sharon Therman
Sister Marie Louis Twoney
<b>OUR MILITARY</b> <i>*denotes parishioner</i>
Chris Hemmelgarn, USA*
Victor Huber, USA*
Kaeli Kluesner, USAF
Christopher Konradt, USMC
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

† 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 8/20:

Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (4)/Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Jn 1:45-51

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 6, 8 (8bc)/Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20

## Rest In Peace

Betty Kraus

## 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!





## Pastor's Column

Fr. Thomas Keller

### Opportunities to help.

There are several ways every parishioner can help with our parish mission and our Catholic Education Apostolate.

1. Supporting our *Partners in Education* campaign. *This fund helps make Catholic education affordable for many families. It is an essential piece of our parish and school's financial health.*
2. Supporting our upcoming parish auction. By donating, advertising, sponsoring and attending our parish gala and auction, *Winter Wonderland*, you can help support all of our major parish activities, including ACTS, youth ministry, senior ministry and more. *Keep an eye on the bulletin for all the ways you can help.*
3. Helping with volunteer catechist positions in our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd and Parish School of Religion.

### Welcome Back!

We are glad to have the grade school back in session! This year there 235 students enrolled. That is about the same as last year and several grades are full! (Two of our grades are split into two classrooms due to larger enrollment). Remember a few years ago we dedicated 5 classrooms to the AELC so there are fewer classrooms available for the grade school. But that is okay because as long as the existing classrooms are full and the AELC continues to feed the kindergarten, the school will remain stable into the future.

### Good News!

Thanks to everyone who helped us find new employees! We plan on announcing the names of a new AELC Director, and Director of Youth Ministry soon. We also have a new Math teacher and several new Aftercare staff members. There are still a few more positions we are looking for, but we have made great progress with everyone's prayers and help!

### Future Holiday Mass Schedule:

Starting on Labor Day we are going to adjust our civic holiday Mass schedule. Starting on this upcoming Labor Day and in the future on Memorial Day and Independence Day we will follow our normal 6:30 and 8:00 a.m. Mass schedule. We will have music at the 8:00 a.m. to celebrate the holiday. The only exception will be Thanksgiving Day when we will maintain the 9:00 a.m. Mass followed by our Parish Thanksgiving Brunch. Our Holy Day of Obligation Mass schedules will remain the same.

### Prison Ministry

Don't forget to drop off yarn for the inmates at the Potosi Correctional Center. They make hats, blankets and more for newborns as a way to give back to society. We will accept yarn for three more weeks.

### Retreat opportunity

The women's ACTS Retreat is coming up October 5-8. ACTS Retreats are four day experiences of prayer, sharing, and re-centering one's life on Christ. I recommend any woman who has not already participated in an ACTS Retreat resolve to do it this time!

God bless,  
Fr. Keller

# JOIN OUR TEAM WE'RE HIRING



Middle School Math Aide



PSR Classroom Teachers & Aides



Aftercare Support Staff



Spanish Teacher



**Learn More & Apply Today!**  
[assumptionstl.org/apply](https://assumptionstl.org/apply)

## Partners In Education

You can help make Catholic education  
affordable for families.



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NOW ENROLLING FOR 2023-2024



**ASSUMPTION PARISH  
SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR)**

**8/28  
Classes  
Begin!**



**CLASSES MEET ON MONDAYS DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR**

**6:15 TO 7:30 PM, K-7TH GRADE**

REGISTER ONLINE

**[ASSUMPTIONSTL.ORG/RETURNING-  
REGISTRATION](https://assumptionstl.org/returning-registration)**

New families contact PSR Director,  
Valerie Stringer  
[stringerv@assumptionstl.org](mailto:stringerv@assumptionstl.org)



## Women's ACTS Retreat October 5-8



An ACTS retreat allows each retreatant to focus on her faith and how it applies in daily life, to increase purpose in her prayer life, to experience the love of God through others, and to build a stronger faith community.

The retreat begins Thursday evening October 5, with check-in between 6:00-6:15 p.m. at Assumption Church. Transportation to and from the Marianist Retreat Center in Eureka, Missouri, is provided. The retreat concludes Sunday, October 8, after the 10:30 a.m. Mass at Assumption, with a gathering following in the church lower level.

Accommodations for retreatants include a private room and bath at Marianist. Cost for each retreatant is \$275. A deposit of \$75 is payable with your registration, and the remaining \$200 is payable any time before, or at check-in for the retreat on October 5.

Please note: If you need financial assistance with part or all of your retreat fees there are scholarships available. Confidentiality assured. Please contact Angie Griffard [keepgoing100@charter.net](mailto:keepgoing100@charter.net) or Debbie Winston [winskistl@charter.net](mailto:winskistl@charter.net).

There are applications in the parish office, in the vestibule of church or you may register on-line at [assumptionstl.org/acts](http://assumptionstl.org/acts).



### Upcoming Events

Aug 20: Keeping the  
Faith- Issue Night

Aug 27: Here and Now: Begin  
At the End

Sept 3: No Life Night - Labor Day

Open to any teen in high school.  
All events are held in the youth room of the Salesian House.!



LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

## ATRIUM ASSISTANT NEEDED!

- Assistant training provided
- Wednesday (2nd grade) or Thursday (Kindergarten)
- 12-3 PM, weekly

*Assistant tasks include: read Scripture, record observations, plan prayer with children, restore space at the end of the session*



Do you have time to support Assumption's Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program? Contact Valerie at [stringerv@assumptionstl.org](mailto:stringerv@assumptionstl.org)



### Gift Registries For Donation Auction Items Now Available

Items purchased from gift registries will be part of the silent auction baskets and other auction events. The money raised will go towards funding various needs at our parish. We appreciate your help in making this auction a success by purchasing from one of our gift registries below.

#### Ways to Find Registries:

Using your smart phone, open your camera, aim the camera at one of the QR codes and click on the link that appears.

#### Amazon



#### Target



You may also go to [assumptionstl.org/auction](http://assumptionstl.org/auction) and click on the links to the gift registry websites.  
Questions? Contact [auction@assumptionstl.org](mailto:auction@assumptionstl.org)



### Bus Passenger Assistants Needed

Volunteers are needed to ride along with a driver on Sunday mornings to assist passengers onto and off of the shuttlebus.

We would like to find 8 volunteers to reduce riding along time to once every 8 weeks, rather than every 4 weeks.

The requirements would be the physical ability to help the passengers, and completion of the Archdiocesan Safe Environment program.

Interested in helping? Please contact Judy Talleur, by calling 314-487-7970 x1228, or email [ShuttleBus@AssumptionSTL.org](mailto:ShuttleBus@AssumptionSTL.org)

## Assumption Class of 1973 50th Reunion

**Saturday**

**10.14.23**

**St. Marie Hall**

**Church lower level**

**RSVP**

Kathy Lambardo dePung

314-616-3955, [kathydepung@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kathydepung@sbcglobal.net)

-OR-

Patty Schmidt Goersch

314-607-0304, [patty\\_goersch@yahoo.com](mailto:patty_goersch@yahoo.com)

Cost is \$30/person. Spouses and guests are welcome

BYOB - set ups provided.





### 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?**

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



ASSUMPTION AUCTION GALA  
JANUARY 20, 2024  
ROYALE ORLEANS BANQUET CENTER

### **AUCTION NEWS**

Thank you to the sponsors who have generously committed to help underwrite the auction endeavor thus far:

**Bartolino's Family of Restaurants**

**Handyman True Value Hardware**

**Knights of Columbus Asset Advisors**

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**Mod Comm**

**Donna Ringwald**

**Steve and Denise Riek**

**State Farm Insurance**

**Doug Rupp, Agent**

**Wachter Properties**

Questions? Contact  
[auction@assumptionstl.org](mailto:auction@assumptionstl.org)



### **Senior Ministry Upcoming Events!**

August 21	12:00 p.m.	Speaker Series
August 22	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
August 22	1:00 p.m.	Senior Card Games
August 28	10:30 a.m.	SoulCore
August 29	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
August 29	1:00 p.m.	Dominoes

*Note:*

*\* First Friday Breakfast canceled and will resume in October.*

*\*No SoulCore Aug 21; Sept 4 & Sept 18*

*\* 5pm SoulCore canceled and will start again September 13*

Questions? Please contact...

Dominoes: Marilyn Hogenmiller 314-894-8194

Cards: Ron Reiter 314-347-5881

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

**Sunday, August 20  
2:30 p.m. in Church**

In the month of August, we will have Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and the reflection will be on St. Monica and her son, St. Augustine.







*Help us. Help others.*

## Volunteer to Help a Neighbor

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul needs you. If you have a little bit of free time and would like to help out your neighbor in need, please consider joining the parish ministry that closely adheres to the call of Christ to love your neighbor.

Please call Ed Bellamy at 314-276-8356.



## Vascular & Organ Wellness Ultrasound Screenings Assumption Catholic Church on

**Friday, August 25**

Please call 832-437-7355 for your appointment.

### Do You Have Any of These Risk Factors?

High Blood Pressure ♦ High Cholesterol ♦ Family History of Stroke, Heart Attack, Aortic Aneurysms or Cancer  
Diabetes ♦ Atrial Fibrillation ♦ Obesity

### Do You Have Any of These Risk Factors?

High blood pressure, high cholesterol, family history of stroke, heart attack, aortic aneurysms or cancer, Diabetes, atrial fibrillation, obesity

*your first symptom of a stroke IS a stroke. Early detection helps save lives.*

- Stroke risk screening
- Abdominal Aortic Cancer
- Thyroid Screening+
- Liver Screening
- Kidney Screening+
- Gallbladder Screening+

**Total Discounted Package: All 7 Ultrasounds for \$159**

Appointments: 832-437-7355; +No substitutions or discounts allowed

### Additional Testing Available\* (not included in package cost)

- A1c (Diabetes) \$25
- Lipids/Cholesterol \$25
- VTD (Vitamin D) \$45
- PSA (Prostate) \$45
- TSH (Thyroid) \$45
- CRP (Cardiac/Inflammation) \$45
- COR (Cortisol/Adrenal Glands) \$45
- GGT (Liver Enzyme) \$45
- CRE (Kidney Creatinine Serum) \$45
- TTE (Testosterone) \$45
- Bone Density (T-Score) \$25

### Screening Preparations

- Wear a two-piece comfortable outfit, no dresses.
- No food or caffeine 4 hours prior to screening.
- If you are diabetic, make sure to eat a light snack.
- No chewing gum before the exams.
- 8 hours fast if having the cholesterol test.
- If you are taking medication, continue to take it.

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*\*Bloodwork may not be available in all regions.*

Results read by a Board-Certified Radiologist and made directly to you in 3-4 weeks. Life threatening results expedited. Unless you are symptomatic, typically, your doctor will not order diagnostic versions of these screenings and insurance companies may not pay for them. Please note that there is a 350 lb. weight limit on the medical screening tables. Stroke Scan Plus [www.strokescan.com](http://www.strokescan.com) (ENG 060423).

Are You Celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 50, or over 50 Years of Marriage?

## Annual Silver and Gold Wedding Jubilee Mass

Sunday, October 1, 2023

Cathedral Basilica of Saint Louis

2:30 p.m.

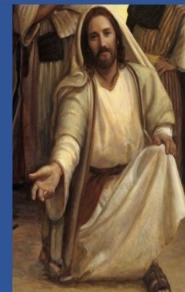


For details or to register  
[archstl.org/jubilee](http://archstl.org/jubilee) or call 314.792.7171.

## NEEDPRAYER?

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

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



9:00 & 10:30 A.M.  
MASSES  
August 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.*

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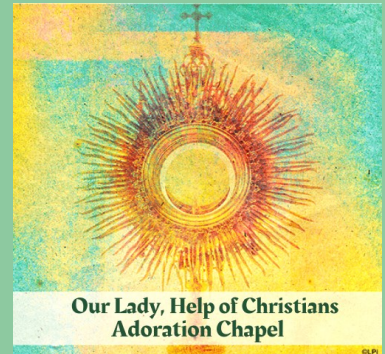
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## Good News Messenger

Issue	Deadline (4 p.m.)
August 27	August 17
September 3	August 24
September	August 31

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- PDF files cannot be used
- .jpg files required for any photos/graphics

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