



GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

November 5, 2023



ASSUMPTION AUCTION GALA

ROYALE ORLEANS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 2024

6:30PM



Theatre Package!



Game Tickets!



*Airpods Pro
Pencil
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*Nolan Arenado
Jersey!*



*2 Day Mississippi
River Cruise!*

Check out a few of these amazing Live Auction items that you will be able to bid on only if you are attending the auction in person.

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

Thanksgiving Day Nov. 23
 Parish Brunch
 Advent by Candlelight Nov. 26



Our Lady Help of Christians Adoration Chapel

Open 24/7. (Contact the Parish Office for the keycode.)

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

<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: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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.

Stewardship October 23 – October 29

#AssumptionTogether	\$370.00
All Saints' Day	\$135
All Souls' Day	\$267.00
Formation of Permanent Deacons	\$180.00
General Fund	\$19,676.00
Maintenance	\$30.00
Partners in Education	\$1,979.00
Pro-Life Foundation	\$678.00
Pro-Life March for Life	\$490.00
Pro-Life Stewardship	\$237.00
Retired Religious	\$195.00
Sponsor-A-Family	\$450.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$840.00
Youth Ministry	\$50.00
	\$25,577.00

Mass Intentions †

Nov 5	Sunday
7:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
9:00 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
10:30 a.m.	Rita Tesoro †
Noon	Mary Lou Lannan
6:00 p.m.	Joseph K. Kauffmann †
Nov 6	Monday
6:30 a.m.	Bob Schilli †
8:00 a.m.	Randy Zander †
Nov 7	Tuesday
6:30 a.m.	Terry Stringer †
8:00 a.m.	Robert Kristof †
Nov 8	Wednesday
6:30 a.m.	Helen Bell †
8:00 a.m.	Kenneth Lange †
Nov 9	Thursday
6:30 a.m.	Carol Wagner †
8:00 a.m.	Vi & Al Camenzind †
Nov 10	Friday
6:30 a.m.	Trien Tran †
8:00 a.m.	Patricia Furrer †
Nov 11	Saturday
8:00 a.m.	Terry Stringer †
5:00 p.m.	Glenn Mueller †
Nov 12	Sunday
7:30 a.m.	Nick Braun †
9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
10:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
Noon	Dostol Family
6:00 p.m.	Virginia Mason †
	† denotes deceased

In Our Prayers

Ron Reiter, Jr.
Dan S.
Teresa Samuels
Bill Schacht III
Madeline Schaefer
Greg Schmidt
Sandy Schnaidt
Chris & Pam Schulze
Madeline Seward
Urban Shocker
Jeanette Siebert
Patti Siebert
Don Steffen
OUR MILITARY <i>*denotes parishioner</i>
David DiFranco, USA
Matthew Eberhart, USA
Michael Faulkner, USMC*
Wyatt Flieg, USN
William Florich, USAR*
Tracy Freeman, USAR
Michael Fresenberg, USA
Thomas Graham, USAF
Josh Gregory, USAR*
Devon Harris, USN
Chris Hemmelgarn, USA*
Victor Huber, USA*
Kaeli Kluesner, USAF

† 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 11/5:

Sunday: Mal 1:14b—2:2b, 8-10/Ps 131:1, 2, 3/1 Thes 2:7b-9, 13/Mt 23:1-12

Monday: Rom 11:29-36/Ps 69:30-31, 33-34, 36/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Rom 12:5-16b/Ps 131:1bcd, 2, 3/Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Rom 13:8-10/Ps 112:1b-2, 4-5, 9/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Friday: Rom 15:14-21/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Rom 16:3-9, 16, 22-27/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 10-11/Lk 16:9-15

Next Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (2b)/1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13

Rest In Peace

George Duepner

Kathleen Emerson

Russell Sommer

Florance Stalley

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



Above is a photo from last Sunday. It is of the Myanmar Catholic Community who celebrated Holy Mass here at Assumption for the first time. They have officially asked to make Assumption their new home.

Fr. Stephen En Suan Liam is a priest from Myanmar who has joined the Archdiocese of St. Louis. He is currently assigned with Fr. Michael Boehm and serves at Sacred Heart in Crystal City, Our Lady in Festus and Good Shepherd in Hillsboro. But, in addition to his regular duties, Fr. Stephen also celebrates weekend Masses for his fellow Catholics from Myanmar in the Zomi language. Members of the Myanmar Catholic Community live all over St. Louis but many of them live in or near the South County area, so Assumption is a great location for them.

I have been talking with Fr. Stephen about the best times for Mass and he suggested the first and third Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2:00 p.m. It will require a little work to make the schedule fit together perfectly. We will keep our First Communion in May, but we will need to cancel our annual Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour. The Living Rosary on the third Sunday of the month will move to 3:30 p.m. We will livestream the Sunday 2:00 p.m. Mass just like all the rest of the Masses. Otherwise, normally the church is available in the afternoon, so I think everything will work out.

The Myanmar families are very close to one another so after Mass they are accustomed to staying and socializing. They will also use our church lower level unless something is already scheduled. You may notice the large number of children in the photo, so they will love our fields and playground too. On holidays they like to spend the day together so after Mass, they will spend the rest of Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter together here on campus celebrating as one family.

Everyone I met was extremely friendly and gracious, and even though language is a barrier (except the younger members) I hope that as time goes by, they will feel at home at Assumption, and we will be very proud to welcome this community into our greater Assumption parish family. The Myanmar Catholics will not be mere guests, Fr. Stephen will register the members of the community as official Assumption parishioners. They will support the parish and hopefully with time they will become involved in parish activities. Maybe in the future we can have an event together so we can all meet each other.

God bless,
Fr. Keller



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 26

4:30- 7:30 p.m.

in the Assumption Parish Center

Guest Speaker:

Melissa Hunter, Principal at Holy Cross Academy Intermediate Campus and Assumption Alumna

Music provided by Mary Kate Westrich, Music Minister and Assumption School Alumna

Need a ride? Call Judy Talleur at 314-852-4090

**\$160 for a table of 8
or \$20 per person for an individual**

Supports Assumption Youth Ministry!

Advent by Candlelight Registration:



Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Cell Phone:** _____

E-mail: _____

☐ **I will coordinate a table of 8. Enclosed is my check for \$160.**

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

☐ **I am joining _____ (coordinator's name) & am enclosing my check for \$20.**

☐ **I plan to attend, but I don't have a group. I am enclosing my check for \$20.**

List other individual women you wish to sit with:

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

RSVP: Due by November 20

Questions? For more information, contact Stacey Macko at mackostacey@gmail.com or 314-795-8783, or Dona Hannan at 314-239-2490, or Mary Meyer 314-607-9596

**Mail registration form with check (payable to Assumption Parish)
to Parish Office: 4725 Mattis Road St. Louis, MO 63128**



2023 Assumption 8th Grade Fundraiser Poinsettia Sales

6.5" pot \$12

8.5" pot \$22



Red, White, Jingle (red/white), Pink, & Marble (pink/white)
are available in both sizes.

Poinsettias can be purchased after all Masses November 4-5 & 11-12 OR
By filling out the form below and returning to the School or Parish Office no later than Monday, November 13th.

Pick-up will be **Saturday, December 2** after 5 p.m. Mass
and Sunday, **December 3** after Mass until 1:30 p.m.

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

Name (print) _____ Phone _____

Payment is due with this form. Checks or Cash—Checks made payable to **Assumption Parish School**
Please contact Kristen Tomlinson (314) 359-2207

Name of 8th grade Student Seller _____ Total Amt _____ Cash or Check

Upcoming Events

11/12: Spectrum: Immersive Exhibit

11/19: Spectrum: The Medium is Not the Message

11/26: Turkey Olympics

12/3: Spectrum: Masterpiece

Open to any teen in high school.
All events are held in the youth room of the Salesian House.
Any questions? Contact Dani at meyerd@assumptionstl.org

EDGE - MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY

Thusdays 6:30pm - 8pm
meyerd@assumptionstl.org

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INFO

Join us for fun, games, food, and fellowship!
This semester we will be diving into the the Creed: the Holy Spirit, the Catholic Church, and the communion of saints.

Questions:
Contact Dani

Ladies of the Little Flower Harvest Luncheon

The Ladies of the Little Flower will meet on Monday, November 13th in the church lower level.

This month we are having our Harvest Feast Luncheon.

The doors will open at 12:00 p.m. and we will eat at 12:30 p.m.

Ladies with last names beginning with:

A - G bring a dessert

H - R bring a salad

S - Z bring a hot vegetable

The meat and beverages will be provided.

Questions?

Contact Robbie Hesse

314-229-1202

Ladies White House Retreat November 13-16

Do you find it difficult to find time to truly relax, quiet your mind and talk to God? A retreat at White House is the perfect opportunity to find peace, quiet and inspiration your soul is looking for. It's like a 3-day vacation with God! Join the women of our parish on our annual retreat from November 13 to November 16. Retreats at White House are silent, guided retreats based on the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius. All of your meals are provided and everyone receives their own private accommodations. There is no set fee to attend; White House operates on a free-will offering basis.



To register call 1-800-643-1003 or visit whitehouseretreat.org to find additional date. When registering tell them you are with Assumption Group. Any questions call Gayla Arendt 314-578-2647.

November Senior Speaker Series

Daughters of St. Paul will speak on Monday, November 20th for the next Senior Speaker Series. The Sisters will share a brief summary of their founder Blessed James Alberione and the mission of Pauline.



There will be an opportunity to purchase some great Catholic books & media for yourself and Christmas gifts for your grandchildren/great grandchildren.

Please call 314-487-7970 x1228 to RSVP by Thursday, November 16th. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. with catered lunch at 12:00 p.m. The speaker will start after lunch.

Need a ride? Go to AssumptionSTL.org/shuttle or contact our Transportation Coordinator, Judy Talleur, by calling 314-487-7970 x1228, or email ShuttleBus@AssumptionSTL.org.

Questions?

Contact Deacon David at 314-487-7970 x1254.

Thanksgiving Day Mass & Brunch

Assumption will have a special 9:00 a.m. Mass Thanksgiving Day. This is one of our special Masses as multigenerational families come



together to thank God for all the blessings received.

After the Mass we will have a Parish Family Brunch. This brunch is for parishioners and their guests, but we make a very special invitation to anyone whose family is at a distance or who have passed away.



To help make this meal a success, please plan to bring a salad or dessert. The following dishes are provided: carved turkey with gravy, baked ham, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, stuffing, green beans, cranberry sauce, cold pasta salad, sausage egg souffle, veggie egg souffle, biscuits and gravy. Breakfast dishes are provided for those who will have a traditional meal later in the day. However, if this will be your Thanksgiving meal, we will have all the fixing for that too.

We will be one big family for Thanksgiving.
All are welcome!

Partners In Education

You can help make Catholic education affordable for families.

CURRENT TOTAL:
\$71,328.00

assumptionstl.org/partners-in-education

If you or someone you know within our parish boundaries is in need of assistance, please call:
The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Hotline:
 314-289-6101, ext. 2227



Senior Ministry Upcoming Events!


November 6	10:30 a.m.	SoulCore
November 7	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
November 7	1:00 p.m.	Dominoes
November 13	10:30 a.m.	SoulCore
November 14	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
November 14	1:00 p.m.	Cards
November 20	12:00 p.m.	Senior Speaker Series

Questions? Please contact...

Dominoes: Marilyn Hogenmiller 314-894-8194

Cards: Ron Reiter 314-347-5881

**Ladies Scripture study open to women of all ages*



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AUCTION NEWS & FAQ's

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Questions?
 Contact auction@assumptionstl.org or go to assumptionstl.org/auction for more details.

Make a Difference for Families in Need this Christmas!

Assumption is once again supporting families in need with our Sponsor-A-Family program! This year we will sponsor 150 elementary school children at St. Louis Catholic Academy, providing them each with a gift bag as well as a few gift cards for their family. With so many families in need, we are hoping for your early and generous support. Please consider donating gift cards in \$25 increments or making a cash donation to the program. Gift cards and cash donations may be dropped off at the parish office (clearly identified as SAF). Checks should be made payable to Assumption. You may also make a donation online at: <https://osvhub.com/assumptionstl/giving/funds/sponsor-a-family>



We are also returning to a modified version of our prior program, where Assumption parishioners are able to “adopt” a family, providing all gifts to the assigned family. Please contact us if you are interested in providing for a family in this way.

Questions?
Call Marilyn Angeli at 314-210-8297 or
Kathy Boulicault at 314-220-9511.

Peace Be With You



How can we, as Church, respond to the mental health crisis facing our region?

Please join us for an evening of prayer, information, and discussion

Fr. Mike Lydon: Episcopal Vicar for the Southern Vicariate – Pastoral Theology

Dr. Judson Bliss: Clinical Specialist– St. Louis Counseling

Deacon Mark Byington: Criminal Justice Professor – Jefferson College

Nancy McCarthy: Former Director of Mo. Probation and Parole

Phillip Hutsler: Director of Outpatient Services – Queen of Peace Center



NOVEMBER 14TH, 2023



START AT 6:30 PM



St. Joseph Catholic Church
10 N Long Ave St.
Farmington, MO 63640

Questions? Contact
Debbie Koeller
314-502-0340
dkoeller@ccstl.org



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JONAH HEALING PRAYER MINISTRY - ARE YOU BEING CALLED?

Compassionate towards others? Desire to serve Jesus?

Consider joining Assumption's Jonah Prayer Ministry

One hour per month offers comfort and healing to others

"...PRAY FOR EACH OTHER SO THAT YOU MAY BE HEALED." JAMES 5:16



PRAY FOR ONE
ANOTHER

If you are being called to pray for others or have any questions about this Ministry, please contact parishioner Rita Baughman at rita.baughmanofs@gmail.com

Contact Us

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Good News Messenger

Issue	Deadline (4 p.m.)
November 12	November 2
November 19	November 9
November 26	November 9

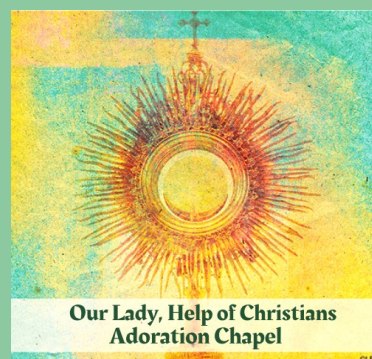
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