



GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

February 25, 2024

10:30 a.m./Noon/6 p.m.

7:30 a.m./9 a.m.

8 a.m./5 p.m.

6:30 a.m./8 a.m./ 5:30 p.m. (Lent)



CONFESSION

Saturdays: 4-4:45 p.m. Wednesdays: 6-6:45 p.m. Sundays: Before All Masses

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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. - Mk 9:7-8

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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!



Special Events

Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent

2:15 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Fish Fry

Fridays of Lent

4:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Parish Mission March 12, 13 & 14

Baptisms

Congratulations to
Everly Quinn
who was received into
the Church on
Sunday, January 18th
at her Baptism!
She is pictured with
her parents,
Frank & Linda.



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 February 12 – February 18

rebluary 12 - rebluary 10		
#AssumptionTogether	\$20.00	
Black & Indian Missions	\$21.00	
Church in Central & Eastern	\$886.00	
Easter Flowers	\$1.00	
Feast of the Assumption	\$10.00	
General Fund 2024	\$25,306.50	
Maintenance	\$35.00	
Partners in Education	\$475.00	
Pro-Life Stewardship	\$15.00	
Restricted Gift	\$250.00	
Retired Religious Fund	\$55.00	
St. Louis Review	\$70.00	
St. Vincent de Paul	\$600.00	
Tithe for the Poor	\$560.00	
	\$28,304.50	

	Mass Intentions †				
Feb 25	Sunday				
7:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †				
9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish				
10:30 a.m.	Motz Gapsch †				
noon	Etta Duchek <mark>†</mark>				
6:00 p.m.	Florence Stalley †				
Feb 26	Monday				
6:30 a.m.	Robert & Gloria Clavenna 🕇				
8:00 a.m.	Maryann Jakovich <mark>†</mark>				
5:30 p.m.	Wallace Stuart †				
Feb 27	Tuesday				
6:30 a.m.	Kenneth Kollar †				
8:00 a.m.	Florence Stalley †				
5:30 p.m.	Wallace Stuart †				
Feb 28	Wednesday				
6:30 a.m.	LaVerne McMaster 🕇				
8:00 a.m.	Jim & Nancy Stauder 🕇				
5:30 p.m.	Joseph Gudiswitz †				
Feb 29	Thursday				
6:30 a.m.	Poor Souls in Pu rgatory				
8:00 a.m.	Kathleen Emerson †				
5:30 p.m.	Nancy Stanovsky 🕇				
Mar 1	Friday				
6:30 a.m.	Robert, Joan & Bobby Mueller 🕇				
8:00 a.m.	Dan Connors †				
5:30 p.m.	Robert Langhammer 🕇				
Mar 2	Saturday				
8:00 a.m.	James Wright 🕇				
5:00 p.m.	Albert Schoettlin †				
Mar 3	Sunday				
7:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †				
9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish				
10:30 a.m.	Arthur Schaefer 🕇				
noon	Deacon Homer Tucker †				
6:00 p.m.	Randy Zander †				
	† denotes deceased				

In Our Prayers

Sister Amelia DeMarco Kevin Dooley Wilma Dorsey Fred Dulle Matthew & Maddison Dunn Tim & Marie Dunn Al Dussold LeRoy Ettling Theresa Failla Lorretta Fieser Pat Fischer Red Fischer Donna Fitzwilliam **OUR MILITARY** *denotes parishioner Michael Fresenberg, USA Thomas Graham, USAF Josh Gregory, USAR* Devon Harris, USN Chris Hemmelgarn, USA*

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

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

Weekly Readings

For the week of 2/25:

Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 (116:9)/

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday:Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1 -2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Next Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/

Deceased

Bobby Skelton



Visit
<u>AssumptionSTL.org</u>
to register today
for Online Giving!



Pastor's Column

Fr. Thomas Keller

Grade School News

Mrs. Jennifer Sykora is leaving her position as Assumption Grade School principal at the end of June. I want to sincerely thank her for her dedicated service. For the last eight years she has been among the first to arrive at school and last to leave every day. Mrs. Sykora has been more than a principal, she has been a friend to faculty members, a fellow parent on the sidelines, and like a loving mother to all the students. She has celebrated the students' accomplishments and helped them through their difficulties. I have been humbled and honored to work beside her and I will miss working with her. I am grateful for the support of the whole Sykora family who has made countless sacrifices for her to fulfill her duties here.

While we are sad to see Mrs. Sykora go, I am sure parents are wondering, who will be the next principal at Assumption? Our search committee has interviewed some very good candidates and they have recommended Mrs. Katie Koberlein to be our next principal of the grade school. Mrs. Koberlein has served in Catholic education since 2005 and is serving now as principal of Holy Spirit School in Maryland Heights. Some of you may recognize the name because the Koberlein's were Assumption parishioners until about 11 years ago before moving to Fenton. Mrs. Koberlien will join our parish administrative staff on July 1.

Parish Mission and Eucharistic Renewal

Everyone should mark their calendar, our Lenten Parish Mission will be on March 12, 13, and 14. It will be from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the church. Our presenter will be Mrs. Caitlyn Sextro. Caitlyn will present on "The Heart of the Eucharist." Caitlyn was formerly youth minister at Assumption and her love for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is infectious. All parishioners can benefit from her experiences. All the Catholic dioceses in the United States are focusing on Eucharistic Renewal during 2024. Our Parish Mission will be one way Assumption parish participates in the larger theme of Eucharistic Renewal. I hope all our parishioners open their hearts to the Eucharist in a new way this year.

Queen of Hearts

You may have heard; Assumption began a new fundraiser called Queen of Hearts. It is an online raffle. We started it in Lent, but it will be a year-round fundraiser. The jackpot grows as more people play. 50% of the jackpot goes to the winner. A new card is electronically drawn every Friday at 5:00 p.m. If the card drawn is not the Queen of Hearts, the jackpot keeps growing and another drawing takes place the following Friday. Each chance is good for one week. Each chance is \$5, but you can purchase 5 chances and get one free. If you purchase 10 chances you will receive 2 free. If you purchase 25 chances you will get 4 free. If you want, you can register to automatically play every week. You can play at Goraisedough.com/buy/2160. We are hoping that Queen of Hearts will result in additional income for the next few years. The income will support our facilities and maintenance needs. Campus-wide our HVAC systems and roofs are aging. Multiple areas of our parking lot need replacement. Some buildings have foundation issues resulting in cracking and sometimes in leaking. While the income from Queen of Hearts will not pay for these issues, it's a fun way for parishioners and non-parishioners to contribute to our needs.

God bless, Fr. Keller



Fridays During Lent from 4:30 - 7 p.m.

Feb 23

Mar 1

Dine-In or Carry-Out in the Parish Center Pre-order for Curbside Pickup ONLY

at AssumptionFishFry.org

Cash Accepted, **Credit/Debit Cards Preferred!**

Mar 15 Mar 22 Mar 29

Dinner Menu

Includes: 2 Hush Puppies

Z Sides, o	i Cookie
1 Piece Pub Style Fried Cod Meal	\$12.00
2 Piece Pub Style Fried Cod Meal	\$17.00
1 Piece Fried Catfish Meal	\$12.00
2 Piece Fried Catfish Meal	\$17.00
1 Piece Baked Fish Meal	\$12.00
2 Piece Baked Fish Meal	\$17.00

5 Piece Fried Shrimp Meal \$12.00 10 Piece Fried Shrimp Meal \$17.00 \$12.00 Adult Pasta Meal

Kids Menu 1 Hush Puppy, 1 Side, & 1 Cookie

Baked Fish Meal	\$6.00	
Catfish Meal	\$6.00	
5 Piece Fried Shrimp Meal	\$6.00	
Pub Style Fried Cod Meal	\$6.00	
Pasta Meal	\$6.00	
Cheese Pizza	\$6.00	

**Note - All meals come with a dessert/cookie.

Family Meal Menu

ONLY AVAILABLE FOR CURBSIDE PRE-ORDER

Mission from Cod Meal Deal - \$50

6 Piece Pub Style Fried Cod, a JUMBO order of Fries, 8 Hush Puppies, choice of 4 Individual Sides & 4 Cookies

Catholic Family Meal Deal - \$90

8 Piece Pub Style Fried Cod, 15 Piece Fried Shrimp, 2 JUMBO orders of Fries. 18 Hush Puppies, choice of 6 Individual Sides & 8 Cookies

Surf and Surf Meal Deal - \$50

4 Piece Pub Style Fried Cod. 10 Piece Fried Shrimp, a JUMBO order of Fries, 8 Hush Puppies, choice of 4 Individual Sides & 4 Cookies

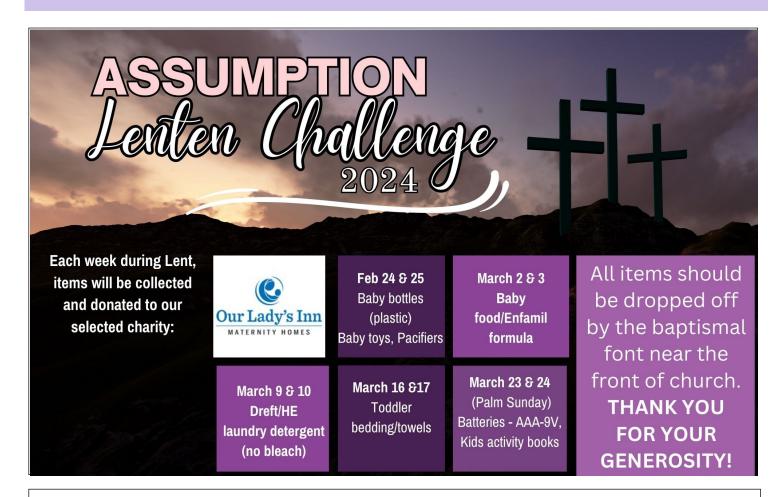
Family Meal Deal - \$34

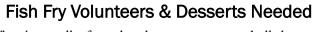
4 Piece Pub Style Fried Cod, a JUMBO order of Fries, 6 Hush Puppies, choice of 2 Individual Sides & 2 Cookies

Side Dishes

Bartolino's Pasta, French Fries, Green Beans, Applesauce, Slaw, Italian salad, Mac and Cheese

Additional Side - \$3 1 JUMBO Order of Fries - \$5







Thanks to all of our loyal customers – and all the amazing volunteers for braving the weather on Friday, February 16 to come to the first fish fry of Lent! Assumption Fish Fry really is unstoppable!

You may have also noticed our new fresh shrimp cocktail in the lobby bar this past Friday! We hope you enjoyed it!

Did you know, Father Keller has a bit of a sweet tooth? Did you make Father's favorite dessert last week? Could you make his favorite this week? Every week we will bring you Father's dessert pick of the week on our Facebook and Instagram pages, so keep those fresh homemade desserts coming!

A table will be set-up at the front door of the school each Friday until 3:00 p.m. for desserts to be dropped off. After 3:00 p.m., desserts can be dropped off in the Parish Center (school gym). If you would like your dish back, please affix a label to it; we will wash it and have it ready for you to pick up.

We welcome any desserts! Pies are especially loved, and Father Keller happens to have an affinity for all things chocolate! Desserts do not need to be individually wrapped, we will handle the packaging. If the dessert is allergen-free, please specify with a note. (ie. gluten free, peanut free, sugar free).

Did you notice how much fun our volunteers have? Would you like to join the team? We are also in need of volunteers. Check out volunteer opportunities and sign -up by scanning the QR code.

Thank you for making Assumption Fish Fry the #1 Fish Fry in St. Louis, we could not do it without both our loyal customers and the amazing help of our volunteers! You are the best!



Our Lady Help of Christians Adoration Chapel

Christ is waiting to share an hour of his intimate presence with you each week!
Continual Exposition of The Blessed
Sacrament would be impossible without faithful, committed adorers. The hours of greatest need are:

Sunday Tuesday 1:00 p.m. 11:00 a.m.

12:00 p.m.

Thursday Friday: 12:00 a.m. 3:00 a.m.

1:00 a.m.

Adoration Intent Cards are available in the pews. Please return completed card in the collection basket or to the parish office.

Questions? Contact Deacon David at 314-487-7970 x1254.





<u>Lenten Weekdays</u>: Masses Monday-Friday at 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m., and 5:30 p.m., Saturdays at 8:00 a.m.

Sundays of Lent:

"Lenten Challenge" supporting Our Lady's Inn 2nd Sunday of Lent, February 25, Baby bottles (plastic) Baby toys,

3rd Sunday of Lent, March 3, Baby food/Enfamil formula. 4th Sunday of Lent, March 10, Dreft/HE laundry detergent (no bleach)

5th Sunday of Lent, March 17, Toddler bedding/towels Palm Sunday, March 24, Batteries- all sizes AAA-9V, Kids activity books

<u>Mondays of Lent</u>: "Life in the Spirit Seminar" sponsored by the Archdiocesan Catholic Renewal Center, February 19-March 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the Church Lower Level.

<u>Fridays of Lent</u>: Fish Fry from 4:30-7:00 p.m. - see <u>assumptionfishfry.org</u>,

Stations of the Cross at 2:15 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

<u>Confessions</u>: Wednesdays with Eucharistic Adoration from 6:00-7:00 p.m., Saturday from 4:00-4:45 p.m., Sundays 15 minutes before all Masses. A special Penance Service with additional confessors on March 13 from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

<u>Public Rosary</u>: Monday-Saturday 8:30 a.m., Saturday 4:30 p.m., Fatima Rosary Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.

Parish Mission with Caitlyn Sextro: March 12, 13, and 14 at 7:00 p.m., babysitting available.

<u>Feast of St. Joseph</u>: March 19, "Blessing of St. Joseph Bread" after 6:30 p.m., 8:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Masses.

Palm Sunday: March 23/24, "Blessing and distribution of Palms" at all Masses, 5:00 p.m., 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., Noon, and 6:00 p.m.



Our February 16th Winner Jill P. - Winning \$25!

ticket #233073556, slot #41.



Our Jackpot is over \$10,000 and growing!

Drawings are every Friday at 5:00 p.m.
Assumption is selling \$5 tickets in our NEW progressive
Queen of Hearts E-Raffle.

Please support Assumption by purchasing tickets and sharing with family, friends and business associates.

The Queen of Hearts is a Weekly drawing. If the Queen of Hearts card is not selected the JACKPOT carries over (progressive). However, to be eligible for the next drawing, NEW TICKETS MUST BE PURCHASED for each weekly drawing.

Tickets are \$5, or BUY 5 Tickets and receive 1 Ticket FREE!

Purchase your online tickets at the address below or scan the QR code.above

goraisedough.com/buy/2160

If your ticket is drawn and your winning card is the Queen of Hearts, you will win 50% of the Jackpot and the raffle will end.

All Raffle Winners will be contacted by Assumption Catholic Church within 15 business days of the drawing.

Prizes for other cards
Joker Cards pay \$250
All Face Cards pay \$50
Numbered Cards pay \$25

Mission 2024 The Heart of the Eucharist

Speaker: Caitlyn Sextro, former Director Youth Ministry

Dates: March 12, 13, 14

Time: 7:00 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.

**Free babysitting

Reception after final night (approx. 8:00 p.m.) Join us for pie on Pi Day!

Relationship (March 12): Christ comes to dwell among us. You are not alone. He wants a relationship with you.

Identity (March 13): Abiding with Him. Ways in which we have listened to lies and not been rooted in our identity.

Mission (March 14): He calls us to be a living Eucharist, to totally surrender. As he became a tiny host and allows the priest to move him left and right on the altar, can we let Him be the Priest who moves us as a Host in this world?



Feb 26 10:30 a.m. SoulCore

Feb 27 10:30 a.m. Ladies

Scripture

Study

Feb 27 1:00 p.m. Cards

Questions? Please contact... Dominoes: Marilyn Hogenmiller 314-894-8194

Cards: Ron Reiter 314-347-5881

Decline To Sign

Signature gatherers in public places are asking people to sign a pro-abortion initiative petition. The ballot summary is very deceptive claiming to protect women's health and "reproductive healthcare." However, this initiative petition will put in the Missouri constitution a right to dangerous late-term abortions with taxpayer money without parental consent for minors and without the oversight of health agencies to protect the health of Missouri women. Those signature gatherers need to get a certain 'number of signatures from six out of eight congressional districts to put this deceptive and extreme anti-life measure on the November 2024 ballot. Please protect our constitution and defend life in Missouri by declining if you are asked to sign this petition. For more information go to missourilife.org. Call the Missouri Right to Life hotline to report the location of signature gatherers or to volunteer at 417-413-4134.



Scout Troop 169 Update

Thank you for supporting us at our "All You Can Eat" Spaghetti Dinner. We hope you enjoyed it. Please let us know how we can make it even better next year.

You may have seen us more than usual these last few weeks. Boy Scouts of America had their Anniversary making them 114 years old. We celebrated at Mass on February 4. Because you like food and we like to feed you, Please save the date for March 24 for Troop 169 Spring BBQ.

Do you have boys or girls Kindergarten through age 21 looking to have fun outdoors? Contact either, Tim Thomas thomas876@gmail.com or Margaret Doty dotymar81@gmail.com



NEEDPRAYER?

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

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





9:00 & 10:30 A.M. MASSES Today

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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Good News Messenger

Issue Deadline (4 p.m.)

March 3 February 22

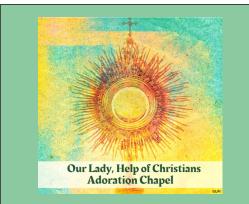
March 10 February 29

March 17 March 7

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

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

Questions or comments? newsletter@assumptionstl.org



Open 24/7! Contact the Parish Office for the keycode.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Hotline: 314-289-6101, ext. 2227





The Three Temptations with Dr. Brant Pitre

Reflect with Dr. Brant Pitre on the temptations of Jesus in the desert as he gets to the heart of the meaning of Lent.

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