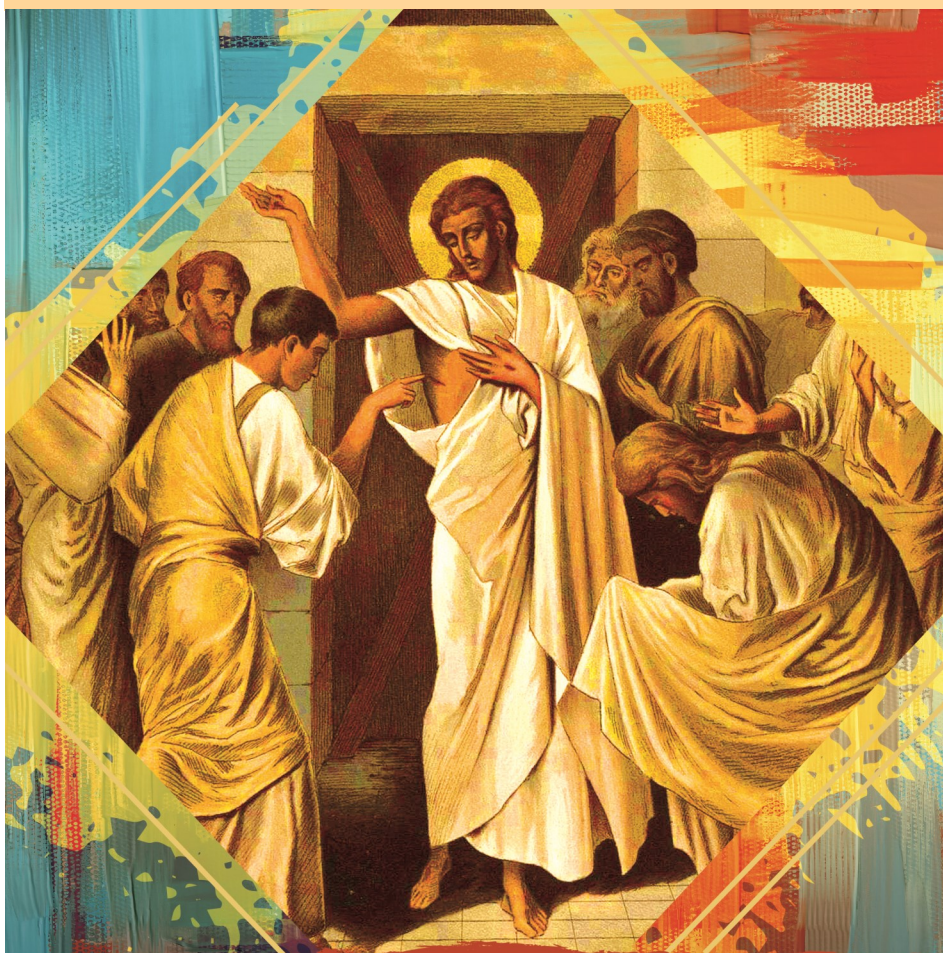




GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

April 7, 2024



2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

"Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." - Jn 20: 27

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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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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!



Congratulations

Congratulations to our newest parishioners who received sacraments at the Easter Vigil.



Nicholas Richard Benedict	Jeremie Clinton Hubbard
Nathan Paul Brummitt	Timothy James Patrick
Marla Malecia Clarke	Liam Thomas Peters
Holly Rose Hagood	Patrick Joseph Rice Jr.
Stephen Douglas Hopkins	Marcia Everetta Smith

Special Events

Luke 18	April 12—14
Edge Social Night	April 16
School Musical	April 18—20

Stewardship March 25 - March 31

#AssumptionTogether	\$370.00
Easter	\$1,299.00
Easter Flowers	\$57.00
General Fund	\$23,496.55
Holy Land Good Friday	\$3,424.00
Maintenance	\$50.00
Partners in Education	\$1,103.00
Preserving Our Heritage	\$250.00
Pro-Life Foundation	\$50.00
Pro-Life Stewardship	\$15.00
Retired Priests	\$4,737.00
Retired Religious Fund	\$10.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$756.00
Youth Ministry	\$304.00
	\$35,921.55



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Mass Intentions †

April 7	Sunday
7:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
10:30 a.m.	Honesto & Victoria Veneracion †
Noon	Jim O'Keefe, Sr. †
6:00 p.m.	Kathleen Emerson †
April 8	Monday
6:30 a.m.	Marjorie Biscan †
8:00 a.m.	Sr. Anne Marie DeFord, SMP †
April 9	Tuesday
6:30 a.m.	Arlene Dunlap
8:00 a.m.	Lester "Jack" Heitmann †
April 10	Wednesday
6:30 a.m.	Maryann Jakovich †
7:00 a.m.	Bernard Zander †
April 11	Thursday
6:30 a.m.	Poor Souls in Purgatory †
8:00 a.m.	John & Frances Meagher †
April 12	Friday
6:30 a.m.	Larry Thompson
8:00 a.m.	Clarence Bailey †
April 13	Saturday
8:00 a.m.	Brett Grant †
5:00 p.m.	John Borsa †
April 14	Sunday
7:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
9:00 a.m.	Virgil Franklin †
10:30 a.m.	Joseph Gudiswitz †
Noon	Salvador & Louella Destura †
6:00 p.m.	People of the Parish
	† denotes deceased

In Our Prayers

Ron & Darlene Pohl

Ann Prasuhn

Valerie Rauscher

Ron Reiter, Jr

Chris Roche

Linda Rositz

Kathryn Rothweil

Patricia Rudolf

Nancy Ryder

Dan S.

Teresa Samuels

Bill Schacht III

Greg Schmidt

OUR MILITARY *denotes parishioner

Marti Torres, USAF

Jenna Welchlen, USA

Steven Wodraska, USN

Nicole Wright, USA

Joshua Zarr

Tim Andrews, USCG

Isaiah Angeli, USMC*

Davey Ardrey, USAR

Ryan Boedeker

Kyle Bottorf

Robert Bryant III, USAF*

Dominic Catalano

Dakota Chappel

† 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 4/7:

Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 (1)/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31

Monday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

Next Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

Deceased

Kathleen Haferkamp

Russell Moushey



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Pastor's Column

Fr. Thomas Keller

Divine Mercy

This weekend is Divine Mercy Sunday. St. Margaret Mary Alacoque on Ringer Road has a Divine Mercy Holy Hour with Confessions from 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Fish Fry

A HUGE thank you to all our fish fry volunteers. It takes every volunteer to make our fish fry successful. This year we sold 12,588 meals! We also sent meals every week to the Ss. Peter and Paul homeless shelter. The #1 comment people made to me was how friendly they found our volunteers. A close second was the quality of the food, and everyone appreciated how quickly the lines moved. Thanks to our Core Team, fryers, cooks, servers, runners, setter-uppers, cleaners and checkers! You truly earned the title of America's Fish Fry!

Facility News

The school and parish center's new building access control and electronic key system are nearing completion. The fire alarm system replacement is also well underway. The new systems will significantly increase the safety and security of our school building. Meanwhile, we are working to find the best new public address system to replace our old intercoms. All these extraordinary projects are funded by the Gala Auction Fund-a-Need, generous donors, and a school safety grant from the state of Missouri.

Unfortunately, a recent audit of the HVAC systems in the church, school, and parish center indicate they are all coming the end of their expected lifespans. The Salesian House already lost its boiler, and we are in the process of replacing it. We will be developing plans to begin replacing units with more energy efficient systems instead of paying for endless maintenance.

Queen of Hearts Raffle

The Queen of Hearts Raffle continues! This progressive raffle has a jackpot that is split 50/50 between the winner and Assumption. Drawings are every Friday when a weekly winner is electronically selected, and a card is electronically uncovered to determine the prize. If the card is the Queen of Hearts, the winner gets 50% of the jackpot. If not, they win a smaller prize, and the jackpot continues to grow. At that time, all the previous tickets are discarded and anyone who plays again has a chance to win the next week. After a lucky weekly winner finds the Queen of Hearts, the raffle resets with a new jackpot and the process repeats.

Raffle tickets cost only \$5 per week; and if parishioners promote it among their family, friends and coworkers, our Queen of Hearts raffle could be a reliable source of income for the foreseeable future. Funds raised by Queen of Hearts are earmarked specifically for capital and maintenance needs; so, the looming HVAC expenses may not be as overwhelming as it may seem. You can make a significant difference by helping us to invite others to play Queen of Hearts (especially if they play every week). It is a fun way of investing in the future of Assumption. Enthusiastically sharing this link will help us immensely: <https://goraisedough.com/buy/2160>.

God bless,
Fr. Keller

Summer Lawn Mowing Crew Needed



Volunteers are needed to help mow the grounds around the Assumption campus and cemetery this summer. Mowers will meet on Wednesday afternoons. Lawn mowers are provided. Please consider volunteering for this important job which helps save money for the Parish. If you are interested or have questions please contact Ken Dunn at ken.dunn61@gmail.com.

Ladies of the Little Flower

The Ladies of the Little Flower will meet on Monday, April 8th in the church lower level. The meeting starts 1:00 p.m.

Questions?

Contact Robbie Hesse 314-229-1202

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National Shrine of the Miraculous Medal



Saturday, April 20th 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Please join us as we visit the National Shrine of the Miraculous Medal in Perryville, MO. Hear the story of the apparitions of our Lady and St. Catherine Laboure. We will begin with tours of the Church and the outdoor Rosary Walk, followed by Holy Mass with the option for lunch. Senior Van available! Please sign up at <https://tinyurl.com/yb2u5szx> or by scanning the QR code.



Wings with Seniors Speaker Series



Please join the Senior Ministry Monday, April 15th for our monthly speaker series and luncheon featuring The Wild Bird Sanctuary.

Please call 314-487-7970 x1228 to RSVP by April 11th. 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.

Sr. Ministry Cathedral Tour Wednesday, April 24 9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

We will meet at Assumption and take the shuttle bus or car pool. The day begins with a one hour main floor tour of the Mother Church of the Diocese (New Cathedral) which houses the largest collection of mosaics. This tour will be led by Fr. Keller who was the Master of Ceremonies at the Cathedral. After the tour we will head to Pietro's for lunch before returning to Assumption.

Reservations are limited. You must complete a registration form and turn in prior to April 17. Registration forms are available in the parish office and from Deacon Dave. There is a \$5.00 transportation fee for everyone. Lunch entrees will average about \$14.95 and under. No phone registrations will be taken.

Questions?

Contact Deacon Dave at the Parish Office.

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.

Will you make a commitment?

Check listing in the back of church or Adoration Chapel for the most current times needed. The goal is for two adorers per hour.

Adoration Intent Cards are available in the pews. Please return your completed card in the collection basket or to the Parish Office.

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

The **Assumption School Board** is looking for new members to join our team for the next school year. Interested volunteers do not have to have a child enrolled in the school. If you are interested in children's learning and in our school please reach out to Board President John Tucker with any questions about the role and board functions at ltucerjr@gmail.com or 314-608-2832

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!



ASSUMPTION QUEEN OF HEARTS RAFFLE!

DRAWINGS ON FRIDAYS AT 5:00PM

\$5 TICKETS, OR BUY 5 GET 1 FREE

Our March 29th Winner

Yvonne W.

ticket 233079419, slot 44



OUR JACKPOT CONTINUES TO GROW!!!

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

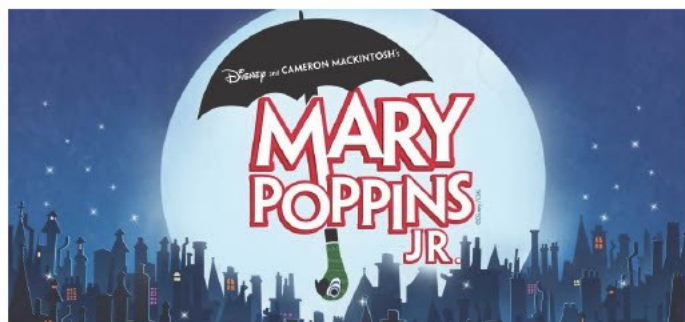


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Assumption Parish School Presents



April 18, 2024 @ 1:30pm & 6:30pm

April 19, 2024 @ 6:30pm

April 20, 2024 @ 6:30pm

Ticket Sales:

<https://assumptionstl.org/mary-poppins-tickets>



Adult - \$7

Students (6-14) - \$5

Children Under 5 - Free



PACK THE BUS

STEUBENVILLE BOUND



Monetary donations are needed to help send teens to the Steubenville Conference.

Donations can be made out to Assumption Youth Ministry labeled Steubenville.

Thank You for your generous support!

Questions? Contact Dani Meyer at

meyerd@assumptionstl.org

Knights of Columbus Fischer House Benefit Golf

Saturday, April 27 at Probststein Forest Park Golf Course, 6141 Lagoon Dr., St. Louis, MO 63112. Beginning at 7:30 a.m. shotgun start, with check-in at 6:30 a.m. Coffee, donuts provided.

There is a prepaid registration fee of \$120 due April 15th. Any golfer with a paid registration by April 15th will be entered in a drawing to play free. After April 15th prepaid fee is \$130. Final registration is April 20th.

Fee includes:

- 18 holes, cart, free beverages, 3 flights, 2 closest to the pin
- 3 longest drives: 1 each for all women and men over 75, Men 60-74 and all others
- Burger, hot dog, brat buffet and 2 sides

Mail Fr. Griffin Knights golf registration and check payable to "Knight of Columbus #3586" to Eric Steger, 9162 Fort Donelson Dr. Crestwood, MO 63123. Eric's email is ericmsteger@gmail.com.



Statement of the Missouri Catholic Conference on the Abortion Initiative Petition

The Catholic Church supports and defends society's most vulnerable, especially women and children, through accompaniment, social services, and material assistance.

A misleading proposed amendment to the Missouri Constitution suggests that a "right to an abortion" is needed to protect women, while the amendment could actually put women at risk and endanger preborn children. This ballot initiative would legalize abortions in this state and remove long standing health and safety standards for women. In addition, this initiative does nothing to reduce or eliminate the underlying social causes for abortion and does not further a true culture of life in the state.

Groups are currently collecting citizen signatures to add the amendment to the November 2024 ballot. We encourage all Catholics and people of good will to not sign any petition that would put this amendment on the ballot.

The Catholic Church in Missouri will continue to provide spiritual and material support to expectant mothers and their families through our parishes and ministries, and to advocate on their behalf and on behalf of their preborn children. For those women suffering from the pain of an abortion, the Church will continue to offer true healing and hope through its Post Abortive Healing Ministries. We ask all to help us in these efforts to safeguard the right to life.

We look forward to the day when every child, born and unborn, has the love and support needed to thrive and reach his or her full potential. Let us pray for a greater recognition of the gift of each and every human life in our society.

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Approved February 22, 2024



Senior Ministry Upcoming Events!

April 8	10:30 a.m.	SoulCore
April 9	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
April 9	1:00 p.m.	Cards
April 15	12:00 p.m.	Senior Ministry Luncheon
April 16	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
April 16	1:00 p.m.	Dominoes

Questions? Please contact...

Dominoes: Marilyn Hogenmiller 314-894-8194

Cards: Ron Reiter 314-347-5881

Assumption Youth Ministry Reunion

Have you ever attended Assumption
Youth Ministry? If so...

Join us on Luke 18, April 13th at 8pm for XLT,
followed by a reception at 9:15pm in the church
basement.



Scan the
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to RSVP.



?s - Contact Dani!
meyerd@assumptionstl.org

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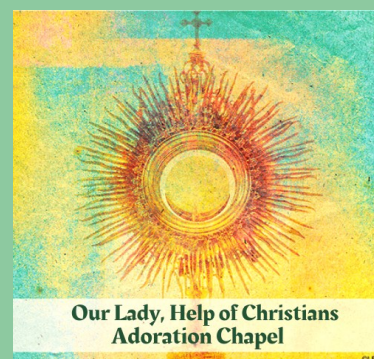
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Good News Messenger

Issue	Deadline (4 p.m.)
April 14	April 4
April 21	April 11
April 28	April 18

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