



## GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

April 14, 2024



### 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

He said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled ... You are witnesses of these things." - Lk 24:44, 48

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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

- To make every parishioner—a saint!



## Baptism



Congratulations to Liliana who was received into the Church on Sunday, March 31st at her Baptism! She is pictured with her parents, Mark and Joanna and godparents, Jacek and Elsbieta.

## Happy Birthday

Happy 96th birthday to Jeannette Siebert



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

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

**Sundays**  
Before ALL Masses

## Special Events

Edge Social Night

April 16

School Musical

April 18—20

## Stewardship April 1—April 7

#AssumptionTogether	\$195.00
Cardinal Glennon Hospital	\$5.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$100.00
Easter	\$20.00
Fill The Gap-Parish School	\$10.00
General Fund	\$32,455.75
Holy Land Good Friday	\$129.00
Maintenance	\$115.00
Other	\$3,000
Partners In Education	\$503.00
Pro-Life March for Life	\$53.00
Pro-Life Stewardship	\$25.00
Retired Priests	\$268.00
St. Louis Review	\$38.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$2,397.75
Tithe for the Poor	\$25.00
	<b>\$39,339.50</b>



## Mass Intentions †

<b>April 14</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
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
<b>April 15</b>	<b>Monday</b>
6:30 a.m.	Katie Eason †
8:00 a.m.	Ray Ruediger †
<b>April 16</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>
6:30 a.m.	John Francis Milford †
8:00 a.m.	Tracy McMahan †
<b>April 17</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>
6:30 a.m.	Howard Klocke †
8:00 a.m.	Weldon Zoellner †
<b>April 18</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
6:30 a.m.	Poor Souls in Purgatory †
8:00 a.m.	Kenneth Lange †
<b>April 19</b>	<b>Friday</b>
6:30 a.m.	Dr. Ronelo Manzano †
8:00 a.m.	Catherine Duerst †
<b>April 20</b>	<b>Saturday</b>
8:00 a.m.	Weldon Zoellner †
5:00 p.m.	Bob Duggan †
<b>April 21</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
7:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
9:00 a.m.	Nick Winston †
10:30 a.m.	Motz Gapsch †
Noon	People of the Parish
6:00 p.m.	Robert & Gloria Clavenna †
	† denotes deceased

## In Our Prayers

Sandy Schnaidt
Chris & Pam Schulze
Madeline Seward
Urban Shocker
Jeanette Siebert
Patti Siebert
Don Steffen
Jack Struckhoff
Robbie Sullens
Diane Tretter
Sharon Therman
Sister Marie Louis Twoney
Colleen Valley
<b>OUR MILITARY</b> <b>*denotes parishioner</b>
Lauren Chellis, USN
Michael Cole
Sean Danaher, USAF
Kevin Deitz
Sydney Delhougne
David DiFranco, USA
Matthew Eberhart, USA
Michael Faulkner, USMC*
Wyatt Flieg, USN
William Florich, USAR*
Tracy Freeman, USAR
Michael Fresenberg, USA
Thomas Graham, 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 4/14:

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

Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119:23-24, 26-27, 29-30/Jn 6:22-29

Tuesday: Acts 7:51—8:1a/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab/Jn 6:30-35

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66:1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a/Jn 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66:8-9, 16-17, 20/Jn 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Jn 6:60-69

Next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29 (22)/Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18

## Deceased

Bill Meyer

Elizabeth Tucker



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## Pastor's Column

Fr. Thomas Keller

As the Church continues the celebration of Christ's resurrection from the dead during the 50 days after Easter, let's consider some of the effects the resurrection has on our Catholic spiritual life. Chief among these is the theological virtue of Hope. Hope is one of the three theological virtues alongside faith and charity. These three virtues are direct gifts from God bestowed in baptism. Hope transforms our perspective on death. Hope confronts the natural fear of death. Hope is the gift God gives to Christians promising that death is not the end, but it is a pathway to eternal life in heaven. Hope does not promise that we will not suffer or even experience the grief and loss that comes from death, but that something infinitely more will come through suffering and death.

The limited days we face are precious and few and suffering can make us bitter, or it can make us better. Hope promises that suffering is not meaningless, but it can be endured patiently to purify us from our past sins. When a disease is terminal, hope helps us to realize that the sufferings we endure transforms our last days into a time of increased grace and personal growth. Suffering can teach us patience, humility, meekness, and compassion for others. Hope promises sinners redemption.

Also, just as Christ suffered on the Cross for the redemption of others, God can use the sufferings of one person to aid in the conversion of another person. Many saints tell us that offering our suffering for a sinner is a powerful means of sanctification for both the person who suffers and the person for whom the suffering is offered. Hope unites us with Christ's redemptive sufferings on the Cross.

Hope also comforts us in our mourning. When we lose a loved one, we can be overwhelmed by grief. The loss feels final, and the mind is unsettled not only by a loved one's absence but through ongoing concern for the deceased. Often we ask, do they still exist? But hope helps us to realize that death is not the complete annihilation of another person but only a change in relationship. The hope of reunification is only possible in Christ who overcomes death and invites us to "His Father's house." Hope promises unity with those who have died.

Hope also affects our decisions regarding the disposition of mortal remains. Traditionally, when someone died, the family welcomed extended family, friends, and neighbors who came to a visitation. Then next day, a public prayer service was held followed by the burial and a meal. However, this practice is quickly changing as expenses increase. People often ask what parts of a funeral are necessary? The answer is: Christian funerals are twofold expressions of hope, it is still important to pray for the deceased (usually Mass) and the respect for the body (always by burial). Even if the body is cremated, Catholics bury the ashes. Prayers express hope in God's mercy and burial is a sign that expresses hope in the resurrection when Christ will raise the bodies of the dead for the final judgement. Hope in the resurrection promises that even our bodies are not lost to death.

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](mailto:ken.dunn61@gmail.com).

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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.





## PACK THE BUS

**STEUBENVILLE BOUND**

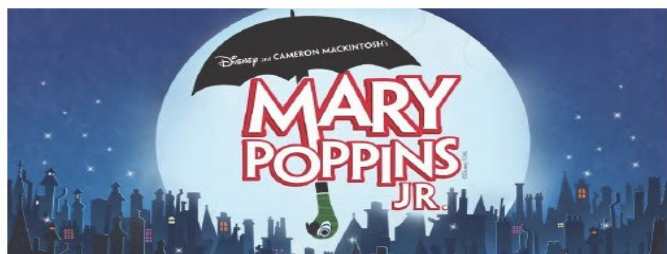


Monetary donations are needed to help send teens to the Steubenville Conference.

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](mailto:meyerd@assumptionstl.org).

## 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

## 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.

## 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 carpool. 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.





# ASSUMPTION QUEEN OF HEARTS RAFFLE!

**DRAWINGS ON FRIDAYS AT 5:00PM**

**\$5 TICKETS, OR BUY 5 GET 1 FREE**

Our April 5th Winner

**Margaret R.**

ticket 233080996, slot 17



***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.

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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

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**Knights of Columbus  
Fisher House Benefit Golf  
Four Person Scramble  
Saturday, April 27, 2024**



**Why?**

- The Fisher House in St. Louis on the JB VA Campus is operating at 100% occupancy, providing free lodging so families can be together during treatment.
- A second Fisher House is in the works for a new VA hospital in the Grand Center area.

**Where?**

- Probststein Forest Park Golf Course, 6141 Lagoon Drive, Saint Louis, MO 63112.

**When?**

- Saturday, April 27, 2024, 7:30 am shotgun start, (check-in 6:30 am, coffee, donuts, etc.).

**Questions?**

Call Gary Lottmann 314-685-7048 or John Lorentz 314-892-2793 or email [fcaassoc01@aol.com](mailto:fcaassoc01@aol.com)

**Per golfer fee, \$120 fees must be PREPAID by Mon. April 15<sup>th</sup>.**  
**----- NOTE: Any golfer paid by April 15<sup>th</sup> will be in a drawing to play free. -----**  
**After April 15<sup>th</sup> PREPAID fee is \$130. Final registration deadline is April 20<sup>th</sup>.**

**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 to 74 and all others
- Burger, Hot Dog, Brat buffet with 2 sides

**Mail Fr. Griffin Knights golf registration form and check payable to "Knights of Columbus # 3586"**

To: Eric Steger, 9162 Fort Donelson Drive, Crestwood MO 63123

Eric's email is [ericmsteger@gmail.com](mailto:ericmsteger@gmail.com).

**Each registration should include FULL payment for 4 golfers, Team Name= i.e. Boyer, TBA if needed.**  
Team Name \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #1 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #2 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #3 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Golfer #4 Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Not a golfer, but wish to help?**

- Sponsor a flag for \$250! Name on signage at tee box and receive a commemorative golf flag!
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- Please make Sponsors and Donation checks payable to "Knights of Columbus # 3586", mail to:  
John Lorentz, 4614 Gatesbury Dr., St Louis, MO 63128
- Questions? Contact John Lorentz, 314-892-2793 or email [fcaassoc01@aol.com](mailto:fcaassoc01@aol.com).



## 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, April 21. Call Bobbi Farley at 314-805-1827 for more information.

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

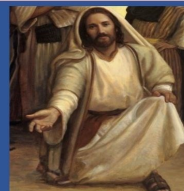


**Sunday, April 21**  
**2:30 p.m. in Church**  
In the month of April, we will be praying for finding comfort and peace in the Lord. Come join us to pray the Rosary, sing hymns, and pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

## NEED PRAYER?

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

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



9:00 & 10:30 A.M.  
MASSES  
April 28th.

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.*

## EDGE CALENDAR

2:40 - 4:00 p.m.



4/15 **5TH GRADE**

\*4/16 **5TH GRADE**

4/22 **6TH-8TH GRADE**

4/29 **5TH GRADE**

5/6 **5TH-8TH GRADE COMBINED**

?s contact [meyerd@assumptionstl.org](mailto:meyerd@assumptionstl.org)

**\*Note 4/16 is from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.**



## Senior Ministry Upcoming Events!

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
April 22	10:30 a.m.	SoulCore
April 23	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
April 23	1:00 p.m.	Cards

Questions? Please contact...

Dominoes: Marilyn Hogenmiller 314-894-8194

Cards: Ron Reiter 314-347-5881

## 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!

## Contact Us

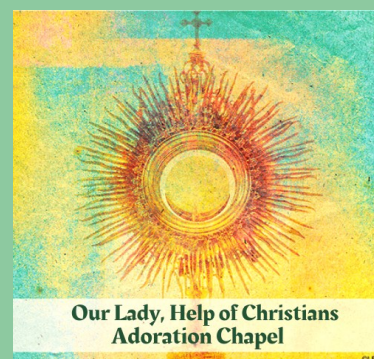
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## Good News Messenger

Issue	Deadline (4 p.m.)
April 21	April 11
April 28	April 18
May 5	April 25

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