

GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

26th Sunday In Ordinary Time

September 29, 2024

PRIESTHOOD Sunday

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Pastor
THOMAS KELLER



Sr. Associate Pastor:
RAYMOND BUEHLER



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.

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Parish Mission

Our Mission:

- Worship God
- Share the Good News of Jesus
- Serve Christ in others

Our Goal

- To make every parishioner—a saint!

Our Vision

- Continue the work of Jesus Christ



Upcoming Events

Assumption Prayer Vigil	Oct. 5
KoC Tootsie Roll Drive	Oct. 5 & 6
Myanmar Mass & Festival	Oct. 6
Defeat Amendment 3 Informational Meeting	Oct. 14
Grown-Up Game-A-Palooza	Oct. 19

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

September 16– September 22

#AssumptionTogether	\$20.00
General Fund	\$22,456.50
Maintenance	\$25.00
Partners In Education	\$1,960.00
Pro-Life Foundation	\$125.00
Pro-Life March for Life	\$125.00
Pro-Life Stewardship	\$130.00
Retired Religious Fund	\$5.00
Sponsor-A-Family	\$25.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$658.00
Tithe for the Poor	\$70.00
	\$25,599.50



Wednesdays
6-6:45 p.m.

Saturdays
4-4:45 p.m.

Sundays
Before All Masses

Mass Intentions †

Sept. 29	Sunday
7:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
9:00 a.m.	Arvin Beckmann †
10:30 a.m.	People of the Parish
Noon	David Kloud †
6:00 p.m.	Ginny Steinhauser †
Sept. 30	Monday
6:30 a.m.	Rob Yuede †
8:00 a.m.	Leonard Factor †
Oct. 1	Tuesday
6:30 a.m.	Don Steffen †
8:00 a.m.	Lisa McDaniels †
Oct. 2	Wednesday
6:30 a.m.	Craig Wnuk †
8:00 a.m.	John & Edna Hemple †
Oct. 3	Thursday
6:30 a.m.	Poor Souls in Purgatory †
8:00 a.m.	Honesto & Victoria Veneracion †
Oct. 4	Friday
6:30 a.m.	Bart & Marilyn Angeli
8:00 a.m.	Eugene Marilyn Kajawa
Oct. 5	Saturday
8:00 a.m.	Raymond Everding †
5:00 p.m.	The People of Ukraine & Gaza Israel
Oct. 6	Sunday
7:30 a.m.	Linda DeClue †
9:00 a.m.	Joseph Witle †
10:30 a.m.	Lawrence Vogler †
Noon	People of the Parish
6:00 p.m.	Jessica Holjevic Lancia †
	† denotes deceased

In Our Prayers

Michael B.
Clarence Bailey
Jinny Bailey
Vicki Baker
Jacob Bartola
Bernadette Bendall
Gary Bergholtz
Rick Biondo
Doris Brady
Cecilia Brandt
Linda Breck
Betty Bresnahan
Jack Bresnahan
OUR MILITARY <i>*denotes parishioner</i>
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
Christopher Konradt, USMC

† 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 9/29:

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14 (9a)/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Jb 3:1-3, 11-17, 20-23/Ps 88:2-3, 4-5, 6, 7-8/Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Thursday: Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab/Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (see 5)/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

Deceased

Eileen Mastis



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Pastor's Column

Fr. Thomas Keller

Do you know someone who would like to be Catholic?

Assumption is a vibrant and active community, we are blessed to share our faith through so many ministries, celebrations, and acts of service. Yet, there is one invitation we may not always have on our minds: the call to invite others into the fullness of our Catholic faith.

Is there someone you know who might be seeking more in their spiritual life? Perhaps a family member friend, neighbor, or co-worker who:

- Has never been baptized but is searching for meaning and belonging?
- Was baptized in another Christian tradition but is interested in learning more about becoming Catholic?
- Was baptized Catholic but has drifted away from the faith and is looking for a way back?
- Regularly practices the faith but for some reason has not yet received the Sacrament of Confirmation?

The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is a journey of conversion, learning, and spiritual growth for all those seeking to enter into full communion with the Church. This is not only an opportunity for those who wish to become Catholic but also for those already Catholic who are seeking to complete their initiation through the Sacrament of Confirmation

I encourage you to pray and reflect on who in your life might be open to this invitation. Sometimes, all it takes is a personal word of encouragement to help someone begin their journey of faith.

If you know someone who might be interested or if you yourself are feeling called to deepen your relationship with Christ and His Church, we invite you to reach out to our parish office to learn more about the OCIA process. All inquiries are welcome, and there is no pressure or commitment.

Deacon Michael Thompson accompanies individuals through the process of inquiry about the Catholic Faith, deepening commitment to Christ, and preparation for the sacraments. If you know someone, invite them to contact Deacon Michael and begin the journey. Classes begin in October and often candidates are ready to receive the sacraments by Easter. Deacon Michael's email is ThompsonM@assumptionstl.org

Partners in Education Update

All parishioners should have received a letter from me asking you to support our *Partners in Education campaign*. If you did not, please take a form from the pews this week or next and please consider making a sacrificial donation to support Catholic education. Catholic schools provide excellent educational opportunities for children. They plant seeds of faith, unite young families to the Church, and add to the vibrancy of a parish. Assumption parishioners have supported this campaign vigorously in the past and I hope we all continue to support it again this year.

God bless,
Fr. Keller

Assumption Parish Records Update

Please note, over the next several weeks Barb Crowell, our Parish Receptionist will be calling everyone registered in our database to update our records. Please be patient with her. You can also call or email her with updated phone numbers and email addresses. Her extension is 1219 and her email is crowellb@assumptionstl.org.

If you have further questions please reach out to the Parish Office. Thank you.



I am Fr. Stephen En Suan Lian, I provide pastoral care of the Myanmar Catholic Community in St. Louis. We have Sunday Mass at 2pm at Assumption (Mattese). Thanks again to Fr. Thomas Keller and all of you who welcome us here. We are so grateful to you!!!

Join us on October 6, for 2pm Mass with the Archbishop followed by cultural dances, foods and other entertainment in the Parish Center from 3:30-9pm. Our Community comprises some 50 households but we are growing every year! God's blessings!!!

Any donations will support the 5th Zomi-American Eucharistic Congress 2025 which will be held in St. Louis (SLU High and the Cathedral Basilica). Please consider helping us and thanks in advance for your generosity.

Thank you,
Fr. Stephen En Suan Lian

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive

Knights and their families will be collecting donations for Cardinal Glennon Children's Hospital and 4 other local charities that work with kids with learning disabilities, after all Masses on October 5th & 6th.

Over the past decade your donations have:



- Helped children with learning disabilities learn skills to be better students.
- Send disabled children to summer camp, who otherwise wouldn't have the opportunity.
- Provided a safe space for young adults with developmental disabilities to learn a trade or skill.
- Provide resources and training to parents and teachers for special needs children and young adults.

Please help us continue the mission of this wonderful program. Online donations may be made via the QR code or a link on our website at www.kofc3586.org. Donations online will be accepted until October 31st.

Information will be available during Good News Sunday in the Church lower level. Learn how you can join in the Knight's mission to save lives and change lives. The Knights at Assumption are doing big things in our parish. Last year we helped raise over \$22,000 for our Partners in Education Fund at Assumption. We have more big ideas planned this year. Learn more on how to join our mission at www.kofc.org/joinus.



Boy Scout Troop 169 Pizza Sales

They're Back! Scout Pizza Sales have started! The Assumption Parish Scouts will be outside of church on Sunday selling pizzas. You can also order on-line at ScoutPizzas.com Pizza pick up will be Sunday November 3rd from 8:30AM to 1:30PM in the School cafeteria. Inquiries may be directed to Mark Kenniston, 314-283-0063. Thank you for your generous support.

Help Us Defeat Amendment 3



Missouri Right to Life is rolling out a statewide effort to educate voters and encourage them to vote NO on Amendment 3 on November 5, 2024 – General Election Day. The following are some of the activities our volunteers are engaging in:

- Door knocking
- Phone banking
- Working at a poll

Door Knocking – Walk through neighborhoods, having conversations at voters' front doors educating them about Amendment 3 and encouraging them to vote NO on November 5, 2024.

Phone Banking – Speak with voters on the phone, educating them about Amendment 3 and encouraging them to vote NO on November 5, 2024. Through modern technology you will be able to participate in phone banking from the comfort of your home.

Poll Worker – Stand outside the poll on November 5, 2024, holding our “Vote NO on 3” signs, educating voters about Amendment 3 and encouraging them to vote NO.

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**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 not be possible without faithful, committed adorers. Will you make a commitment? Check listings in the back of church for the most

current times needed. Several hours are completely open, but the goal is to have two adorers per hour. **Currently, we are in need of adorers for: Sunday 2:00 a.m. and 3:00 a.m., Friday 5:00 p.m. and Saturday 8:00 p.m.**

Adoration Commitment Cards are available in the back of church. Please return your completed card in the collection basket or to the Parish Office.

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

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OCIA will begin Wednesday October 9th
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Rectory Lower Level.

CONTACT DEACON MICHAEL THOMPSON,
THOMPSONM@ASSUMPTIONSTL.ORG



(10/16) 1st commandment

(10/23) 2nd commandment

Questions – Contact Dani
meyerd@assumptionstl.org

September Events



TONIGHT

29 - SoCo Trivia

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Fall Retreat 2024



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Who: Freshman through Seniors

Parishes: Assumption, SFA, QAS, and SMMA

When: October 25-27

Where: Camp Wartburg

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Cost: \$150.00 (scholarships available)



October Senior Ministry Speaker Series & Luncheon



What should you say and do when you find out your grandchild or someone else in your family identifies as gay or trans? Perhaps you've already faced this question and regret your decisions. Or maybe you'd just like to be a bit more prepared for when you may face this question in the future.

The good news is that it is possible to continue to love someone that identifies as LGBTQ+ without accepting their choices and all the while remaining true to yourself and your Catholic Faith and beliefs.

It very likely won't always be easy. And you may first need to grieve the loss of your dreams for your loved one. But you do not need to face this dilemma alone.

Come hear Deacon Bill Meister address this topic, answer your questions and introduce you to EnCourage, a ministry faithful to the teaching and pastoral guidelines of the Catholic Church dedicated to the spiritual needs of parents, grandparents, and other adult relatives and friends of persons who identify as LGBTQ+. EnCourage members support one another and their loved ones through discussion, prayer and fellowship.

To join us on October 21st please call 314-487-7970 x1228 to RSVP by Thursday, October 17th. 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.



Senior Ministry Upcoming Events!

Sept. 30	10:30 a.m.	SoulCore
Oct. 1	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
Oct. 1	1:00 p.m.	Dominoes
Oct. 7	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
Oct. 8	1:00 p.m.	Cards
Oct. 14	10:30 a.m.	SoulCore
Oct. 15	10:30 a.m.	Ladies Scripture Study
Oct. 15	1:00 p.m.	Dominoes

Questions? Please contact...

Dominoes: Marilyn Hogenmiller 314-894-8194

Cards: Ron Reiter 314-347-5881

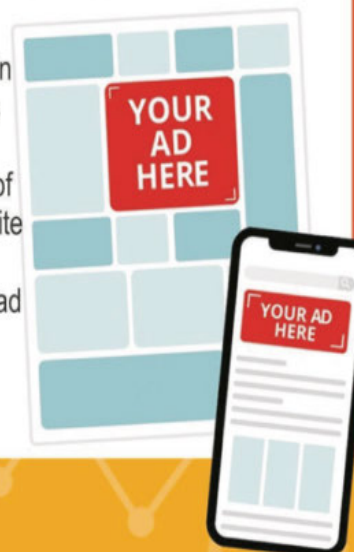
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Good News Messenger

Issue	Deadline (4 p.m.)
October 6	September 26
October 13	October 3
October 20	October 10

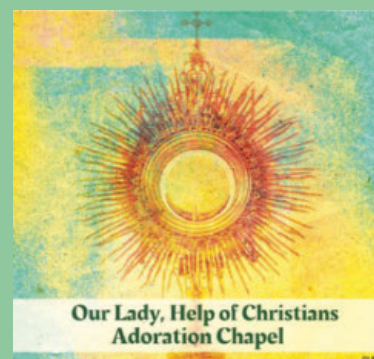
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