



CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

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January 21, 2024

• *Today's Mass*

**Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

- *Sunday Masses*
8, 9:30, 11am, 12:30pm
- *Saturday Masses*
7:00am, 5:00pm
- *Weekday Masses*
Monday through Friday
7:00am, 12 noon
- *Holy Day &
Holiday Masses*
Please see weekly Mass
schedule
- *Confessions*
Monday through Friday,
11:15-11:45am and
Saturdays, 4pm
- *Baptisms*
Sundays following the
12:30pm Mass
- *Matrimony*
Membership in parish for
at least one year prior to
marriage plans
- *Devotions*
Mother of Perpetual Help
Tuesdays & Sacred Heart
on Fridays at 11:45am

Experience a Small Group this Lent

In the gospel for the first weekend of Lent, we hear Jesus say, “Repent, and believe in the gospel.” A translation of the word “repent” can be understood as “turning around” or “turning toward” God. This year consider the opportunity to turn toward God with others in a small group for five weeks of Lent and one week after Easter.

You can sign up either online or after the Masses starting next weekend. The sessions will begin the week of February 18 and topics will include:

Week 1: Turning toward God - Gain some insights on prayer and other small habits that will strengthen your relationship with God and others. Learn some techniques to help with times of dryness, distractions, and discouragement.

Week 2: God working through Community – From the call of Abraham to Jesus to now, see how God has always worked through a people as a community of believers.

Week 3: Broken and Beloved – The gospel of Jesus’ encounter with the Woman at the Well has great insight how God loves and works through the beloved and broken us. Explore the themes of encounter, compassion, mercy and mission.

Week 4: God Comes to a Loved and Broken World - Right now, so many long for a world in which individuals and families can experience peace, livelihood, health and security. Explore how God so loved the (albeit messy) world that he gave his only Son, so that we might have life.

Week 5: How to Understand the Cross as Victory then and now. Explore how to connect our crosses to that of Jesus and still find joy in times of suffering.

Week 6: (after Easter) – Living with Easter Hope. Explore how to grow in the virtues of faith, hope and love because of the mysteries of the risen Lord.

The content will include a teaching on the topics above and some time for discussion and prayer.

Look for more information next week, including available times and ways to sign up for this wonderful opportunity to deepen your faith, get to know others, and strengthen our parish community.

~Fr. Treacy

Upcoming Events

- **Religious Education Class.**
The next class is Saturday, January 27.
- **Baptism Preparation** classes will be held after the 9:30am Mass in the lower church. The next class is Sunday, February 4. Call the parish office to schedule a baptism or to sign up for a class at 651-224-7536.
- **Sunday Scripture Sharing.** Wednesday after the noon mass share reflections on upcoming Sunday readings. We will meet in the lower church. Call Mary with any questions at 651-789-6921.
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry** will meet February 11 in the lower church. For more information contact Tammy Clemens at 651-442-0544.

Presentation of the Lord

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord is Thursday, February 1. This feast commemorates the presentation of the infant Jesus, in the Jerusalem temple forty days after his birth. At the beginning of the eighth century, Pope Sergius inaugurated a candlelight procession. At the end of the same century the blessing and distribution of candles became part of the celebration, giving the feast its popular name of Candlemas. Candles will be blessed during each of the masses and will be available for you to take and use in your home during this next year.



Feast of Saint Blaise



The traditional blessing of throats will take place after both masses on Friday, February 2. On the Feast of St. Blaise two candles are blessed, held slightly open and held near the throat as a prayer of blessing is said. Saint Blaise's protection of those with throat troubles apparently comes from a legend that a boy was brought to him who had a fishbone stuck in his throat. The boy was about to die when Saint Blaise healed him.

Coffee and Donuts

Please join us for Coffee and Donuts in the lower church Sunday, January 28 after all of the Masses.



Painting by Bill Tierney

Open House

We welcome parishioners to visit our newly remodeled historic school building Saturday, January 27 after the 5:00pm Mass or Sunday, January 28 after all the Masses.

We Welcome into Our Community



The following children being baptized at Assumption:

Brady James Williams, child of John and Sarah Williams;

Clara Rose Esterl, child of Dan Showalter and Christine Esterl.

Street Parking

Street parking around Assumption may not be available due to covered parking meters. Please park in our Assumption parking lots for Mass or any activities at Assumption.



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Spring 2024 Speaker Series



Assumption's *Center for Catholic Social Thought* is pleased to announce our Spring Speaker Series on the topic of *Rebuilding Catholic Community*.

February 15: "Why Church Community & Why Don't We Have Any?". Featuring Colin Miller and Fr. Byron Hagan.

February 22: "Dorothy Day & Catholic Community". Featuring Renee Darline Roden and James Murphy.

February 29: "Community & Parish Life". Featuring Bishop Joseph Williams.

March 7: "How to Build Thick Community". Featuring Leah Libresco Sargeant, author of *Building the Benedict Option*.

The talks are free, open to the public, and include a reception. Visit the series registration page at Catholicsocialthought.org and click on "register here".

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 21	8:00am	†Said & †Ann George
<i>Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:30am	Parishioners
	11:00am	†Bud Faricy
	12:30pm	†Ed Erickson
Monday, January 22	7:00am	†Jim Madison
	12:00pm	†Karen Brandl
Tuesday, January 23	7:00am	†Adam Nickelson
	12:00pm	Steve Lauinger
Wednesday, January 24	7:00am	†Rose M. Ryan
<i>Saint Francis de Sales</i>	12:00pm	Helen Leifield
Thursday, January 25	7:00am	†Catherine R. Stokes
<i>The Conversion of St. Paul</i>	12:00pm	Steve Lauinger
Friday, January 26	7:00am	†Ronald D. Winter
<i>Saint Timothy & Saint Titus</i>	12:00pm	†Gene & †Shirley Beaulieu
Saturday, January 27	7:00am	†Adam Nickelson
	5:00pm	Pattie Niedzielski
Sunday, January 28	8:00am	†Frank Masciopinto & Martin Masciopinto
<i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:30am	†Jeanette Peters
	11:00am	†Harold & †May Belair & †Georgie Modeen
	12:30pm	Parishioners



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