

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Aug 15, '21



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Baptism and Marriage

Please call the parish office to arrange a time to meet with the priest and to schedule. Allow 6 months preparation time for marriage.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

7.30 am St Paul before Friday morning Mass @ St Pauls
5.30pm St James Saturday evening
Or call Parish Office to schedule your confession

Home visits & Sacrament of the Sick

Please call Father Letona at 608-562-3125 for information.



THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

“From this day all generations
will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great
things for me
and holy is his Name.
He has cast down the mighty
from their thrones,
and has lifted up the lowly.”
- Lk 1:48b-49, 52

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FROM THE DESK OF FATHER LETONA

Greetings on the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary,

All four of the Marian dogmas divinely reveal something of Mary's personhood. Each truth helps us understand her role in salvation history.

The dogmas, in the order that they were declared as truth by the Church, are: Mary as the Mother of God, Mary as a Perpetual Virgin ("ever-virgin"), Mary's Immaculate Conception, and the Assumption of Mary, body and soul, into heaven.

We start at Genesis 3:15 where the enmity between the woman and the serpent represents the past (Eve) and the future (Mary) who will share in the victory of her Son over the Devil.

As we know, the effects of Original Sin were sin and death. Jesus, by his Cross and Resurrection has set us free from both. And by his merits, we see this perfected in the person of Mary. First, her Immaculate Conception shows how Jesus conquered sin, and by his grace, preserved her from Original Sin. Second, we see how Mary's Assumption, is a particular grace awarded to Mary, so she, who is sinless, does not undergo bodily corruption at the end of her earthly life.

The Assumption of Mary is a natural consequence of the Immaculate Conception. And, it is a unique privilege that the Son affords his Mother.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches:
"Finally the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians. Finally, Mary's assumption serves as an eschatological sign (pointing to things to come in the afterlife)... she reminds us of the perfected Church we will become in heaven, as she is an icon of the Church both now and in the future."

The Mother of Jesus, in the glory which she possesses in body and soul in heaven, is the image and beginning of the Church as it is to be perfected in the world to come. Likewise she shines forth on earth until the day of the Lord shall come, a sign of certain hope and comfort to the pilgrim People of God. (ccc 972)

In the Cathedral of the Assumption of Mary in San Francisco, next to the magnificent bronze sculpture of the Assumption, there is a plaque which beautifully describes why we celebrate the Assumption of Mary. It reads:

"Since Mary has shared so intimately in the mission of her son, it is fitting that she should be the first to experience the fullness of his victory over death. Here [in the Assumption of Mary], we see the reward of discipleship, as angels carry her bodily into the glory of heaven.

We believe that by taking up our cross and following Jesus, we too will receive from Him the crown of eternal life. Mary's Assumption offers a sign of hope to the pilgrim Church on earth as we await Christ's return in glory."

God bless you all,
Father Robert Letona

Character Builds Families

Are you praying for your children?

Even as adults our children need our prayers.

Are you taking the time during these 5 simple chores to say prayers?

1. Making beds, as you make a bed offer little prayers of protection to those who will sleep there.
2. Kneading bread, though I imagine not many knead bread anymore, how about cooking, offer the Rosary when you prepare your family's meal. As the Rosary is our fuel to keep growing in our faith, the meal is your families fuel to keep moving for their day.
3. Washing Windows. As you remove the particles of dirt from the windows you can see how by going to confession removes the 'dirt' from your soul.
4. putting away laundry (or even folding it) this is a good way to connect with each child with God and their struggles, offering help in a small way.
5. scrubbing floors, when you think about scrubbing the floor imagine what Mary was going through as she cleaned her Son's blood up on the movie The Passion of Christ.



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For our Deceased

Clayton Hansen	Frank Machnik	Ellen Henthorne
Marcella Hirt	Wilda Paulson	Walt Weber

Please call the office if you would like to add or remove a name.

Secretary's Corner

Today, we celebrate the Assumption of Mary into heaven. As Catholics we should follow Mary's example and have complete faith in God and his plan for us and our family. Learn more on **Formed.org** watch Mary of Nazareth.

It was compassion for the afflicted that led St. Dominic to study, and to much more.

Passing through the South of France, around 1206 or so, Dominic de Guzman encountered a sect of Christians who had revived a form of dualism. Manichaeism, a dualism to which Augustine of Hippo fell prey, claims that the created world is not good. Rather, the things of the world, even one's own flesh, are evil.

Offering a ready answer to the problem of evil, this way of thinking explains away the contest of suffering in this life, without nuance or hesitation. According to this Manichaeism, God doesn't allow or cause or permit or have anything at all to do with the sorrows of this world. He is, Manichaeans say, not responsible for it.

Dominic and the Albigensians

St. Dominic encountered tormented souls, his life and Order were his response

The Albigensians, the revivers of this Manichaean thinking who Dominic met on his travels, captured the heart of this man. Rather than dismissing them or waving off their concerns as insignificant, Dominic spent himself in their service. From that moment on, he gave himself to the project of preaching, wanting to win back these tormented souls. To bring them to something more. To lead them to Christ.

To undertake this work though, Dominic did not merely pray, engage in public disputation, recruit capable assistants, witness evangelical poverty—although he did all of those things. He embraced a mode of living, a way of life yet unseen. Throwing himself totally into his project, he gave himself again completely to God. There is an old joke referring to Saint Dominic and the success of his Order. Its various tellings go something like this: "Which religious order is more successful, the Dominicans or the Jesuits? Well, seeing as the Jesuits were founded to combat Protestantism, and the Dominicans Albigensianism, when was the last time you met an Albigensian?" One could easily believe Dominican's project arcane, since his followers accomplished, more or less, what he set out to do. But that would be a mistake. Such a reading of the history of Dominic misunderstands who he was and misinterprets his project. As the Dominican Order celebrates the 800th anniversary of his death, his dies natalis, it is worth the time to take a closer look at Dominic, to consider again the shape of his life and discover once more the particular quality of his holiness.

A Hidden sort of saint

Unlike Augustine of Hippo, Dominic did not write an autobiography. Unlike Francis de Sales, we lack a magnum opus of his spiritual doctrine. Dominic is hidden, allowing us to know him chiefly by means of the testimony of his friends and the way of life he offered the Church.

Dominic's friends speak of his compassion

It is in these accounts—a crucial part of the investigation into his life—that his many secret good deeds were brought to light. The brethren spoke of his nightly prayer vigils. One hostess speaks of his simple appetite and reveals that he slept on the floor, a fact she deduced from the untouched bed. Another brother testifies to his copious tears as he reverently celebrated Mass. At the end of his life Dominic told the brethren he wished to be buried under their feet ... such was his humility! All of Saint Dominic's biographers stress his acute compassion for and attention to the afflicted and those in need: the starving people he sold his books for; the enslaved captives he was willing to ransom himself for; the sinners he spent sleepless nights praying for.

Family Builder Idea:

The Lord your God is in your midst ... he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will quiet you by his love, he will exult over you with loud singing. (Zeph 3:17)

What is the greatest example we are leaving, guiding our children with?

Do we speak critically of ourselves and our actions, forgetfulness? Do we let voice our misgivings and discontent with our expressions on our face?

Let us remember that we are the mirror that our children see every day and they want to be 'like us', give them the example you want them to be. Invite God to help you on this great endeavor as He is our light and strength.

For inspiration read "The one thing I'll never do in front of my daughter again" <https://aleteia.org/2019/09/20/the-one-thing-ill-never-do-in-front-of-my-daughter-again/>



Attend in person

6 pm Sat. St James, Camp Douglas
8am St Michael's Indian Creek
10 am St Paul's New Lisbon

Weekday Mass @ St. Paul's
Tue—Thur 8.30 am
No Mass Friday

On the Web

- YOUTUBE Father Letona, Masses from last year
- Like our parish page on Facebook
- www.mjpcatholic.com
- In person for private prayer

Saint James, Saint Paul & Saint Michael Parishes

Sunday 11am—7pm
Monday—Saturday 9am—7pm

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary with
Father Letona 10:00 am

Readings
Rv 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab Ps 45: 10- 12, 16
1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39 -56

St James Schedule Aug 21

Lector

Joe Madejczyk

Money Counter

Joe Madejczyk

We are looking for volunteers for usher, read and money count... PLEASE CALL Kris @ 608-562-3135

St. Michael's Schedule Aug 22

Lector

Sherry Conant

Ushers

Rick Phillips/Bob Conant

Offertory

Suspended until further notice

Money Counters

Wenzel Felber/Peggy Tiber

St. Paul's Schedule Aug 22

Lector

Loren Arends

Eucharist Minister

Tom Heindl

Ushers

(If you can't fill your roll please notify the office two weeks before hand)

Money Counter

Mary Peterson/Karla Quist

FORMATION IN FAITH:

Saint of the Day for August 20 Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

Man of the century! Woman of the century! You see such terms applied to so many today—"golfer of the century," "composer of the century," "right tackle of the century"—that the line no longer has any punch. But Western Europe's "man of the twelfth century," without doubt or controversy, had to be Bernard of Clairvaux. Adviser of popes, preacher of the Second Crusade, defender of the faith, healer of a schism, reformer of a monastic Order, Scripture scholar, theologian, and eloquent preacher: any one of these titles would distinguish an ordinary man. Yet Bernard was all of these—and he still retained a burning desire to return to the hidden monastic life of his younger days. In the year 1111, at the age of 20, Bernard left his home to join the monastic community of Citeaux. His five brothers, two uncles, and some 30 young friends followed him into the monastery. Within four years, a dying community had recovered enough vitality to establish a new house in the nearby valley of Wormwoods, with Bernard as abbot. The zealous young man was quite demanding, though more on himself than others. A slight breakdown of health taught him to be more patient and understanding. The valley was soon renamed Clairvaux, the valley of light. His ability as arbitrator and counselor became widely known. More and more he was lured away from the monastery to settle long-standing disputes. On several of these occasions, he apparently stepped on some sensitive toes in Rome. Bernard was completely dedicated to the primacy of the Roman See. But to a letter of warning from Rome, he replied that the good fathers in Rome had enough to do to keep the Church in one piece. If any matters arose that warranted their interest, he would be the first to let them know. Shortly thereafter it was Bernard who intervened in a full-blown schism and settled it in favor of the Roman pontiff against the antipope. The Holy See prevailed on Bernard to preach the Second Crusade throughout Europe. His eloquence was so overwhelming that a great army was assembled and the success of the crusade seemed assured. The ideals of the men and their leaders, however, were not those of Abbot Bernard, and the project ended as a complete military and moral disaster. Bernard felt responsible in some way for the degenerative effects of the crusade. This heavy burden possibly hastened his death, which came August 20, 1153.

Reflection

Bernard's life in the Church was more active than we can imagine possible today. His efforts produced far-reaching results. But he knew that they would have availed little without the many hours of prayer and contemplation that brought him strength and heavenly direction. His life was characterized by a deep devotion to the Blessed Mother. His sermons and books about Mary are still the standard of Marian theology. (<https://www.franciscanmedia.org/>)

Announcements for Tri-Parish

Learn of the Love that God is

On FORMED.ORG watch these movies to learn about the different saints of our time and how they overcame adversity.

Aug 14 **St. Maximilian Kolbe** *Life for Life*

Ocean of Mercy

Aug 15 **Assumption of Mary**

Mary of Nazareth

The Woman

Footprints of God: A Closer Look at Mary

St Michael's

Parish Council & Finance Council meeting

Tuesday August 17 @ 6.30pm, in the Church

St Paul's

St. Paul's Cemetery

A burial plot if **for sale**

The plot is located front left corner as you enter the cemetery second row 9th plot.

For more information please call Bob Koca @ 715-498-4547

St James

Rummage Sale

August Thursday 19 thru Saturday 21st

Thank you to all for your generous donations for the rummage sale. Doors open August 19 at 8 am- 4pm Thursday and Friday and from 8 am til noon on Saturday. Food and baked goods will also be on sale during the day.

Fundraiser

St James will be having a fundraising event!

Help us by purchasing your raffle ticket after Mass on Saturday evenings or contact your friendly PCCW member for your ticket. **\$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00**

Items to be raffled off include:

New Powersmart Snow Blower w200 cc Engine,

A "Painting" by Mary Singleton,

A Jim Shore "Santa",

Full size Handmade Quilt,

"One of Kind" garden ornament,

\$100 cash.

General Announcement

Our Mass Intentions for the year are filled at St Paul's Church, Please if you have a Mass intention be aware that it will not be placed on the calendar until January 2022, Thank you so much.

ST. PAUL

Intentions for our Tri-Parish

Saturday Aug 14

@ St James 6pm

+ Mike Connor, Kaye Hemmersbach and Casey Mueller by Joan Connor

Sunday Aug 15

8 am @ St Michael's

+Dick Schuh by Theresa Schuh

10.00 am @ St Paul's

For the People

Monday Aug 16

NO MASS

Tuesday Aug 17

Living & Deceased Members of the Bunker & Wyss families by Pat Wyss

Wednesday Aug 18

+Frank Michnik by the Knights of Columbus

Thursday Aug 19

Living & Deceased Members of Marx family by James & Sheila Marx

Friday Aug 20

NO MASS

Saturday Aug 21

@ St James 6pm

For the People

Sunday Aug 22

8 am @ St Michael's

+Clayton Hanson by family

10.00 am @ St Paul's

+Ellen Henthorne by Jeanette & Dan Boehm

STEWARDSHIP CORNER –Aug 8 , 2021

Offertory \$ 66.50

Envelopes \$ 1665.00

Total \$ 1866.50

Xavier Mission \$ 135.00

St. James

Saturday, August 14

+ Mike Connor, Kaye Hemmersbach and Casey Mueller by Joan Connor

Saturday, August 21

For the People

STEWARDSHIP CORNER - Aug 7, 2021

Offertory \$ 142.00

Cemetery/improvements \$ 0.00

Envelopes \$ 319.00

Xavier Mission \$ 100.00

Total \$ 561.00

St. Michael

Sunday August 15

+Dick Schuh by Theresa Schuh

Sunday August 22

+Clayton Hanson by family

STEWARDSHIP CORNER - Aug 8, 2021

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Xavier Mission \$ 540.00

Improvements \$ 200.00

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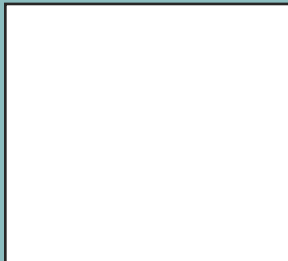
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