

*June 14,  
2020*

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**SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

Streaming on Church Website:  
<https://assumptiongranger.org> by 5pm on Saturday  
 You tube: Assumption BVM Church on your Smart TV

**MARRIAGE**

Call the office at least 1 year prior to intended date of wedding.

**BAPTISM**

Call the church office at least one month before intended date. Our next Baptismal class is scheduled for July 26 @ 1pm. Call the parish office to register.

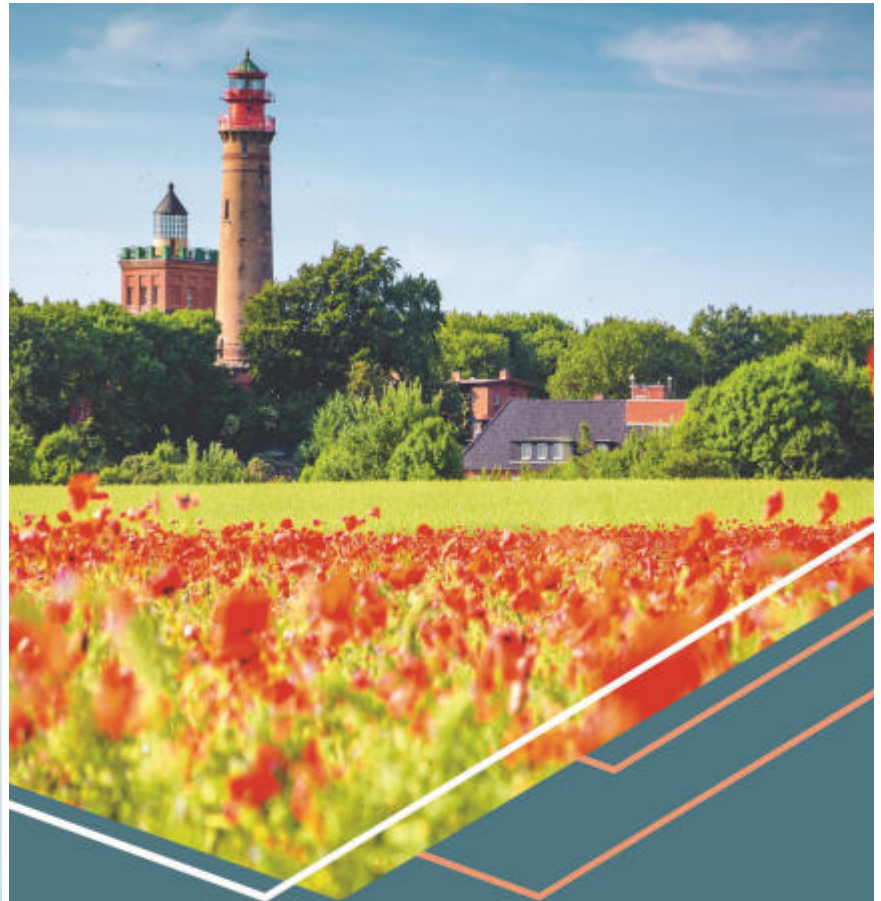
**No Baptisms during Lent.**

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**ASSUMPTION PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

*“To bring everyone together as people of God sharing the Bread of Life and living the Law of Love through service to all our neighbors”.*



**THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST**

“Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him.” - Jn 6:56

**EL CUERPO Y LA SANGRE DE CRISTO**

“Mi carne es verdadera comida y mi sangre es verdadera bebida. El que come mi carne y bebe mi sangre, permanece en mí y yo en él”. - Jn 6, 56

## SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Monday, June 15

8:00 am Communion Service

Tuesday, June 16

8:00 am Cancelled until further notice

Wednesday, June 17

6:00 pm Communion Service

Thursday, June 18

8:00 am Cancelled until further notice

Friday, June 19

8:00am Communion Service

Saturday, June 20 &amp; Sunday June 21

Recorded Mass, In Memory of  
Florence Sweeney & Jim Severino

## Readings for the week of June 14, 2020

Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20 [12]/  
1 Cor 10:16-17/Jn 6:51-58

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7 [2b]/Mt 5:38-42

Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16 [cf. 3a]/Mt 5:43-48

Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Ps 31:20, 21, 24 [25]/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Sir 48:1-14/Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7 [12a]/Mt 6:7-15

Friday: Dt 7:6-11/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 10 [cf. 17]/1 Jn 4:7-16/  
Mt 11:25-30

Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Ps 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1]/Lk 2:41-51

Next Sunday: Jer 20:10-13/Ps 69:8-10, 14, 17, 33-35 [14c]/Rom 5:12-15/  
Mt 10:26-33

## BETHANY CHRISTIAN SERVICES

Today, more than 400,000 children are in foster care. That's unacceptable.

**And because of the COVID-19 crisis, vulnerable children and families are experiencing even more stress and uncertainty. We anticipate that these challenging times will lead to more children and teens being in foster care or staying in foster care.**Bethany Christian Services believes *everyone* deserves to be safe, loved, and connected. And if you believe this too, we encourage you to join our bold mission to change the world through family.**Can several families in your church step up to become foster parents for children? Can you help us cover the costs to recruit more foster families?**  
[info@bethany.org](mailto:info@bethany.org)UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. BENEDICT CENTER,  
SCHUYLER, NE, JUNE**Contemplative Photography, June 13**, one-day retreat at *Saint Benedict Center*, Schuyler, with *Rita Otis*. Seeing deeply is an act of intimacy; it is to see ourselves in relationship to God's created world, rather than only observing. When we really see, we become one with creation. This retreat is designed to nurture our ability to see with an "inner eye." With a camera we take the energy of intimacy and make it manifest. That is contemplative photography. Please bring your own camera, laptop computer to upload your pictures, paper for journaling, mask and hand sanitizer. Social distancing will be observed. Limited to ten participants. Lunch is available at the Center for \$11.02 (includes tax). Register at [www.StBenedictCenter.com](http://www.StBenedictCenter.com) or call (402) 352-8819.**Real Presence: Encountering Jesus in Word & Sacrament, June 20**, one-day retreat at *Saint Benedict Center*, Schuyler, with *Father Jeffrey S. Loseke, Ed.D., S.T.L.* Christ is truly present in His Church, especially in the Scriptures, the Eucharistic species, and whenever two or three are gathered in His Name. Join Fr. Jeff for a day of retreat as he guides participants through scriptural prayer and sacramental wonder to an encounter with the Real Presence of Christ. Social distancing will be observed, please bring mask and hand sanitizer. Lunch is available at the Center for \$11.02 (includes tax). Register at [www.StBenedictCenter.com](http://www.StBenedictCenter.com) or call (402) 352-8819.

## RE-OPENING OF CHURCHES!

You all should have received your letter from the Bishop regarding the Phase 1 re-opening of Churches on Tuesday afternoon. It is with great excitement that we will be ready to go with all the guidelines handed down by the Diocese. We will be offering Communion Service on Monday at 8am, Wednesday at 6pm and Friday's at 8am this will all begin on Friday, June 12th.

You should have also received your letter from Assumption Parish with those guidelines. If you have questions please call the Parish Office.

BENEDICTINE SISTERS TO HOST VIRTUAL  
MONASTIC EXPERIENCE

**Walking With God? Walk with us!** The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration invite single women, ages 18 - 40 who are considering religious life, to attend a Virtual Monastic Experience via Zoom July 12-14, 2020. We hope to digitally show discerners around, introduce some of our Sisters and share some tips on prayer and discernment. The experience will include one hour of input each day. There will also be an opportunity to connect with the vocation director one on one. There is no cost to attend. Visit our website to learn more: [www.benedictinesisters.org](http://www.benedictinesisters.org). To register, please call Sr. Maria Victoria at (660) 944-2221 ext. 127 or e-mail [vocation@benedictinesisters.org](mailto:vocation@benedictinesisters.org).

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

We will continue to expose the Blessed Sacrament on Friday's from 6:30am-5pm. If no know is present when you leave we ask that you veil the Blessed Sacrament with the silk cloth.



We ask that you also wipe down the area in which you were seated with the disinfectant that is provided on the bulletin table. Thank you!

## Know Your Catholic Faith

## Corpus Christi

The Feast of Corpus Christi, or the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (as it is often called today), goes back to the 13th century, but it celebrates something far older: the institution of the Sacrament of Holy Communion. While Holy Thursday is also a celebration of this mystery, the solemn nature of Holy Week, and the focus on Christ's Passion on Good Friday, overshadows that aspect of Holy Thursday. The feast is celebrated Thursday after Trinity Sunday, although, in the United States, the celebration is transferred to the following Sunday. For centuries after the celebration was extended to the universal Church, the feast was celebrated with a Eucharistic procession, in which the Sacred Host was carried throughout the town, accompanied by hymns and litanies. The faithful would venerate the Body of Christ as the procession passed by. In recent years, this practice has almost disappeared, though some parishes still hold a brief procession around the outside of the parish church. (9:29)

## Next week: Nun.

If you would like a specific topic about the Catholic faith addressed, submit your question via email to [parish@assumptiongranger.org](mailto:parish@assumptiongranger.org) with "Catholic Faith" included in the subject line.

**ADORATION/BENEDICTION**

Please join us for Adoration on Tuesday, June 16 at 6pm in the Church. Our special intention will be offered for healing, peace, life, vocations and for those who have fallen away from the Church and also an end to the Covid-19 pandemic.

*We Welcome You to Come Home!*

**50% Capacity  
Follow all guidelines  
From Diocese**



**COMMUNAL PENANCE**

Fr. John Ludwig will be offering a communal penance service to our Parish on Wednesday, June 24 starting at 6:00pm. Due to this penance service we will NOT have a communion service this evening.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE**

*Just as you did it to the least of these, you did it to me.  
Matthew 25:45*

**Food Pantry Needs**

The food pantry could use some more of these food items. Thank you for your support of the Granger Food Pantry. The Food Pantry is available to all residents of the Woodward/Granger school district. Contact the Emmanuel Methodist Church office for assistance.

**Items needed for Food Pantry are:**

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|---------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Kid's Juices  | Snack-size Pudding | Snack-size Jello |
| Kid's cereal  | Spaghetti O's, etc | Crackers         |
| Canned Fruits | Bean (all types)   | Pasta sauce      |
| Instant Rice  | Tuna               | Canned meals     |
| Laundry soap  | Body wash          | Shampoo          |
| Deodorant     | Paper Towels       | Toilet Paper     |

***Please drop in the baskets that will be provided for  
Thank you!***

**MINISTER TRAINING FOR RE-OPENING**

It is with great excitement that when we go to Phase 2 we are prepared. I ask you to please contact the Parish Office to let us know if you are still willing to participate in a particular ministry. If you are **NOT** currently a minister and wish to be please call as well. A special mandatory training for all Greeters, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans for this will happen on June 15 & June 23 at 6:30pm in the Church. We will be in great need of Greeters so please open your hearts to God and sign up today!



Empower Individuals | Strengthen Families  
**YOU CAN HELP!**

Food Pantry Volunteers needed: 9:45-12:30 & 12:00-3:45  
In addition, families, groups or individuals can come in before the pantry opens, 8:30-10 to bag donations for hand outs. Contact: Holly [hackermann@catholiccharitiesdm.org](mailto:hackermann@catholiccharitiesdm.org)



**Let's Believe...Live...and Celebrate Our Faith!**  
We are happy to inform you that the conference will proceed planned Saturday & Sunday, September 26 & 27, with some exciting additions! Further information and guidelines will be announced soon.

A big "Thank You" to everyone who gave a gift this past weekend to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. Our parish goal is 100% participation. **Each and every person's gift is important.** Remember, when we reach our parish goal, any additional gifts stay right here for our own use. For those who have not made their pledge, please join us in supporting the vital programs & services throughout the diocese that no single individual or parish can offer. Your gift to the ADA supports the ministries and services in this diocese from which you and this parish benefit. Simply fill out a pledge card and place it in the offertory basket or drop it in the mail Thank you for your generosity and your support of the Annual Diocesan Appeal.

**Our Parish Goal is \$100,029  
We are currently at \$50,108**

**Thank you to the 118 families that have participated out of 534 active families**



**2020 K of C SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**



This has been a strange year for graduating seniors regarding the virus Covid-19 and the stay at home restrictions. Please go to the link below to open up our new Scholarship Application.

Just complete the application and follow the submission instructions at the top of the document.

Thank you for all that you do for the Parish and Community!

<https://assumptionknights.org/2020-knights-scholarships>

**SUPPORT PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE**

Join the St. Serra Club of Des Moines in praying for and supporting priesthood and religious vocations. Come to any of our monthly events and see what we're all about. For more information, contact Jim at 515-422-0960 or visit [dmserra.com](http://dmserra.com).

**MASS STIPENDS**

Would you like to have a Mass said in remembrance or in honor of a loved one or celebrate an event? To do so, please place \$10 in an envelope with a note listing the loved one's name and, if you wish, a date you prefer for the Mass. Place the envelope in the lock box next to the pamphlet rack in the gathering space or drop it off at the Parish Office.

**COUNSELING AVAILABLE**

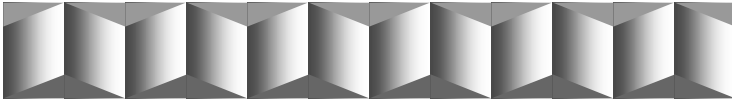
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**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB CORNER**

**Upcoming Events:**

***For those of you who donated a dessert to one of our Knights of Columbus Fish Fry's you can find your pans on the coat racks located in the Church.***

***Thank you!***



## Prayer of Spiritual Communion

During this time of fasting from the Eucharist at Holy Mass, we can still reach out to Him by making a Spiritual Communion in prayer! The prayer below can be said at anytime, anywhere and as often as we like to bring oneself into spiritual union with Christ.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen



St. Thomas Aquinas once defined a Spiritual Communion as “an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Most Holy Sacrament and lovingly embrace Him as if we had actually received Him.”

One can also make a Spiritual Communion using the following prayer before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament (prayer before the tabernacle), or anywhere else where we feel moved by the Spirit.

**Oh Jesus, I turn toward the holy tabernacle where  
You live hidden for love of me. I love you, O my  
God. I cannot receive you in Holy Communion.  
Come, nevertheless, and visit me with Your  
grace. Come spiritually into my heart. Purify  
it. Sanctify it. Render it like unto Your own. Amen.**

**Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof,  
but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.**

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***Catholic Faith on demand!***





From the Pastor  
Rev. Dominic



## THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Deut. 8:2-3, 14-16; 1Cor. 10:16-17; John 6:51-58

"Anyone who does eat my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life."

Fellow parishioners, I once again send you warm greetings from Ghana. I am doing well and I hope you are all doing well and staying safe.

Today, we celebrate the solemnity of the body and blood of Christ. As we celebrate this solemn day, the church invites us to reflect on the Eucharist.

The Eucharist as we know is a Sacred Meal - the memorial of Christ's Last Supper with the Apostles, in which he offered his body and blood for the salvation of all. The focus of the Eucharist is on Jesus Christ who is present in the consecrated species of bread and wine. It is also a sacrifice in which the sacrifice of the cross is perpetuated.

The significance of the Eucharist/Mass is the salvation that it brings whenever we celebrate it and eat the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. In this light, the church teaches that it is the summit and the source of all the liturgical celebrations.

Fellow parishioners, in the Eucharist, we receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. We also see Jesus in the Eucharist, touch him, and feel him, not physically but spiritually. At Mass, Jesus comes to stay in us and we in him. In the Gospel, Jesus says: "He who eats my Body and drinks my Blood lives in me and I in him. Just as the Father who has life sent me and I have life because of the Father, so anyone who feeds on me will have life because of me."

St. Paul in the second reading speaks about the importance of the Eucharist when he says: "The Cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the fellowship of Christ's blood? The bread that we break, is it not the fellowship of Christ's body"? This means that our participation of the Eucharist strengthens our relationship with Christ.

St. Thomas Aquinas had this to say about the Body and Blood of Christ, "O precious and wonderful banquet, that brings us salvation and contains all sweetness! Could anything be of more intrinsic value? Under the old law, it was the flesh of calves and goats that was offered, but here Christ himself, the true God, is set before us as our food. No other Sacrament has greater healing power, through it sins are purged away, virtues are increased, and the soul is enriched of every spiritual gift."

May God bless us and deliver us from this COVID-19 pandemic.


I hope to return soon. I miss you all!

Fr. Dominic.





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