

*August 9,  
2020*

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**RECONCILIATION**

4:30pm on Saturday afternoon

**SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE**

5pm Saturday & 10am Sunday

Streaming Mass to the gym for over flow

(for social distancing)

Mass will be uploaded to Church website by 10am on

Sunday mornings.

**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 September 20 @ 1pm. Call the parish office to register.

**No Baptisms during Lent.**

**PARISH STAFF**

Fr. Dominic Assim..... Pastor

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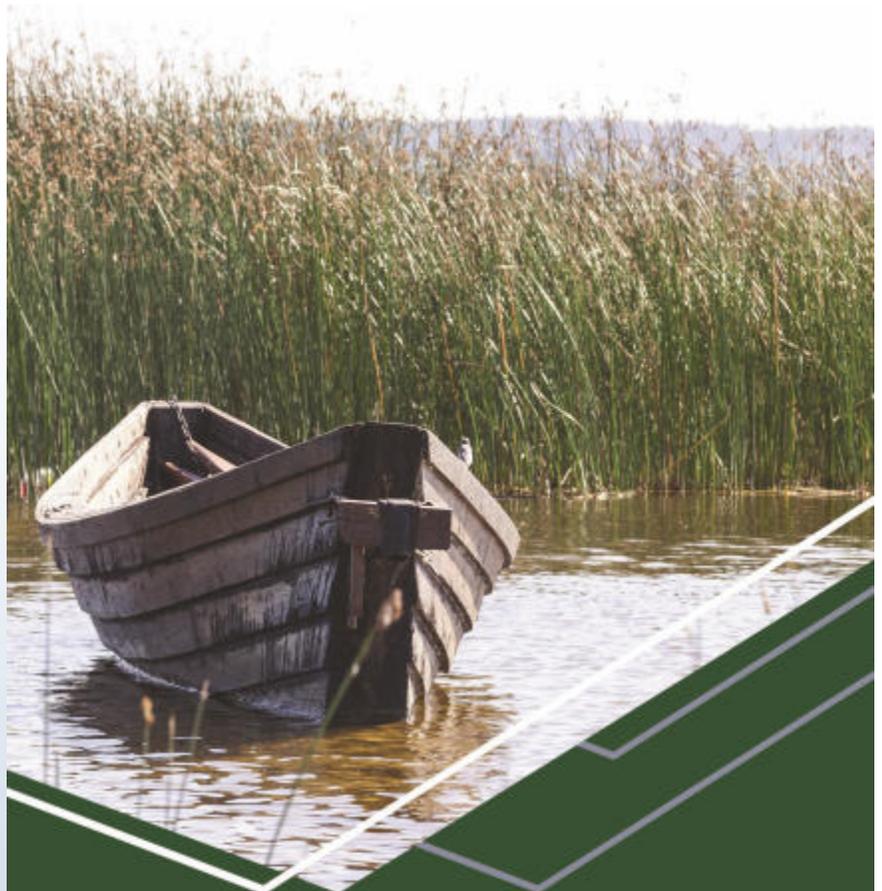
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**ASSUMPTION PARISH MISSION STATEMENT**

*“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”.*



**19<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Peter said to him in reply, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.”

Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. - Mt 14:28-29

**19º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO**

Entonces le dijo Pedro: “Señor, si eres tú, mándame ir a ti caminando sobre el agua”. Jesús le contestó: “Ven”.

Pedro bajó de la barca y comenzó a caminar sobre el agua hacia Jesús. - Mt 14, 28-29

**SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS**

**Monday, August 10**  
 8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Jack Temme  
**Tuesday, August 11**  
 8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Ernest Vignaroli  
**Wednesday, August 12**  
 6:00 pm Mass, In Memory of Becky Gioffreddi  
**Thursday, August 13**  
 8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Charlene Grell  
**Friday, August 14**  
 8:00am Mass, In Memory of Florence Sweeney  
**Saturday, August 15**  
 5:00pm Mass, In Memory of Elizabeth Conrad  
**Sunday, August 16**  
 10:00am Mass, For the people of Assumption

**Readings for the week of August 9, 2020**

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/  
 Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33  
 Monday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 [5]/Jn 12:24-26  
 Tuesday: Ez 2:8—3:4/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 [103a]/Mt  
 18:1-5, 10, 12-14  
 Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [4b]/  
 Mt 18:15-20  
 Thursday: Ez 12:1-12/Ps 78:56-57, 58-59, 61-62 [cf. 7b]/  
 Mt 18:21—19:1  
 Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [1c]/  
 Mt 19:3-12  
 Saturday: *Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10,  
 13-14 [8] 1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28. *Day:*  
 Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/  
 1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56  
 Next Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [4]/Rom 11:13-15,  
 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

**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!

MONTH OF JULY 2020	
Attendance & Recorded Mass Views & Tithing Recap:	
July 4/5—178	
July 11/12—251	
July 18/19—231	
July 25/26—178	

	Received	Budget	Difference
July Tithing	\$30,211.00	\$31,250.00	-\$1,039.00
July Plate	\$507.00	\$2,000.00	-\$1,493.00
Total July Collection	\$30,718.00	\$33,250.00	-\$2,532.00
YTD Tithing	\$30,211.00	\$31,250.00	-\$1,039.00
YTD Plate	\$507.00	\$2,000.00	-\$1,493.00
Total YTD Collection	\$30,718.00	\$33,250.00	-\$2,532.00

**UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. BENEDICT CENTER, SCHUYLER, NE, AUGUST**

**I Don't Remember, August 14 – 16, retreat at Saint Benedict**

*Center, Schuyler, with Father Donald W. Shane.* Jesus' desire is that we let the Father's profound personal love for us flow into our hearts. The presentations will highlight Jesus' meetings with Mary Magdalene, Peter, Paul, Matthew, Dismas and others. We will reflect on the real meaning of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick with personal experiences. The theme, "I don't remember" points to the total forgiveness the Father offers us through his Son. There is no better model of trusting in His love than that of our Blessed Mother. We will reflect on her life and ask her to guide us to open our hearts to receive His personal love. Come prepared to celebrate His personal love and forgiveness and to let go of unhealthy guilt forever. Social distancing will be observed, please bring your mask. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to Sunday after lunch. Register now at [www.StBenedictCenter.com](http://www.StBenedictCenter.com) or call (402) 352-8819.

**BioSpiritual Focusing: Praying with the Whole Self, August 22,** one-day retreat at *Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, with Deborah Sheehan, M.A., and Jane King, M.A.* BioSpiritual Focusing is a way of opening the whole of ourselves—mind, body, and spirit—to a deeper connectedness with God, others, and self. Join us to learn more about how gently being with what is present within your embodied self can open the door to a deeper story—and to a greater sense of wholeness. This practice requires no more than showing up and a willingness to engage contemplatively with what is going on within. And the potential for transformation and growth unfolds in the process. Social distancing will be observed, please bring your mask. 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.

**Help Wanted**—Temporary part time help to sterilize the Church, gathering space, bathroom and gym after daily and weekend Masses. It takes approximately 1 hour after each Mass. This would also include special events for example funerals. Please contact the parish office.

**Know Your Catholic Faith**

**Altar Relics**

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal, no. 302, contains the following statement: "The practice of placing relics of Saints, even those not Martyrs, under the altar to be dedicated is fittingly retained. However, care should be taken to ensure the authenticity of such relics." The tradition in the Roman liturgy of placing relics of martyrs or other saints beneath the altar is preserved when possible, but such relics should be of a size sufficient for them to be recognized as parts of human bodies; hence excessively small relics of one or more saints must not be placed beneath the altar. Further, the greatest care must be taken to use relics that are authentic; it is better for an altar to be dedicated without relics than to have relics of doubtful authenticity placed beneath it. Finally, the relics must be placed beneath the table of the altar, as the design of the altar permits. While the altar at Assumption has the relic of a saint that goes back to the 1901 Church altar, the name of the saint or information about the relic has been lost in time. (9:37)

**Next week: Assumption of the BVM.**

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.

**CHURCH CALENDAR**

- ◆ Sat. 8/8 5pm Mass Celebrated with Rev. Dominic Assim
- ◆ Sun. 8/9 10am Mass Celebrated with Rev. Dominic Assim  
Recorded Mass available by 10am Sunday
- ◆ Mon. 8/10 8am Mass  
6pm-8:30pm Jacob's Martial Arts
- ◆ Tues. 8/11 8am Mass
- ◆ Wed. 8/12 6pm Mass
- ◆ Thur. 8/13 8am Mass  
6pm-8:30pm Jacob's Martial Arts
- ◆ Fri. 8/14 8am Mass  
8:30-5pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- ◆ Sat. 8/15 5pm Mass Celebrated with Rev. Dominic Assim
- ◆ Sun. 8/16 10am Mass Celebrated with Rev. Dominic Assim  
Recorded Mass available by 10am Sunday
- ◆ Mon. 8/17 8am Mass  
6pm-8:30pm Jacob's Martial Arts

*Wishing Deacon Tom Schenk  
Happy 10th Anniversary of his Deaconate !*

**Father Donald Calloway, MIC**



From affiliation with a foreign mafia to drug use and incarceration, Fr. Don's stunning conversion is mesmerizing. Now an international author, leader of devotion to St. Joseph, the Virgin Mary, Divine Mercy, the Holy Rosary (and talented surfer) he motivates countless souls. This international speaker joins six other world-class speakers and performers at one of the largest Catholic conferences of its kind in the nation. Join thousands at Wells Fargo Arena Saturday & Sunday, September 26 & 27, or live stream the entire event.



Is Christ our Life Conference happening this fall? **YES!!** We are happy to inform you that the conference will proceed as planned Saturday & Sunday, September 26 & 27th !

Christ Our Life is offering two options for participating in our conference, scheduled for Saturday and Sunday September 26 and 27 at the Wells Fargo Arena in Des Moines. You can choose between attending in person or livestreaming it. The price is the same, either way. Please join us for this beautiful opportunity for spiritual enrichment.

**MASS STIPEND OPENINGS**

The Assumption Mass calendar has availability for Masses to be offered for deceased loved ones and friends for both weekday and weekend Mass times. The Book of Maccabees tells us, **"It is a wholesome thing to pray for the dead."** Contact the parish office to schedule a Mass.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**  
<http://assumptionknights.org>

**Upcoming events**

**August 20 — K of C will ZOOM their August meeting**

**MASS SEATING & COMMUNION**

A family may sit together in one pew. They don't need to separate between pews.

You are encouraged to receive the Eucharist in your hands and not on the tongue. During the reception of Communion, approach the minister, hold out your hands, say Amen (to the words "The Body of Christ), step to the side, pull your mask down consume the host, pull your mask back up and return to your seat. You must consume immediately after receiving it. Do not take the host back to your seat.

If you wish to receive on the tongue, we ask that you wait until all others have received on the hand. Thank you!

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 \$59,083**

Thank you to the 135 families that have participated out of 534 active families



**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  | Beef Stew          | Canned meals     |
| Laundry soap  | Body wash          | Shampoo          |
| Deodorant     | Paper Towels       | Toilet Paper     |

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

**TEACHERS NEEDED FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES**

1st grade, 2nd grade for Reconciliation,  
5th grade & 7th grade

Our plan at this time classes and half will week, to allow for Registration will be 10th, by email and



is to divide the attend every other social distancing. released on August constant contact.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CLUB CORNER**

**Upcoming Events:**

**Missing Pans??? If you donated a dessert to one of our K of C 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



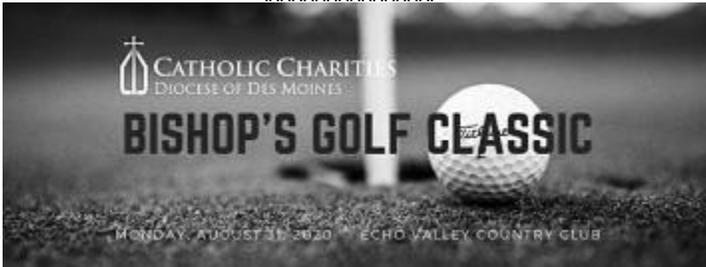
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From the Pastor  
Rev. Dominic Assim

**19<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Year (A)**  
**1Kings 19:9, 11-13; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:22-33**

My dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I said yes to the Lord to become a laborer in his vineyard, precisely sixteen (16) years ago. The past sixteen years in the Lord's vineyard have not been all rosy. However, there is nothing that I have that has not come from Him. I love who I am because of Him! I do not know how life would have been like sixteen years elsewhere! I accept the opportunity cost in good faith, and I will continue to be where I am. I find His strength in my weakness, and in my loneliness, I see and enjoy His true companionship. Today, I associate myself with the Psalmist and say, "How can I repay the Lord for all His goodness to me"? "Who am I, Lord God, and what is my house that you should have brought me so far"? (Psalm 116:12 and 2Samuel 7:18)

The readings focus on the revelation of the face of God. In the first reading, God manifested himself to Elijah in an entirely new way, different from the ones of the pagan gods, and from the way even Israel was accustomed to. God manifested himself in the sound of a gentle breeze. This manifestation happened after Elijah had defeated the prophets of Baal in a contest. Jezebel threatened to kill Elijah, forcing him to take refuge at mount Horeb where God revealed himself.

In the gospel, we have a further revelation of God through Jesus Christ, who comes to stem the tide in our lives. We find the disciples in a boat on the Sea of Galilee, battling with a heavy sea and a strong head-wind. Jesus, who had been at prayer, became aware of their struggle, and he came to calm the storm. We all find ourselves in threatening situations from time to time. Perhaps, especially in recent months, we may have experienced life as a struggle. We seem to be battling against all sorts of difficulties. Even what was easy and natural to us in the past, such as gathering to celebrate the Eucharist, has become more of a struggle as we try to follow various COVID-19 safety Protocols to keep us safe.

Fellow-parishioners, in the hour of the disciples' need, Jesus came to them and allayed their fears. There are times when life becomes a desperate struggle with ourselves, our circumstances, our temptations, our sorrows, and our decisions. At such a time, no one needs to struggle alone, for Jesus comes to us across the storms of life, with his hands stretched out to save, and with his calm, clear voice saying to us as he said to the disciples, "take courage! It is I! Do not be afraid."



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