

January 31,
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RECONCILIATION

4pm on Saturday afternoon

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

5pm Saturday evening
10am Sunday morning and 5pm on Sunday evening

The Church is set up for social distancing.

*Mass is now LIVE streamed on You Tube. Access thru
Church website or personal devices. You can watch
LIVE or recorded versions.*

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 **March 14 @ 1pm**. Call the parish office to register.

No Baptisms during Lent

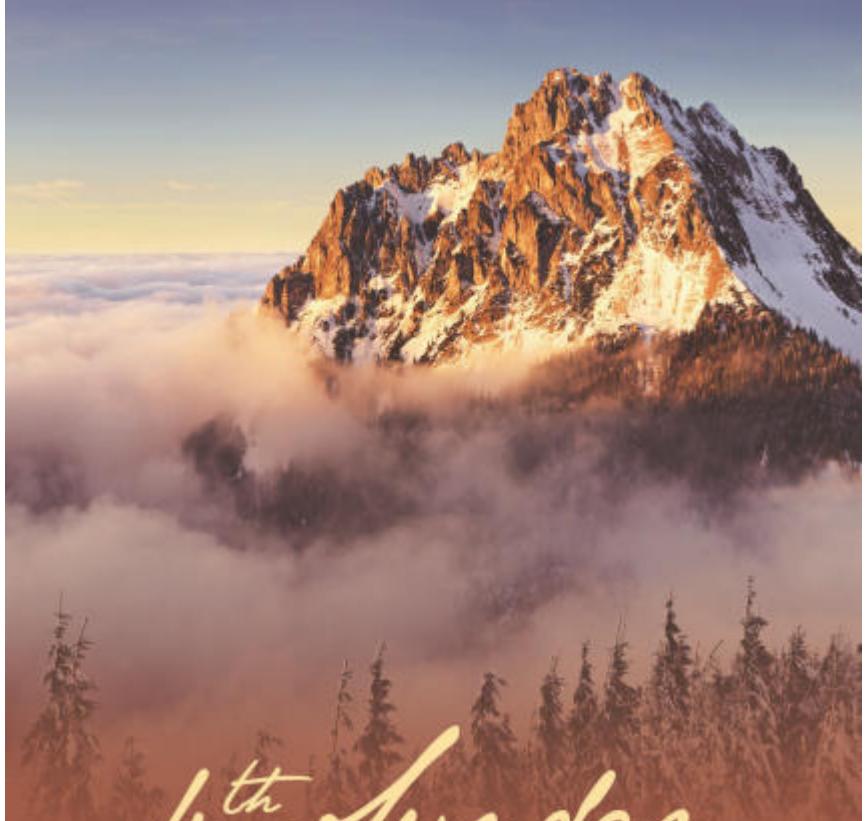
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ASSUMPTION PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"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".

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*4th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME*
4º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

He cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!" - Mk 1:24

Se puso a gritar: "¿Qué quieres tú con nosotros, Jesús de Nazaret? ¿Has venido a acabar con nosotros? Ya sé quién eres: el Santo de Dios". - Mc 1, 24

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS**Monday, February 1**

8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Margaret Hurley

Tuesday, February 2

8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Brenda Schram

Wednesday, February 3

8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Rita Schulte

Thursday, February 4

8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Mary Ladurini

Friday, February 5

8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Maury Breen

Saturday, February 6

5:00 pm Mass, In Memory of Sr. Carolyn Farrell

Sunday, February 7

10:00 am Mass, In Memory of Fr. Jerry Burkert

5:00 pm Mass, For the People of Assumption Parish

Readings for the week of January 31 2021

Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

Monday: Heb 11:32-40/Ps 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24 [25]/Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10 [8]/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40
or 2:22-32Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15/Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a [cf. 17]/
Mk 6:1-6Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24/Ps 48:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11 [cf. 10]/
Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8/Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc [1a]/Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/1 Cor 9:16-19,
22-23/Mk 1:29-3**EASE FUND GUIDELINES**

Dear Parishioners,

We are pleased to provide you with information regarding the guidelines for Endowing Assumption Students with Education (EASE) Fund.

The EASE fund was established by Father Terry Lees in the 1980's and shall be maintained to provide tuition assistance to Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary families.

Financial assistance from the EASE fund is made available to any qualifying student who seeks a secure K-12 Catholic education at an accredited elementary or high school located within the Diocese of Des Moines.

The application period opens the first business day of February and will close the first business day of April. The award-notification letters of financial assistance will be sent by May 15th.

The amount awarded to a qualifying family in any given year will be \$300 per elementary student and \$500 per high school student, as long as the total distribution is within the limit of total funding available. The amount of total funding available for disbursement to all qualifying applicants in any given fiscal year shall not exceed 5% of the EASE fund balance at the end of the prior fiscal year.

The updated guidelines and the application form for EASE Fund can be found on the Assumption Catholic Church website.

<https://assumptiongranger.org/about-us/forms/parish-resources/>

If you have any questions, please contact Anita Stahowick the parish Business Manager.

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.



The honor roll is calculated using the semester weighted GPA. The breakdown is as follows:

Presidential Honor Roll - 3.8000 and Above

Carolyn Lawler	Joe Baumhofer
Brady Kuhn	Jake Lehrman
Carter Rosenmeyer	Maxwell Derry
Avery Tiernan	

Academic Excellence Honor Roll - 3.6700 Through 3.7999

Academic Recognition Honor Roll - 3.3300 Through 3.6699	
Taylor Buenting	MacKenzie Derry
Marshall Kuhn	

Congratulations students keep up the hard work!

*Please remember the Beaver Catholic Cemetery and
The Assumption Church in your will.*

Know Your Catholic Faith**Presentation of the Lord**

At the end of the fourth century, a woman named Etheria made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Her journal, discovered in 1887, gives an unprecedented glimpse of liturgical life there. Among the record of celebrations she describes, one identifies the gala procession in honor of Christ's Presentation in the Temple 40 days after the Nativity. This feast emphasizes Jesus' first appearance in the Temple more than Mary's purification. According to Jewish law, the firstborn male child belonged to God, and the parents had to "buy him back" on the 40th day after his birth, by offering a sacrifice of "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons" in the temple (thus the "presentation" of the child). On that same day, the mother would be ritually purified (thus the "purification" of Mary). Under the Mosaic Law, a woman was ritually "unclean" for 40 days after childbirth, at which time she was to present herself to the priests and offer sacrifice—her "purification." Contact with anyone who had brushed against the mystery of birth or death excluded a person from Jewish worship. At the beginning of the eighth century, the blessing and distribution of candles, which continues to this day on the Feast of the Presentation, became part of the celebration, giving the feast its popular name of Candlemas. Many Catholics might remember Saint Blaise's feast day because of the Blessing of the Throats that takes place on February 3. Two blessed candles crossed one over the other are held slightly open and pressed against the throat as a blessing is said, which is: "Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness: in the name of the Father and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." While very few facts are known about Saint Blaise, he was a bishop in Armenia who was martyred in the early fourth century. Saint Blaise is associated with the healing of throats. (10:10)

Next week: Tithe.

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



CHURCH CALENDAR

- ◆ Sat. 5pm Mass Celebrated with Rev. Dominic Assim
1/30
- ◆ Sun. 10am Mass Celebrated with Rev. Dominic Assim
11am-12:15pm RE Classes (1st-4th grade) Part A
5pm Sunday Evening Mass
Sacristan training after 5pm Mass (Church)
- ◆ Mon. 8am Daily Mass
2/1 8:30am Gospel of John—AFF (Conf. 2)
5-6:30pm Jacob's Martial Arts (gym)
- ◆ Tues. 8am Daily Mass
2/2 5pm-6:30pm (Scott) Basketball practice (gym)
6:30-7:30pm (Scott) 2nd grade baseball practice (gym)
6:30pm Adult Faith Meeting (Conf. #2 & Conf. call)
- ◆ Wed. 8am Daily Mass
2/3 5pm Gospel of John—AFF (Conf. 2)
7pm Gospel of John—AFF (Conf. 2)
7-8:15pm RE Classes (5th-8th grade) Part A
- ◆ Thur. 8am Daily Mass
2/4 5-6:30pm Jacob's Martial Arts (gym)
- ◆ Fri. 8am Daily Mass
2/5 8:30am Adoration until 5pm (Church)
5:30-7pm K of C Pizza Night (Drive thru ONLY)
- ◆ Sat. 5pm Mass Celebrated with Rev. Dominic Assim
2/6
- ◆ Sun. 10am Mass Celebrated with Rev. Dominic Assim
11am-12:15pm RE Classes (1st-4th grade) Part B
5pm Sunday Evening Mass
5-7pm 1st Year Confirmation Class
- ◆ Mon. 8am Daily Mass
2/8 8:30am Gospel of John—AFF (Conf. 2)
5-6:30pm Jacob's Martial Arts (gym)

FRIENDLY REMINDER THAT MASKS ARE REQUIRED
Here at Assumption we do require masks to be worn at ALL times. Proper positioning over both the nose & mouth. If you have forgotten yours we do have a few at each entrance for your use. Please take them home with you when you leave. There are sanitizing stations at every entrance please use these as you enter into the Church and also when you leave. Thank you!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held on Friday's after morning Mass from 8:30am-5pm. If no one is present when you leave we ask that you veil the Blessed Sacrament with the silk cloth provided.



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!

DATE CHANGE!!!! 5th Annual Lenten Happy Hours

Looking for something to do for Lent?

Happy Hours is back for a 6-week series

starting **Sunday, Feb 21 at 6pm (Note date change)**.

Come get to know the Trinity in a whole new light as we explore the movie

The Shack. Child care available by

contacting Lisa Risvold at lkblink@me.com.

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

Next K of C Council Meeting
February 18th – 6pm Rosary followed
with Mass

Council Meeting @ 7pm in the gym + Zoom

Pizza Night – Friday, February 5th 5:30 to 7:00. Drive-up carryout ONLY, line up in Park west of Church (Rose St.) Pepperoni or Sausage & Mushroom

Proceeds to benefit upcoming NCYC!
FREE WILL DONATION



1st Year Confirmation Classes 5-pm7pm
2/7, 3/7, 4/11, 5/2

2nd Year Confirmation Classes 5pm-7pm
2/21, 3/21, 4/18, 5/16

Middle School Gatherings 5pm-7pm
2/28, 5/23

Wednesday Night Classes (5th-8th Grade) 7pm-8:15pm

Part A: 2/3, 2/24, 3/10, 3/31
Part B: 2/10, 3/3, 3/24, 4/7

Sunday Classes (1st-4th Grade) 11am-12:15pm

Part A: 1/31, 2/14, 2/28, 3/21
Part B: 2/7, 2/21, 3/7, 3/21

Youth Group 7pm-8:15pm
2/10, 2/24,
3/10, 3/24, 4/28, 5/12, 5/26

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The Assumption Church Vacation Bible School will be held from 6-7-2021 to 6-11-2021 from 9AM to 12PM here at the church. Information on items needed and participants will be coming shortly. Please mark your calendars!!!

MEETING JESUS IN THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

Experience the Joy of a renewed friendship with Christ as Adult Faith continues the faith journey with Edward Sri in an 8 week video series where you will: Learn what it takes to follow Christ. Discover the Joy of Divine friendship. See how God, and only God, can satisfy the deepest desires of the heart.

Sessions begin the week of January 25th on Mondays at 8:30am & Wednesdays at 5:00pm & 7:00pm.

No class the week of Feb. 15th or Mar. 15th.

Location: Adult Faith Meeting Room

UNITED WAY DONATIONS- DID YOU KNOW?

United Way allows all or a portion of your donation to be designated to any 501(c)3 nonprofit organization. Assumption Church is a qualified nonprofit organization. If you would like your United Way donation to be designated towards Assumption parish, please note the following when pledging your donation:

- Designations need to be made and submitted at the time of the pledge
- Be sure to provide complete information, including Assumption's name, street address, city and state to ensure that your designated gift is correctly processed, as many organizations have similar names.
Employers may match your donation, doubling your gift. If your employer provides payroll deduction for United Way, you can designate it to Assumption. For more information talk to your employer or call our office.

WELCOME TO ASSUMPTION

Newcomers are asked to register by going to www.assumptiongranger.com printing a registration form filling it out in its entirety and return to the Parish Office.

If you would also do us a favor and contact the parish office when you leave or have a change of address, phone number or email so that we can update our system.



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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Catholic Faith on demand!

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RADIX

IF YOU ARE A HIGH-SCHOOL SENIOR THAT COULD USE A RELAXING WEEKEND OF RETREAT TO FOCUS ON STAYING ROOTED IN YOUR FAITH AFTER GRADUATION,

SIGN UP FOR RADIX TODAY!

MARCH 5-7 (FRI. 5 P.M. THROUGH SUN. 4 P.M.), AT THE ST. THOMAS MORE CENTER IN

PANORA, \$150 WITH FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE.

WWW.DMDIOCESE.ORG/RADIX FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Please see www.dmdiocease.org/Radix for more information and registration

St. John's in Adel has an opening for a part-time Music & Liturgy Director to facilitate the worship life of our parish community through music and liturgical planning, preparation, coordination, and promotion. The director is responsible for recruiting volunteers and provides liturgical minister formation and music education for parish ministers of music and liturgy. Must be a practicing Catholic. A Bachelor's degree in Music or related field preferred, and proficiency in at least one performance area; keyboard, choral, voice, etc. A more complete job description can be found under News on our website www.stjohnsadel.org. If you desire to work in a positive environment with flexible hours please send your resume to office@stjohnsadel.org or St. John's, P O Box 185, Adel, IA 50003 by February 15th.

Consider ACH or Auto debit for your weekly/monthly Tithing. Call the Parish Office to find out more.



Tamanique Scholarship Student Spotlight

Every year Assumption parish provides scholarships to students in Tamanique, El Salvador. These scholarships help promote social justice by supporting those in the greatest need. For many of our students the reality is, no scholarship means no school. The scholarships are part of a program that provides much more than an award of money. All scholarship students create and implement a community project and take part in regular leadership workshops to further develop their impact as a citizen as well as their communication skills.

*This week's student spotlight is:
Delmy de Jesús Orellana Sánchez*

Hi. I'm Delmy de Jesús Orellana Sánchez, age 23, a university student pursuing a degree in psychology. I expect to graduate in 2022. I have one sister, who is in the eighth grade. Neither my mother nor father have any formal education.

Regarding obstacles in my education, the distance between my house and the university is one of them, as well as the insecurity with which we live daily in our country. These hinder many in our community from studying. However, getting an education involves overcoming obstacles and making sacrifices and we must learn how to overcome them and move forward.

After graduation, I want to get a job in my field, and continue to grow within my profession as psychology is a profession with a diversity of specializations. All professionals in this field must acquire new tools to efficiently provide mental health services and support to people who have great needs.

Among the benefits of the scholarship program for me has been helping me socialize more with other people. We have the opportunity to develop ourselves through the different social projects. We become more confident and expressive. In addition, we acquire knowledge about different social themes in workshops imparted by the same scholarship recipients. It also promotes spaces to share with parents and other youth.

Supporting and working with our communities is one of the first goals we achieved through the program, and that has a great impact. Our communities need educational support so children can develop in different areas beyond the academic. Also, we strengthen families, so parents and children can have a good relationship and communication. Education is not limited to school, but extends to family and different contexts and situations. We want to prepare children for the future.




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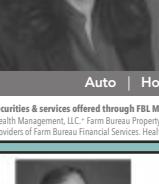

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