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RECONCILIATION

4pm on Saturday afternoon

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

5pm Saturday evening

10am Sunday morning and 5pm on Sunday evening Mass is being LIVE streamed on YouTube. 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 20 @ 1pm. Call the parish office to register.

No Baptisms during Lent

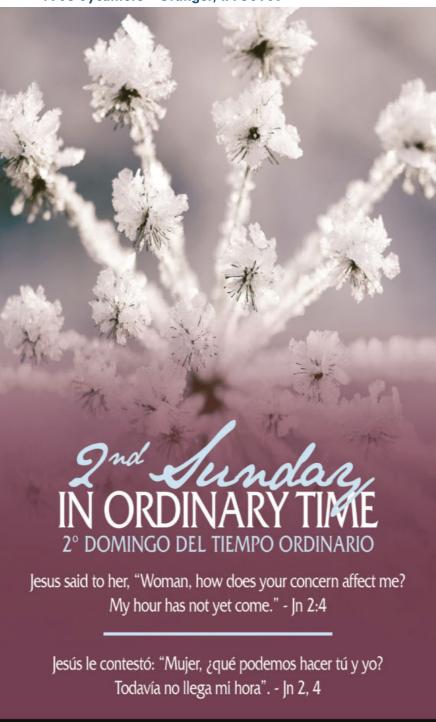
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ASSUMPTION PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

"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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SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Monday, January 17

8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Brenda Schram Tuesday, January 18

8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Mary Ladurini Wednesday, January 19

8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Bernice Pleva

Thursday, January 20 8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Art Pottebaum

Friday, January 21 8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Becky Gioffredi

Saturday, January 22 5:00 pm Mass, In Memory of Mary Manning

Sunday, January 23

10:00 am Mass, For the People of Assumption Parish 5:00 pm Mass, In Memory of Sr. Carolyn Farrell

Readings for the week of January 16, 2022

Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/ Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/ Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday:1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/

Mk 3:1-6

Thursday:1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/

Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19 Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/

Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/ 1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

SAVE THE DATE

"Save the Date" for the Assumption Volunteer Appreciation Dinner? The dinner will be held at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Jan 22, 2022. All parishioners who help make our parish great, whether by volunteering their time & talent, tithing, or actively participating are most welcome to attend.

WELCOME TO ASSUMPTION

Newcomers are asked to register by going to www.assumptiongranger.com print a registration form fill it out in it's 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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SPELLING BEE

After a year off, the Knights of Columbus of St. Luke the Evangelist is excited to host the 2022 Knights of Columbus Spelling Bee local contest again! This will be a great opportunity for kids (grades 4th – 7th) to display their talent of spelling and enjoy a fun competition with other children in the community. The event will be held on Sunday, January 23rd @ 1pm at St. Luke the Evangelist Catholic school. This event will be the first round of a statewide competition, in which the top two winners from each age group will advance to a Regional competition, followed by those winners competing at the final statewide event. Attached is a sign-up form that can be returned to Tony McKillip tmckilip@openlending.com).

A link to the competition rules and word lists can be found in the entry form. Please call Tony McKillip (319-269-0721) with any questions.

CONNECTION CAFÉ-HELP

Connection Cafe has finally run out of meat, which has been generously provide over the past year by various parishioners. That means, however, that we need more. Beef, pork or venison will be appreciated by the Social Justice Committee and by the homeless and hungry people at Connection Cafe. Thanks in advance!



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

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Rosary

Please join others from Assumption in praying the rosary on Tuesday evenings at 8:30pm & Friday's at 11:30am.

Know Your Catholic Faith

Laity

There are estimated to be over one billion Roman Catholics in the world. A small percentage of these Catholics are the clergy: the bishops, priests and deacons. The majority are lay Catholics, otherwise known as the "laity." Even though there are clergy in the hierarchy, lay people in the Catholic Church are still expected to strive to embody the teachings of the Church and to share the gift of the Catholic faith; lay men and women should be active members of their own parishes and in the greater world. Lay people can act as everyday ministers of the faith, bringing the principles of Christianity and Catholicism to work, school, and home. Lay people can also take part in some of the sacred rituals of the Church by being altar servers, lectors, and lay ministers who can help distribute the Eucharist during Mass and to bring Holy Communion to shut-ins and those in hospital. Members of the laity reap the same benefits through living a life of faith and devotion as would the members of the clergy. (11:8) Next week: Roman Curia.

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

♦ Sun. 10am RCIA class

1/16 Nursery during 10am Mass

11am-12:15pm Religious Education Classes (K-4th grade)
1pm Baptismal Prep Class (Conf. room #2)
6 2pm 1et Year Confirmation Class (Kouth Crays room)

6-8pm 1st Year Confirmation Class (Youth Group room)

Mon. 8:30am Adult Faith Gospel of Mark (Conf. room 2)
 1/17 6-8:30pm Jacobs Martial Arts (Gym)

♦ Tues 5-6:30pm Scott Basketball practice (gym)

1/18

♦ Wed. 9am-12 noon Pickle ball (gym)

1/19 5pm Adult Faith Gospel of Mark (Conf. room 2)
7pm Adult Faith Gospel of Mark (Conf. room 2)
7-8:15pm Religious Education Classes (5-8th grade)

♦ Thurs. 6pm K of C Rosary followed with Mass, Dinner & Meeting

1/20

♦ Fri. Set up for Appreciation Dinner (gym)

1/21

♦ Sat. Appreciation Dinner following 5pm Mass (gym)

1/22 Hosted by the Pastoral Council

♦ Sun. 10am RCIA class

1/23 Nursery during 10am Mass

11am-12:15pm Religious Education Classes (K-4th grade)

♦ Mon. 6-8:30pm Jacobs Martial Arts (Gym)

1/24

◆ Tues 5-6:30pm Scott Basketball practice (gym)

1/25

♦ Wed. 9am-12 noon Pickle ball (gym)

1/26 7-8:15pm Religious Education Classes (5-8th grade)

7-8:15pm Youth Group Gathering (Youth Group room)

♦ Thurs. 6-8:30pm Jacobs Martial Arts (Gym)

1/27

♦ Sat. 5pm RCIA class (Dave) 1/29

♦ Sun. Nursery during 10am Mass

1/30 11am-12:15pm Religious Education Classes (K-4th grade)

BAPTISM CLASS

Our next Baptismal Prep class will be held **Sunday**, **January 16**, **at 1pm**. This class is intended for new parents and those who have not taken this class within the last 3 years. Call Brenda at the parish office to register (515-999-2239 ext. 13)



2021 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

A Big Thank You to those who have given a gift to the Annual Diocesan Appeal! The ADA parish goal is \$101,589. We are currently at \$71,541 Thank you to the 143 families that have participated out of the 509 Active Families.

Remember that the money our parish raises above our goal stays right here at Assumption. Please experience the joy of giving and join us as we work to continue God's work of spirituality, charity and education.

Please consider making a gift online by credit card by visiting https://www.dmdiocese.org/giving



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS http://assumptionknights.org

January 20 – 6pm Rosary followed with Mass @ 6:14pm than Meeting & Dinner

BECOME A KNIGHT—Your Assumption Knights of Columbus Council is sponsoring an Exemplification Ceremony for anyone wanting to be a Knight, or for an existing 1stg Degree Knight wanting to advance to the 2nd and 3rd Degree.

The Exemplification will be at Assumption, in the church, on Sunday afternoon January 23rd @ 2pm. Please contact us with any questions or to register at assumptionknights@gmail.com; or you may contact the Grand Knight, Merlyn Wiese @ 515/999-2177

ASSUMPTION BOOK CLUB

The January meeting will be on Saturday, January 15th at 8:30am. The book to be discussed in January is *The Shadow of His Wings: The True Story of Fr. Gereon Goldman.* February meeting will be Saturday February 19th at 8:30am. The books that will be discussed is *Peace Like a River by Leif Enger*

We will meet in Conference room #2 down the hallway in the school. If you have any questions about the book club please contact Cindy VanDeWalle by phone 986-1371 or email her: vandewalle1979@gmail.com

New Members are always welcome!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sunday RE Classes (K-4th grade) 11:00am-12:15am

1/16, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6, 2/13, 2/20, Family Catechesis (2/27)

2nd Year Confirmation (10th grade) Sunday 6pm-8pm

2/6, 3/6 start w/Mass @ 5pm, 4/3 Confirmation is scheduled for April 27th @ 7pm

> 1st Year Confirmation (9th grade) Sunday 6-8pm

1/16, 2/20 start w/Mass @ 5pm, 3/20

Youth Group (All High Schoolers) Wednesday 7-8:15pm 1/26, 2/9, 2/23, 3/9, 3/23, 4/13, 4/27

Wednesday RE Classes (5-8 grades) 7-8:15pm

1/19, 1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 2/16, 2/23, 3/2 (Ash Wednesday), 3/9, 3/23, 3/30, 4/6, 4/13 First Eucharist Sunday, May 1st @ 2pm

Family Catechesis: 11-12:30PM 2/27

TAMANIQUE, OUR SISTER PARISH

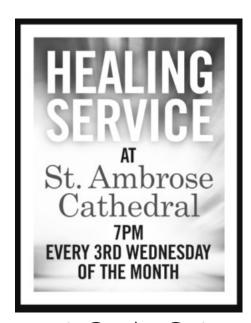
"Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day. Teach a man to fish and you feed him for a lifetime." This proverb applies directly to our parish's Tamanique project, which is in its tenth year. It provides scholarships to students in Tamanique, El Salvador, many of whom would not be able to attend, or finish, high school. Our scholarships pay only about 75 percent of the cost. The students and their families pay the rest. However, it's enough to help graduates assist their families and communities, and find work in El Salvador instead of emigrating to the U.S. and other countries. It helps us fulfill our Christian obligation of building a more just world. Over the years, we have received innumerable letters of gratitude from the students and many of our parishioners have received the thanks personally in our annual visits there. The annual cost of a scholarship for one student is \$330, but we'll take donations of any amount. To donate, or for information on our next trip to Tamanique please contact Tom Carney, 515 556-5068 or carney133@msn.com, or contact the parish office.

Pickle Ball

The Assumption Church is now sponsoring Pickle Ball as an event on Wednesday's from 9am-12noon in the Assumption Gym.

This is open to everyone wanting to learn the game and play. For more information, please contact Diane Erickson at 515-979-9236







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TRIVIA NIGHT
Saturday, January 15
6:45 PM (Doors open at 6:00)
\$15 per person

Prizes awarded for 1st and 2nd place teams!
Birthday Survivor & Higher/Lower
Extra Optional Games - \$1 per player (split the \$)

Sloppy Joes will be available for purchase. Soda-pop and water will be available.

You may bring your own snacks to share at your table.
BYOB (beer or wine only, please)

Get your teams together and purchase tickets to reserve your table now! Tickets and information are available in the parish office (515-981-4855). Prepayment will entitle each player to a raffle ticket for a prize drawing that night.



JOPPA IS IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS

Our friends at the NEW Joppa Resource Center need 2-4 hours shifts covered to help in the warehouse, Thrift Store and other areas within the center. This is a perfect opportunity for those who are retired or groups looking for volunteer hours. Please go to www.joppa.org and click on the Volunteer button to help.



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: Dayana Melissa Galdámes Patiño



Hello. My name is Dayana Melissa Galdámes Patiño. I'm 18 and live in the community of Buenos Aires in the municipality of Tamanique with my mother and father and two brothers. My mother has no formal education and but my father completed none grades.

The scholarship program has helped me in many areas. First, it has helped me financially because it has allowed me to continue studying in my second year of technical high school. Despite not having my grades for the first quarter this year, I have done my best to have an excellent academic performance regardless of the difficulties I faced. One of them was that I didn't quite understand some of my classes, and when I had my tests, I had difficulties answering them. I always do my homework because I'm aware of the responsibility and commitment I have to get good grades. Another difficulty is the lack of electricity at my house, so I can't charge my phone when I don't have battery to continue my homework. Thankfully, other scholarship recipients and I were beneficiaries of the solar panels project delivered by the Center for Interchange and Solidarity (which administers the scholarship program) in the context of the pandemic and online classes. The solar panel has helped me a lot because I can charge my phone. I take good care of it because it's very useful and I'm very grateful for it.

In addition, thanks to the program I have been able to socialize with other young people. I have met people with good hearts who help us to reflect about the importance of studying, moving forward in our education and not being afraid. They teach us to struggle to achieve our goals and dreams and always help others. I hope this program continues for many years, so other young people can be supported. Thank you so much for your help!

Sadly, due to the pandemic I didn't complete my social project. I had planned to help Lazaro Aparicio who teaches second grade at Buenos Aires School. I was able to help at the beginning of last year before the pandemic. I helped children who had difficulties reading and writing, and also making the classes more fun and dynamic. I also helped three students of seventh grade. They had difficulties doing research for their schoolwork since they didn't have internet or signal in their phones to investigate some themes. Last December, I started going to the Rosario de Fatima Chapel to help with the cleaning, and help on Sundays with the sales they do to raise funds for the chapel. I help on Thursday, Saturday and Sunday at the chapel. I hope I can help more in my community next year.

One of my obstacles is my family's financial situation, since my father is the only one who works. He is a farmer and his income is very low. I started to work at a restaurant in El Tunco beach in August last year. I only work on the weekends. Lack of electricity at home is also an obstacle as is not having my own computer for school work. During the pandemic things got complicated because we had to present every homework in a digital format and I only had my cellphone to do all my schoolwork, which was hard because I needed to charge my phone frequently. But CIS brought computers to a place nearby and contracted with an Internet provider. I'm very grateful.



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