

March 20, 2022

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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.

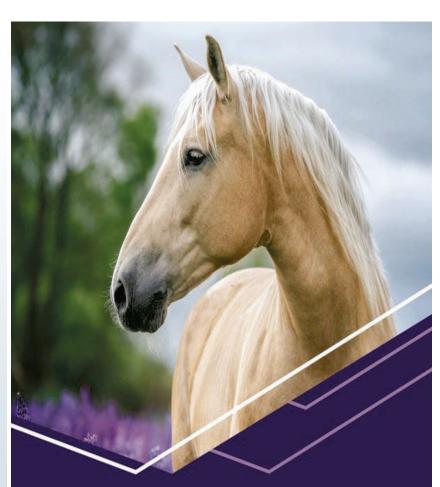
No Baptisms during Lent

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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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3rd SUNDAY OF LENT

Jesus said to them in reply, "Do you think that because these Galileans suffered in this way they were greater sinners than all other Galileans? By no means! But I tell you, if you do not repent, you will all perish as they did!"

- Lk 13:2-3

3er DOMINGO DE LA CUARESMA

Jesús les hizo este comentario: "¿Piensan ustedes que aquellos galileos, porque les sucedió esto, eran más pecadores que todos los demás galileos? Ciertamente que no; y si ustedes no se arrepienten, perecerán de manera semejante".

- Lc 13, 2-3

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Monday, March 21

8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Dick Hansen

Tuesday, March 22

8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Brenda Schram

Wednesday, March 23

8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Rita Schulte

Thursday, March 24

8:00 am Mass, In Memory of Ed & Phyllis Byrnes

Friday, March 25

5:30 pm Mass, In Memory of Lucille Wren

Saturday, March 26

5:00 pm Mass, In Memory of Bill Ballalatak

Sunday, March 27

10:00 am Mass, For the People of Assumption Parish

5:00 pm Mass, In Memory of Julie Carroll

Readings for the week of March 20, 2022

Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/ 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25: 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: İs 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/

Lk 15:1-3, 11-3

SERVER TRAINING

We invite anyone wishing to learn how to serve to a training on Sunday, March 27th at 2:30pm here in the Church. If you should have questions regarding the training please reach out to Steve Klocke at 515-999-2377.

The Food Pantry welcomed 11 families (46 individuals) in February. We also received several food donations. We are so blessed to have such a caring and generous community and church family. For an appointment to visit the Food Pantry during business hours, call 515-999-2215. Walk-in evening hours are available from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on the following days in March.

Monday, March 7 Monday, March 14 United Methodist Church 1910 Locust St; Granger

Monday, March 28

If you are interested in donating items for the food pantry, place them in the baskets that are provided on 2^{nd} weekend of the month. They could use the following items.

*Pudding cups (pre-packaged, ready to eat)

*Jell-O cups (pre-packaged, ready to eat)

*Chunky or Progresso soups *Canned Chicken

*Spaghetti O's

*Ravioli

*Beefaroni

*Granola Bars

*Peanut butter (not crunchy)
*Single serving tuna packets

*Jelly *Diced tomatoes

*Chili beans (canned)

*Stewed tomatoes

*Coffee *Laundry soap *Facial Tissue *Dryer Sheets

*Pasta Sauce

*Spaghetti Noodle/Pasta

THE VEIL REMOVED

Starting <u>March 6</u>, Lenten Happy Hours will resume on Sundays at 6pm in the Adult Faith room. This year's video is the short film "The Veil Removed" The film gives a brief but powerful visual of how heaven and earth meet during Mass. Please join us for fellowship and discussion. Childcare is available.



AREA RECONCILIATION SERVICES

Sunday, March 20
Wednesday, March 23
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Wednesday, March 24
Thursday, March 24

1:00 pm St. Mary/Holy Cross, Elkhart
6:00 pm St. Augustin, Des Moines
7:00 pm St. Theresa, Des Moines
7:00 pm St. Pius X, Urbandale

Sunday, March 27 3:00 pm St. Mary of Nazareth, Des Moines

Tuesday, March 29 6:30 pm St. Joseph, Des Moines Wednesday, March 30 6:30 pm Assumption, Granger

Wednesday, March 30
Thursday, March 31
Sunday, April 3
Wednesday's during Lent
7:00 pm Sacred Heart, West Des Moines
7:00 pm Ss. John and Paul. Altoona
1:00 pm St. John the Apostle, Norwalk
6-7 pm All Saints, Des Monies

MARY'S MEALS 5 & 10K RACE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please consider helping us for 3 hours on Sat. May 7th put on this fundraising race. Help is needed at:

Water Stations * Start/Finish line * On the race course keeping the runners safe and keeping them heading in the right direction

https://runsignup.com/Race/IA/DesMoines/ DesMoinesMarysMeals5kWalkRun10K

Please email me if you could donate some time for this event, it will allow us to feed hundreds of children one meal a day when they attend school for a year.

2021 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL

A Big Thank You to those who have given a gift to the Annual Diocesan Appeal! We have met our goal!!!!! The ADA parish goal is \$99,200 We are currently at \$18,228.00 Thank you to the 40 families that have participated out of the 445 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

Know Your Catholic Faith

Local Church

If you were asked what local church you belonged to, would you have the correct answer? The answer to this question is that you belong to the local church of the Diocese of Des Moines, unless you are visiting from another area. The Second Vatican Council describes the local church as a "community existing around an altar, under the sacred ministry of the bishop." The local Church is that of a particular locality, thereby, identified as a particular church. The universal (catholic) church is a communion of all those particular churches that are spread throughout the world. In other words, the local church is the archdiocese or diocese as a local community of Christ's followers led and served by a bishop with the assistance of his priests and deacons (at parishes) and is one of the core realities in the Catholic understanding of what it means to be a church. Giving support of time, talent and treasure to the Local Church at both the parish and at diocesan level help fulfill our individual mission of evangelizing the Word of God to others. (11:17)

Next week: Church

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

- 11am-12:15pm Religious Education Classes (K-4th grade) ♦ Sun. 3/20 6-8pm 1st year Confirmation 4:30pm Evening Prayer & Benediction (Church)
 - 6-8pm The Veil Removed (Lenten Happy Hours) Conf. #2
- 8:30am AFF Bible Study on Philippians ♦ Mon. 3/21 6-8:30pm Jacobs Martial Arts (Gym)
- 5-6:30pm Scott 5th grade Baseball practice (gym) ◆ Tues
- 6:30-7:30pm Scott 3rd grade Baseball practice (gym) 3/22 6pm Finance Meeting (Conf. #2)

7pm Social Justice Meeting (Church Conf. room #1)

♦ Wed. 9am-12 noon Pickle ball (gym) 5pm AFF Bible Study on Philippians 3/23

7pm AFF Bible Study on Philippians 7-8:15pm Religious Education Classes (5-8th grade)

7pm Reconciliation for our young people 7-8:15pm Youth Group Gathering (Youth Group room)

◆ Thurs. 6-8:30pm Jacobs Martial Arts (Gym) 3/24 6pm Safety Meeting (Conf. #2)

5pm Stations of the Cross ♦ Fri.

3/25 5:30pm Mass (Lent-only) 5:30-7pm Fish Fry (dine-in or drive-thru)

♦ Sun. 11-12:15pm Religious Ed classes (K-4th Grade) 2:30pm Server Training (Church) 3/27 4:30pm Evening Prayer & Benediction (Church) 6pm Happy Hours "The Veil Removed" (Conf. #2)

♦ Mon. 8:30am AFF-Bible Study (Conf. #2) 3/28 6-8:30pm Jacobs Martial Arts (Gym)

♦ Tues 5-6:30pm Scott Basketball practice (gym) 3/29 6:30-7:30pm Scott Baseball practice (gym)

♦ Wed. 9am-12 noon Pickle ball (gvm) 5pm AFF-Bible Study (Conf. #2) 3/30 6:30pm Parish Reconciliation w/extra Priest's

7-8:15pm Religious Ed classes (5-8th grade)

◆ Thurs. 6-8:30pm Jacobs Martial Arts (Gym) 3/31

BAPTISM CLASS

Our next Baptismal Prep class will be held Sunday, March 20, 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)



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ST. MICHAEL'S SPRING RETREAT **EUCHARISTIC & MARINA FOCUS**

Open to all Catholic boys in Diocese Grades 3-8

Where: St. Augustin Church & parish hall When: Saturday, March 26 8 am - 6 pm (5 pm Mass at St. Augustin Church included)

Cost: \$25 Scholarships available

Led by high school boys and local priests

Fun Activities and Games Talks

Urban Air in Ankeny (Adult drivers) Pizza and snacks included

Register by Monday, March 21.

For more information or to register, contact:

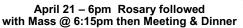


Kmpierick@gmail.com or Jeff Pierick at 515-778-6087



Friday Night Fish Fry's Begin!!!! Dine-In or Drive-Thru
5:30pm-7pm FREE-WILL DONATION!!!!

Menu: Baked or fried fish, Baked Potato, Coleslaw, Cheese Pizza, and a Cookie





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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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

3/20, 3/27, 4/3, 4/10

Reconciliation for 1st Eucharist 4/24 after 10am Mass Practice & Retreat for 1st Eucharist 4/24 First Communion 5/1 at 2pm

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

Confirmation Practice & Dinner 4/24 at 6pm Confirmation is scheduled for April 27th @ 7pm

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

3/20

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

Wednesday RE Classes (5-8 grades) 7-8:15pm 3/23, 3/30, 4/6, 4/13

EASE FUND APPLICATIONS ARE **DUE APRIL 1, 2022**

Just a reminder your EASE Fund applications are due on or before April 1st. Please drop in the lock box or send to Assumption Church PO Box 159; Granger, IA 50109. If you have questions please reach out to Anita Stahowick.

Save the Date

Vacation Bible School will be the week of June 20 - July 1st From 9am –12 noon. Keep an eye out for more information on registration and more!



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Rice Bowls:

Our parish will be participating in CRS Rice Bowl, Catholic Relief Services' Lenten program, as a way to encounter Jesus through others, especially through the most vulnerable in our world. Rice Bowls will be available on Ash Wednesday. Please be sure to take home a Rice Bowl and use this fun and easy resource to deepen your family's Lenten experience and make a difference in the lives of the poor.

We ask that you bring them back and place them in the baskets that will be provided at our Holy Thursday Liturgy.

Fasting:

Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are a day of fast (i.e. no meat and no snacks between meals). ALL Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence: No meat on Fridays during Lent.

Reconciliation:

All Saturdays starting at 4pm. Our parish reconciliation with extra Priest will be **March 30th at 6:30pm**

Lenten Devotions:

- Friday 's at 5pm Stations of the Cross followed by Mass
- ♦ Sunday's at 4:30pm Evening Prayer & Benediction
- ♦ Sunday's at 6pm The Veil Removed

K of C Fish Fry & Homemade Pizza:

This year they will be offering both <u>Dine-In</u> & <u>Drive-up</u> from 5:30pm7pm

Menu: Fried or Baked Fish, baked potato, coleslaw, roll, and cookie. Cheese Pizza will also be available.

FREE-WILL DONATION!!!!

Blessings, Your Brothers in Christ, Assumption Knights of Columbus, Council 12130



Job Posting – Part Time Accountant/Bookkeeper: St. John the Apostle Catholic Church is seeking a part-time Accountant to oversee the parish finances, including responsibility for accounts payable and general ledger for the church. The successful candidate will work under the supervision of the Business Manager. https://stjohnsnorwalk.org/_modules/form.php?id=46 https://stjohnsnorwalk.org/_modules/form.php?id=47



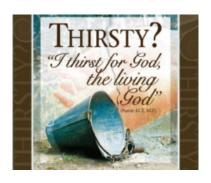
St. John's in Adel is hiring for the following positions. Business Manager - Full time: Administers the day-to-day business functions of the parish and provides support for special events and projects. Secretary – Part-time: The Secretary provides administrative and related office services to the staff, members of the parish and/or committee, and board members. Visit our website for full a job

description at www.stjohnsadel.org. Please email a resume and cover





From the Pastor Rev. Dominic Assim



OUR SOULS THIRST FOR GOD

We have all experienced thirst before, and we continue to be thirsty in our lives as human beings and as creatures. We all know what happens to our fields when there is no irrigation to water them when it does not rain.

Jesus in the gospel speaks of new water, the new life that he is about to give us. We hear the incredible account of his encounter with the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well. The woman is at the well presumably to look for water to quench her thirst, but Jesus will soon reveal to her that she thirsts not just for water but for knowledge.

It is interesting to follow her progress in discovering the person of Christ. At the start, he is merely a Jewish traveler; he then becomes Sir; later, he is a prophet, then the Messiah, and finally, the Savior of the world. As a result of this encounter, the woman has become a missionary bringing others to Jesus.

It is easy to see in the spiritual journey of the Samaritan woman the way every catechumen journeys. Like the Samaritan woman, the catechumens go through various stages until they recognize Jesus as the world's Savior. At the end of this journey, they receive baptism.

Like the Samaritan woman, every Christian is in desperate need of God. We are needy human beings wandering in the desert of our secular and materialistic world. Let us acknowledge our thirst and pray with the Psalmist: "O God, you are my God for you I long. For you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory" (Psalm 63:2-3).



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