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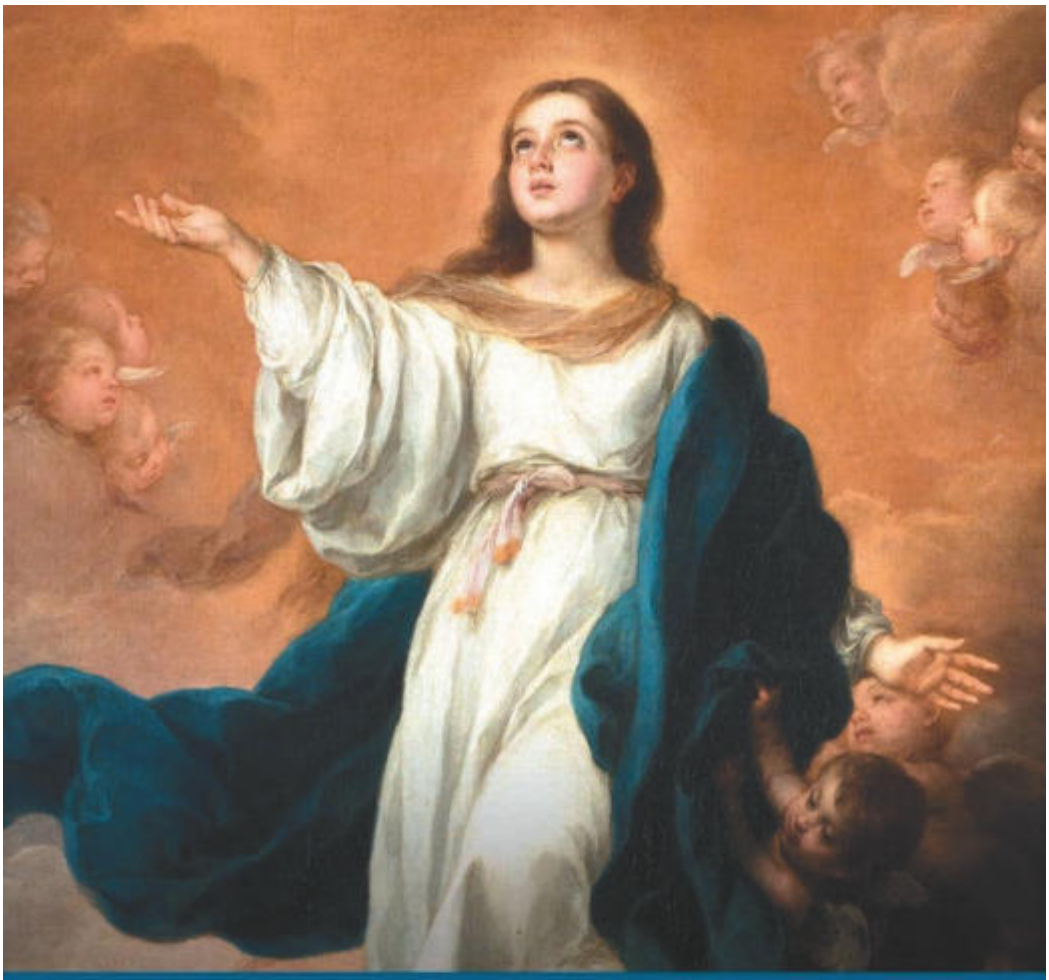

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

"From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly."
- Lk 1:48b-49, 52

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"NEW" Mass Schedule

FACE MASK IS REQUIRED
if not fully vaccinated!

Saturday at 4:30 p.m.
and
Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Please join us!

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

Bible Study Group – 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month. (Sept.-June)

Men's Fellowship Group— 2nd Saturday of each month at 9 a.m.

Parish Council — 2nd Tuesday of January, March, May, September, and November, at 7:00 p.m. All Parishioners are welcome!

Religious Education — Grades K-12 classes are held on Sundays from Sept-May from at 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. == **Why Catholic (for Adults)** Sundays from 8:30 to 9:45 a.m.

Rosary Group—after the 10:00 a.m. Sunday Mass.

PLEASE JOIN US!

Dear Parishioners,

The Peace of the Lord be with you!

From the Pastor's Desk

On August 15th we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven. This solemn feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary was defined by Pope Pius X in 1950.

"The Immaculate Mother of God, the ever-virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed into heavenly glory."
(Munificentissimus Deus)

Mary is the mother of Jesus, our beloved Saviour. Mary is the mother of the Catholic Church, and our spiritual mother. Mary was given to us at the foot of the cross to be our mother.

Mary is first among all of the saints. Mary intercedes for us with her Son, Jesus.

Mary is in heaven. In the Holy Land there are many tombs of famous people. Mary has no tomb. Mary was never buried. If the Blessed Mother was buried in the Holy Land, there would certainly be a large church at her burial place.

We only worship God, but we venerate the saints.

Let us pray to Mary, the Blessed Virgin Mary, and ask her to help us with all of our needs.

In Christ

Rev. Mark James Turner

August 8, 2021

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FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Sign-up sheets are in the Gathering Space!

Readings for August 22, 2021
Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b
Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]
Eph 5:21-32
Jn 6:60-69

Please pray for our Parishioners and Friends, especially: Bill Kahler, Dolores Kelly, David Brown, Wayne Riesner (Suzanne LaVoie's brother), and Karen Miller (Mike & Joyce McCoy's niece).

St. Tomas More is pleased to make available for free a book called

A Minute in the Church: The Mass.

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We Pray in Faith that all who have died may be welcomed into the peace of God's Kingdom.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday	**08/16**	
8:30 a.m. Mass		**Donald Wilkinson**
Tuesday	**08/17**	
8:30 a.m. Mass		**Fran Meek**
Wednesday	**08/18**	
8:30 a.m. Mass		**Lionel Shiyghan-Ntani**
Thursday	**08/19**	
8:30 a.m. Mass		**Myrtle Markland**
Friday	**08/20**	
8:30 a.m. Mass		**Madeline& Orland Liberatore**
Saturday	**08/21**	
4:30 p.m. Mass		**Michael F. DiLiello**
Sunday	**08/22**	
10:00 a.m. Mass		**For the Parishioners**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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REGISTRATION is being held on

August 22, 29 after the 10:00 a.m.
Mass in the Gathering Space!
Books need to be ordered!!!!
Please register NOW!

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LIVE THE LITURGY -
INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Good mothers have a way of bringing their children hope. When we fall and hurt ourselves, our mothers can help us walk the path of healing. There is hope that we will get better and the trust that we have in mom's comforting assurance allows us to move forward. Mothers know instinctively what we need and what we are capable of doing. They can be one of our biggest cheerleaders in life, and even when facing despair, can point the way to a brighter tomorrow. Our Blessed Mother does precisely that for us today. As one closest to our Lord, she cheers us on with the hope of what life will be for all of us. Although given the unique distinction of being raised in both body and soul, she nonetheless points to our true eternal destiny. Achieving this inheritance overrides any disappointment and her intercession and example inspires us to pick ourselves up when we fall. Always a mother filled with grace and hope, she calls us to reaffirm our faith in God and in the gifts we have each been given as we persevere even in the midst of life's challenges and failures. ©LPi

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK - INVITE PARISHIONERS TO REFLECT AND RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading:
We hear in Proverbs how we are called to participate in divine wisdom. Who do you see as a wisdom figure in your life?
Second Reading:
Paul sees one pathway to wisdom is to avoid evil, ignorance, and drunkenness, and be filled rather with gratitude. For what in your life should you be grateful?
Gospel:
How do you understand Jesus' assertion: "Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you do not have life within you." ©LPi

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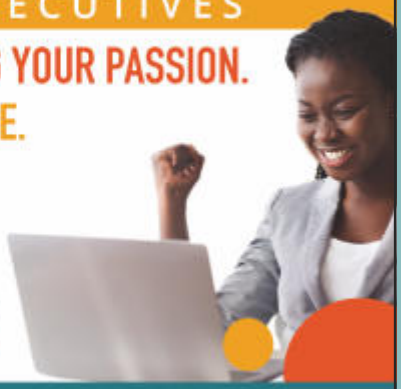

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