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# Welcome

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

August 15, 2021

Today's feast celebrates Mary's Assumption into heaven, which has long been held as an important Catholic belief. The Gospel for this day reminds us that Mary's Assumption into heaven is best understood with regard for the full spectrum of Catholic beliefs about the person of Christ and the person of Mary. Only Mary, who was born without stain of original sin—the Immaculate Conception—could give birth to Christ. Because of Mary's role in God's plan of salvation, she does not suffer from the effects of sin, which are death and decay. Mary is the first to receive the fullness of the redemption that her son has won for all of humanity.

Today's Gospel highlights Mary's faith, which enabled her to recognize the work of God in her people's history and in her own life. Her openness allowed God to work through her so that salvation might come to all. Mary is a model and symbol of the Church. May we be like Mary, open and cooperative in God's plan of salvation.

In Christ,

Fr. Brian

Fr. Brian Buettner, Pastor

Queridos hermanos y hermanas en Cristo,

La fiesta de hoy celebra la Asunción de María al cielo, que durante mucho tiempo se ha mantenido como una importante creencia católica. El Evangelio para este día nos recuerda que la Asunción de María al cielo se entiende mejor con respecto a todo el espectro de creencias católicas sobre la persona de Cristo y la persona de María. Sólo María, que nació sin mancha de pecado original — la Inmaculada Concepción — pudo dar a luz a Cristo. Debido al papel de María en el plan de salvación de Dios, ella no sufre de los efectos del pecado, que son la muerte y la decadencia. María es la primera en recibir la plenitud de la redención que su hijo ha ganado para toda la humanidad.

El Evangelio de hoy destaca la fe de María, que le permitió reconocer la obra de Dios en la historia de su pueblo y en su propia vida. Su apertura permitió a Dios obrar a través de ella para que la salvación pudiera venir a todos. María es un modelo y símbolo de la Iglesia. Que seamos como María, abiertos y cooperativos en el plan de salvación de Dios.

En Cristo,

Fr. Brian



Saturday Vigil 4:00pm Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, 4:00pm 12:00noon in Spanish

Weekdays 12:00noon Wednesdays 6:30pm in Spanish Holy Days 7:00am, 12noon, 7:00pm

#### Confession Schedule

Weekdays 11:15am (English) Saturdays 3:00pm (English) Sundays 11:15am (Spanish) Wednesdays 5:45pm(Spanish)

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Engagements are a sacred time for couples. We walk with couples to prepare for the Sacrament of Marriage. Please call the parish office for more information.

#### Sacrament of Baptism

We are excited that you are considering the Sacrament of Baptism. Children six years and under are received through infant baptism. Those seven and older and adults are received through the Rite of Christian Initiation. Our parish office is ready to assist you.

#### AUGUST 14 Saturday

4pm: Intentions of Elier Alexis Lujan

#### AUGUST 18 Wednesday

4pm: 骨 Lynda Musselman 6:30pm: 骨 Sergio Aguilar

#### AUGUST 15 Sunday

8am: Intentions of Esperanza Lujan 10am: Missa Pro Populo 12noon: † Esperanza Ruiz 4:00pm † Kiki Stranberg

#### AUGUST 19 Thursday

12pm: Intentions of Ron Hawes

#### AUGUST 20 Friday

12pm: 骨 Helen Wolf

#### AUGUST 16 Monday

12pm: Intentions of Billie Joe Nevels

#### **AUGUST 17** Tuesday



Reflection from LoyolaPress

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#### August 15: The Assumption of Mary

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Today's Gospel highlights Mary's faith. Mary's faith enabled her to recognize the work of God in her people's history and in her own life. Her openness to God allowed God to work through her so that salvation might come to all. Mary is a model and symbol of the Church. May we be like Mary, open and cooperative in God's plan of salvation.

#### Retreat in Daily Life

Do you seek to know the Lord and grow in your relationship with him? St. Ignatius of Loyola's *Retreat in Daily Life* is offered throughout the archdiocese from October to May. This weekly small group is rooted in Scripture and prayer under the guidance of a spiritual director/facilitator. To learn more about the group and how to apply, visit **archokc.org/spirituallife** or contact Nancy Vargas at navargas54@gmail.com. Applications and interviews are conducted July 1 through Aug. 31.

#### Run to Remember October 2-3

The Oklahoma City Memorial Marathon is about more than running, it is about celebrating life. Over 24,000 walkers and runners participate in supporting the OKC Memorial Museum. You can sign up for 5k or half-marathon at **okcmarathon.com**.

#### Saturday Morning of Reflection for Lectors

All Active Lectors: Mark your calendars for a morning of formation and inspiration Saturday August 21 from 9:00-11:30am in the parish hall. A personal invitation will be sent to active lectors. A morning of reflection will be offered in Spanish in the fall.



#### Burgers & Brauts & Beans OH MY!

The Knights of Columbus invite all parishioners to a cookout on Saturday, August 21 after the 4pm Mass. What a great way to connect with our parish family over burgers, brauts, and baked beans! No tickets are needed, just come and enjoy!

#### 55+ Parishioners: A Night of Fellowship

Parishioners 55 years and older are invited to a night of faith, food, and fellowship on Tuesday, August 24 at 6pm in the parish hall. Bring your favorite dish.



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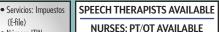
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