

April 18 2021, 3rd Sunday of Easter



# Assumption

*Of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

30 Lockwood St. Geneva, OH 44041

## Welcome

*We extend our hands and hearts to everyone.*

*Whether you are a longtime parishioner or a visitor!*

*We are grateful that you are with us!*

## Parish Staff

Fr. Daniel Finnerty

Pastor

Bryan Cataldo

Minister of Music

Denise Welser

Office Manager

Lindsay Fuentes

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## Liturgy

### Mass Times

Saturday 4:30pm,

Sunday 9:00am & 11:00am

### Adoration

Friday 4:00pm-9:00pm

### Confessions

Saturday 3:00-3:30pm

Wednesday 5:30-6:00pm

## Our Mission

***Our Assumption Parish Family  
is united in the Liturgy of the Eucharist;  
to love, to teach, to heal, and to serve.***

***We do this through prayer,  
in our commitment  
to Jesus Christ, and to one another,  
through the intercession  
of our Blessed Mother.***

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### ***Parish Council Members:***

Chris Fuentes: President

Beth Cybulski: Vice President

Denise Welser: Secretary

### ***At Large:***

Mark Kahanca , Nanci Austin,

Mark Debevec, Diane Bruening , Mary Spano

**More ways to stay informed:**

**Parish Website:** [assumptionchurchoh.org](http://assumptionchurchoh.org)

**Parish Facebook:** Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Geneva, Ohio

You can watch Fr. Daniel's weekend Mass on our YouTube channel and Facebook.

The link can be found on our Parish website... [Assumptionchurchoh.org](http://Assumptionchurchoh.org)

**YouTube name:** Assumption Church Geneva, OH.

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

We often act out of ignorance. Armed with the best of intentions, we think we are seeing clearly and correctly, but we are not. We don't always understand the full meaning of things and only perceive part of the truth. Hence, our judgments and actions can be impaired by myopic, incomplete or erroneous perceptions. The meaning of life, understanding of human experience, and negotiating life's challenges can all become skewed without proper understanding and vision. The resurrection of Christ is the corrective to our incomplete and limited view of life. Looking at things with the eyes of faith brings a depth of clarity and understanding to how we see God, ourselves, others, and the world.

Even the disciples struggled with their limited understanding and ignorant perceptions. It was only when Jesus opened their minds to understand the Scriptures that their eyes were opened. It was their "aha" moment when everything clicked. We all want the substance of our lives to come together, make sense, and have meaning. This is easier to achieve when things are going positively, and life is good. It is when suffering, disappointment, death, hardship, and injustice enter the picture that things can become unsettled and disoriented. Our faith in the goodness and love of God is tested. We tend to shift our focus on these difficult and challenging moments and do not see them within the greater picture of how God intends life to unfold. We can gain, from the passion and resurrection of Christ, the clear vision we need in order to move away from ignorance to enlightenment.

We need our "aha" moment when everything comes together and clicks. It can come in a fleeting instant when we feel totally connected with God, where we find ourselves, others and all of creation. It is a moment when all is right and good, regardless of how difficult our journey. Our "aha" moment assures us that God is here, right with us, in us and around us bringing us a gift and blessing we can receive nowhere else: peace. In those brief sacramental encounters when we are lifted up out of ourselves and centered, we can hear God say, "peace be with you," and we feel secure. It's all okay. The resurrected Christ has the power to bring this gift to us. Some people, as they are facing their deaths, remark about this peace. When looking into the window of eternity, they experience a depth of joy and are amazed at God's goodness and closeness. We are called to be witnesses to this Good News.

It's time to add new members to Parish Council. If you would like to join Parish Council or know someone who would be an asset to this important ministry, please nominate them through the nomination forms found in the bulletin. You can place them in the basket, give them to any member of Parish Council, or drop them off at the office. All nominations need to be returned by May 3rd.

**REMEMBER TO  
PRAY FOR**

*The sick and recovering in the parish: Phyllis Pugh, Eva Bukky, Carl Ellsworth, Bob Sistik, Gina Pasqualone, George Stephens, Ashley Painter, Dan Bergen, Patti Modarelli, Tom and Cora Klarner, Jane Conacher, Tayler K. Kelsser, George & Eleanor Phillips, June Janke, Jeanette Salisbury, Patrick Cataldo Jr., Sister Maureen Burke SND, Brian Merrill, Giovanni Rice, Jane Smith as well as those that have not the courage or the strength to ask for our prayers. If you know of someone who could use a prayer, or if you are in need of one, you could put a note in the basket or call the office.*

### Our Gifts to the Lord

April 11 \$4,871.21

Thank you for your  
generosity!

(Need to meet our expenses \$4,400)



### UNITED IN FAITH

*With the hope, and love  
we pray for the deceased  
members of Assumption  
Parish.*

### How to Fail Your Way to Heaven

You know what are some of my favorite moments in Scripture? The little “Easter eggs” of Jesus’ humanity, things like Jesus falling asleep, Jesus drawing in the sand, Jesus playing with kids. And how about Jesus rising from the dead, appearing to his disciples and saying, “So, have you got anything to eat?”

It’s right for us to always keep in mind that Jesus is God. But we also have to remember that he was man. He got hungry. He cried when he felt sad and laughed when he felt happy. He got tired. He got bored.

Because he was God, none of those feelings ever led him into sin, like they do us. He never spent a car ride trying to pass the hours by seeing how annoyed he could make his older sister. He never smacked Peter over the head for saying something really stupid. But he did unleash some Biblically righteous anger on those traders in the temple, didn’t he? And he wasn’t shy about calling Peter “a Satan” when his friend tempted him to take the easy way out.

It’s the tightrope walk we all try to balance every day, honoring our human emotions while still answering God’s call to be better. Being perfect isn’t the domain of the Christian — that’s the domain of Christ only. Trying and failing, then trying again (and failing again) and again and again? That’s the domain of the Christian.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

### Fritz’s going away party. April, 25th following 11am Mass.

Fritz will be leaving us in the early summer, to continue his seminary training. Fritz has been a bright beacon, during these last several months, here at Assumption.

April 25th is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. What a perfect day to offer your prayer for Fritz and wish him well on his next endeavor, while increasing his faith. A lunch of roast beef, chicken, roasted potatoes, green beans, salad and a going away cake, will be provided. Masks will be required at all times, unless you are eating or drinking.

**Please call the office with the number in your party.**

Thank you to everyone who supported our parish fish fries this year and a special thank you to all of the hardworking volunteers for their time and talents. None of the fundraisers here at Assumption would be possible if not for the generosity of our volunteers. We made \$6,600.00 from the fish fries. To show our appreciation, a luncheon for all volunteers will be held after 11:00 Mass on May 2nd.

### Prayers for the Deceased

Please remember to offer  
prayers for Larry Carraher  
who passed away last week.

### BREAKFAST WITH THE KNIGHTS

An off-the-grill menu prepared for you third Sunday of each Month from 8:00 AM to 12:00 noon. EAT-IN or TAKE-OUT: 440-466-6446. Call before 11:00 AM at 6113 N Ridge Rd W, Geneva OH 44041. Menu combinations & à la carte selections with generous portions of home fries with eggs the way you like them.

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## *Mass Intentions for the Week*



<b>Sat .</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Millie Ovnice</b> Fenner Family
	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Sophie Kurzanski</b> Kurzanski & Shevchik Family
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>Kathleen Smith</b> Lois Lippart
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>Rita Myers</b> Joe Costello
<b>Thur.</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>Holy Souls in Purgatory</b> Earthy Advocate
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>8:30am</b>	<b>Vocations</b>
<b>Sat.</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>Michael Srsen</b> Miller Family
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Buena Otero</b> Sonia Rosado
	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR April 17th/18th

#### LECTORS

<b>SAT.</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>D. Gerber</b>
<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>L. Daly</b>
	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Needed</b>

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS of EUCHARIST

<b>SAT.</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>J. Gerber</b>
<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>L. Linehan</b>
	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>A. Galliazzo</b>

#### ALTAR SERVERS

<b>SAT.</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>	<b>Needed</b>
<b>SUN.</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	<b>L. Linehan</b>
	<b>11:00am</b>	<b>P. Galliazzo</b>

### **Confession & First Communion**

#### **Question:**

Do children need to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before their First Communion?

#### **Answer:**

For centuries the Catholic Church has taught that a person needs to be in a state of grace (free from mortal sins) in order to worthily receive the Eucharist. To that end, Catholics should make an effort to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation any time they recognize the need for the sacrament (and in keeping with the precept of the Church that asks that we celebrate this sacrament at least once each year).

In the case of children preparing for their First Communion, the Code of Canon Law is very clear that they should also celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving the Eucharist for the first time: "It is the responsibility, in the first place, of parents and those who take the place of parents as well as of the pastor to see that children who have reached the use of reason are correctly prepared and are nourished by the divine food as early as possible, preceded by sacramental confession" (Canon 914).

While some might question the significance of the Sacrament of Reconciliation — especially in the case of children who might not fully understand the reality of sin or the meaning of the sacrament itself — a child's "First Confession" can be a wonderful time for families to reflect together on the quality of their relationships, how they put their faith into practice, and, when it is possible, to celebrate the sacrament as a family. In the end, the celebration of these two sacraments marks important moments in the spiritual journeys of children and we hope their "First Confession" and "First Communion" help instill in them a love of the sacraments of the Church.

**It's that time of the year again.**

**Can you spare 1 day a month?**

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keep Assumption looking beautiful.  
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become a part of this ministry.**

### **1st Reading – Acts 3:13-15, 17-19**

Peter said to the people:

“The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and denied in Pilate’s presence when he had decided to release him. You denied the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. The author of life you put to death, but God raised him from the dead; of this we are witnesses. Now I know, brothers, that you acted out of ignorance, just as your leaders did; but God has thus brought to fulfillment what he had announced beforehand through the mouth of all the prophets, that his Christ would suffer. Repent, therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be wiped away.”

**R. Thanks be to God.**

### **2nd Reading – 1 John 2:1-5A**

My children, I am writing this to you so that you may not commit sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous one. He is expiation for our sins, and not for our sins only but for those of the whole world. The way we may be sure that we know him is to keep his commandments. Those who say, “I know him,” but do not keep his commandments are liars, and the truth is not in them. But whoever keeps his word, the love of God is truly perfected in him.

**R. Thanks be to God.**

### **Gospel – Luke 24:35-48**

V. The Lord be with you

**R. And with your spirit.**

V. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

**R. Glory to you, O Lord**



The two disciples recounted what had taken place on the way, and how Jesus was made known to them in the breaking of bread. While they were still speaking about this, he stood in their midst and said to them, “Peace be with you.” But they were startled and terrified and thought that they were seeing a ghost. Then he said to them, “Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me and see, because a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see I have.” And as he said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While they were still incredulous for joy and were amazed, he asked them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of baked fish; he took it and ate it in front of them. He said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the law of Moses and in the prophets and psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, “Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and that repentance, for the forgiveness of sins, would be preached in his name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.”

**R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**



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