

# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

FEBRUARY 22, 2026

*May you find Christ here... May you bring Christ to the world.*

## Welcome!

### MASS SCHEDULE

#### Weekday Mass

Monday-Friday: 6:30am, 8am

Saturday: 8am

#### Weekend Mass

Saturday Vigil: 5pm

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 12pm, 5:30pm

#### Confessions

Monday-Friday: 7:30-7:50am  
(Church)

Saturday: 4-4:50pm (Church)  
or by appointment

Sunday: by appointment

#### Holy Days

Vigil for Feast Day: 5:30pm

Feast Day: 6:30am, 8am and 7pm

## Parish Information

403 N. Main Street

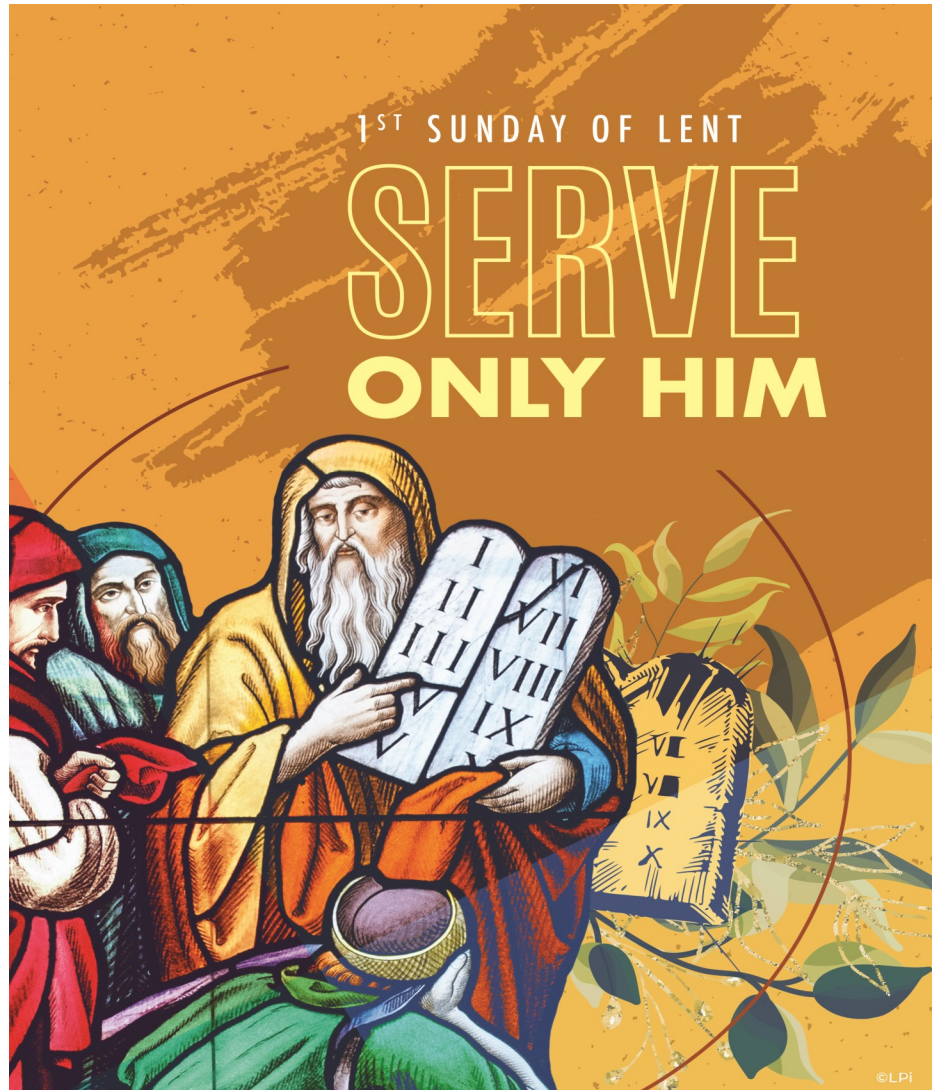
O'Fallon, MO 63366

Parish Office: 636-240-3721

Parish Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday: 8am-4pm

Friday: 8am-3pm; Summer 8am-2pm



## SACRAMENTS AND PARISH INFORMATION

### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the Parish Office, 636-240-3721. Select Option #2.

### BAPTISM

Baptism is scheduled every Sunday at 1:15pm. Baptism preparation class is required. Call Angie Gloriod, ext 235.

### CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (formally RCIA)

Process through which adults are initiated into the Catholic Church by Baptism or Profession of Faith.

Contact Missy Lowrey, 314-630-3983.

### FUNERALS

Please contact Debbie Collins at the Parish Office, 636-240-3721, ext 221.

### CHRISTIAN MARRIAGE

Contact the Parish Office six months in advance. One party must be a registered member of Assumption and living an active, practicing Catholic life. Contact Angie Gloriod at the Parish Office, ext 235.

### CONFIRMATION

Preparation begins in September for students entering eighth grade. For more information, call Holly Woytus, 636-240-1020.

### FIRST COMMUNION

Preparation begins in September for students entering second grade. Contact Holly Woytus, 636-240-1020 for more information.

# Welcome

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Hello,

As we enter the season of Lent, I thought I would address the three pillars of Lent that we heard in the Ash Wednesday Gospel: **Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving**. But instead of that order, I will start with Almsgiving as that is the first one in the Gospel from Matthew, and also, we happen to have our half year financial statements in the bulletin this weekend.



I think almsgiving can often be considered the last and least of these three (I read an article of a person who surveyed articles on Lent and he said almsgiving was even left out of over half of them – *Prayer, Fasting and That Other One* by Jacob Imam in Newpolity.com) and yet, it can be the one in which we connect to the others. Almsgiving is not meant to only be giving to others but also is giving to God. Recognizing that all that we have originated from God, and we are putting it to use in the manner he desires, almsgiving is a direct way we demonstrate that we are simply stewards of all that God entrusts us with and are trying to put it to God's desired use.

One way I have copied the example others have given me to tie almsgiving to fasting, is to put the money I saved from fasting to charity. I remember years ago when I was working in an office and had the habit of putting so much change in my pocket every day to buy a soda in the middle of the afternoon. I decided to give up that soda during Lent and just set that money aside to give to a charity at the end of Lent, it wasn't the biggest sacrifice or financial amount, but it was something. I believe some use the Rice Bowl containers in a similar way to save money during Lent in their homes and help the poor in our community and throughout the world through Catholic Relief Services. The Rice Bowl containers even have a prayer on them. And like any good practices we start in Lent, just because Lent ends we don't have to stop.

Another way to approach almsgiving is responding to a need we see, realizing that we can help. This also eventually involves some sort of fasting, in forgoing some need or desire we could have fulfilled for ourselves from what we donated, but often it also helps us to grow in our need and desire to help others, to grow in our attitude of generosity and charity. Just remember how happy you felt when you were able to relieve the pain or suffering of someone else, or to provide for someone's need.

I am always grateful for the generosity of so many I see every day in our parish. This is obvious in the prayers, care and support people offer each other, but also in the financial support that helps us to operate our parish. At the end of this bulletin is included our parish half year financial summary. It describes how our donations this year have been less than what we have budgeted for the year from our recent history and current operations. Please consider this as a need you may respond to when considering almsgiving this Lent.

Peace,

Fr. Nick

### ASSUMPTION PRAYER CHAPEL



Adoration is available 24/7 in the Chapel (the old church) by using the code at the north transit entrance. You can call or come to the Church Office to receive the code.

EXPOSITION is on Tuesdays, 9am-10pm. At 5:15pm, the Rosary is prayed, followed by our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions, Mass at 6pm, then Exposition continues until 10pm.

During Eucharistic Exposition, when the Eucharist is in the monstrance and exposed, an adorer must be present. If you are interested in being an adorer for an hour, visit [assumptionbvm.weadorehim.com](http://assumptionbvm.weadorehim.com) to sign up and choose a time. Thank you!

### PRAY THE ROSARY BEFORE WEEKEND MASSES

Please join us in Church 30-minutes before each weekend Mass for the Rosary (except 5:30 pm Mass on Sundays.)



### O'FALLON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #2269 UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Queen of Hearts raffle | Every Tuesday

Join us every Tuesday for our weekly raffle. Doors open at 5pm with drawing at 7pm. Food and beverages available for purchase.

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#### Fish Fry: Every Friday of Lent (including Good Friday) | 5-7pm

Join us for our delicious fish fry. Dine in or carry out.

- Adult Fish Dinner includes 2 sides and dessert: \$17
- Senior Fish Dinner includes 2 sides and dessert: \$15
- Chicken Plate or Fish Sandwich includes 1 side and dessert: \$11
- NEW: Fish Tacos (2) includes rice and 1 side: \$12 (limited quantities)
- Childs Plate: \$4 (under 12)
- Extra Desert: \$2

Visit [kofc2269.com/events](http://kofc2269.com/events) for more information about all our events or to inquire about rentals.

### BULLETIN NOTICE

Bulletin articles need to be **submitted to the editor by 9am on the Tuesday before Sunday's edition** (five days prior to availability). Requests will be reviewed and published as space allows.

Please send article to [bulletin.assumption@gmail.com](mailto:bulletin.assumption@gmail.com).

### MEN OF ASSUMPTION PARISH OUR CHURCH AND OUR WORLD NEEDS YOU, MAN OF GOD!



Join us **Saturday, February 28** in the lower hall of the Knights of Columbus building for another great session of TMIY. Our start time is **7:15am** with breakfast, a short video, table discussion, and then we'll have you on your way by **8:30am**. **If you've not attended before, no worries, we hope to see you this weekend!**

**This week's session is titled, "The Choice for Heaven"** Presenter: Fr. John Burns

- Theme: Called to Lift Up Your Heart
- Determine if your ultimate orientation is going in the right direction
- Discover the true reality of human freedom
- Getting to the roots of our sins
- How to have the mind of Christ to see things the way He does
- See how St. Paul calls us to pay attention to what we open ourselves to
- Learn how to say "I choose"

For more information, contact Deacon Richard Tadlock at [DeaconRichard@charter.net](mailto:DeaconRichard@charter.net) or 314-397-2433

### HOSPITALITY SUNDAY MARCH 1



Join Us March 1  
**HOSPITALITY SUNDAY**  
IN THE PARISH CENTER  
FOLLOWING 8 AM, 10 AM & NOON MASSES

Join us in the Parish Center after the 8am, 10am, and noon Masses for donuts, milk, juice, coffee, bagels, and a huge dose of fellowship!

If you are new to the parish, don't forget to visit our hospitality table and register at Assumption. We are so excited you are here! Scan the QR Code with your smartphone to learn more about



**DEACON DIAPER DRIVE  
FEBRUARY 21 THROUGH MARCH 29**



Drop off your diapers and baby wipe donations in the Deacon Diaper Drive drop area located in the pre-function area of the

Parish Center. The baby supplies are being collected by our own Deacon Richard Tadlock and Deacon Fred Volansky through March 29, and will delivered to those in need. **Bigger sizes are in great demand for foster kids. Adult diapers and wipes are also appreciated.** The Deacon Diaper Drive is sponsored by the Permanent Deacons of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, in conjunction with the Respect Life Office.



**A cause you can really get behind.**

**ASSUMPTION RESPECT LIFE  
APOSTOLATE (PRO-LIFE)  
MINISTRY EVENTS**

**Living Rosary in the Chapel**



During Lent, after the 8am weekday Mass, join us in the Chapel to say the rosary.

For more information, you can contact Sylvia Kiphart at 636-978-8803.

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**Life Bassinet**



We are accepting **new baby items** (sizes newborn to one-year-old) for Our Lady's Inn and the Wentzville Pro-life office. Please place your donations in the bassinet that is located in the Parish Hall Pre-function area.

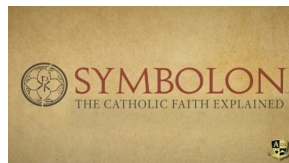
If you have any questions, please contact Sylvia Kiphart at 636-978-8803.

**Easter Egg HUNT**

*Wanted:* **PRIZE DONATIONS**

The Assumption Men's Group is in need of **SMALL TOY, CANDY & BASKET** donations for the 10th Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Palm Sunday. Please place donations in the bins in the Narthex **BEFORE FRIDAY, MARCH 20.**  
*Thank you in advance for your generosity.*

**SYMBOLON VIDEO SERIES  
TUESDAY MORNINGS OF THURSDAY  
EVENINGS IN LENT**



This week we are watching parts of the video entitled *Why do I need the Church? The Mystery of the Catholic Church.* The video addresses questions about some

differences and some challenges between belonging to a church rather than just being spiritual. It will also identify the 4 marks of the Church we profess in our Creed, of being One – Holy – Catholic – Apostolic. Hopefully the video and discussion will help us grow in our understanding in what this means and how we and others live this out in our lives, in our parish, and in the Catholic Church.

- **Tuesday mornings, February 24–March 23, 9-10am, Parish Hall, Meyer Rooms**
- **Thursday evening, February 26–March 26, 6:30-7:30pm, Parish Hall, Multi-purpose Room**

You can find these and other videos on the **Formed.org** website by going under sign in and clicking on "Finding Your Parish Subscription."

	SUNDAY 2.22.26	MONDAY 2.23.26	TUESDAY 2.24.26	WEDNESDAY 2.25.26
<b>Mass Times and Intentions</b>	8:00am Robert Woerheide 10:00am Mary Pieper and Family (special intentions) 12:00pm Helen Binstock 5:30pm People of the Parish	6:30am Liz McBain 8:00am Bob Capstick	6:30am Jack Hanke 8:00am Jeanette Huffman 6:00pm Priests Intention (Chapel)	6:30am Tony Johnson 8:00am Victor and Rose Scholten
<b>Reconciliation</b>	By Appointment	7:30-7:50am Church or by appointment	7:30-7:50am Church or by appointment	7:30-7:50am Church or by appointment



## 50 PLUS CLUB TRIP TO MAINE | SEPTEMBER 19-27

Assumption 50+Club is going on a trip to Maine, September 19-27. You will have:

- a guided tour of Portland and see the Portland waterfront
- a tour of quaint Kennebunk and explore Kennebunkport
- visit the Portland Head lighthouse
- tour historic Victorian Mansion
- trolley ride thru the countryside at the Trolley Museum
- have a lobster dinner (or something other than Lobster)
- visit the Maine Maritime Museum
- visit the Percy and Small shipyard
- take a short train ride at Boothbay Railway Village
- visit the Boott Cotton Mills Museum
- visit the National Civil War Museum
- go to the L.L. Bean flagship store

Cost: \$1410, which includes motorcoach transportation, eight nights lodging, 14 meals: eight breakfasts and six dinners with free time to have lunch, shop, and explore a bit. Call Linda Lambing at 314-599-8429 if interested.

## CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (FORMERLY RCIA)

This weekend we celebrated the Rite of Sending at all masses and the Rite of Election with the Bishop at the Cathedral on Sunday afternoon. The Rite of Election formally concludes this part of their journey and begins a new period. We now support their readiness to enter into a more spiritual journey to the Easter Vigil.

All parishioners are invited to choose members of our elect and keep them in your prayers throughout the season of Lent. A minimal amount of prayer cards for the elect will be available in the back of church or you can cut from this page. As a family, you can write a prayer on the back of the Prayer Card, write a welcoming note, and your children can draw pictures welcoming them to Assumption Parish. **We ask that you return the prayer cards, your welcoming note (and drawing) in an envelope and return them to the Prayer Cards box in the Narthex by March 29** in time for our spiritual retreat day. Please continue to pray for our men, women, and community.



**THURSDAY 2.26.26**  
 6:30am Mary Alice Pijut  
 8:00am Sue Barry  
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 7:30-7:50am Church or by appointment

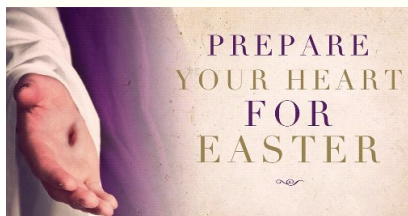
**FRIDAY 2.27.26**  
 6:30am Poor Souls in Purgatory  
 8:00am Catherine Kraemer (special intention)  
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 7:30-7:50am Church or by appointment

**SATURDAY 2.28.26**  
 8:00am Catherine Kraemer (special intention)  
 5:00pm People of the Parish  
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 4-4:50pm Church or by appointment

**SUNDAY 2.29.26**  
 8:00am Bob Gessert  
 10:00am Carmela Bamert  
 12:00pm Ursula Tabaska  
 5:30pm Julianne Richie  
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 By Appointment

## PREPARING FOR EASTER

FEBRUARY 18–APRIL 5



Grow closer to Christ this Lenten Season! Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 18, and leads us to the Triduum of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday, to culminate in our Easter celebration. During the 40-day preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection on **Easter Sunday, April 5**, Catholics around the globe will seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture, serve by giving alms, and practice self-control through fasting for the eternal good God offers us. **Join Assumption for prayer, fasting, and almsgiving this Lenten Season.**

### Friday Evening Stations of the Cross: February 20–March 27 at 7pm in the Chapel (March 13 in the Church)

Also known as the Way of the Cross, commemorate Jesus' passion and death on the cross. There are 14 stations that each depict a moment on his journey to Calvary, usually through sacred art, prayers, and reflections.

### Friday Fish Fry: February 20–April 3 from 5pm–7pm

The O'Fallon Knights of Columbus Council #2269, located across the street from Assumption School, will be cooking up some of the best cod and catfish around. Carryout or dine-in available! **This year we have Fish Tacos (limited quantity.)**

### Tuesday Eucharistic Exposition: February 24–March 31 from 9am–10pm in the Chapel

Pray in the Chapel during Eucharistic Exposition when the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in the monstrance that is placed upon the altar. Eucharistic Adoration is available 24/7 in the Chapel by using the Church code to open the door at the north transit entrance.

### Tuesday Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions during Lent: February 24–March 31 at 5:15pm–6pm in the Chapel

Observe this perpetual novena on Tuesdays during Lent as we gather together in the Chapel to honor our Mother and our Perpetual Help. We recall how she helped others. Her whole life was a lesson in love.

### Tuesday Evening Mass: February 24–March 31 at 6pm in the Chapel

Come pray with us every Tuesday during Lent in the Chapel.

### Friday Afternoon Stations of the Cross: February 27, March 6, March 27 at 2:40pm in the Church, and April 2 at 11am in the Chapel

Our youth guide the congregation through the 14 stations through the eyes of a different person each time.

### Stations of Hope: Friday, March 13 at 7pm during Reconciliation in the Church

Enjoy an evening of prayer, music, and candlelight during this special Lenten Stations adapted from the book, *Choosing Heaven*. It's a spiritual reflection on the sufferings endured by Jesus as they relate to current day sufferings we may face in the 21 century. May be more suitable for ages 16 and up.

### Reconciliation Weekend:

### Friday, March 13 from 6–9pm in the Church, and Saturday, March 14 from 9am–3:30pm in the Chapel

Confessors available to celebrate the sacrament as we draw closer to the end of our Lenten journey.

### Easter Egg Hunt: March 29, Palm Sunday

The Tenth Annual Assumption Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Men's Group is back! The hunts are free and will start 30 minutes after the 8am and 10am Masses. Donations of small toys and Easter baskets are needed. Donation baskets are available in the Church Narthex.

### Shadow Stations of the Cross: April 2, Holy Thursday, at 11am in Chapel

Experience a special Shadow Stations of the Cross on Holy Thursday in the Chapel at 11am. During this special time of prayer and reflection, a special shadow drama depicting the 14-step devotion that commemorates Jesus Christ's last day on Earth as a man.

### Mass of the Lord's Supper: April 2, Holy Thursday, at 7pm in Church

Come celebrate the institution of the Holy Eucharist and Christ's example of humility and charity as we witness the washing of the feet. Eucharistic Adoration in our Chapel follows the service until midnight.

**Life Teen Walk the Way Stations of the Cross: April 3, Good Friday, at 3pm in the Church**

Experience the Stations of the Cross from the perspective of Jesus through this experiential prayer service put on by our Life Teen Ministry. Sit in the Church and observe or be blindfolded while going through the motions.

**Good Friday Service: April 3 at 7pm in Church**

Remember with us the sacrifice Jesus made as we have the reading of the Passion and the veneration of the cross at this Communion service.

**Holy Saturday Easter Vigil: April 4 at 8pm in Church**

This evening we renew our baptismal promises and celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation with those who have been preparing as we witness their Baptisms, entry into the Church, Confirmations, and their First Communions.

**Sunday Easter Mass: April 5 at 8am, 10am, and noon in the Church, and 8:15am and 10:15am in the Chapel**

The season of Easter is the most important of all liturgical times, when we celebrate as the Lord's resurrection from the dead, culminating in his Ascension to the Father and sending of the Holy Spirit upon the Church.



**ST. VINCENT de PAUL NEEDS YOUR HELP**

Thanks to your generosity, your St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry has been well stocked these last several months! **However, we are now running low on the following specific items:**

- These items preferably with pull top lids:
- Canned chicken
  - Canned fruit cocktail
  - Canned peaches
  - Canned pasta (Ravioli)
  - Chili and/or Beef stew
  - Taco shells
  - Box of crackers in sleeves (Club, Ritz, Saltines, Townhouse, etc)
  - Mixed fruit cups in multi-pack
  - Poptarts
  - Packages of peanut butter crackers or cheese crackers (Lance, Keebler, Ritz brand, etc)
  - Cake frosting (chocolate or vanilla only)

**We also welcome grocery store gift cards to allow our neighbors in need to purchase fresh produce and dairy products.**

For those who prefer the convenience of online shopping, we have an easy to use QR Code that links to the Assumption Parish St. Vincent de Paul Amazon Shopping List. Simply hover your smart phone over the QR Code, or visit <https://qrco.de/beSJHT> to be taken to the shopping site. Please select Catherine Hackman's gift registry for shipping. We will update items as our needs and Amazon stock varies.



Thank you for your continued support!  
Your St. Vincent de Paul Team

**REGISTRATION OPEN FOR MEN'S GROUP BAGS TOURNAMENT  
SATURDAY, MARCH 21**



The Assumption Men's group Bags Tournament is back! Join us for an afternoon of fun in the Assumption Parish Center from 11am-3pm. Registration is only \$50 per team and every team is guaranteed 6 games.

Don't miss out on the fun! Register online at [bit.ly/BagsTournament26](https://bit.ly/BagsTournament26) before all 40 teams are filled! Doors open at 10:30am; hot dogs, hamburgers, chips, soda, water, and beer are available for a small fee. **Proceeds support the future development of an outdoor activity area on our campus.**

For more information about the Assumption Men's Group, email [assumptionmensgroup@gmail.com](mailto:assumptionmensgroup@gmail.com).

# Did you know?

The current Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, dedicated on February 26, 2005, was built to accommodate the growing number of parishioners overflowing from the 600-seat Chapel erected in 1931.

After many prayers and careful consideration, parishioners decided to build a new church that would accommodate 1,200, double the number the Chapel could hold. With the first capital campaign beginning in December 2001 and another in 2003, volunteers raised \$5.5 million in total pledges.

A groundbreaking ceremony took place on Palm Sunday, April 13, 2003, where more than 500 gathered and prayed, and the work on the new church and parish center began in August 2003.



## A Legacy of Faith. A Future of Hope



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### PRINCIPAL'S PEN

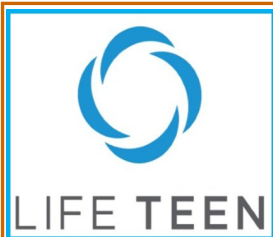


Congratulations to our newest National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) inductees! We are incredibly proud of these students for demonstrating excellence in the five pillars of NJHS: Scholarship, Service, Leadership, Character, and Citizenship. Their hard work and dedication to both their academics and their community have earned them this prestigious honor. Please join us in celebrating their achievements as they begin their journey as student leaders!

- ◆ Emerson Bart
- ◆ Beckett Hicks
- ◆ Harper Rinella
- ◆ Ethan Heiss
- ◆ Maria Cook
- ◆ Saoirse Dolan
- ◆ Claire Meyer
- ◆ Sophia Yates
- ◆ Khloe Brock

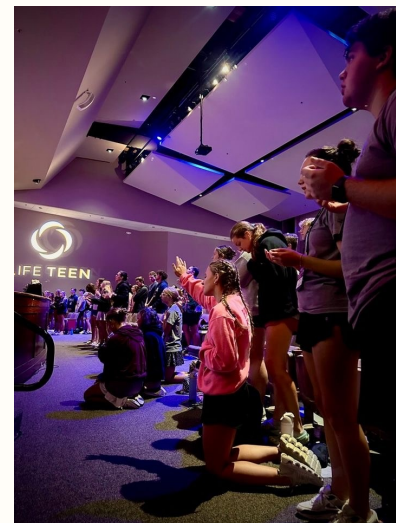
Blessings,  
Jamie Burbridge, Principal





## HELLO FROM ASSUMPTION YOUTH MINISTRY!

What a joy it is to see the young Church alive, well and growing in their faith! We are so excited to see what God has in store for us this spring! Already we have seen God's love and faithfulness to each of us in this new year. Please pray for us and know that we are praying for you!



**Sunday, February 22**  
**Life Teen: Luke 18 Prep**  
**3-5pm in the Parish Center**

**Life Night: Trailblazer: Public Ministry of Jesus**  
**6:30-8:45pm in the Parish Center**

All high school teens are invited to join us for preparing, visioning, and prayer to begin our preparing for our Luke 18 Retreat. Afterwards, we will attend Life Teen Mass and then continue our evening with a Life Night focusing on Jesus' ministry of preaching and healing. Teens, expect food, fellowship, and powerful prayer!

**Wednesday, February 25**  
**EDGE: Secret Identity: Jesus, Son of God**

All middle school youth are invited to join us for faith and fellowship as we start a new super-hero inspired series on the person of Jesus. We can't wait to see you there!

**Life Teen Bible Study**  
**8-9pm in HQ\***

All high school teens are welcome to join us for pizza and a deep dive on the upcoming Sunday's readings for Mass. Come and learn about the Word of God!

\*Life Teen Headquarters (HQ for short), is the small yellow house by the Knights of Columbus Hall.



### 2026 EVENTS:

- April 10-12:** Luke 18 Retreat
- June 8-13:** Life Teen Camp Cana
- June 22-26:** Life Teen Leadership Conference
- July 17-19:** Steubenville Conference

#### Follow us on Social Media:

##### Instagram:

@assumption\_life\_teen and @assumption\_edge

##### Facebook:

Assumption Life Teen and Assumption EDGE

#### QUESTIONS? Contact **Becky Whitaker**,

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 636-240-3721 ext. 243 or [beckywhitaker@abvmtech.org](mailto:beckywhitaker@abvmtech.org)

**Nick Bone**, EDGE Youth Minister (Middle School)

636-240-3721 ext. 333 or [nickbone@abvmtech.org](mailto:nickbone@abvmtech.org)

## OUR PARISH'S FINANCIAL REPORT AFTER SIX MONTHS

We started our fiscal year on July 1, 2025. The statement below shows how well we are doing financially through the end of December 2025. So far, our results are not as good as we planned. Our income from parishioner contributions and bequests is lower than we budgeted, so we are using our reserves to cover our expenses. We need everyone to increase their weekly or monthly offering by 5% or more if we are to overcome this gap in income.

Our parish surplus is \$183,467 worse than we had planned in this years budget. When we set the budget, we considered that we had received large bequests from parishioners in each of the previous two fiscal years. Since July, however, the bequests received have totaled much less.

On the school side, our net result is close to the budget. Enrollment is up, and contributions in support of the school are higher than planned. On the other hand, our expenses for replacing air conditioners and computers were higher than expected.

That leaves us with a combined deficit of \$185,810. We also made debt payments of \$119,364, so we have a total deficit of \$305,174 for the first 6 months of the fiscal year. At the end of December, the balance of our debt from the expansion of the school stood at \$107,836. We are on track to make the last payment in June 2026.

Results from July 1 to December 31, 2025		
	Actual	Budget
<b>Church and other ministries*</b>		
Sunday offerings and other contributions	1,232,639	1,464,202
Other parish income	417,008	313,880
Total parish income	1,649,647	1,778,082
Minus: Parish operating costs	1,365,851	1,310,819
Surplus from church and other ministries	283,796	467,263
<b>School operations</b>		
School tuition and fees	880,057	890,002
School contributions	253,810	217,700
Total school income	1,133,867	1,107,702
Minus: School operating costs	1,603,473	1,575,152
School deficit	(469,606)	(467,450)
<b>Combined surplus before debt payments</b>	(185,810)	(187)
Minus: Principal payments on debt	(119,364)	(113,600)
<b>Net deficit of the parish</b>	<u>(305,174)</u>	<u>(113,787)</u>

\*Other ministries include Parish School of Religion, Youth Ministry, Pre-Kindergarten and parish organizations.

### OUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

<b>Weekly Offertory</b>	<b>February 1, 2026</b>	<b>YTD 7/1/25-2/1/26</b>	<b>Loan taken out in 2013 for expansion of our school</b>
Actual Collections	\$70,200	\$1,225,241	Original Loan \$3,306,127
Budget Target	\$45,000	\$1,450,000	Current balance owed \$67,038
Surplus / (Shortfall)	\$25,200	\$(224,759)	Monthly payment \$20,923

*Last expected payment will be in June 2026.*



The Bible Teaches It (Mal 3:10-12)  
 We Believe It (Acts 4:32-36)  
 God Honors It (Gen 14:18-20)  
**TITHING**

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 information regarding our grief support  
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 contact Lynn Crews at 314-578-0741.