

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

JUNE 29, 2025

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
(Chapel)

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

Sunday: by appointment

Holy Days

Vigil for Feast: 5:30pm

Parish Information

403 N. Main Street

O'Fallon, MO 63366

Parish Office: 636-240-3721

Parish Office Hours:

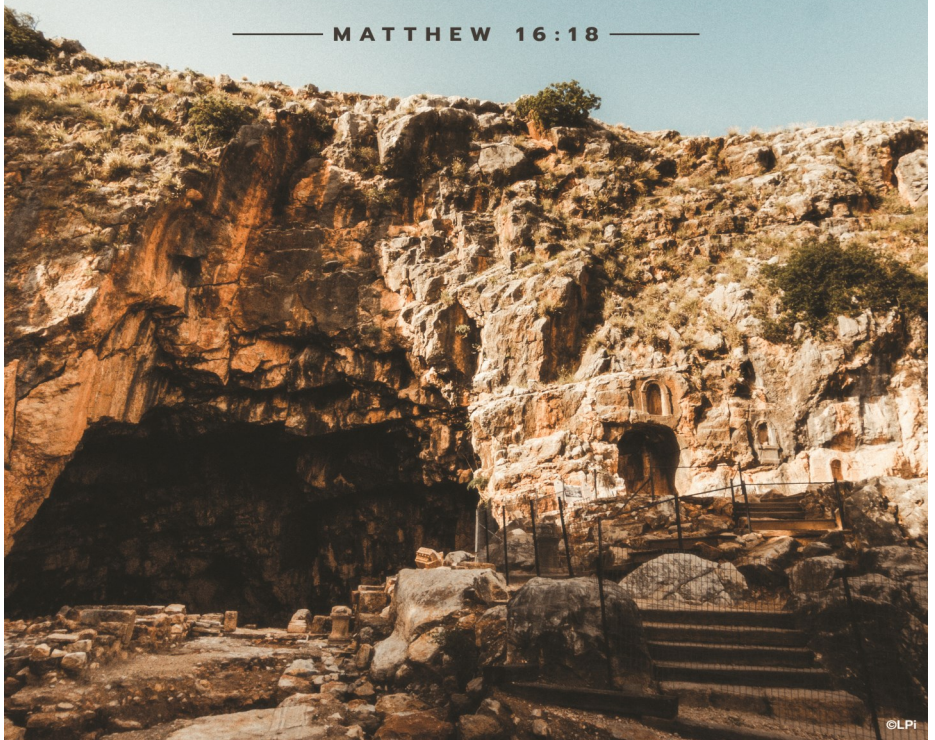
Monday-Thursday: 8am-4pm

Friday: 8am-2pm

ST. PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

AND UPON THIS
ROCK I WILL BUILD
MY CHURCH.

— MATTHEW 16:18 —



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 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. For more information, call Holly Woytus, 636-240-1020.

FUNERALS

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

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.

Welcome

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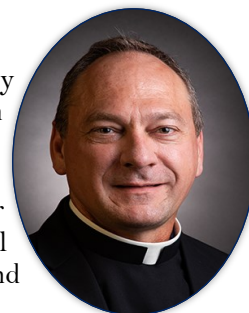
Sunday Preschool
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School Board
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Hello,

After a very wet last few months, we are getting hot and dry weather, just in time for fire warnings for the 4th of July from errant fireworks. I admit doing a few dumb things with fireworks when I was young, fortunately no injuries or damage occurred, and I have a greater understanding and respect for what could happen now. While fireworks are mostly a seasonal concern, guns can be a year-round concern regarding safety and misuse.



Over a year ago, Archbishop Rozanski established a Task Force on Gun Violence Prevention. The mission of this task force was established as follows:

The Archdiocese of Saint Louis stands firmly against gun violence, advocating for peace, justice, and the sanctity of human life. Emphasizing the moral imperative to protect individuals and communities, the Archdiocese calls for addressing the root causes of gun violence through mental health support and community outreach programs.

Grounded in the teachings of compassion and respect for life, the Archdiocese seeks to foster a culture of non-violence and prioritize the safety and well-being of all people.

This year, in recognition of Gun Violence Awareness Month, this task force is providing free gun safety locks to the community. Thanks to a generous partnership with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), gun locks are now available—no questions asked—at Archdiocesan Vicariate Offices and the Cardinal Rigali Center, as well as through any Catholic parish within the City of St. Louis and 10 counties that comprise the archdiocese. To request a gun safety lock, simply contact any parish office or email GVPTF@archstl.org. Nearly 60 percent of adults, or someone they know or care about, have experienced gun violence in their lifetime. Locking firearms can reduce gun violence - including the risk of unintentional shootings and suicides.

I would have promoted this earlier in the month but have waited until we received some of the gun safety locks here at the parish. Hopefully this simple measure can help prevent tragic accidents and raise our awareness of potential dangers, if we own guns. I admit that I have never owned a gun or gone hunting, but I know many people who do with the proper respect and usage of their guns. This is meant to prevent irresponsible use of guns and the harm it can do.

I probably won't get any fireworks myself this week, but I almost always watch and enjoy a display somewhere over the 4th.

Peace and stay safe,

Fr. Nick

GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION
ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS

JUNE IS GUN VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH.

Gun violence devastates individuals, families, and communities in the United States and the St. Louis Archdiocese. As Archbishop Rozanski has noted, "Gun violence is a human life – a quality of life – issue. Those who are threatened by gun violence are not living the fullest potential of their lives."

More than 43,000 Americans are killed with guns, and approximately 76,000 more are shot and wounded. In Missouri, nearly 1,400 people die by guns every year. Missouri has the 4th highest rate of gun violence in the country.

IT'S A MATTER OF LIFE

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 6:15pm, the Rosary is prayed, followed by our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions. 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, visit 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). We gather and pray before the Holy Family Statue.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Irene Garrison
of our parish family

Millie Craig
wife of Bill Craig

Mark Eads
brother of Scott (Cynthia) Wilcox

PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED FRIDAY, JULY 4



INDEPENDENCE DAY REMINDERS

Mass and Main Street Parade Closure: Please remember, there is only one morning Mass at 8am in the Chapel on Friday, July 4. If you are able to join us, please remember that there may be restrictions on Main Street, as the City of O'Fallon prepares for the Heritage & Freedom Fest Parade, which begins at 9:30am on Independence Day.



O'FALLON KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #2269

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.

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE SHRINE MASS WEDNESDAY, JULY 9, 7PM



We hope you can join us for an outdoor Mass at Our Lady Queen of Peace Shrine located at 301 Coronation Dr, O'Fallon, MO. (Corner of Civic Park Dr and Imperial Dr, passed Sigmund Auto Service)

Fr. Joe Detwiler from St. Patrick Catholic Church will preside the Mass, followed by the rosary and divine mercy rosary (**weather permitting**). Please bring a lawn chair.

For more information, please contact Sylvia Kiphart, 636-978-8803.



ST. VINCENT de PAUL FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP

The St. Vincent de Paul food pantry is currently in need of the following food items:

- ◆ canned fruits (pears, fruit cocktail, oranges)
- ◆ canned pasta with flip top lids
- ◆ individual packets of flavored drinks (i.e: Crystal Lite)
- ◆ snack crackers
- ◆ canned SPAM,
- ◆ pasta sides other than Mac & Cheese (boxes or bags)
- ◆ Pop Tarts and breakfast bars.

Please check expiration dates before donating. Thanks to recent donations from you and the Girl Scouts April Showers campaign, we are well stocked on toiletries for the time being.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support! You neighbors in need could not survive without you!

God Bless You,
Your St. Vincent de Paul Team

PROVIDING TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN THE ASSUMPTION PARKING LOTS AND CHURCH



If you need assistance getting to and from your car before and after Mass, please consider catching a ride on the Assumption Golf Cart. Our golf cart drivers are always safe and courteous, and are available to pick up passengers from the Chapel parking lot (Lot C) 30 minutes prior to Mass, and 15 minutes after Mass.

For more information, please contact Jim O'Loughlin at 314-606-0048 or email joloughlin55@gmail.com.

CALLING ALL MINISTRY COORDINATORS!



We are in the process of updating our Ministry Directory and we need your help! From ushers, to our welcoming committee, to our wedding assistants, church cleaners and decorators, golf cart drivers, and the many other organizations within our parish, together we are all called to “find Christ here...and bring Christ to the world.” Thank you for being a part of our beautiful mission. **If you are currently coordinating one of our AMAZING ministries or organizations, please email Nancy Gomer, ngomer@abvmtech.org or 636-240-3721 ext. 239, and provide your current contact information.** This is also the perfect time to look at your ministry description and decide if it needs tweaking. The ministry directory will go to print in July, and mailed to parishioners in September.

For more information about the Assumption Ministry Directory, visit our website at assumptionbvm.org/Stewardship/Ministry-Directory.

CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (FORMERLY RCIA)


“You will recognize them by their fruits. Are grapes gathered from thorn bushes or figs from thistles?”

Matthew 7:16

A good definition of “fruit” is a growing love for Jesus and other people. A desire to witness for Him and share his love with others. A willingness to use the gifts and talents God has given to grow His Kingdom. Every word and every action comes from our hearts. We will recognize true followers by their fruit. Our Neophytes now have the armour to go out and be a fruit in their lives. Discernment happens on what their gifts are and where they fit at our parish. We pray they will continue on their spiritual journey.

	SUNDAY 6.29.25	MONDAY 6.30.25	TUESDAY 7.1.25	WEDNESDAY 7.2.25
Mass Times and Intentions	8:00am People of the Parish 10:00am Frances LoCascio 12:00pm Brock Family 5:30pm Francis and Alice McHugh	6:30am Jean Wynn 8:00am JoAnn Yates	6:30am Rev. Anthony Dela Fuente and Reynaldo Pineda 8:00am Mary Ann Huber	6:30am Priests Intention 8:00am John Tucker
Reconciliation	By Appointment	7:30-7:50am Chapel or by appointment	7:30-7:50am Chapel or by appointment	7:30-7:50am Chapel or by appointment

RESPECT LIFE APOSTOLATE INVITES YOU TO A





Rosary for Life

JULY 5, 2025
9:30 AM


OUTSIDE THE ABORTION FACILITY AT
4251 FOREST PARK AVENUE,
ST. LOUIS, MO 63108

Additional prayer and hospitality at
Our Lady of Guadalupe Convent
afterwards



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Questions? Contact Us!

<p>Pete Cerone <i>Executive Director</i> 314-792-7732 petecerone@archstl.org</p>	<p>Kim Donermeyer <i>Advancement Services Specialist</i> 314-792-7032 kimdonermeyer@archstl.org</p>
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GOLFING FOR CATHOLIC EDUCATION | SPONSORS NEEDED

AUGUST 24



The 25th Annual Men's Group Golf Tournament is SOLD OUT, and all 36 teams are ready to play, but you can still support Catholic education by sponsoring the event! All proceeds benefit Assumption School and PSR programs and the Outdoor Playground Fund.

For more information on how you can get your business seen, visit abvmmensgroup.org or contact Mike Bigler at 314-915-5968 or michael.bigler@bjc.org.

LADIES ABORTION HEALING SPIRITUAL SUPPORT GROUP



The Holy Family Hope and Healing Ministry Team is hosting the Ladies' Abortion Healing Spiritual Support Group sessions in an environment that is both private and comfortable. No need to RSVP, drop-ins are welcome!

We meet the fourth Wednesday of each month from 6-7pm at the Catholic Renewal Center St. Joseph Suite at 6120 Pebble Hill Dr, St. Louis, MO 63123

For any questions, please contact Cindy at cynthiahaehnel@archstl.org or call 314-778-0628.

THURSDAY 7.3.25
6:30am Val Uttecht
8:00am Wehmeier Family
7:30-7:50am Chapel or by appointment

FRIDAY 7.4.25
6:30am No Mass
8:00am Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life
By Appointment

SATURDAY 7.5.25
8:00am Sid Ford
5:00pm Duane Manor
4-4:50pm Church or by appointment

SUNDAY 7.6.25
8:00am Frank and Betty Ryan
10:00am Adolph Duclusan
12:00pm People of the Parish
5:30pm Fred White
By Appointment

QUILT-OF-THE-MONTH RAFFLE BENEFITS CHAPEL RESTORATION

Win a Quilt-of-the-Month! The Assumption Quilters are hosting a quilt raffle with 12 different drawings beginning August 2025 thru July 2026. All proceeds for the Quilt-of-the-Month raffle will benefit restoring areas of the Assumption Prayer Chapel, so be sure to support our worthy cause, which includes:



- Twelve beautiful quilts raffled off. Drawings will be held during the last week of each month. The winner wins the quilt assigned to that month.
- These quilts are valued at \$500 - \$800 each.
- Tickets are \$10 for one ticket or \$25 for three tickets. Non-winning tickets remain in the raffle through July 2026.
- Checks can be made out to: Assumption Church

You can fill out the tickets and drop it in Sunday's collection basket with your payment, turn it in at the parish office or via mail: Assumption Church, 403 N. Main St., O'Fallon, MO 63366. **Photos of all quilts can be viewed at assumptionbvm.org.**

The Assumption Quilters thank you for supporting Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church.



**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church
Quilt-of-the-Month
August 2025 through July 2026**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____

Phone: _____

Donation: \$10 each or 3 for \$25

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FALL FESTIVAL NEWS

Carnival rides are back at the Assumption Fall Festival, Saturday, October 4 from 2-11pm and Sunday, October 5 from 11am-5pm. Save the date and be sure to join us for one of our biggest fundraisers of the year.

We will be selling \$45 Carnival ride wristbands for adults and children, Saturday, August 9 and Sunday, August 10 after all Masses. Help us spread the news! The entertainment company, Fountain City Amusements (foundationcityamusements.com) will only allow us to sell ride tickets on the day of the event, so be sure to purchase your wristbands in August.

In addition to a mega sandwich stand, we will be serving \$16 dinners all weekend long!

Saturday: Pork Steak Dinner start at 4pm until we sell out.

Sunday: Chicken Dinner featuring HOBOS famous fried chicken starts at 11am until sold out.

Back by popular demand, **Whiskey Bent** will be the headliner band entertaining us from 6:30-10:30pm on Saturday night. New this year, the **Blue Moon Blues Band** with Kent Ehrhardt will be playing from 1-4pm on Sunday afternoon.

A shout out to **Woodruff Roofing and Exterior** for securing our first Festival Event Sponsorship—thank you! As a festival sponsor, companies have the opportunity to get in front of thousands in the O'Fallon community during the two-day event. Contact Nancy Gomer at 636-240-3721 ext. 239 for all the details about these opportunities that offer great exposure and publicity: \$400 Gold Level and \$1,500 Event sponsors, or visit us online at assumptionbvm.org.

We are still looking for a couple of captains to head the Kids Games area, so please let us know if you can help. We are praying someone steps up.

We are also looking for donations of bottles of liquor for our Booze and Bucks Bags! Please drop them off at the Parish Office during regular office hours, Monday – Thursday, 8am-4pm and Friday, 8am-2pm (during the summer).

Mega Raffle is going to be huge this year with seven winners and a \$15,000 top prize! Stay tuned for all the details.

We also have a great need for festival volunteers! Watch for the SignUpGenius online sign up form coming soon! For more information about the Assumption Fall Festival, contact festival Chair Russ Schaller, 314-608-6551.

Thank you for all the support!

ASSUMPTION MATCHING GIFT PROGRAM



Did you know that the Boeing Matching Gift program is back? If you are a Boeing employee or retiree, your charitable donations to Assumption are once again eligible for the Boeing matching gift program. For all the details, visit our website at assumptionbvm.org/Stewardship/Boeing-Matching-Gift.

Corporate matching gifts are a great way to maximize personal contributions and help to subsidize operation costs per year for our school. As a reminder, matching gift programs also are available for employees and retirees of Tyco, McDonald's, Verizon, Well Fargo, Bank of America, First Data, Home Depot, Monsanto, IBM, Merrill Lynch, MasterCard, UPS, Ameren, and USAA.

Thank you for your generous contributions! If you need a statement of your Assumption matching gifts, please contact Mary Knapp or Mark Vogt at 636-240-3721.

QUILTS OF VALOR EASTERN MISSOURI

On June 24, we had 103 quilters came together at Assumption to honor veterans with hand-stitched quilts during the annual Quilts of Valor – Eastern Missouri quilting event.

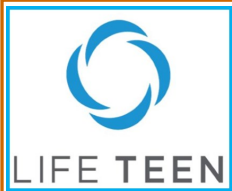
Quilters worked on 15 quilts and presented five handmade quilts to these service members:

- Jerome Bamert, Army 1950 - 1956; from O'Fallon; Assumption parishioner
- Dennis Campbell, Army 1969 - 1972; from Gray Summit, Mo; married at Assumption
- Mike Goodrich, Air Force 1972 - 1976; from O'Fallon
- Cathy Heins, Air Force 1977-1983 & 1990-1991; reserves 1983-2000; from St Peters
- Stanley Nielsen, Air Force 1966 1970; from O'Fallon, Assumption parishioner



A special thanks to the Assumption Quilters and the O'Fallon [Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary #2269](#) for hosting the event, and [Fox2 News Reporter Patrick Clark](#) and [KSDK News](#) photographer-editor Tom Stasiak for coming out to cover this heart-warming story, fox2now.com/.../veterans-honored-with-hand.../.





HELLO FROM ASSUMPTION YOUTH MINISTRY!

Summer ministry is in full swing! Between Mass and Breakfast, Life Nights, Field Trips and Retreats, it has been such a gift to see how the Lord is at work in the young Church here at Assumption. We are abundantly blessed with a great and growing community that continually desires to grow in prayer and in joy.

Fourteen of our rising juniors and seniors, along with youth ministry staff, spent this week at the Life Teen Leadership Conference in Atchison, Kansas. This was an intensive week of growth in leadership and discipleship, featuring daily Mass, continuous formation and opportunities to learn the richness of our Catholic faith, time in Adoration and Confession, and intentional community. This week is a pillar of our ministry here at Assumption – where our young people are challenged and empowered to be the Church TODAY. Praise God for all that He is doing through our young people here at Assumption!

Sunday, June 29

Life Teen: Dating with Dignity

6:30-8:45pm | Parish Center

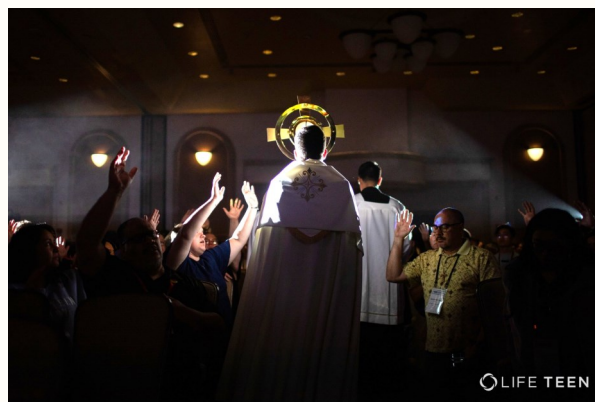
All high school teens are invited to join us for a night focusing on how to honor the dignity we each have in all of our relationships, including dating. Expect dinner, fellowship, and powerful prayer. We can't wait to see you!

Wednesday, July 2

Mass & Breakfast & Bible Study

8:00 a.m. Mass in the Chapel

All teens are invited to attend Mass together, followed by breakfast in HQ and a Bible Study on the upcoming Sunday's readings. Join us for a morning of prayer, community, and good food!



2025 EVENTS:

July 18-20: Steubenville Youth Conference

July 27-August 2: Life Teen Camp Covecrest



Follow us on Social Media:

Instagram:

@assumption_life_teen and @assumption_edge

Facebook:

Assumption Life Teen and Assumption EDGE

QUESTIONS? Contact Becky Whitaker,

Director of Youth Ministry; Life Teen Youth Minister
636-240-3721 ext. 243 or beckywhitaker@abvmtech.org

Alejandro DeHerrera, EDGE Youth Minister (Middle School)

636-240-3721 ext. 333 or alejandrodereherra@abvmtech.org



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We are excited to introduce a new, easier way to give to the Church! You can now give simply and easily using Pushpay for your tithes, offerings, and special gifts! It has lower transaction fees, it's easier to use, and has a convenient mobile app.

We've officially launched this new platform and would appreciate anyone on our old online giving sites to migrate over to this new site, which can be found on our website, assumptionbvm.org/About-Us/Online-Giving.

Pushpay currently accepts MasterCard, Visa, ApplePay, American Express, and Discover, as well as ACH (bank account) gifts.

If you have pre-scheduled your gifts on our old online giving platforms (CDM+ and OSV), we can help you cancel your old account when you make the transition to Pushpay.

If you have any questions, please call Mark Vogt in the Parish Office (636-240-3721, extension 225).



OUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH

Weekly Offertory	June 8, 2025	YTD 7/1/24-6/8/25	<u>Loan taken out in 2013 for expansion of our school</u>
Actual Collections	\$42,281	\$2,218,249	Original Loan \$3,306,127
Budget Target	<u>\$40,000</u>	<u>\$2,155,000</u>	Current balance owed \$272,200
Surplus / (Shortfall)	\$2,281	\$63,249	Monthly payment \$20,923
			<i>Last expected payment will be in July 2026.</i>



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

We are grateful to you for your presence, your participation, and your financial support of Assumption Parish.

If you would like to give online, please go to:
assumptionbvm.org/About-Us/Online-Giving
 or scan the QR Code and create an account.



OFFICE INFORMATION

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 636-240-3721 Parish Office
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 Friday 8am-2pm

ASSUMPTION SCHOOL

636-240-4474

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

636-272-4758 (Helpline)

BULLETIN NOTICES

Submit to Parish Office
Bulletin.assumption@gmail.com
 by 9am on the Tuesday before Sunday's
 edition (five days prior)

SOCIAL MEDIA

Website: assumptionbvm.org
 Instagram: @abvmofallon
 Facebook.com: @assumptionparish
 Youtube: @assumptionmedia1

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Religious instruction in the Catholic faith.
 Call 636-240-1020 for information
 or to register.

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION

For one-on-one grief support, or
 information regarding our grief support
 series, which is held twice per year,
 contact Lynn Crews at 314-578-0741.