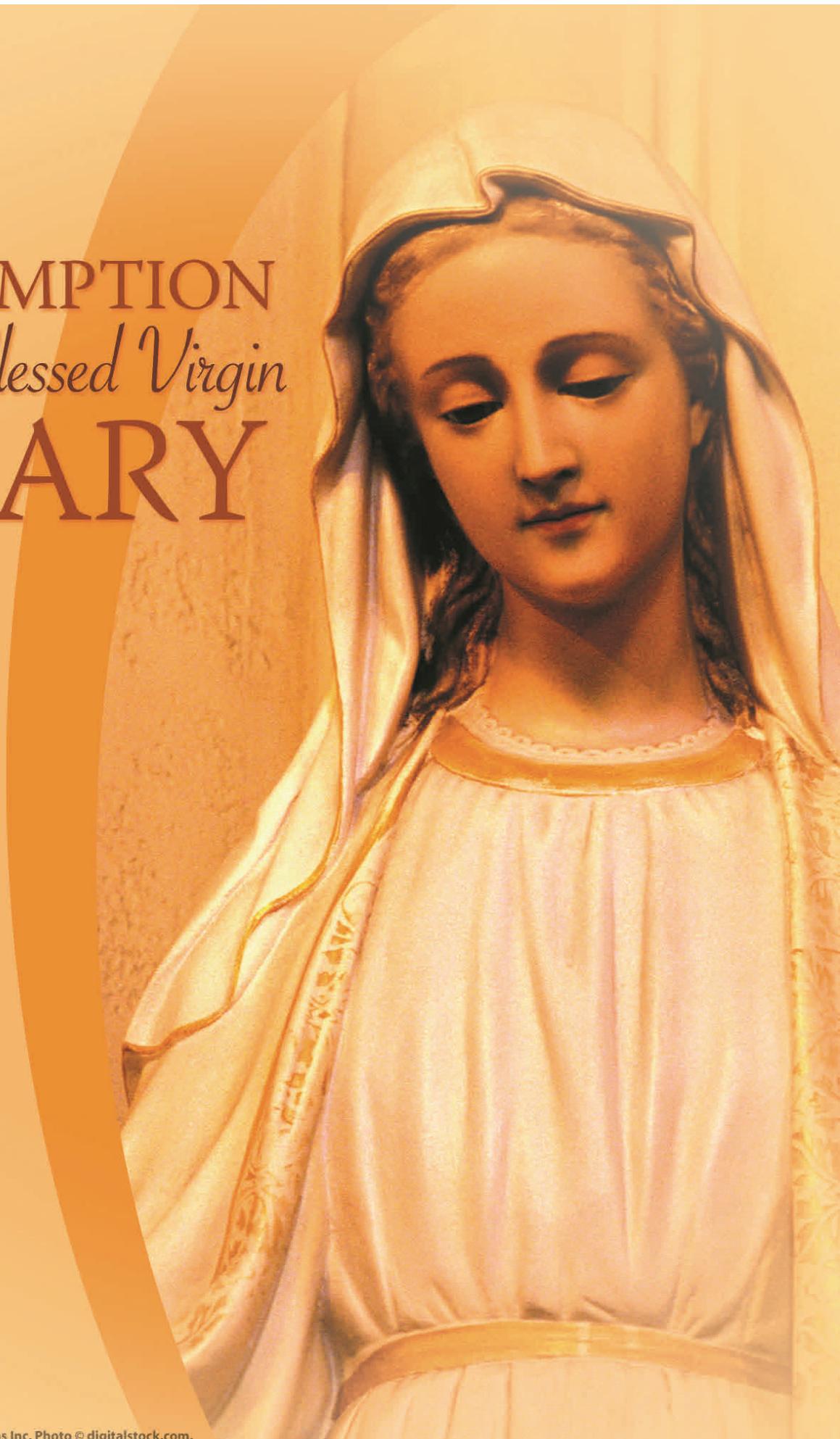


ASSUMPTION
of the Blessed Virgin
MARY





Parish Mission Statement: In the spirit of our patron, St. Francis of Assisi, we dedicate ourselves as living stones to building our parish family with Christ as our foundation. Enlivened by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves by sharing God's transforming love with our families, our community and our world.

Sacraments:

Baptism: Arrangements must be made in advance. Please call the Parish Office to arrange a date and supply pertinent information. Individual Baptismal preparation is required.

Sponsors: must receive from their respective Catholic pastors a "sponsor certificate," which is the signed word of one priest to another that the proposed godparent is a Confirmed, fully-practicing Catholic who is qualified to be a godparent by living in harmony with our faith.

Reconciliation: Saturday from 3:15PM to 3:40PM or call the rectory for an appointment.

First Eucharist & Confirmation: Preparation – two years prior to receiving each Sacrament is mandatory as a registered student in the Faith Formation Program.

Matrimony: Couples are asked to consult with our priest at least six months in advance of the intended date to allow time for marriage preparation, including the Diocesan Program.

Ministry to the Sick: Please notify us if someone you know is homebound and would like to be added to our Communion call list, or would like to receive the Sacrament of the Sick.

Low gluten hosts available: Please let us know before Mass if you have a need to receive this type of host.

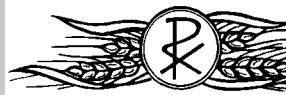
WELCOME

If you are a new parishioner please introduce yourself to the pastor after Mass and call the parish office to register. Attend our monthly coffee & donut social to meet your new parish family. We are so pleased you're here!

Saint Francis of Assisi Memorial Fund

In making funeral arrangements, you may wish to consider enrolling the deceased in the Saint Francis of Assisi Memorial Fund. Relatives and friends who donate to the fund in memory of the deceased receive a thank you card from the parish, and another card is sent notifying the bereaved of the gift. The gifts are charitable contributions and may be a supplement or a substitute for flowers. Those whose names are enrolled in the Saint Francis of Assisi Memorial Fund are remembered in the Masses and prayers of the parish. A special Mass is celebrated once a year for all the souls enrolled. All the monies of this Fund are used to purchase materials needed to make our church more inspiring and beautiful for community prayer and celebrations of the sacraments.

Thank you for considering this beautiful tribute.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat., August 11

4:00 p.m. *Miriam Dolan
Sr. Claire Andre OSC*

Sun. August 12

8:00 a.m. *Julie & Phil Janson, Rita & Camille Tremblay by Family*

9:30 a.m. *Sally Anne Remy by Sister, Nancy*

11:00 a.m. *Richard Morissette by Family
James W. Reid 5th Anniversary by Wife & Family*

Mon. August 13

9:00 a.m. *Kathleen Leonard Birthday Remembrance by Family*

Tues. August 14

9:00 a.m. *Robert J. Peloquin by Wife Wanda
7:00 p.m. Alice Arnone*

Wed. August 15 - Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin of Mary

9:00 a.m. *Arthur & Rita Marois by Family*

Thurs. August 16

9:00 a.m.

Sat. August 18

4:00 p.m. *James A. Walsh by Nancy Urban
Doris Berube by Doris Berube & Family
Francisco Correia by Joan & Cecilia Costa*

Sun. August 19

8:00 a.m. *Jean L. St. Laurent by Niece*

9:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

JOURNEY BREAD

"I am the living bread that comes down from heaven." Food is the strongest indication of God's care for the chosen ones. Elijah wished for death until the angel of the Lord came a second time to urge him to eat so that he could walk to God's mountain. Jesus comes in the Eucharist to nourish his body on the way to the New Jerusalem. Each one of us, as God's child, is urged to forgive as God forgives, to imitate Jesus and pass through his cross to the Father. Eat and live!

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In Loving Memory

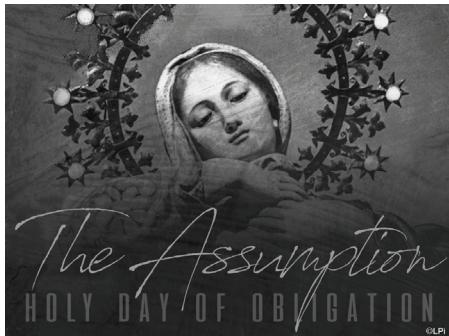
Our memorial candles burn in August in remembrance of:

**Sanctuary Lamp:
Continued Health of
William Ashley by Sister**

**Altar Candles:
Anna M. & Leon J. Menard
by Family**

**Tabernacle Candles:
Anne Durkin by Marita &
Wayne**

**Crucifix Candles:
Chad Gray by Wayne &
Marita**



The Solemnity of the Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary is on Wednesday, August 15th.

HOLY MOTHER CHURCH

Today Mary personifies the church; she hears God's word and keeps it. She bears God's son and is greeted by Elizabeth. As Mother Church, she bears the Lord Jesus and is greeted by us. She offers His divine life to us, as the church does in the sacraments. We celebrate today that she goes before us to heaven as Holy Mother Church invites each of us to follow Jesus. Are you ready?

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Pro-Life Quotes

"As citizens, we should be guided more by our moral convictions than by our attachment to a political party or interest group."

USCCB Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizen-

Parish Support

Collected August 4th and August 5th

Budget: \$3665.50

Peter's Pence: \$1425.50

Holy Day Collection August 14th and August 15th

Next weekend, August 18th and 19th the second collection is for Repairs & Restoration

Thank you for your generosity!

Grief and Loss:

Together Finding Ways to Making Sense of it All

2018 Schedule

July 24 - September 4, 2018

October 2 - November 13, 2018

This is a support group to help people cope with the loss of a loved one. Losing someone we love truly hurts, leaving us with so many unanswered questions and a multitude of conflicting emotions. At first, we may turn to family and friends to share our grief; but as time goes on, we may find it difficult to reach out to them. It becomes difficult for them to understand our feelings.

The basis of the group is to allow individuals to share their experiences, feelings, emotions with others who are on the very same journey. In the sharing, often we discover new ways of coping, and begin to discover new strength and hope.

The group meets on Tuesdays from 7-9 p.m. at the Catholic Education Center, 423 Highland Avenue, Fall River, MA. There will be no session August 7th.

There is no fee to participate. Parking is available is available adjacent to the building.

If you are interested in joining the group or would like more information, please call 508-678-2828 Ext. 27 or 508-642-0583 or E-mail:

rsaraiva@dfrcs.org or rosemarysaraiva@gmail.com.

50 Week Club

WANTED: NEW MEMBERS!

Membership forms are located at the entrances to church, or just call Kathy Sullivan. This is our biggest (and most fun) fundraising event of the entire year! \$2.00 per week gives you a chance to win a weekly drawing of \$25.00!

Remember, you can't win if you don't join!

As we announced previously, our 2017-2018 year was amazing! The profit from the club was given to the parish and totaled \$6,500.00! You can be part of the action!

**Congratulations to:
Justin Souto**

Winner for August 5, 2018



Diocesan Health Facilities
State-of-the-art care with heart and soul

Eleventh Annual Golf Classic: hosted by the Diocesan Health Facilities to raise funds to benefit the more than 900 adults served in their skilled nursing and rehab care facilities and community programs. The tournament will take place on August 20, 2018 at LaBaron Hills Country Club in Lakeville, MA.

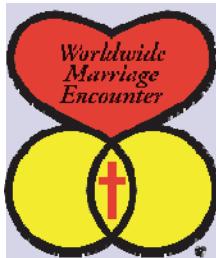
For details on the levels of participation available, please contact: The Diocesan Health Facilities Office at 508-679-8154. Register online:

DHFGOLFCLASSIC.EVENTBRITE.COM

Remembering Your Loved Ones

It is very easy to remember a loved one in our own personal way, but what better way than a Mass or Mass Card. Both are available here at St. Francis of Assisi. All you need to do is contact the Rectory to schedule a Mass or acquire a Mass Card.

You can also sponsor candles for the Sanctuary, Altar, Crucifix and Tabernacle in memory of your loved ones. There are still candle options open for the months of August, September, November and December. Suggested donation for candles is \$50.00.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

I am the living bread that came down from heaven, says the Lord. Put God in your marriage by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are Sep 15-16, 2018 in Medway, MA and Dec 7-9, 2018 in Duxbury, MA. For more information, call Stephen & Michelle O'Leary at 800-710-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmema.org/>.

SeptemberFest

Saint Mary's, Mansfield

Come join us for a family, fun-filled day!

Barbeque - Ice Cream - Popcorn
- Bake Sale

Prizes - Raffles - Crafts

Animal Petting Zoo - Pony Rides
Antique Car Show

Kids & Toddler Games - Train
Rides

Craft & Book Fair

**September 16th 11:00 am -
4:00 pm**

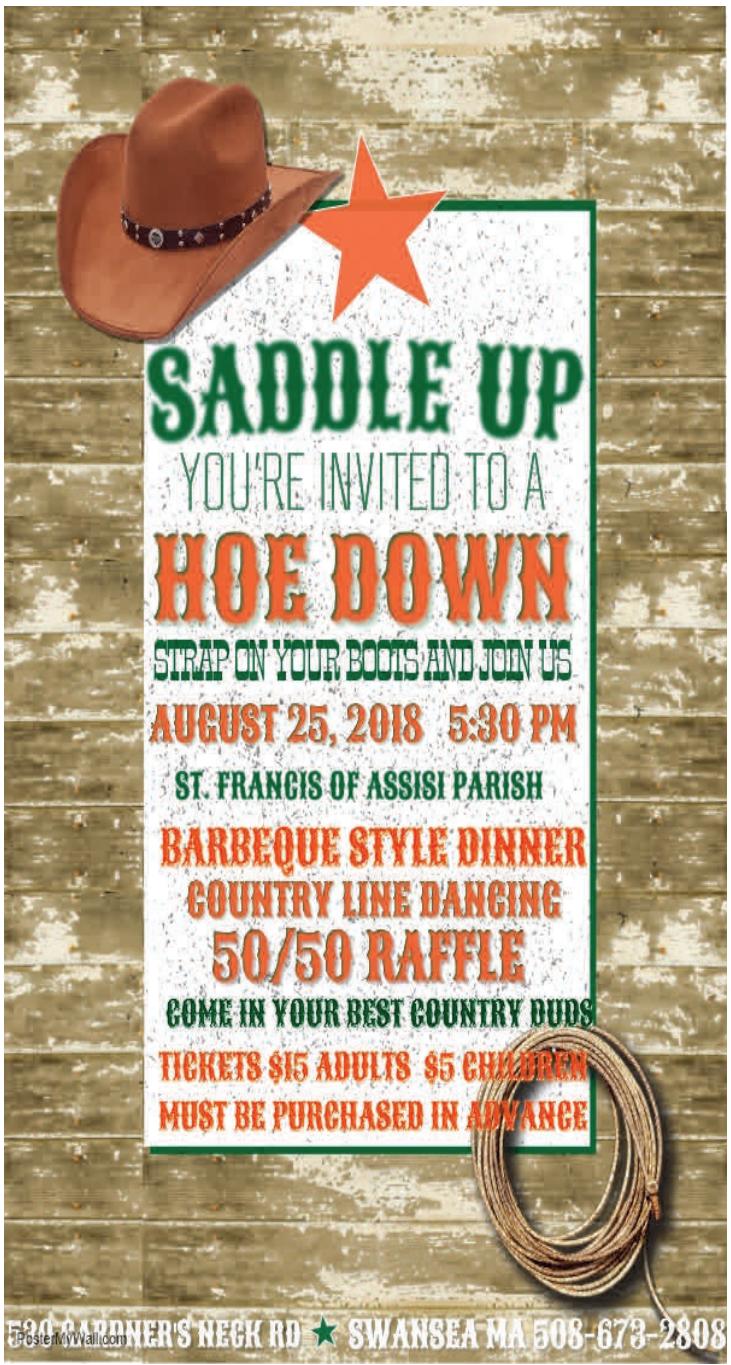
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AUGUST 25, 2018
BBQ & HOEDOWN

TICKETS WILL BE SOLD

ON THE WEEKENDS OF

AUGUST 11-12, 18-19