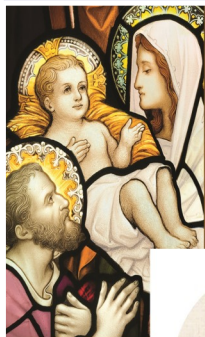


We, the faith filled community of the **Church of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**, affirmed the response of the Blessed Virgin by proclaiming "We are the Lord's servant!" (Luke 1:38)

**Through Worship, Spiritual Development, Education and Outreach.**

**JANUARY 1, 2023**



*The shepherds went in haste to Bethlehem and found*

## MARY AND JOSEPH, AND THE INFANT LYING IN THE MANGER.

*Luke 2:16*

THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY,  
THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD



January 1, 2023 • Mary, the Holy Mother of God

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### DAILY MASS

Monday - Friday ..... 6:30AM and 8:30AM  
Saturday ..... 8:30AM  
Novena ..... 8:15AM

### SUNDAY MASS

Obligation may be fulfilled by attending...  
Saturday ..... 4:00PM  
Sunday ..... 7:30, 9:30, 11:30AM and 6:00PM

### HOLY DAY MASS

Eve of Holy Days: ..... 4:00PM  
Holy Days: ..... 6:30, 9:00AM 12:00 and 7:00PM

### PARISH STAFF

Rev. Justin Dyrwal, O.S.B. .... *Pastor*  
Rev. Louis Carey, O.S.B. .... *Assistant Pastor*  
Rev. Mr. Dave Streeter ..... *Deacon*  
Rev. Finbar Ramsak, O.S.B. .... *Weekend Assistant*  
Allyn Pytel ..... *Business Manager*  
Ryan Bagley ..... *Director of Youth Ministry*  
Mr. Richard Kaliszewski .... *Principal of Assumption Academy*  
Mary Zabrecky ..... *Director of Religious Education*  
Jeanette Provenzale ..... *D.R.E. Secretary* 440-526-6690  
David Bird ..... *Director of Music*  
Diane D'Agnese ..... *Parish Secretary*

Rectory ..... 440 526-1177  
School ..... 440-526-4877



### ASSUMPTION SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Pre-K / Kindergarten Sunday School *Begins Sunday Oct. 1, '22*  
PSR Grades 1 through 8: ..... *Mondays 6:30pm*

### HALL RENTAL

#### Hall and Fellowship Rentals

Jim Jarosz ..... (440)-526-1177 Ext. 226  
*To schedule a meeting Room or Hall rental click **Resources** in the top menu of Assumption's home page [www.coabvm.org](http://www.coabvm.org)*

### CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45pm and after 4:00pm Mass until  
the last one is heard or,  
By appointment on request at the Rectory.

### ROSARY

Every Wednesday after the 8:30am Mass,  
1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month after the 8:30am Mass,  
Sunday after the 9:30am Mass in Church

### WEDDINGS

Call the Rectory at least 6 months before the desired wedding date. Wedding times: 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM

### REGISTRATION

*New parishioners are always welcome at Assumption Church. Please Register as soon as possible at the Rectory (18 years and older). If you move out of the parish, please notify the Rectory.*

### BAPTISMS

Baptisms are on **Sundays** after the 11:30am Mass.  
Pre-Baptism class is required for your 1<sup>st</sup> child.  
Please contact the Rectory for an appointment for your class.

## Church of the Assumption

### OFFICE HOURS:

Monday—Friday **9:00am - 4:30pm**  
Saturday—**Closed**

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** Tuesday 12:00 Noon  
(for the upcoming Sunday)



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**JANUARY 8, 2023**  
**THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**  
 Is 60:1-6  
 Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13  
 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6  
 Mt 2:1-12



9:30am Sunday Mass can be viewed on-line at [coabvm.org](http://coabvm.org) or Facebook



**SUNDAY, January 1, 2023 — SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD, THE OCTAVE DAY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**  
**World Day of Prayer for Peace - New Year's Day**

7:30 am *HL/BL* All Priests... Friend  
 9:30 am + Mother's Day Remembrance... Altar & Rosary Society  
 11:30 am + Parishioners... Benedictine Fathers  
 6:00 pm + **NO MASS**

**MONDAY, January 2<sup>nd</sup> — St Basil The Great & Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops & Doctors of the Church**

6:30 am + Lillian Domanski-Stampfl... Family  
 8:30 am + Edward Stampfl... Family

**TUESDAY, January 3<sup>rd</sup> - Christmas Weekday—The Most Holy Name of Jesus**

6:30 am ++ Veronica & Frank Kowalski... Chris & Tony Kapelka  
 8:30 am + Bob Polak... Wife Mary Lou

**WEDNESDAY, January 4<sup>th</sup> - Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious**

6:30 am + Filomena Sekerak... Raymond & Mary Ann Freas  
 8:30 am + Steve Takacs... Wife Carole & Son Jamie

**THURSDAY, January 5<sup>th</sup> - Saint John Neumann, Bishop**

6:30 am + Ivan Matic... Friend  
 8:30 am + Marco Danese... Raymond & Mary Ann Freas

**FIRST FRIDAY, January 6<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Weekday—Saint André Bessette, Religious**

6:30 am + Eleanor Luke... Byrne/Luke Families  
 8:30 am ++ Raymond & Anna Soboslay... Ted Kukla  
 3:00 pm *First Friday Devotions*

**FIRST SATURDAY, January 7<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Weekday - Saint Raymond of Peñafort, Priest**

8:30 am + Deb Martinek... Family  
 4:00 pm ++ John & Josephine Kovach... Family

**SUNDAY, January 8<sup>th</sup> — THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

7:30 am + Rosie Borisz... Your sister Nancy  
 9:30 am + Connie Harabedian... Husband Jack  
 11:30 am + Parishioners... Benedictine Fathers

**NO 6:00pm Mass**

*HL/BL* Denotes 'Health & Blessings' + Denotes 'Deceased'

**MASS INTENTIONS** From... St. Louis Parish, Mirebalais, Haiti

Every Friday 6:30am *HL/BL* Assumption Parish...

Monsignor Leveque Bien-Aime



*Pray for the people of Ukraine*

### LEND-A-HAND

Our Local food pantry in Broadview Heights is here to serve you! Please call Lend-A-Hand at 440 526-0514 if you are in need of assistance



**Hands and Hearts with Haiti**  
*small things with great love*

Your generous support is making a huge impact in Haiti! To learn more, please visit: [handsandheartswithhaiti.org](http://handsandheartswithhaiti.org)

### This Week at Assumption

**SUNDAY, January 1<sup>st</sup>**

A&R Mass..... 9:00am Church  
 Rosary..... After 9:30am Mass

**MONDAY, January 2<sup>nd</sup>**

*Rectory Closed*  
**NO PSR Christmas Break** .....  
 Pierogi Making Prep..... 10:00am Kitchen

**TUESDAY, January 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Dive Deep Bible Study..... 2:30pm FR  
 Cub Scouts..... 6:30pm LOCH  
 Boy Scouts..... 7:00-8:30pm U/LOCH  
 RCIA ..... 7:00pm FR

**WEDNESDAY, January 4<sup>th</sup>**

Cub Scouts (Webelos)..... 7:00pm LOCH

**THURSDAY, January 5<sup>th</sup>**

Adult Basketball..... 8:30pm Gym

**FRIDAY, January 6<sup>th</sup>**

*First Friday Devotions* ..... 3:00pm Church  
 TGIFF..... 6:00-7:00pm

**SATURDAY, January 7<sup>th</sup>**

Novena ..... 8:15am

**SUNDAY, January 8<sup>th</sup>**

Family Breakfast ..... 8:00-11am FR  
 Pre-school PSR..... 9:30am School Rm2  
 Mustard Seed..... 6:00-8:30pm FR

### Looking Ahead...

January 22<sup>nd</sup> Stewardship Sunday

January 29<sup>th</sup> Family Mass for Catholic Schools Week 9:30am

.....All-School Open House..... 10:30-11:30am

*Happy New Year*

Solemnity of  
 Mary,  
 Mother of  
 God  
 Mass Times



**Saturday, December 31st at 4pm**

**Sunday, January 1st at 7:30am,**

**9:30am & 11:30am**

**NO 6pm Mass**

### PRAYER REQUEST LINES:

Poor Clare Nuns: 216 361-0783  
 Sisters of St. Joseph: 216 252-0548  
 Sisters of Notre Dame 440 279-1163

CCR Church Cry Room

LOCH Lower Old Church Hall

HK Hall Kitchen

UOCH Upper Old Church Hall

FC/G Family Center/Gym

FR Fellowship Room

SSC Small School Cafeteria

CR Conference Room

LSK Large School Kitchen

LSC Large School Cafeteria

LRH Lower Rectory Hall

FAC Faculty Room



## LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup>

**4:00pm** Server .....Sekarek, Kazalac  
Reader.....MontAlto  
Ministers.....Leslie, Cotugno, Knuff

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 8<sup>TH</sup>

**7:30am** Servers .....  
Reader.....Lapos  
Ministers.....Jenks, Kuchera, Zabrecky

**9:30am** Servers .....Kleinholz, Hering  
Reader.....Martinek  
Ministers.....Byrne, Kukla, Cassese

**11:30am** Servers .....Halscheidt  
Reader.....Rolland  
Ministers.....Ziegler, M&R Bartow

**6:00pm** Servers .....Smigelski  
Reader.....Dicocco  
Ministers.....R. Vyhnalesk

## OPEN POSITIONS

### PARISH SECRETARY

If you know anyone interested in applying for a full time position as *Assumption Parish Secretary*, Monday – Thursday, 9am–4:30pm, please have them send their resume to Al Pytel, [apytel@coabvm.org](mailto:apytel@coabvm.org) or call the rectory. Must be knowledgeable in Publisher, Word, and Excel programs.

### GENERAL MAINTENANCE PERSON

Part Time 12:00pm—5:00pm

Hours can vary to accommodate qualified candidate.

If interested, please contact Jim at 440 526-1177 ext.226

### We're looking to grow our COMMUNICATION TEAM!

Are you interested in writing articles and/or creating social media & website content? Then this role could be for you! If interested in these positions, please send your resume to Al Pytel, [apytel@coabvm.org](mailto:apytel@coabvm.org)

*Heavenly Father, be with our men & women as they serve our country. We pray for all those in the service, especially...*

**Captain Jerod Burns**, Air Force, stationed overseas  
**Lt. Kevin Cunnane**, Air Force, Washington, DC  
**Spec. Sgt. Jacob Dorsey**, Army Paratrooper, Afghanistan  
**Cmdr Duane Lampert**, US Navy, USA  
**W.O. Zachary J. Leuhsler**, USMC, Camp Lejeune  
**Col. George Lewis**, Deputy Chief of Staff Force  
**PO2, Jonathan Nemeckay**, Navy, Iwakuni, Japan  
**Major Aaron Schneider MD**, Travis Air Force Base, CA  
**Staff Sgt. Eric Schmidt**, Army, Afghanistan  
**Major Michael S. Schumacher**, US Army, Fort Leavenworth  
**Staff Sgt. Kyle See**, Sr. Airman, Scott Air Force Base  
**Sgt. Daniel Sotak**, Air Force, Overseas  
**Captain Rick Sweetnich**, US Air Force, Monterey, CA  
**Col. Martin Timko**, W. VA

## Pastor Notes

**P**lease accept my wishes for a very Blessed, Happy and Healthy New Year for you and your family. Time always flies and it seems like, before you know it, another year passes. The ancient Romans had a god called Janus. This idol had 2 faces; one faced forward and one faced backward. This idol became the month of January, the first month of the year, where one was to look back on the prior year and, at the same time, look forward to the future. In the past, churches would often hold Old Year/New Year Devotions with Benediction to thank God for his blessings in the past year and to ask his blessings on the New Year.

In spirit, it would be a good spiritual practice for us to do the same. Here at Assumption, we have much to thank God for in the past year. People have come back to Mass for the most part, the parish campus is ablaze with activity on any given day, and we have generous souls who meet the needs of the poor as well as keep the parish in good repair.

We also ask almighty God for his continued blessings on our parish: for health, happiness and peace in the homes of our parishioners, continued vitality for our academy, and most of all, that all of us become closer to Jesus this New Year. We begin the New Year under the Patronage of Mary, the Mother of God. May our heavenly Mother lead us to Jesus, her Son so that we remain open to receive God's gifts to us in fullest measure.

*"Happy New Year!"*



Did you hold off on having your child baptized due to COVID?  
*It's not too late!*

Contact the rectory at 440.526.1177 or fill out the form at [www.coabvm.org/sacraments/baptism](http://www.coabvm.org/sacraments/baptism) to get the process started!

## 2022 DONATIONS

**Any donation you will be making for the 2023 year must be received by December 31, 2022**

Donations received **AFTER Saturday, December 31, 2022** will be counted for the **2023 year**.



## CAREER DAY

We are hosting Career Day for our Academy students on **Wednesday, February 1**, from 9:45-11:00am as part of our Catholic Schools Week Celebration.

If you'd like to be a speaker, please contact Mary Dolejs at [mary.dolejs@assumptionacademy.org](mailto:mary.dolejs@assumptionacademy.org) or complete the form on the parish website

## Lord Hear Our Prayers

For the following parishioners, family members or friends that are ill.

Rose Adkins	Rita Hanna	Leah Padilla
Gloria Alletto	Debbie Harding	Fr. Joachim Pastirik
David Antonelli	Todd Hayko	Gary Paulenske
Laura Bacik	Dori Herout	Bernice Raineri
<b>Margaret Bican</b>	Don Hiller	Elaine Reichel
Debbie Bird	Anita Holleran	Alex Rito
Rodney Bird	Agnes Hudac	Jeanne Salasek
Pat Bitner	Sara Ianiro	Tyler Salerno
Helen Boruszewski	Robert Jagielo	Susann Sarota
Gary Brink	Dan Jenks	Louise & Robert Scalero
Diana Browning	Lois Kaplan	Stefanie Schaffer
Al Cantale	Mark Karnas (Bender)	Harry Schmidt
Jim Carni	Edward Kearney	Fr. Chris Schwartz, OSB
Pam Carouse	Judy Kobus	Daniel Sedio
Lisa Catalano	Bernie & Sandra Kobzowicz	John Sepik
John Ciolek	Mary Kortyna	Adam Sharer
Vicki Ciolek	Eileen Krysiak	Mark Setele
Edward Cowan	John Kuchera	Michael Silvestro
Anne Davis	Angela Liberatore	Dee & Ken Skirbin
June Davis	Fred Lewis	Madeline Slonkosky
Todd Davis	Joseph Lewis	Wayne Smith
Deacon Dave Streeter	Mattie Lewis	Rosetta Spagnolo
Maryann Deran	Donna Lockhart	Clare Spittler
Gary & <b>Nancy Dewalt</b>	Malaya Lontoc	Bernetta Stahl
Edith DeLafuente	Sophie Luca	Jennifer Stancato
Frank Dinda	Linda Mahoney	Carol Stanhope
Linda Dunmor	Tracy Mahoney	Douglas Stos
Barbara Dvorak	Matthew Maloney	Fredrick Steen, Jr.
Theresa Ebsch	Vince Mamone	Jamie Takacs
Bill Eichelberger	Tessa May	Patti Talaba
Robert Ellsworth	Rorke McCullough	Tom Thomas
Russ Falcone	Pat McIntire	Joseph Vespoli
Philip Falzarano	Donna McManamon	Maureen VonLehmden
Richard S. Feldtz	Joan McSweeney	Jan Vyhnaelek
Anne Fifolt	Jackie Melnyk	Joan Waibel
Joe Filicko	Eileen Moore	Frances Werstak
Kathy Fox	Tatiana Moss	Frank White
Terry Fox	Margaret Murphy	Carol Weiss
Kathy Gallagher	Deborah Nemeckey	Joe Witherow
Renee Gauntner	Richard Nemeth	Irene Wunderle
Frank Gigliotti	Barb & Sam Niro	Katelyn Zentner
Peter B. Goik	Deb Nogle	Madelyn Zentner
Matt Gould	Terry Ondak	Helen Ziolkowski
Kyle Grafmeyer	John Ondak	Frederick Zwega
Donna Gregory	Kevin O'Reilly	

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

### "Happy New Year"

If you need help, please call the rectory  
SVdP believes nobody should have to forego necessities.



Our PSR Families prepared for Christmas with an Advent Family Night for our older students and a morning Para liturgy and gingerbread nativity craft for our youngest students!

## KEEP THE DECEASED IN YOUR PRAYERS

Alfred Patera, Husband of June Patera  
Dorothy Walsted  
Eleanore Zaleski



Rest In Peace

Victims of the Ukraine Crisis / All Victims of Corona  
Victims & Families of Racism & Violence

## FOR REFLECTIONS

- Do you identify more with the hasty evangelization of the shepherds or Mary's quiet pondering?
- Where do you need God's face to shine in your life? What questions need answers? What dark corners need illumination?
- Do you feel confident in calling God your Father? What holds you back from a relationship of childlike trust with God?

**ADORATION CHAPEL** ~ Would you like to volunteer to spend time with Jesus in the Blessed Eucharist. If you are interested please call Jane at 440-526-9426 or Tim at 440-832-0848. Sign up for an hour of Eucharistic Adoration. Thank you!!

## STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY, January 22, 2023

Stewardship means 'CARING' and we're calling on families to prayerful consider how they support Assumption with not only treasure, but with their time & talent. We want every member of the Assumption Community to find a place in our parish for support, comfort, and fellowship. Watch for details in our January monthly parish email and be sure to join us **January 22<sup>nd</sup>** at Mass to participate!

## It's Time to get ready for our Fabulous Fish Fry!

We're gathering our 2023 Fabulous Fish Fry Team!

Got Fish?

If you want to learn to make our award-winning pierogi, have a passion for making food, and looking for a chance to help in the kitchen to prep each week, now's your chance!



We will begin after the new year and look forward to you joining the team!

Please be sure to check out the many skills and jobs need filled at the [sign-up on the parish website](http://www.coabvm.org),  
[www.coabvm.org](http://www.coabvm.org)



## Youth Ministries

upcoming dates - register at [www.coabvm.org](http://www.coabvm.org)

### The Mustard Seed

Middle School Youth Group  
for 6th - 8th grades

This group will meet each month on  
Sundays from 7pm-8:30pm! Food will be  
provided. Come and enjoy fellowship and  
fun centered on Jesus Christ.



Sunday, January 8th  
Sunday, February 5th  
Sunday, March 5th  
Sunday, March 26th  
Sunday, April 30th  
Sunday, May 21st

7pm - 8:30pm  
in the Fellowship Room



### The Well

High School Youth Group  
for 9th - 12th grades

This group meets monthly on Sundays from  
7pm-8:30pm! Food will be provided. Come and enjoy  
fellowship and fun centered on Jesus Christ.

Sunday, January 15th  
Sunday, February 12th  
Sunday, March 12th  
Sunday, April 2nd  
Sunday, May 7th

7pm-8:30pm  
in the Fellowship Room



### Abide

Young Adult Group

This group will meet once a month on  
Thursdays from 6pm-8pm! Food will be  
provided. Come and enjoy fellowship and  
fun centered on Jesus Christ.

Thursday, January 19th  
Thursday, February 23rd  
Thursday, March 23rd  
Thursday, April 20th  
Thursday, May 25th

6pm - 8pm  
in the Fellowship Room



**A**cademy Students celebrated the theme of generosity throughout the month of December & each class incorporated a service project into their Christmas class celebration!

Preschool colored pictures for local nursing homes, Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, & 2<sup>nd</sup> grades made Christmas cards for seniors living in Danbury and Regina Health Center. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> graders collected gently used, clean or new coats for Metro Catholic grade school students and also collected food for the Parma Animal Shelter and made cat toys. 6<sup>th</sup> grade made blankets for refugee families through the Cleveland Maiden Society and also collected items to support Joseph's House of Cleveland to meet the needs of refugee families. 7<sup>th</sup> grade donated items for Ronald McDonald House & 8<sup>th</sup> grade collected items for Zelig's House for their general wish list of items they use in helping young mothers.

*Happy  
New Year* ★★

Happy New Year!

Guardian of this new year, I set aside my fears, worries and concerns. I open my life to mystery, to beauty, to hospitality, to the endless opportunity of discovering you in my relationships.

Today we move beyond our concerns and worries and welcome in the fresh, the new, the hope of 2023. May we learn from the moments of last year, and grow in this new year. Let our excuses of last year become this year's motivation.

We ask you, Lord, to facilitate our growth. Draw us into your presence. May we feel cleansed of anything holding us down, and lifted up with your Spirit.

In this new beginning we pray to you O Lord!

*Amen.*

*Rick Kaliszewski,  
Principal*

## OPEN HOUSE

**Sunday, January 29th 10:30am - 11:30am**

Join us for 9:30am Mass, followed by an All-School Open House

- 1:9 Teacher Student Ratio in Preschool
- 1:17 Teacher Student Ratio in K-8
- STREAM - Science, Technology, Religion, Engineering, Art, & Math
- Subsidy & Multi-Student Family Tuition Discounts
- Personalized Approach to Learning
- Jon Peterson & EdChoice Scholarships Accepted
- FREE Uniform Exchange Program
- School Days are 8am - 2:25pm

Preschool - 8th Grade    [www.assumptionacademy.org](http://www.assumptionacademy.org)    440.526.4877  
9183 Broadview Road    Broadview Heights, Ohio

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

*Ms. Mary Zabrecky, Director of Religious Education*

Goodbye 2022, hello 2023! Where did the year go? We had so many great adventures last year, and are looking forward to many more encounters with God this coming year. As we look forward to 2023, let's remember that we are called to bring God into our world as His hands and feet. Let us also remember to bring peace and joy into God's world everyday. The Office of Religious Education wishes each of you a most blessed New Year! May God's grace and love bless you every day of this new year.

Please remember that our PSR Program is still on break. PreK Sunday School resumes next Sunday, January 8, and our grades 1-8 PSR program resumes Monday, January 9. We look forward to seeing everyone soon.

**BUSINESS MANAGER UPDATE**

Actual Collection for Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> .....\$ 19,078.40  
 Immaculate Conception Collection .....\$ 1,738.00

*"Thank you for all you do for Assumption"*

Donate on-line at... [coabvm.churchgiving.com](https://coabvm.churchgiving.com)

**GIFT CARD PROGRAM**

Sales for December 14<sup>th</sup> – December 20<sup>th</sup> .....\$ 9,295.00  
 Profit .....\$ 371.80

*"Thank you"*

*"Happy New Year"*

**SECOND COLLECTIONS:**

First Sunday	Assumption Education
Third Sunday	Human Care
Fifth Sunday	St. Vincent de Paul

**MARK YOUR 2023 CALENDAR & JOIN US!****January**

8 Monthly Family Breakfast  
 22 Stewardship Sunday  
 29 Catholic Schools Week Family  
 Mass & All-School Open House

**February**

19, 20, 21 Parish Mission  
 22 Ash Wednesday  
 24 Fabulous Fish Fry

**March**

3 Fabulous Fish Fry  
 10 Fabulous Fish Fry  
 17 Fabulous Fish Fry  
 24 Fabulous Fish Fry  
 31 Fabulous Fish Fry

**April**

2 Palm Sunday  
 6 Holy Thursday  
 7 Good Friday  
 9 Easter Sunday  
 19 First Communion

**May**

1 May Crowning  
 18 Confirmation  
 21 Ascension of the Lord  
 22 PSR Closing Family Night  
 31 8th Grade Graduation

**July**

Vacation Bible School

**August**

Feast of the Assumption Raffle  
 13 Feast of the Assumption Picnic

**November**

28 **weGIVECATHOLIC**

**December**

8 Immaculate Conception  
 24-25 Christmas

**Monthly Events:****Family Breakfast**

• The First Sunday of each month

**Youth Group Meetings:**

• The Mustard Seed & The Well on Sunday  
 Evenings

• Abide on Thursday Evenings

**First Friday Devotions**

• Mass at 8:30am followed by Rosary

• 2:30pm Rosary and 3pm Benediction & Devotions

**Check out our Ministries!**

**What Assumption Ministry are you joining in 2023?** Church of the Assumption Offers 30+ Ministries for all ages and interests! Be sure to look through them at <https://www.coabvm.org/Ministries>

**Educational Opportunities**

**Parish School of Religion** meets Monday nights 6:30pm - 7:45pm during the school year

**Assumption Academy** Preschool - 8th Grade  
[www.assumptionacademy.org](https://www.assumptionacademy.org)

**Interested in joining the Catholic Faith?** Join Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults today (RCIA) to be baptized, receive Communion & be Confirmed.

**THANK YOU!**

CELEBRATING A RECORD-BREAKING WE GIVE CATHOLIC!  
**\$1.5 M RAISED IN 5 YEARS**



**\$343,559**  
 DOLLARS RAISED / \$344,719 in 2021

**\$100**  
 MOST POPULAR GIFT

**89** FIRST TIME DONORS  
**\$101,000**  
 MATCHES & CHALLENGES

**53**  
 GIFTS OVER \$1,000

**\$5,700**  
 DIOCESE AWARD & MATCHES

**244**  
 8-12 ONLINE DONORS / 120 in 2021

**2022 Catholic Charities Goal Exceeded!**

Parish Commitment Goal: \$136,310  
 Pledged by Parishioners: \$137,425  
**101% Success**

**MONTHLY Assumption Breakfast** All Are Welcome

First Sunday of Each month  
 8am to 11am  
 Complimentary

Upcoming Dates:  
**January 8, February 5,  
 March 5 & April 2**

**THE NINE FIRST FRIDAYS**

On **Friday, January 6** at Assumption Church, we will continue to observe the Nine First Friday devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus with First Friday devotions scheduled at **3:00pm**. This was the first devotion that Jesus, Himself, gave to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque with 12 Great Promises.

In the 12<sup>th</sup> Promise, Jesus said: **"all those who will receive Holy Communion on the First Friday for 9 consecutive months, the grace of final repentance; they will not die in My disgrace, nor without receiving the Sacraments. My Divine Heart will be their safe refuge in that last moment."** Do not pass this opportunity of grace, the invitation is yours...

**8:30am-** Holy Mass

**2:30pm-** Holy Rosary

**3:00pm-** First Friday Devotions

**How to complete the 9 First Fridays devotion:**

- 1) Receive Holy Communion (in the state of grace) on each First Friday;
- 2) The Nine First Fridays must be consecutive;
- 3) Holy Communion must be offered in honor & in reparation to His Sacred Heart.

**The Promise of the FIVE FIRST SATURDAYS**

On December 10, 1925, Our Blessed Mother promised Sister Lucia (from Fatima) that she would **"...assist at the hour of death, with the graces necessary for salvation..."** all those who will fulfill her request by observing the Five First Saturdays.

**How to complete the 5 First Saturdays devotion:**

- † Go to Confession on the First Saturday itself or within eight days before or after
- † Receive Holy Communion (in the state of grace)
- † Pray five decades of the Rosary
- † Meditate for 15 minutes on the mysteries of the Rosary (separate from praying the Rosary)
- † The Five First Saturdays must be consecutive with the intention of making reparation for the 5 kinds of offenses & blasphemies against Mary's Immaculate Heart

**Join us at Assumption on First Saturday, January 7<sup>th</sup>**

**8:30am** Holy Mass

**9:00am** Holy Rosary for First Saturday

**3:00pm** Confessions



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