

FAITH FORMATION NEWSLETTER MARCH 2026

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PARISH WIDE UPDATES:

Lent Devotions and Activities

Stations of the Cross: Every Friday at 7:00p.m.

Living Stations, presented by our 6th Grade on March 27th (see next page for details)

Simple Supper: March 6, March 13th at 5:30 p.m.

Fish Fry: March 20th, March 27th at 6:00 p.m.

****HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE****

Holy Thursday: Thursday April 2nd - Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm

As our Third Graders prepare for their First Communion, we invite them and their families in a special way to attend Holy Thursday Mass, where we remember when Jesus instituted the Sacrament of Holy Communion *and* the priesthood! All parishioners are invited to attend.

Good Friday: Friday April 3rd - Stations at 12 noon, Commemoration of the Lord's Passion at 3pm

Holy Saturday: Saturday April 4th - Blessing of Easter Food 10am, Confessions 11am, Easter Egg Hunt 12pm, Easter Vigil Mass 8pm

Easter Sunday: Sunday April 5th 8am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

LENT

Special Events



**Shroud of Turin Presentation
Friday, March 13th at 7:00 PM**

Deacon Alan Germain, based in the Archdiocese of Hartford, will present on the Shroud of Turin, covering its history, scientific research, and biblical significance.



**Living Stations of the Cross
Friday, March 27th at 7:00 PM**

Grade 6 Faith Formation students will present a dramatic, prayerful reenactment of the final hours of the life of Jesus Christ.

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION CHURCH

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

JOINT MESSAGE FROM MARGO AND EMMA

Dear families,

After much prayer and careful deliberation, we have made the difficult decision to step down from our roles as Faith Formation Directors at the end of the Faith Formation calendar year.



Serving in this ministry has been a meaningful and rewarding experience, and we are deeply grateful for the opportunity to walk alongside our families and students in their faith journeys. However, we are simply not able to maintain the roles after the end of the school year.

This decision was not made lightly. We have given it considerable thought and prayer, and we believe this is the right step for us and our families. We remain committed members of our parish community and look forward to continuing to support the parish in new ways to the best of our ability.

With gratitude,
Margo and Emma



FAITH FORMATION GRADES 1-6

LIVING STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Our 6th Graders will be participating in and putting on a Living Stations of the Cross on **Friday, March 27th at 7:00 p.m.** All families are welcome to attend, pray the Stations, and meditate on the Passion of Our Lord.

6th Grade Families: Rehearsal Schedule is as follows

- Thursday March 12th 6:30pm-8:00pm
- Sunday March 22nd following 11:30 Mass until 2:00pm
- Friday March 27th arrive at 6:00pm, Stations begin at 7pm

Contact Angela Mordecai with any questions (adigennaro@gmail.com)



UPCOMING SACRAMENTS

****CHANGE TO FIRST RECONCILIATION****

Second Grade Families: First Reconciliation will be on Saturday March 21st at 10:00am

Third Grade Families: First Communion will be on Sunday May 3rd at 11:30 a.m. Mass

All families – Please keep our Second and Third Graders in your prayers as they prepare to receive their sacraments in the spring!

CHILDREN'S MASSES

March 8th, 9:30am / March 29th, 11:30am

Any children who would like to participate in the Mass (present gifts at offertory, sit at the altar with Fr. Kelechi at the homily, etc.) will be given the opportunity! Contact Margaret Hamilton (mannham50@gmail.com) or Mary Hill (203 710-5705) with any questions

Our Lady of the Assumption Church
LITTLE LAMBS

Free program for children under age 8 and their families!



Music and Art: Meet up with fellow parishioners for a morning of music and art, followed by free play in our new Montessori-based children's room.

Dates: January 4, February 1, March 8

Outreach: Join us for a craft and games with residents at Coachman Square to give back to our community.

Dates: January 17, February 28, March 28

Scan the QR code for more information and to register!

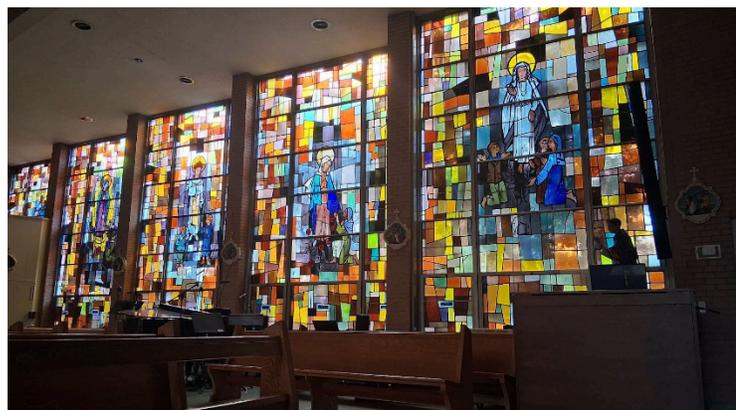
GRADES 7-10

REMINDERS AND UPDATES:

If your child will be absent from class, please email Margo Smith oloafaithformation9and10@gmail.com



- Confirmation for 10th graders is scheduled for **Saturday, April 25, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.** at the Cathedral in Hartford
- All 10th graders are to attend the 9:30am Parish Mass on Sunday, April 26, 2026 to receive their Confirmation certificates and crucifixes
- Service opportunities are regularly posted outside of the Faith Formation office, and they are open to all 7th-10th graders.
- Please remember to submit your completed and signed Service Report Forms to Margo after you've completed service hours so she can give you credit! Copies of this form are available outside of the Faith Formation office.



CHOIR NOTES

Children's Choir has two Children's Masses coming up!

- Sunday March 8th at the 9:30 Mass
- Sunday March 29th at the 11:30

Mass. Rehearsals are Tuesdays 4:45-5:30 pm. New members welcome!

Please contact Keith Smolinski smolinsk.keith@snet.net if you or your children are interested or have any questions.