



CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

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January 29, 2023

- *Today's Mass*
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
- *Sunday Masses*
8, 9:30, 11am, 12:30pm
- *Saturday Masses*
7:00am, 5:00pm
- *Weekday Masses*
Monday through Friday
7:00am, 12 noon
- *Holy Day & Holiday Masses*
Please see weekly Mass schedule
- *Confessions*
Monday through Friday,
11:15-11:45am and
Saturdays, 4pm
- *Baptisms*
Sundays following the
12:30pm Mass
- *Matrimony*
Membership in parish for
at least one year prior to
marriage plans
- *Devotions*
Mother of Perpetual Help
Tuesdays & Sacred Heart
on Fridays at 11:45am

Presentation of the Lord

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord is this Thursday, February 2. This feast commemorates the presentation of the infant Jesus in the Jerusalem temple forty days after his birth. At the beginning of the eighth century, Pope Sergius inaugurated a candlelight procession. At the end of the same century the blessing and distribution of candles became part of the celebration, giving the feast its popular name of Candlemas. Candles will be blessed during each of the masses and will be available for you to take and use in your home during this next year.



Feast of Saint Blaise



The traditional blessing of throats will take place after both masses on Friday, February 3. On the Feast of St. Blaise two candles are blessed, held slightly open and held near the throat as a prayer of blessing is said. Saint Blaise's protection of those with throat troubles apparently comes from a legend that a boy was brought to him who had a fishbone stuck in his throat. The boy was about to die when Saint Blaise healed him.

Retired Religious Give Thanks

Assumption parishioners contributed \$26,585.00 to the Religious Retirement collection this past December. These donations will enable many religious communities to meet their pressing retirement needs and support the retirement planning for newer religious communities. From Sister Lenore Girmscheid, SSND, Coordinator for our Archdiocese: "On behalf of all retired Women Religious, Brothers and Religious Order Priests, I thank you for your support. Your generosity is a real blessing in support of all those who have witnessed to a lifetime of dedicated service!"

We Extend our Sympathies

To the family and friends of Sara Peoter and Steven Trost who have passed away. "Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon them."



Upcoming Events

- *Religious Education.*
The next class is Saturday, February 4 at 9:00am on the St. Mary's campus.
- *Coffee and Donuts.*
Please join us today for Coffee and Donuts in the lower church after all of the Masses.
- *Baptism Preparation Class,*
Sunday, February 12, in the choir room, following the 9:30am Mass. Call the office to register for a class or schedule a baptism at 651-224-7536.
- *Prayer Shawl Ministry.*
The Prayer Shawl Ministry is a group of parishioners who knit, crochet, or sew blankets for baptisms here at Assumption. The next meeting will be Sunday, February 12 in the lower church. For information call Tammy at 651-442-0544.

An Invitation to be Matched



We are very grateful for all those who have made a commitment to our *A Campus Connecting Generations* capital campaign. While the public phase of the campaign is winding down, it is never too late to make a commitment. As an extra incentive, we have announced a campaign challenge match. A few benefactors have graciously offered to match up to \$150,000, dollar-for-dollar of **additional pledges made by February 20, 2023**. No matter the size of the pledge, this is a wonderful opportunity to make an impact by unlocking these funds.

For anyone who would like to make a new pledge to maximize this opportunity, there are pledge forms at church entrances. You can also call the parish office at 651-224-7536. We have strong support for our project plans of improved and expanded parking and restoring our historic school building. Both of these will help us remain a positive, vital, and vibrant presence in downtown Saint Paul.

We Welcome into Our Community

The following children will be baptized this weekend:

Tatum Jane Hayes, child of Daniel and Sheley Hayes;
Mia Mary Beery, child of Patrick and Monica Beery;
Micah Joseph Miley child of Joseph and Sara Miley.

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2022 Contribution Statements



Statements have just been mailed to those who have contributed to the parish in the last calendar year. Should you have any questions about your statement or see any discrepancies with your records please call the parish office at 651-224-7536.

Your support of Assumption is greatly appreciated! A reminder that loose checks placed in the collection are not always recorded unless they are greater than \$250 (according to IRS regulations). Donations of any amount made using a contribution envelope are always recorded. If you don't currently receive contribution envelopes and would like to, please call the parish office.

Travel with Fr. Malone

Visit Ireland with Father Malone May 3 – 17, 2023. This will be a small group. Trip begins in Belfast and continues to Donegal, Galway, Killarney, Kilkenny and Dublin. Contact Karol Baumeister by phone at 651-452-4679 or via email at Karol@americangrouptours.com for more information.



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- Special thanks to:**
- *Snow Plowing*
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The Catholic Social Teaching Roundtable

Community, poverty, economics, friendship with the poor, education, social justice, radical discipleship, living the Church’s social teaching. These are some of the topics we’ll cover in this new, drop-in-any-time study group, led by Colin Miller. The group will meet the first and third Tuesdays of each month, 5:30-7:00pm, in the Rectory. Format includes a short talk followed by discussion. There is no RSVP necessary, and you are welcome to attend whenever you are able. For questions or to be included on the group’s email list please contact Colin Miller at cmiller@assumptionsp.org or call 651-789-6929.



Liturgical Ministers Needed

If you are interested in helping at our weekend Masses as a Hospitality Minister, Sacristan, Communion Minister or Lector please contact Mary Weyandt at 651-789-6921 or mweyandt@assumptionsp.org.

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 29	8:00am	†Frank Masciopinto
<i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:30am	Parishioners
	11:00am	†Tom Gerlach
	12:30pm	†Shirley Donovan
Monday, January 30	7:00am	†John P. Roedler
	12:00pm	†Kathryn-Dusso
Tuesday, January 31	7:00am	†Cormick Scanlan
<i>Saint John Bosco</i>	12:00pm	†Anita Thompson
Wednesday, February 1	7:00am	†Sara Peoter
	12:00pm	†Dorothy Wherley
Thursday, February 2	7:00am	†Genevieve Hoisser
<i>The Presentation of the Lord</i>	12:00pm	†Said & †Ann George
Friday, February 3	7:00am	†Emil, †Arlene, & †Thomas Jerikovsky
<i>Saint Blaise</i>	12:00pm	†Mary Dietsch
Saturday, February 4	7:00am	†Steven Trost
	5:00pm	†Martin A. Marrin
Sunday, February 5	8:00am	†John & Billie Roach
<i>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:30am	Parishioners
	11:00pm	†Michael Poston
	12:30pm	†Harold & †May Belair & †Georgie Modeen



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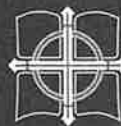


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