



CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

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December 25, 2022

- *Today's Mass*
The Nativity of the Lord
- *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

DEAR PARISHIONERS AND FRIENDS –

Merry Christmas!

We rejoice that Christ is here! The best gift we have is a God who does not just create and then leave us to ourselves. We have a personal God who chooses to be with us, to accompany us and desires us to know that we are loved.



The Christmas season renews us in the sense that God is with us. At Assumption, we are continually grateful for all who walk through our doors to celebrate God's presence. Our liturgies are full this time of year, and they are wonderful reminders that we are all a part of something bigger – the Body of Christ. May our gathering at this holy time and throughout the year help us make God's presence apparent to the world around us.

The beauty of Advent and Christmas remind us of the effort of many dedicated people. Thank you to all who help make this season so beautiful and our liturgies and ministries wonderful. To our volunteers, liturgical ministers, our cantors, choir and musicians, and to those who help make our environment so lovely; to our maintenance and facilities staff, and to those in our parish office – the entire community is blessed by your efforts and good work.

From all of us here at Assumption, Merry Christmas. May God bless you and your loved ones during this beautiful season and in the New Year.

- Fr. Paul Treacy

Christmas at Assumption December 28



Relish the joy of the Christmas season with beautiful choral music and best-loved carols. Join us this Wednesday, December 28 at 7:00pm in the Church. Reception to follow in the Lower Church. Admission is free of charge.

Upcoming Events

- **Religious Education.**
There is no class Saturday, December 31.
- **Baptism Preparation Class,** Sunday, January 8, lower church, following the 9:30am Mass. Call the office to register for a class or schedule a baptism at 651-224-7536.
- **Parish Office** will be closed December 23 through December 26 for the Christmas holiday. Regular office hours will resume on Tuesday, December 27, 8:30am-4:30pm.
- **Loaves and Fishes.** Assumption parishioners serve dinner at Catholic Charities the third Tuesday of every month. Call the parish office for more information 651-224-7536.

Welcome!

To those who are visitors with us this weekend. If you would like more information about the parish or are interested in registering, please call the parish office, 651-224-7536.

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

Saturday, December 31: Mass at 5:00pm


Sunday, January 1: Masses at 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am & 12:30pm



We Extend our Sympathies

To the family and friends of Michael Murphy, who has passed away. *“Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon them.”*

Travel with Fr. Malone

Join Fr. Malone on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land August 28–September 7, 2023. If you are interested, please contact Karol at 651-452-4679 or via email at Karol@americangrouptours.com. Karol can also provide information about an upcoming trip to  Ireland in May 2023.



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, beginning January 17, 2023, 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.

The Power of Prayer



You are welcome to request prayers for yourself or a loved one through our Assumption prayer team. Requests for prayers can be for any reason, including illness, job stress, or family discord. Please identify the timeline for your request. All requests are kept confidential. Call the parish office at 651-224-7536 and we can transfer you to the prayer line.

Low Gluten Communion Hosts

Low gluten hosts are available at all Masses. Those needing this option are asked to use the “Station One” line, which forms in the front of Mary's altar, on the west side of church.

Parish Staff

- *Pastor*
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Special thanks to:

- *Snow Plowing*
Joseph Vogel
- *Parish Historian*
Dave Brown
- *Landscaping*
Brian Christopherson

Keystone Food Mobile

Additional volunteers are invited for the Keystone Food Mobile, Assumption’s long-time ministry partner, to help distribute food to Keystone clients who come to the truck to “shop”. The truck is located at Central Towers, two blocks east of Assumption. Shifts are the third Thursdays, 12:45-3:00pm and third Fridays, from 9:45am-12:00pm of each month. For questions or more information please contact Kathy Moore at kathygregmoore@comcast.net.



Prayer Shawl Ministry to Meet

The Assumption Prayer Shawl ministry will meet Sunday, January 8. The Prayer Shawl Ministry is a group of parishioners who knit, crochet, or sew blankets for baptisms here at Assumption and prayer shawls for folks who are ill or homebound. The group meets in the lower church, typically on the second Sunday of the month following the 9:30am Mass. If you are interested in joining, contact Tammy Clemens at 651-442-0544.



Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 25	8:00am †Joyce Juenemann Gardner
<i>The Nativity of the Lord</i>	9:30am †Molly O’Gara
	11:00am †Bud Faricy
	12:30pm †Leonard Wistrick
Monday, December 26	7:00am †Jeffrey Laska
<i>Saint Stephen</i>	12:00pm Samuel J. Mathews
Tuesday, December 27	7:00am †Patricia Swenson
<i>Saint John</i>	12:00pm Alyssa N. Gutzmann
Wednesday, December 28	7:00am †Andy Sanchez
<i>The Holy Innocents</i>	12:00pm †Mary Kaase
Thursday, December 29	7:00am †Bryan Pershing
	12:00pm †Karla & †Lorraine Haugen
Friday, December 30	7:00am †Roger Drowing
<i>The Holy Family of Jesus</i>	12:00pm †Paul D. Collins
Saturday, December 31	7:00am †Kathy Nasseff
	5:00pm †LaVonne Bohaty Ostrom
Sunday, January 1	8:00am †Bill Conley
<i>Solemnity of Mary</i>	9:30am Parishioners
	11:00pm †LaVonne Bohaty Ostrom
	12:30pm †Jack Gohl

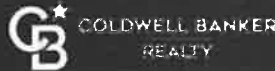


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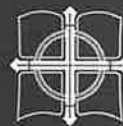


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