



CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

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December 26, 2021

- *Today's Mass*
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
- *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

Merry Christmas!

"She will give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel (which means 'God is with us')." - Isaiah 7:14

Today we rejoice that Jesus is born. The best Christmas gift we have is faith in a God who came to us in a manger and accompanies us still -

wherever we find ourselves. Even as we celebrate our second Christmas during the pandemic, the season still renews us in certain hope that God is with us.

At Assumption we are continually grateful for all who join us in person and for those who can stay connected and celebrate with us virtually. Our worship together reminds us that we are all a part of something bigger – the Body of Christ. Then we go forth as instruments of peace and help make God's presence apparent to the world around us.

The beauty of Advent and Christmas reveals to us the effort of many dedicated people. Thank you to all who help make this season so beautiful and our liturgies and ministries wonderful throughout the year. To our volunteers, liturgical ministers, our cantors, choir and musicians, and to those who help make our environment so lovely, thank you. And thanks to an incredible, dedicated staff and fellow clergy – the entire community is blessed by your efforts and good work. I am blessed to be a part of a great team.

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

- Fr. Paul Treacy



Upcoming Events

- *Loaves and Fishes*, parishioners serving lunch at Dorothy Day December 26.
- *Baptism Preparation Class*, Sunday, January 9, lower church following the 9:30am Mass. Call 651-224-7536 to schedule a baptism for your child.
- *Parish Office Closed* December 27 & 31 for Christmas & New Year holidays.
- *Radical Discipleship & Catholic Community Class*. Topics include: Catholic social teaching, and serving Christ in the poor. From January-May, 2022. If interested contact Colin at cmiller@assumptionsp.org or 651-224-7536.

Upcoming Mass Schedule

Feast of the Holy Family (December 26)

There is no 5:00pm anticipatory Mass for the Feast of the Holy Family on Saturday, December 25. Masses will be celebrated on Sunday, December 26 at 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am and 12:30pm. *The 9:30am Mass will be livestreamed and recorded and can be viewed on the parish website (www.assumptionsp.org).*

Feast of the Solemnity of Mary (January 1)

While not a holy day of obligation this year, Masses will be celebrated on Saturday, January 1 at 7:00am and 10:00am.

Epiphany of the Lord (January 2)

Masses will be on Saturday, January 1 at 5:00pm and Sunday, January 2 at 8:00am, 9:30am, 11:00am and 12:30pm.



Emergency Relief Is Needed

Assumption is joining other parishes in the Archdiocese in taking an emergency collection to help those suffering from the devastation of the recent tornadoes in the United States. Your gift will be forwarded to the USCCB Bishop's Emergency Disaster Fund. Envelopes can be found at church entrances. Checks should be made payable to Assumption. You may also donate online via the parish website: www.assumptionsp.org. Thank you for supporting this important cause.

We Welcome into Our Community

The following children who are being baptized at Assumption: **Charles James Baran**, child of Kyle and Margaret Baran; **Peter Jaxson Estrada**, child of Peter and Sofia Estrada.



We Extend our Sympathies

To the family and friends of David Haley and Cloquette McNamara who have passed away. *"Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon them."*

Scripture and Tradition Talks

Join Colin Miller on Wednesdays after the 12:00pm Mass for a series of short talks on various Catholic topics. The talks will continue through January 19. We will gather in the front and center of the church directly after the noon Mass. On December 29 the topic will be 'Sharing' and on January 5, 'The Body of Christ.'

The Power of Prayer

You are welcome to request prayers for yourself or a loved one through our Assumption prayer team. To do so, call the parish office, 651-224-7536.

Parish Staff

- *Pastor*
Fr. Paul Treacy
 - *Pastor Emeritus*
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- Special thanks to:**
- *Snow Plowing*
Joseph Vogel
 - *Parish Historian*
Dave Brown
 - *Landscaping*
Brian Christopherson
 - *Porter*
James Prifrel, Jr.

Liturgical Ministers Needed

The next schedule for liturgy volunteers will be for January-March. 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. If you already volunteer please update your profile on our Ministry Scheduler Pro website with any dates you are not available to serve.

New Parish Directory



It is time for a new parish pictorial directory! It has been five years since our last directory. It is the go-to resource to put a name and a face together, to reach out to a fellow parishioner and to feel a part of our Assumption family. Photography times will begin in February. Watch the bulletin and your mail for additional information in the coming weeks.

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 26	8:00am	†Bob McCarron
<i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</i>	9:30am	†Bud & †Virginia Conoryea
	11:00am	Parishioners
	12:30pm	†Leonard Wistrcill
Monday, December 27	7:00am	Special Intention
<i>Saint John</i>	12:00pm	Alyssa Nicolle Gutzman
Tuesday, December 28	7:00am	Souls in Purgatory
<i>The Holy Innocents</i>	12:00pm	†Leonardo San Juan
Wednesday, December 29	7:00am	Rachael Masters
	12:00pm	†Karla & †Lorayne Haugen
Thursday, December 30	7:00am	Special Intention
	12:00pm	†Paul & †Betty Mae Collins
Friday, December 31	7:00am	†Kathy Nasseff
	12:00pm	†Bev Anderson
Saturday, January 1	7:00am	†Jack Gohl
<i>Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God</i>	10:00am	†Edwin Stromme
	5:00pm	†Jerry & †Barb Ciresi
Sunday, January 2	8:00am	†Bob McCarron
<i>Epiphany of the Lord</i>	9:30am	†LaVonne Bohaty Ostrom
	11:00am	Parishioners
	12:30pm	†Sharon Pietruszewski



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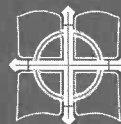
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