



CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

51 WEST 7TH STREET • ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA 55102 • 651-224-7536

February 14, 2021

- *Today's Mass*
Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time
- *Sunday Masses*
8, 9:30, 11 am, 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*
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, 11:30-11:50am and Saturday, 4-4:30pm, lower church
- *Baptisms*
Each Sunday 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 & Friends -

The Lenten season begins this week with Ash Wednesday on February 17th. Lent is a joyful season when we can reflect on our relationships with God and our neighbors. The ancient practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving help us to open our hearts and grow in those relationships. It is a time when we can experience hope and renewal by being more aware of the presence, the love and mercy of Jesus who gives of himself completely for our sake. Perhaps this year, more than any other, we long for that hope and renewal.

There are several ways to participate in Ash Wednesday liturgies this year. You can find them listed on the following page.

Let us continue to pray for all those who have been affected by COVID-19, for our healthcare workers and for wisdom, patience and perseverance as we continue our fight against this pandemic. Let us pray that this Lenten season will be a time of renewal and hope for all of us.

May God bless you and keep you safe.

-Fr. Paul Treacy

Together in Hope

The 2021 Catholic Services Appeal is underway. Please consider a commitment to support this important work of caring for the poor, supporting life and strengthening our faith. There are three easy ways to give:

In Person: Use an envelope found at church entrances and place it in the collection box when you attend Mass.

Online: Go to www.giveCSAF.org to make an electronic gift.

Postal Mail: Mail your gift directly to the CSAF, 12805 Hwy 55, Suite 210, Plymouth, MN 55441.

In challenging times, the ministries of the CSAF have more impact than ever. Each week 12,000 people are receiving fresh groceries and hygiene items. Each month 635 people are provided emergency shelter. Thank you for prayerfully considering a gift to this year's campaign.

Forty
Days
OF LENT

Upcoming Events

- *Religious Education*, Saturday mornings, 9:00-10:15am, St. Mary's Church. For more information contact Jill Bueno, 651-224-7536.
- *Parish Office Closed*, Monday, February 15th, in observance of the President's Day Holiday.
- *Ash Wednesday*, February 17th. Mass and distribution of Ashes at 7am, 10am, Noon, & 5:15pm.
- *Drive-Up Communion*, Wednesdays, 1:00-2:00pm, please enter north parking lot from Exchange Street.
- *Stations of the Cross*, Lenten Fridays beginning February 19th at 3:00pm in the church.

Participating in Ash Wednesday Liturgies

To Attend Ash Wednesday in Person (Reservations Required)

There will be a blessing and distribution of ashes during the Masses at 7:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm and 5:15pm.

Reservations will be required for those who want to attend Mass in person. To make a reservation please visit the parish website at www.assumptionsp.org or call the parish office at 651-224-7536. A confirmation of your reservation will then be sent to your email address. *You will need to bring that confirmation with you to Mass.* The reservation system will help keep us within safe and legal limits in Church.



Should you make a reservation to attend Mass but then are unable to make it, we ask that you cancel your reservation. It is easy to do by just clicking a link that will be included in your email confirmation. That way someone else will be able to reserve those spots. If there are no seats available for Mass when you go online, we encourage you to check back.

To Attend Ash Wednesday Virtually

The 12:00pm Mass on Ash Wednesday will be live streamed and can be viewed from the comfort and safety of your home. The Mass can be found on the parish website (www.assumptionsp.org) and will also be available to watch the rest of the day.

To Receive Ashes From Your Car

Ashes will be offered to those who come for drive up Communion, from 1:00-2:00pm in the north parking lot. Please enter the lot from Exchange Street.

Becoming Catholic

Are you interested in exploring the Catholic Faith? Would you like to be baptized or confirmed as an adult? Assumption offers Becoming Catholic Classes (RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) on a rolling basis – it is never too late or too early to join. For more information please contact Colin Miller, 651-789-6929, or by email at cmiller@assumptionsp.org.



In Observance of the President's Day Holiday

The parish office will be closed on Monday, February 15th. In case of a pastoral emergency, please call the parish office, 651-224-7536, and your call will be redirected. Because of the pandemic, the parish office continues to remain closed except by appointment. However, the phones are answered Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm. Please do not hesitate to call if we can be of assistance.

Parish Staff

- *Pastor*
Fr. Paul Treacy
 - *Pastor Emeritus*
Fr. John Malone
Fr. Stephen O’Gara
 - *Parochial Vicar*
Fr. Greg Skrypek
 - *Director Religious Education*
Jill Bueno
 - *Facilities Manager*
Mark Dornfeld
 - *Maintenance*
Laura Jimenez
 - *Administrator*
Julie Malecha
 - *Director Pastoral Care & Outreach*
Colin Miller
 - *Church Environment*
Kathy Mrozinski
 - *Deacon*
Jim Saumweber
 - *Pastoral Associate*
Cindy Smetana
 - *Maintenance*
Bill Tierney
 - *Wedding & Volunteer Coordinator*
Mary Weyandt
- Special thanks to:**
- *Snow Plowing*
Joseph Vogel
 - *Parish Historian*
Dave Brown
 - *Landscaping*
Brian Christopherson
 - *Porter*
James Prifrel, Jr.

We Welcome into Our Community

The following children who will be baptized at Assumption: **Penelope Isabelle Prideaux**, child of Devon & Alyssa Prideaux; and **Clayton Alexander Wolf**, child of Joshua & Jenna Wolf.



Baptisms are held most Sundays with a common celebration of the sacrament after the 12:30pm Mass. Please call the parish office to schedule a baptism for your child or to register to attend the class, 651-224-7536.

We Offer Our Condolences

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

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 14	8:00am	†Shelagh Sampair
<i>Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time</i>	9:30am	Parishioners
	11:00am	†Bud Faricy
	12:30pm	†Tim O’Gara & †Mike Ruddy
Monday, February 15	7:00am	†Judith Wicker
	12:00pm	†Frank McLean
Tuesday, February 16	7:00am	Peter Daly
	12:00pm	Margarita Morellon
Wednesday, February 17	7:00am	†Bev & †Mike Radio
<i>Ash Wednesday</i>	10:00am	†David Peterson
	12:00pm	Family & Friends of Michelle Torba
	5:15pm	†Edward Schmitt
Thursday, February 18	7:00am	†Roland & †Kathy Bartell
	12:00pm	†Timothy Brandl
Friday, February 19	7:00am	†Robert Hampson
	12:00pm	†Virginia Hoschka
	3:00pm	Stations of the Cross
Saturday, February 20	7:00am	†Mary Lou Wensman
	5:00pm	†Said & †Ann George
Sunday, February 21	8:00am	†John & †Billie Roach
<i>First Sunday of Lent</i>	9:30am	Parishioners
	11:00am	†Jerry Ciresi
	12:30pm	Jack John Gutzman

