



CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

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February 5, 2023

- *Today's Mass*
Fifth 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

LENTEN SEASON 2023

Ash Wednesday

The Lenten season begins with Ash Wednesday on Wednesday, February 22. There will be the blessing and distribution of ashes during the masses at 7:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm and 5:15pm. Please note there will be no confessions on Ash Wednesday.

Lenten Abstinence & Fasting

All who have reached their 14th birthday are asked to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays during Lent. All those between the ages of 18-59 are asked to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. One full meal and two lighter meals are allowed on days of fast. The obligation does not apply to those whose health or work would be seriously affected.

Soup Lunches

Wednesdays in Lent following the 12:00pm mass in the lower church beginning March 1. Watch the bulletin for details.

Stations of the Cross

On each Friday during Lent at 3:00pm in the church.

How to Fast

Fast from judging others; *Feast on Christ dwelling in them.*
Fast from apparent darkness; *Feast on the reality of light.*
Fast from thoughts of illness; *Feast on the healing power of God.*
Fast from words that pollute; *Feast on phrases that purify.*
Fast from anger; *Feast on patience.*
Fast from worry; *Feast on unceasing prayer.*
Fast from negatives; *Feast on positives.*
Fast from complaining; *Feast on appreciation.*
Fast from hostility; *Feast on nonresistance.*
Fast from bitterness; *Feast on forgiveness.*
Fast from anxiety; *Feast on hope.*
Fast from yourself; *Feast on a silent heart.*



Upcoming Events

- **Religious Education.**
The next class is Saturday, February 11 at 9:00am on the St. Mary's campus.
- **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.
- **Loaves and Fishes.**
Assumption parishioners will serve dinner at Catholic Charities Tuesday, February 21. Call the parish office for information 651-224-7536.


We Welcome into Our Community

The following children being baptized this weekend:

Murphy James McWhirter, child of Sean and Michele McWhirter;
Ellen Marie Anderson, child of Joseph and Samantha Anderson.



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.

Baptisms at Assumption

Baptisms are held most Sundays at Assumption with a common celebration of the sacrament after the 12:30pm Mass. A baptism preparation class is also offered monthly following the 9:30am mass in the lower church. The next baptism preparation class is Sunday, February 12. We do try to adjust to the real needs of families with special requests. Call the parish office at 651-224-7536 with any questions or to schedule a baptism.

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.

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.

Parish Staff

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Special thanks to:

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

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 is meeting 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.



We Extend our Sympathies



To the family and friends of Clark Armstead and Jean Schreier who have passed away. “Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon them.”

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, February 5	8:00am	†John & Billie Roach
<i>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:30am	Parishioners
	11:00am	†Michael Poston
	12:30pm	†Harold & †May Belair & †Georgie Modeen
Monday, February 6	7:00am	Brooke Medama
<i>Saint Paul</i>	12:00pm	†Sean Maher
Tuesday, February 7	7:00am	†Clark Armstead
	12:00pm	Debbie Nieman
Wednesday, February 8	7:00am	†Jean Schreier
	12:00pm	†Bert McKasy
Thursday, February 9	7:00am	†James Rogers
	12:00pm	Steve Lauinger
Friday, February 10	7:00am	†Roger Drawing
<i>Saint Scholastica</i>	12:00pm	Kait Beaudette
Saturday, February 11	7:00am	†George, †Betty, & †Paul Kronschnabel
	5:00pm	†Tom & †Ruth Clagherty
Sunday, February 12	8:00am	†Ethel McCarron
<i>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:30am	†Joan Kammerer Zwart
	11:00pm	†Tom Gerlach
	12:30pm	†Shirley & †Richard Donovan



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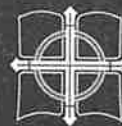


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