



CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

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March 19, 2023

- *Today's Mass*
Fourth Sunday of Lent
- *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

Feast of St. Joseph Celebration

You are invited to join us this Monday, March 20 as we celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph. We'll begin with Mass at 12:00pm in the church and a lunch will follow in the lower church. Reservations are not required. Joseph is the patron saint of the universal church but also the patron saint of Italian Americans. Today in Sicily and in many Italian American communities thanks are given to Saint Joseph (San Giuseppe) for preventing a famine in Sicily during the Middle Ages. Donations also are given to help the poor.



Wednesday Lenten Soup Lunches



Join us this Wednesday, March 22 following the 12:00pm Mass in the lower church for our next Lenten soup lunch. Father Byron Hagen, co-pastor of St Mary's Church in Lowertown, will be presenting "Dare We Hope for Personal Transformation?" There is no charge but reservations are encouraged. Please contact the parish office at 651-224-7536 to RSVP.

Help Save a Life

Assumption is hosting a blood drive on Wednesday, April 19 in the lower church from 9:00am to 3:00pm. The American Red Cross has an urgent need for eligible blood donors to give now, to help restock its shelves. You can sign up for a donation appointment by visiting the Red Cross website at www.redcrossblood.org or by contacting Assumption parishioner Karee Lendway at klendway7@gmail.com or 651-894-4618. Only about 38 percent of the country's population is eligible to donate blood and just a fraction of those actually donate. Please consider participating in this important cause.



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. Requests for prayers can be for any reason.

Upcoming Events

- *Stations of the Cross*,
Lenten Fridays beginning at
3:00pm in the church.
- *Religious Education Classes*
next Saturday, March 25,
9:00am at St. Mary's.
Contact Jill with questions
(651-224-7536).
- *Loaves & Fishes*,
parishioners serving dinner
at Catholic Charities, March
21 and lunch March 26. Call
651-224-7536 if interested
in volunteering.
- *Coffee and Donuts*.
Please join us for Coffee
and Donuts in the lower
church Sunday, March 26
after all of the Masses.
- *Catholic Social Teaching*.
Class will meet Tuesday,
March 21 in the rectory. For
more information call the
office at 651-224-7536.

For the Love of Christ Impels Us

The 2023 Catholic Services Appeal is well underway. Many thanks to all who have pledged to the appeal. The appeal funds services that no one parish or individual can do alone. Your gift helps to support Catholic education, Seminarian support and services to those in need. If you haven't already pledged, please prayerfully consider giving to this year's campaign. No gift is too small. Visit www.csafspm.org for additional information or call the parish office at 651-224-7536. Thank you for your generosity.



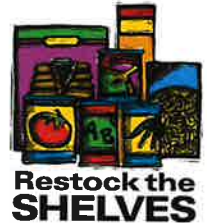
We Welcome into Our Community



The following children being baptized at Assumption:
Sunny Allen Evans & Rainey Alaine Evans, children of
Patrick & Deven Evans; **Grayson John Peick**, child of Matthew & Jessa Peick.

You Can Make A Difference

Help address the serious and growing hunger crisis in the state by giving generously to our annual food drive during the month of March. All nonperishable food donations are appreciated. Donations can be left at church entrances or brought to the parish office. Donations can also be made electronically via the parish website or by mailing a check to the parish office. For more information about the food drive or to help with loading donations, contact Linda at outreach@assumptionsp.org.



We Extend our Sympathies



To the family and friends of Susan McCardle and Eugene Beaulieu who have passed away. *"Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon them."*

24th Annual Living Stations of the Cross

The "Servants of the Cross" group will re-enact the Passion of Jesus Christ at three locations on Good Friday, April 7 at 12:00pm at Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary-Maplewood (1725 Kennard St.), 3:00 pm at St. Jude of the Lake-Mahtomedi (700 Mahtomedi Ave.), and 7:00pm at Church of St. Peter-North St. Paul (2600 N. Margaret St.). For more information or to view their YouTube presentation for those homebound or unable to attend, go to www.servantsofthecrossmn.com.



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- *Snow Plowing*
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Loving God,

During this sacred season of Lent, bring me closer to you.

Prepare a place in my home and heart for silence and solitude, so that I may re-discover the grace of a prayer-full life.

Help me to fast from those things that threaten the well-being of body and soul and remind me of the grace of simplicity.

Enlarge my heart so that I give to those in need and, in so doing, re-discover the grace of gratitude and generosity.

May the remainder of this Lenten season be a grace-filled time to rekindle my love for and faith in you. Amen.

- -Author Unknown

Weekly Mass Intentions

Sunday, March 19	8:00am	†Bob McCarron
<i>Fourth Sunday of Lent</i>	9:30am	†Colleen Berkner
	11:00am	†John DeGidio
	12:30pm	†John Ford & †Gene Fitzgerald
Monday, March 20	7:00am	Tim DeNeen
<i>Saint Joseph</i>	12:00pm	Steve Lauinger
Tuesday, March 21	7:00am	Lisa Marrone
	12:00pm	Rennett May Blaeser & Kelia Rose Slattery
Wednesday, March 22	7:00am	†Liz Dorle
	12:00pm	†Michelle Torba
Thursday, March 23	7:00am	Mary Kudwa
	12:00pm	†Tony Garofalo
Friday, March 24	7:00am	†Susan McCardle
	12:00pm	†Cormick Scanlan
	3:00pm	Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 25	7:00am	†Roger Drawing
<i>The Annunciation of the Lord</i>	5:00pm	†William P. Killalea
Sunday, March 26	8:00am	†Bev Flanagan
<i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i>	9:30am	Parishioners
	11:00pm	†Steven Harrington
	12:30pm	†Shirley Donovan



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