



# CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

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**May 2, 2021**

- *Today's Mass*  
**Fifth Sunday of Easter**
- *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,  
11:30-11:50am 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

## *More Masses for the Masses*

It is still the Easter season, spring has sprung, and there are many reasons for hope. When it comes to the COVID pandemic, there is also encouraging news. As the number of people being vaccinated increases, more are comfortable coming back to Mass. It has been great to see the return of many who have not been to Church in over a year.

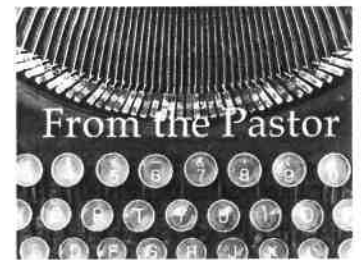
The challenges of the pandemic, however, still exist for us. We are still bound to the safety protocols of Executive Order 21-11. Right now, there are more people coming back to church than we can safely and legally fit into our space. We all look forward to the day we can remove the ropes or at least lessen the number of pews that are roped off. However, the legal safety requirement remains at 6 feet of social distance between households or groups.

Unfortunately, roping off every other pew instead of every third pew does not allow for 6 feet. This past week Archbishop Hebda and our insurance carrier reiterated to all parishes that we have a responsibility to continue current mask and social distancing protocols.

***To accommodate and welcome more people returning to Church, we are temporarily adding an additional Mass in the lower church at each of the current Mass times. This change is effective next weekend, May 8-9.*** We can safely add more seating and hope this attracts more people downstairs for an in-person Mass experience. We have successfully done this before when the church was being renovated and at Christmas time. There will be signs outside at each entrance to inform people when the church is full and how to get to the lower church.

Sunday Masses continue online, as does the dispensation to attend Mass as long as we are in the pandemic. We appreciate the communion experienced by those watching the virtual Mass. Please know that even if you are not attending Mass in person right now you are still an important part of our parish community.

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### Upcoming Events

- *Drive-Up Communion*, Wednesdays, 1:00-2:00pm, please enter north parking lot from Exchange Street.
- *Scripture & Tradition*, Wednesdays, following the noon Mass. Gather in the front of the altar. All are welcome. No reservations are needed.
- *Second Stork Collection Drive*, May 8th & 9th. Newborn items may be left at church entrances or dropped at the parish office, 651-224-7536.
- *Second Stork Volunteers*, help pack donations for newborns. Thursday, May 20th, 9:30am-11:00am, lower church. Contact Colin Miller, 651-789-6929, for more information.

### *More Masses for the Masses, continued from page 1*

It will be a great day when we get to take down all the ropes and return to a COVID protocol-free worship experience. Until then, we appreciate everyone's patience, cooperation and positive attitude. We continue to pray for those who are ill and for those who have lost loved ones during the pandemic.

May God bless you and keep you safe.

- Fr. Paul Treacy

### *Congratulations and God's Blessings*

To the following young people who received their First Holy Communion on Sunday, April 18th, at Assumption: **Andrew Fose, Elsie Gutzman, Georgia Mendes, Amalia Mendes and Benjamin Wilfahrt**. May God continue to bless these children and their families.



### *We Offer Our Condolences*

To the family and friends of **Robert Cherveney, Stanley Fedorowski, Antonio Castro, and Marianne Foussard** who have died. *"Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon them."*

### *We Welcome into Our Community*



The following children who will be baptized at

Assumption this weekend: **Peter Edward Fooshe**, child of Peter & Jenna Fooshe; **Oliver Mitchell Meyer**, child of Patrick & Joanna Meyer; **Luka Christopher Cronk Meyers**, child of Jayme & Caroline Meyers; and **Marcus Aaron Hansen**, child of Grant & Erin Hansen.

Baptisms are held most Sundays with a common celebration of the sacrament after the 12:30pm Mass. We offer a baptismal preparation class, especially helpful for first time parents. The May class will be held next Sunday, May 9th, in the lower church following the 9:30am Mass. Please call the parish office to schedule a baptism for your child or to register to attend the baptism preparation class, 651-224-7536.

### *Lift Up Your Hearts: The Meaning of the Eucharistic Prayers*

Come and learn more this Wednesday, May 5th, following the noon Mass. Director of Pastoral Care & Outreach, Colin Miller, leads this series of short talks each Wednesday on various Catholic topics, scriptures and traditions. Please gather in the church with the usual precautions in front of the altar. There is no need to RSVP. You may drop in whenever you can. Please contact the parish office with any questions (651-224-7536).

## Parish Staff

- *Pastor*  
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Joseph Vogel
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Dave Brown
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Brian Christopherson
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James Prifrel, Jr.

## Second Stork Drive & Volunteer Opportunity

On Mother’s Day weekend, May 8th & 9th, we will host a collection drive to benefit Second Stork, a St. Paul based non-profit that helps new parents in need by providing newborn essentials. Items needed for this year’s collection include: new one-piece cotton sleepers and cotton one-piece t-shirts (“onesies”) in sizes Preemie, Newborn, or 0-3 months, lightweight receiving blankets, and baby wet wipes (unopened).



Donations may be left near the church entrances or dropped at the parish office. You may also make a financial gift in support of this outreach ministry. Please indicate “Second Stork” on the memo line of your check, or donate electronically by visiting the parish website, [www.assumptionsp.org](http://www.assumptionsp.org). For additional information about Second Stork, visit [www.secondstork.org](http://www.secondstork.org). Volunteers are needed to help assemble the donated items into care packages, **Thursday May 20th, from 9:30-11:00am** in the lower church. If you would like to volunteer, or have questions, please call Colin at the parish office at 651-789-6929 or email [cmiller@assumptionsp.org](mailto:cmiller@assumptionsp.org).

### Weekly Mass Intentions

<b>Sunday, May 2</b>	8:00am	†John O’Connor
<i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i>	9:30am	†Joan Kammerer Zwart
	11:00am	Parishioners
	12:30pm	†Linda Turi
<b>Monday, May 3</b>	7:00am	†Ronald Trebesch
<i>Saints Phillip &amp; James</i>	12:00pm	†Judy Milbery
<b>Tuesday, May 4</b>	7:00am	†Peter Matsumoto
	12:00pm	Holy Souls in Purgatory
<b>Wednesday, May 5</b>	7:00am	†Vicente Divina
	12:00pm	Justin Hayes
<b>Thursday, May 6</b>	7:00am	†Peter Matsumoto
	12:00pm	†Barbara Nadeau
<b>Friday, May 7</b>	7:00am	†Joyce Juenemann Gardner
	12:00pm	†Mary Selander
<b>Saturday, May 8</b>	7:00am	†Joseph & Cecilia Wheeler
	5:00pm	†Maryann Firner
<b>Sunday, May 9</b>	8:00am	†Rita Grundtner
<i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>	9:30am	†Bernice Eckstein
	11:00am	†Bud Faricy
	12:30pm	Parishioners



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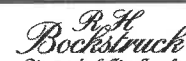


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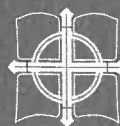
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