

February 18, 2024

· Today's Mass

First Sunday of Lent

- Sunday Masses8, 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 2024

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 Lunch

Please join us Wednesdays in Lent, after the noon Mass, beginning February 21, for our annual Lenten soup lunches in the Lower Church. Each week will feature a local speaker with some food for thought to go with the food for the body. The first speaker will be Susanna Spencer, freelance writer and regular contributor to the National Catholic Register. Talks begin about 12:30pm and go about a half-hour. Lunch is free of charge. Please RSVP to the Parish Office at 651-224-7536 or email Kelly at kpelzer@assumptionsp.org.

Stations of the Cross

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

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 nonperisions



food drive during the month of March. All nonperishable food donations are appreciated. Some items of particular need include: canned beans, fruits, and vegetables, peanut butter, dried pasta and fruit, cereal, oatmeal, canned fish and soup, spaghetti sauce, sugar, flour and spices, as well as toiletries, personal hygiene items, and even pet food.

Donations can be left at church entrances. For those staying connected virtually, you may also donate electronically or mail a check to the parish office. Please indicate "Food Drive" on the memo line of your check. All donations will be given to local food shelves to help feed the hungry in St. Paul. For more information about the food drive or to help with loading donations, contact Frances at outreach@assumptionsp.org.

Upcoming Events

- Religious Education Class. The next class is Saturday, February 24.
- Baptism Preparation classes will be held after the 9:30am Mass in the lower church. The next class is Sunday, March 3. Call the parish office to schedule a baptism or to sign up for a class at 651-224-7536.
- Loaves and Fishes.

 Assumption volunteers are needed to serve dinner at Catholic Charities February 20. Call the parish office at 651-224-7536 to sign up.
- Parish office closed Monday February 19. We will be closed in observance of President's Day and will resume regular hours Tuesday, February 20, 8:30am-4:30pm.

We Extend our Sympathies



To the family and friends of Louis Morelli, Diane McGroarty and Marjorie Kolar who have passed away. "Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon them."

Keystone Food Mobile

Volunteers are needed for the Keystone Food Mobile,
Assumption's long-time ministry partner. Help distribute food to Keystone clients who come to the truck to "shop". The truck is located at Central Towers, two blocks east of Assumption and available shifts are usually the third Thursdays and Fridays 10:00am-12:00pm each month. For questions or more information please contact Frances via email at outreach@assumptionsp.org. You can sign up directly with the sign up genius link. https://wwww.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4CAAAF2EA1F5CF8-46972682-keystone

Take Communion to the Homebound

Assumption needs volunteers to help take Holy Communion to the homebound. Visits can be scheduled at your convenience, and you can help out whenever you are available. No experience necessary — we'll train you in. A safe environment training is required and provided. If interested please contact Colin Miller at 651-789-6929 or cmiller@asssumptionsp.org.

Spring Class - Radical Discipleship and Catholic Community

What does Catholic social teaching look like embodied in daily life? This free, 10-week course, taught by Colin Miller, seeks to offer a compelling vision of a Church deeply engaged with the liturgy, each other, our communities, and the poor. Topics include: finding Christ in the poor; the Church as local community; incarnational ministry; caring for creation; and a host of related themes. Meeting options are Mondays mornings or Thursday evenings, at the Assumption. For more information and to register please visit catholicsocialthought.org or contact Colin at 651-706-4039 or cmiller@assumptionsp.org.

Catholic Services Appeal

As parishioners of Assumption, you will be receiving a mailing from the Catholic Services Appeal in the next few weeks requesting your support for the 2024 appeal. Your donation helps to support several ministries within our 12 county Archdiocese. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge to this year's appeal. For more information, visit the Catholic Appeal's website at hope archspm.org or use the QR code.

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Spring 2024 Speaker Series

Assumption's *Center for Catholic Social Thought* is pleased to announce our Spring Speaker Series on the topic of *Rebuilding Catholic Community*. The speaker series will start this Thursday, February 22 at 7:00pm in the lower church. The topic will be "Dorothy Day and Catholic Community", featuring Renee Darline Roden and James Murphy, Chicago catholic workers.

The talks are free, open to the public, and include a reception. Visit the series registration page at Catholicsocialthought.org and click on "register here".

We Welcome into Our Community

BAPTISM

Speaker Series

The following child being baptized at Assumption:

Dillon Edward Kromer child of Joseph and Stephanie Kromer.

Weekly Mass Intentions		
Sunday, February 18	8:00am	Parishioners
First Sunday of Lent	9:30am	†Jeanette Peters
	11:00am	†Bud Faricy
	12:30pm	†Jack Hoschka
Monday, February 19	7:00am	Marilyn Krass
	12:00pm	†Robert Hampson
Tuesday, February 20	7:00am	†Sue Flynn
	12:00pm	Brittney Alexis Blaeser
Wednesday, February 21	7:00am	†Phyllis Plum
	12:00pm	Jack John Gutzmann
Thursday, February 22	7:00am	†Josephine Davi
The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle	12:00pm	†Gene & †Shirley Beaulieu
Friday, February 23	7:00am	†Thomas Maas
	12:00pm	†Jack Nowicki
	-	Stations
Saturday, February 24	7:00am	†Adeline Schmidt
	5:00pm	†Ron Capocasa
Sunday, February 25	8:00am	Parishioners
Second Sunday of Lent	9:30am	†Cecelia Reese Warneke
	11:00am	†Harold & †May Belair
		& †Georgie Modeen
	12:30pm	†Stephen Gleason



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