



Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary RC Church

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*Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish is a welcoming community,
sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ through faith, prayer and the sacraments.*

June 2, 2019

We celebrate EUCHARIST

Saturdays: 8:30 AM and 5:30 PM

Sundays: 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 AM

Weekdays: 7:30 and 9:00 AM

We celebrate PENANCE

Saturdays: 4:00 – 5:00 PM and by appointment.

We celebrate BAPTISM

Usually the first and third Sundays each month. Meeting with Deacon Mike and attendance at class is required. Please contact the rectory during regular office hours to register.

We celebrate MARRIAGE

Make arrangements with the priest at least six months prior to the wedding. All are required by our Bishop to attend the Pre-Cana Conferences as part of the preparation.

Catholic Daughters of the America's (Court St. Gerard)

First Thursday of the month: Sept - June at 7:30 PM in the Parish Library. Contact Maria Calestini at flo815@optonline.net.

Catholic War Veterans

Second Saturday of the month: Sept - June at 10 AM in the Parish Library. Contact Richard Gallagher at popparich38@aol.com.

Communion for the Sick or Shut-ins

Contact the rectory during regular office hours.

Eucharistic Adoration

- First Friday of the month: 1:00 - 2:00 PM. - Nocturnal Adoration
- Third Friday of the month: 7:30-8:30 PM. - ADOREMUS

Holy Name Society

Usually the second Monday of the month: Sept - May at 7:30 PM in the parish center. Contact Sal Stingo at rtbhuntington@yahoo.com or Anita Wolf at hwolf96@aol.com.

Miraculous Medal Novena

Saturdays following the 8:30 AM Mass.

Music Ministry

Our parish's Music Ministry seeks to lead and support our parish family in full, conscious, and active participation in the liturgy. Practices are on Wednesday, 6 – 7:30 PM, and Thursday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM. For further information call Rob at 516-523-1668.

Parish Social Ministry (Outreach)

Open Tuesday and Friday, 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Food pantry available. Will also try to help with referrals and advocacy. Call Outreach Office for appointment, 631-585-8760 x101.

RCIA

Provides for those who have never been baptized an adult process to experience the joy of our Catholic community; also prepares those who have been baptized but have not celebrated Eucharist and/or Confirmation to do so within an adult context. Anyone 18 and over is welcome. Contact the rectory office at 631-585-8760.

Religious Formation Office

Works with parents to share faith with our youngest members, grades 1-8. Contact Lisette Robustelli for details at 631-588-6408. Office hours during school sessions: Mon. & Tues., 9 AM - 8 PM; Wed. 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM; Saturday 9:00 AM - Noon. Office is closed Thursday, Friday. Opened Sunday, 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM during class sessions. Check bulletin for summer hours.

Rosary Altar Society

A service-based women's organization that cares for the Church and promotes the spiritual life of its members. Contact the rectory for meeting dates and times.

Scouting (Cub Scout, Boy Scouts)

Contact Chantal Mears at Chantalmears@yahoo.com or 631-438-2468 or visit www.bsa356.com for more details.

Youth Ministry

- High School Ministry (AYM), Wednesdays: 7:30 - 9:00 PM in parish center. All teens, grades 9 - 12, are invited.
- Middle School Ministry (MSM), Thursdays, 7:00 - 8:45 PM in parish center. All 6th, 7th, and 8th graders are invited.

For further information, contact Renata 631-585-8760 or email rptak@abvmcentereach.com.

Rev. Chris Aridas, Pastor

Msgr. Joseph K. Curley, Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Joseph Alenchery

Deacon Michael Montellione

Rectory: M - F 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

Phone: 631-585-8760; Fax: 631-585-3601

Religious Education: 631-588-6408

Youth Ministry (AYM): 631-588-7434

From the Pastor's Desk

Update on Recent Staff Changes

Change is seldom easy, forcing us to “start again” with relationships, expectations and familiar routines. No matter how much we complain or dislike it, however, there’s no getting around it. Things change.

Here in our parish we’ve been undergoing several major changes. Msgr. Curley, a longtime and beloved presence in the parish for over thirty-five years, moved to Amityville in February where he now resides at Pius X, the Priests’ Retirement home. Having served as pastor for nine years, I will be retiring at the end of June. As you know, Bishop Barres has appointed Fr. Joseph to take over as pastor. That change, however, should be easy since Fr. Joseph has been serving the parish for eight years and is already well known for his Spirit-filled pastoral leadership.

Other changes that will take place involve our Faith Formation Program. For the past four years Lisette Robustelli, working with Fr. Joseph, myself and a team of dedicated parishioners, has helped rethink and rework the faith formation program for our children. The result was our “Take Back Sunday” program which has been a great success. Unfortunately for us, however, Lisette’s talents and creativity have been recognized by the Diocesan Office of Faith Formation which asked her to share her gifts with the larger church by serving the needs of the diocese rather than one specific parish. Lisette’s new job begins June 3rd. The Robustelli family, however, will remain parishioners at our parish which they have grown to love.

Knowing how difficult it would be to find someone to continue the work that had begun, Fr. Joseph and I asked people to pray that the Lord send us the right person. Within a very short time, the Lord answered our prayer. We interviewed Mary Beth Scott and asked her to accept the responsibility of coordinating our parish’s program for sharing faith with our children and their families. She will be responsible for levels 1 through 5. The Sunday program will continue. Mary Beth (recently engaged!) is a graduate of St. Joseph’s College where she got her BA; she is completing her Master’s at the Augustine Institute in Denver. Her hope is to move into the area if she can find reasonable lodgings. This would allow her to become immersed in the community. (If any parishioner has a small apartment available for rent, please contact the rectory office.)

In addition, we asked Renata, our youth minister, to accept the responsibility of coordinating our parish’s Confirmation Program. This would allow youth ministry and confirmation preparation to work seamlessly together. The Faith Formation staff changes begin this week.

Faith Formation Registration

Registration notices have been mailed to all current Faith Formation participants. All first-time faith formation families must register in person. Those registering for first grade must attend a special “introductory session” before accepting the child’s registration. As in the past, a \$50 deposit is needed at the time of registration. Credit cards are accepted. Newly registered children must present a baptism certificate at the time of registration. Beginning June 10th, the registration form will be on our parish web page.

Come, Holy Spirit

Mass Intentions for the Week



Sunday, June 2nd

- 8:00 a.m. — Lorraine Lindsey (M/M D. O'Hara)
- 9:30 a.m. — Frederick C. Lingen (Family)
- 11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

Monday, June 3rd

- 7:30 a.m. — Kathleen Ambler (M/M Schaick)
- 9:00 a.m. — John Dias (Dias Family)

Tuesday, June 4th

- 7:30 a.m. —
- 9:00 a.m. — Peter Quinn (Ross Family)

Wednesday, June 5th

- 7:30 a.m. —
- 9:00 a.m. — June Gilliam (Nancy Dentrone & Family)

Thursday, June 6th

- 7:30 a.m. —
- 9:00 a.m. — Harry & Mary Biffar (Frank & Mary McGuirk)

Friday, June 7th

- 7:30 a.m. —
- 9:00 a.m. — David & Kathleen Worrell (Family)

Saturday, June 8th

- 8:30 a.m. — Katherine Boggi (Heidi)
- 5:30 p.m. — John Brennan

Sunday, June 9th

- 8:00 a.m. — Intention of Monsignor Joseph Curley (Holy Name Society)
- 9:30 a.m. — Peter & Marjorie Gochan (Family)
- 11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

Youth Ministry

Middle School Ministry (MSM) —

Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Come and discover all that God wants to offer through our MSM community's faith-building programs.



Assumption Youth

Ministry (AYM)

AYM welcomes all high school teens grades 9-12 to "Come & See" — Wednesday nights, 7:30-9 p.m. in the parish center.



Faith Formation

Summer Office Hours

The office is opened Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Faith Direct

Our parish's many ministries are examples of how many of you answer that call. Our ministries require not only gifts of time and talent, but also of financial help. Please prayerfully consider supporting Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary with electronic donations through *Faith Direct*. Signing up is easy! Visit faith.direct/NY563 or **text the word ENROLL** to (Text-to-Give Phone Number). Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

Outreach Needs

Kleenex, paper towels, Shampoo, Conditioner, dish-washing liquid, hot chocolate, Mayonnaise, laundry detergent

Rest in Peace

June Gilliam, Christine Brent, Joan Daly

Time, Talent & Treasure

Fostering Stewardship as a Way of Life



Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary (Regular Sunday Offering)

Last Week's Collection \$7,614
(includes *Faith Direct*)

Last Year's Collection \$8,574

Thank You!

New parishioner? Moving out of the parish? Kindly fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the rectory.

Name _____

Address _____

Town/Zip _____

Telephone _____

New Parishioner _____ Moving _____

Fashion Show



Red, White and Blue Attire Suggested For Flag Day

Friday, June 14, 2019
7:00 PM
 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 Centereach, New York 11755

\$34.00 / pp

(dinner, coffee, dessert included)

Raffles
 Gift baskets

Fashions by White House Black Market
 Catering by Caffe Amici, Selden

Sponsored by
 Catholic Daughters
 Court Saint Gerard # 1920

For tickets or more information
 Text Alexandria @ 631-672-6975



Our parish now subscribes to a revolutionary online platform which provides the best in Catholic audio talks, movies, ebooks, and

video-based studies from trusted providers like the Augustine Institute, Scott Hahn, Edward Sri, Fr. Michael Gaitley, etc. This allows you, **free of charge**, to access online resources in bible study, apologetics, Christian entertainment, family catechesis, etc. at your convenience. It's available 24/7 thus allowing you to put time aside when it's best for you.

Check it out by signing up for the website. Simply type in abvmcentereach.formed.org on your browser. You will be asked to fill out a registration form and create a password for your email address. **There is no charge.** Once you have registered you'll have access to all the material on FORMED.

You also can install FORMED through an app. Learn more at app.formed.org. Our parish code is P8DGQ8.

Vacation Bible School Week of July 15-19, 2019



VBS 2019
World Changers

Vacation Bible School

For Grades K—6; Jr. Counselors, Grades 7 & Up
 Monday—Friday, July 15th—19th,
 8:30 a.m.—Noon

Our parish's Vacation Bible School (VBS) begins July 15th. It includes snacks, crafts, t-shirts, music, fun, storytelling and games. Register now so your child does not miss out on the fun!

If you have any questions, please contact the Faith Formation office at 631-588-6408.

Family Name _____

Address _____

City/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Allergies _____

____ # at \$45/each; ____ #Jr. Counselors/\$25/each

Jr. Counselor Area of Interest (Circle your choices)

Games, Crafts, Scripture, Music/Skits, Group Leader

Total (Family Max is \$100) _____