



# ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

**May 4, 2025**

**Our Mission**

**Love God.**

**Serve Others. Grow Disciples.**

**You Matter! + You Belong!**

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**Sunday, May 4**

9:30 a.m.— Antonio Valsino Sr. (Aida, Tonypet, & Arnold)

Domindaor Samson (Aida & Scott)

Silvestre Ruivo & Alaide Goncalves (Anapaula Kalinowski)

11:30 a.m.— Cirilo Capiral (Ed Uy & Family)

Oscar Armando Lopez (Ana Lopez)

**Monday, May 5**

9:00 a.m.— People of the Parish

**Tuesday, May 6**

9:00 a.m.— Living & Deceased Members of Rosary

Altar Society

**Wednesday, May 7**

9:00 a.m.— Gabriella Savarese

Vincent, Josephine & Barretta Family  
(Galletta Family)

**Thursday, May 8**

9:00 a.m.— Judy Richter (Michele & Jerry Randall)

**Saturday, May 10**

5:30 p.m.— Mother's Day

**Sunday, May 11**

9:30 a.m.— Mother's Day

11:30 a.m.— Mother's Day



**STEWARDSHIP**  
GIVING to our parish as an act of worship

**Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary**

Last Week's Collection: \$10,987

(includes *Faith Direct*)

Last Year's Collection: \$9,554

**Thank You!**

**We celebrate EUCHARIST**

Saturdays: 5:30 PM

Sundays: 9:30, 11:30 AM

Weekdays: Mon—Thurs 9:00 AM

**We celebrate PENANCE**

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

**Faith Formation Office Hours**

Regular Office Hours: Monday and Tuesday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 7:30 pm; Wednesday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

**RECTORY OFFICE HOURS**

**Monday to Friday**

**9:00 AM to 2:00 PM**

**Sacraments**

For more information on Baptism, Marriage and Anointing of the Sick, please visit our parish website [www.abvmcentereach.com](http://www.abvmcentereach.com) or call the office at 631-585-8760 during regular office hours.

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas (Court St. Gerard)**

First Thursday of the month: Sept - June at 7:30 PM in the Parish Library. Contact Alexandria McMahon at 631-585-3938.

**Catholic War Veterans**

Second Saturday of the month: Sept - June at 10 AM in the Parish Library. Contact Vincent Zecca, [papazecca@aol.com](mailto:papazecca@aol.com), or phone 631 588 3423.

**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](mailto:rtbhuntington@yahoo.com) or Anita Wolf at [hwolf96@aol.com](mailto:hwolf96@aol.com).

**Rosary Altar Society**

A service-based women's organization that cares for the Church and promotes the spiritual life of its members. Meetings are held on every first Tuesday of the month from September thru June.

Rest  
in  
Peace



Deceased Brothers &  
Sisters of our Parish



May 4, 2025

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41 | Rev 5:11-14 | Jn 21:1-19

**GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE**

Underlying Peter's simple statement in today's Gospel, "I am going fishing," is an ocean of sadness. This leader of the Apostles was once so eager and self-assured that he declared to Jesus, "Even though I should have to die with you, I will not deny you." (Mt 26:35) But we know the story: At the decisive moment, Peter yielded under pressure and three times denied that he even knew Jesus. Now, after witnessing his Master's arrest and execution, Peter, whom Jesus called to leave his nets to be a fisher of men (see Mt 4:19), returns to his old profession. And even there he sustains another failure: he can't catch any fish! Swimming to shore, the ever-impulsive Apostle discovers that Jesus had already procured fish for breakfast without his help. Imagine Peter's consternation: my vocation as an Apostle, my career as a fisherman, my professed willingness to die for the Lord – everything I thought I could hang my hat on – were pretense and illusion.

**GO EVANGELIZE****PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT**

In our relationship with God, we are at times beset by the reality of our own weaknesses and apparent failures. But for Peter as for us, despondency does not have to have the final word. In one of the most intimate exchanges in the Gospels, Jesus heals Peter's self-inflicted wound. "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" the Lord asks three times. What Jesus desires from the Apostle is not eloquent declarations of courage; he wants Peter's love; he wants his heart: conscious of its frailty and humble enough to be led where it does not want to go. Neither Peter's day job nor his grandiose spiritual aspirations are useful to the Lord if Peter has not first surrendered himself to God. This is because only a heart which belongs to God and draws its strength from him can bear fruit for the kingdom of heaven. Such is likewise true for us, often so anxious about tomorrow or preoccupied with our attempts to "earn" God's love. Our primary responsibility, without which none of our other labors will be fruitful, is to give our hearts completely to him.

**PRAY**

Repetition is the mother of learning. Three times, Jesus asked Peter to renew his love – perhaps, in part, to convince Peter! This week, offer your heart to God as soon as you get up in the morning. You could even use Peter's words: "Lord, you know that I love you." By making this a habit, you invite God's grace and strength to make each day's actions fruitful.



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Mason	Accovelli
Lucia	Argueta Villatoro
Lucas	Bonello-Serafico
Maks	Bund
Kaia	Carney
Daniella	Cento
Giulianna	Chiovaro
Anthony	Ciccolella
Hailey	Delfino
Ariella	Delgado
Mikael	Delrosario
Jackson	Duffy
Lola	Edwards
Angela	Emilio
Leighton	Fay
Liam	Fernandez
Valeria	Fonseca Ferrer
Joseph	Galletta



Tobias	Glueckert
Camryn	Jozwicki
Dawson	Kennedy
Brianna	Lalima
Leo	LeCorre
Olivia	Madera
Amynta	Molina
Annalise	Mueller
Austin	Nagle
Clayton	Peters
Colton	Peters
Landon	Ryan
Kiara	Sadler
Lisa	Schnerk
Danielle	Stile
Austin	Sweeney
James	Weinheimer
Benjamin	Wongsing
Kristina	Zavyalov



## Small Groups

**Small Groups** are where our large church gets small. Groups are 6-10 people who meet usually once a week for 90 minutes to discuss faith, go deeper in the weekly message, and support one another in their relationship with Christ. This is the place to care for others and be cared for; Assumption small groups are open to accept more people anytime during the year

to help your faith journey. If you would like to join a small group, you can sign up today for the Lenten Small groups begins on the first week of Lent by stopping by the Welcome Desk or email the Office at [recto-ry@abvmcentereach.com](mailto:recto-ry@abvmcentereach.com).



*Coffee*  
*in the*  
*Courtyard*

in the Parish Center Hall

*Coffee*  
*Conversations*  
*Community*

**After**  
**9:30 AM**  
**& 11:30 AM**  
**Masses**



**Save the Date**  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**  
 JULY 21 to July 25, 2025  
 9:00am to 12:30pm  
 REGISTRATIONS BEGAN ON MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>

## Save the Date



## ASSUMPTION ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 23, 2025 11:30AM - 3:30 PM**

**Details to Follow**



**Children's Ministry for ages  
FOUR to SECOND Grade on  
Sundays during 9:30 AM Mass**

At the beginning of the Mass, children will be sent forth with catechists and assistants downstairs to the church basement to reflect and share the scriptures read at the Mass. A presentation is given, and then the children share in their small groups. This is an excellent opportunity for our youngest to engage during the Mass at their own level. We are ready to hear and be part of the stories of our parish's youngest disciples and invite them to the most incredible adventure of their lives, reminding them weekly, year after year, that our Father is madly after their hearts. For more information contact the Faith Formation Office.

### **Assumption Prayer Team**

We pray for every request in the prayer Petition Books, from Adoremus and those given to us in person. Prayer Petition Books are in the back of the church. When others pray for you, it can be very powerful and effective. *"Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."* Hebrews 4:16





# PARISH OFFICES MOVING TO THE NORTH SIDE OF THE PARISH CENTER

Offices will be open on Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>  
through the North Side Parish Center Door  
until the repairs are done in the current offices.

## ***Remember... Water... Water...Water everywhere!***



On October 22<sup>nd</sup> 2024, in the parish center, one of the valves in the toilet closer to the offices on the second floor, burst, and you can imagine the mess and chaos that ensued. Water came out of it like a fire hydrant, flowing down to the offices, one of the classrooms, and then downstairs to the Library....

It's already seven months and I am glad to report that finally we see some light at the end. After I promised that I will update you about the progress, here it is:

The repair work is to begin on May 9<sup>th</sup> after the faith formation classes

are over early that week. First, the current offices are moving to the North end of our Parish Center until the repair is done. Offices will be open on Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup> through the North Side Parish Center Entrance.

First part of the repair is to remove all the carpets in the current office and do the asbestos abatement. So, the current entrance will be closed for a week or so.

Our hope is that all the repairs will be done in a month. That's what the Restoration Company says. Again, it depends on the insurance company and their dealings with the contractor. Hopefully everything will be done by June and will be back in the current office. I want to thank you very much for your patience and generosity during this time. Praise our God for his providence and care as we continue to Love God, Serve Others and Grow Disciples.

Fr. Joe



## ***New Baby Clothes Collection on Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>***

New baby clothing, blankets, diapers, etc. may be placed in the basinet in the sanctuary. Please try to bring clothes for infant size, layettes and/or \$\$\$. All will be given to mothers in need for their babies. Sponsored by the Assumption Rosary Altar Society.



## ***May Crowning—May 11<sup>th</sup>***

The Rosary Altar Society is having the May crowning on May 11<sup>th</sup>, Mother's Day at the 9:30 am mass. All children are invited to participate especially the children who receive their first Holy Communion on Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> in their First Communion outfits.

## Parish Social Ministry

The Outreach Food Pantry is available for individuals and families that are struggling to stretch their food budget. If you or someone you know can use our services, please call us at 631 585-8760 x2 or by email to [outreach@abvmcentereach.com](mailto:outreach@abvmcentereach.com). The Outreach Office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday from 10AM to 1PM.



**PANTRY NEEDS:** Toothpaste, Liquid Hand Soap, Deodorant, Dishwashing Liquid, Household Cleaner, Cooking Oil, Mayonnaise, Fruit Juice, Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate, Syrup, Rice, Pasta, Rice-A-Roni, Cereal, Noodles, Oatmeal, Canned Fruit, Canned Chili, Canned Tomatoes, Pasta Sauce, Canned Tuna, Jelly.

## THE GREAT JUBILEE PRAYER



Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

**EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS**

**BEHOLD 2025**



**JUNE 8**

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**

**LOCATION**  
ST. ANTHONY'S HIGH SCHOOL  
SOUTH HUNTINGTON, NY

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