



# ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

**June 1, 2025**

**Our Mission**

**Love God.**

**Serve Others. Grow Disciples.**

**You Matter! + You Belong!**

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## Mass Intentions for the week

### Sunday, June 1

9:30 a.m.— Frederick C. Lingen Jr. (Family)  
 Anna Pizutto (Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Porcaro)  
 11:30 a.m.— Anthony cdullo (Rudilosso Family)  
 Catherine J. Secari (Angela)

### Monday, June 2

9:00 a.m.— People of the Parish

### Tuesday, June 3

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

### Wednesday, June 4

9:00 a.m.— Judy Carlson (Samantha & Dakota Harvey)

### Thursday, June 5

9:00 a.m.— Brian Walsh (Patti & Nick Campanelli)

### Saturday, June 7

5:30 p.m.—Frank E. Buquicchio (Susan Buquicchio)  
 Jane P. Hall (Susan Buquicchio)

### Sunday, June 8

9:30 a.m.—Abelardo & Norma Angeles (Gochan Family)  
 Maria & Inacio DeSousa (Alves Family)  
 11:30 a.m.— Joseph Pacula (Eileen Dorrian)  
 People of the Parish

### 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.

*Whoever is begotten by God*

*conquers the world,*

*and the victory that conquers the world*

*is our faith. 1John 5:4*

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

### Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary

Last Week's Collection: \$9,358

(includes *Faith Direct*)

Last Year's Collection: \$8,175

**Thank You!**

Rest  
in  
Peace



Deceased Brothers &  
Sisters of Our Parish





June 1, 2025

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11 | Eph 1:17-23 | Lk 24:46-53

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

Every day the world urges us to place our trust in countless things: money, brands, self-improvement methods — all with instant results! As Christians, however, we know that only God's promises are worth betting everything on, and they are not fulfilled on our self-determined timelines. Today's readings portray Jesus, the wounds of his crucifixion still visible, accompanying his followers for 40 days after his resurrection. Now the Apostles, some with questions of their own, are asked to wait once more for "the promise of the Father" of which they heard Jesus speak: baptism by the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. For the Apostles as for us, following Christ is not an easy path, the Apostles likely were wondering what to expect in this "baptism." The fulfillment of God's promises doesn't always happen quickly, nor are we usually able to grasp the big picture at the moment of fulfillment. Nevertheless, it is in these periods of waiting that faith takes root and deepens. Uncertainty makes room for faith, and as the Holy Spirit descends into our life and makes things clear, we see the beauty in God's mysterious and loving plan for us.

### **GO EVANGELIZE**

#### **PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT**

There's a saying, "If you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." It is often a matter of timing and expectations around life that can sew doubt into our faith. In the first reading, the Apostles ask the resurrected Christ if now he would restore the kingdom of Israel. He responds, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons." We are reminded that our faith never obligates us to know what events are to come, and which date in our calendars to mark. Our role, as the second reading says, is to let our "hearts be enlightened, that [we] may know what is the hope that belongs to his call." We wait in faith for the Holy Spirit to move and enlighten us to what God wills. We can rest secure in the assurance that we will be given all we need.

### **PRAY**

Is your prayer sometimes full of questions about God's timing and intentions, or are you able to wait in faith for God to act? Ask the Holy Spirit for the faith and hope you need to remain at peace as you wait. Then, keep your eyes fixed on Christ, and be not afraid.



# ASSUMPTION ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

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

On **Saturday, August 23, 2025**, our parish family will celebrate its 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The rain date will be Sunday, August 24, 2025. We hope you'll be able to join in the festivities. A great day of celebration has been planned, beginning with the celebration of the Eucharist at 10:00 a.m., followed by food and beverages, entertainment, games and fellowship on our church property. The celebration will be from 11:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Please note that no alcoholic beverages will be permitted.

**The cost of the event will be \$15/person not to exceed \$40/household.** A household includes two adults and two children (ages 3-12yrs old) living with them. Additional "guests" will be charged \$15/guest. To keep the price accessible to all, we've been seeking business and family sponsors to subsidize the event. We hope you'll be able to join us.

Since we must pre-order food/beverages, we must sell tickets in advance and will not be able to take "walk ins" on the day of the event. Therefore, if you wish to join in the fun, make sure you place **your reservation before July 25<sup>th</sup>** by filling out the form and sending it with your check, payable to Assumption Church. More details with Ticket reservation form will be in the bulletin next week.

## Small Groups

**Small Groups** are about life change, and small groups promote life change at a fundamental level. Small groups are for everybody. Whether new to the faith or skeptical about whether you really need religious faith in your life, or if you're having that feeling something is missing, and you need more, don't worry. Let this be your call to action to join a small group, and just watch how much Jesus can change your life for the better. Small groups are where we grow. If you're interested in life change, new life for you and those you love, join one of our small groups. Talk to someone at the Welcome Desk; email us at [rectory@abvmcentereach.com](mailto:rectory@abvmcentereach.com) or call 631-585-8760 and leave a message for Nick Gigante or Dan Callahan or Andres & Sandra (Spanish).  
Testimony: "Joining a small group has been one of the most remarkable positive differences in my life"



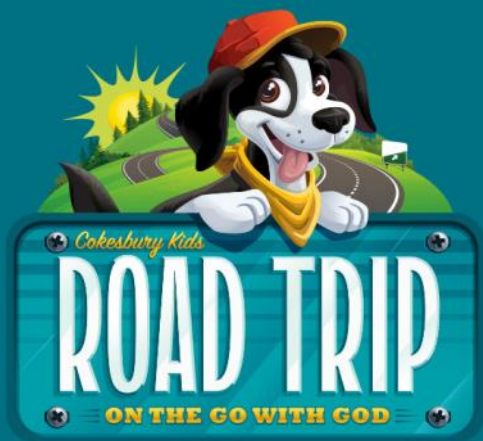
*Coffee  
in the  
Courtyard*

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>



Children's Ministry for ages  
FOUR to FIFTH 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



PRAYER TEAM

## CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

Ct. St. Gerard #1920

Sponsoring a trip to Sight & Sound Theatre, Lancaster, PA

**NOAH**  
LIVE ON STAGE

Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>

Cost \$265 per person

(includes Roundtrip Transportation with Hampton Jitney,  
Lunch at Miller's Smorgasboard & Performance)

Please contact Rose Picariello for more information & reservations  
631-676-2855 (H) or 631-278-0073 (Cell)



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

The reconstruction of the Parish Center offices has begun on Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>. During construction, the entrance and offices will be relocated to the north side of the Parish Center.

### **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:** Paper Towels, Deodorant, Dishwashing Liquid, Household Cleaner, Cooking Oil, Ketchup, Mustard, Mayonnaise, Jell-O Mix, Coffee, Hot Chocolate, Rice-A-Roni, Syrup, Dry Soup Mix, Snacks, Baked Beans, Canned Tomatoes, Canned Pasta, Canned Cat Food.



Our parish subscribes to a revolutionary online platform which provides the best in Catholic audio talks, movies, ebooks, and video-based studies from trusted providers. 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. To access please visit [abvmcentereach.formed.org](http://abvmcentereach.formed.org). Our parish code is P8DGQ8



## Court St Gerard #1920 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Bingo Fundraiser

Friday, June 13, 2025 in the Parish Center Hall

Cost \$30 per person, \$15 for children under 10

(includes Dinner, Desserts, Coffee and Tea)

Doors open at 6:00pm, Dinner at 7:00pm & Bingo starts at 8:00pm

All reservations must be made and paid by June 6<sup>th</sup>

For more info and reservations please contact Jennifer Orlic 516-909-9589



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# EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

# BEHOLD 2025

PENTECOST SUNDAY

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

JUNE 8

[WWW.DRVC.ORG/CONGRESS](http://WWW.DRVC.ORG/CONGRESS)





We are excited to announce that our Diocese will host a Eucharistic Congress on Sunday, June 8th, 2025, at St. Anthony's High School in Huntington, as part of the National Eucharistic Revival. This will be a powerful day of Mass with Bishop Barres, dynamic speakers, Eucharistic adoration, music, confession, and activities for all ages.

In the days leading up to the Congress, there will be two Eucharistic pilgrimages traveling through our Diocese from May 31st to June 8th: An Eastern Route beginning with a special Opening Mass at 10:00am in Montauk at the Church of St. Therese of Lisieux on May 31st. A Western Route beginning with an Opening Mass at the Cathedral of St. Agnes in Rockville Centre on the same day.

These pilgrimages will include public processions, parish stops, and times of prayer and worship, all culminating at the Eucharistic Congress on June 8th. You are invited to join any part of the route—whether walking, driving, or praying along the way.

The full pilgrimage schedule is available online at [drvc.org/congress](http://drvc.org/congress), along with free registration for the Eucharistic Congress itself.

Let us walk together—literally and spiritually—toward a deeper love of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 8th!

**Registration is Free and now open at [www.drvc.org/congress](http://www.drvc.org/congress), where you can find the full day's schedule and all information about the two Eucharistic pilgrimages—from Montauk and Rockville Centre, May 31 through June 8.**



Please prayerfully consider supporting our parish with electronic donations through *Faith Direct*. Signing up is easy! Visit [faithdirect.net/NY563](http://faithdirect.net/NY563) or scan the QR Code on your right. Please use **the parish code (NY563)**. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

