



ASSUMPTION of the Blessed Virgin Mary

A welcoming community sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ through faith, prayer and the sacraments.



January 12, 2020

We celebrate EUCHARIST

Saturdays: 5:30 PM

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

Weekdays: 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.

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday of the month: 1:00-2:00 PM - Nocturnal

Third Friday of the month: 7:30-8:30 PM - ADOREMUS

Miraculous Medal Novena

Wednesdays following the 9:00 AM Mass.

Communion for the Sick or Shut-ins

Contact the rectory during regular office hours.

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 or those who have been baptized but have not celebrated Eucharist and/or Confirmation to experience the joy of our Catholic community, within an adult context. Anyone 18 and over is welcome. Contact the rectory office at 631-585-8760.

Faith Formation

Works with parents to share faith with our youngest members, grades 1-8. Contact the office for details at 631-588-6408.

Youth Ministry

- High School Ministry (AYM), Wednesdays: 7:30 - 9:00 PM
- Middle School Ministry (MSM), Thursdays, 7:00 - 8:45 PM

For further information, contact Renata 631-585-8760

Music Ministry

Our parish's Music Ministry seeks to lead and support our parish family in full, conscious, and active participation in the liturgy. For further information call Rob at 516-523-1668.

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Rev. Joseph Alenchery, Pastor

Rev. Chris Aridas, Retired Pastor

Deacon Michael Montelione

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

Phone: 631-585-8760; Fax: 1-866-214-3365

Faith Formation: 631-588-6408



Sunday, January 12th

8:00 a.m. — Luciano Scuderi (M/M A. Loretoni)
9:30 a.m. — Ruth Casanova (Butzbach Family)
11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

Monday, January 13th

9:00 a.m. — Intentions for President Trump
(Legion of Mary)

Tuesday, January 14th

9:00 a.m. — Deceased Members of Romeo &
Wolz Families

Wednesday, January 15th

9:00 a.m. — Edmund Keenan II (Christopher Hall)

Thursday, January 16th

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

Friday, January 17th

9:00 a.m. — Anthony Sabbatino (Paper Family)

Saturday, January 18th

5:30 p.m. — Mary & Louis Sazinger (Family)

Sunday, January 19th

8:00 a.m. — Thomas Murphy (Glynn Family)
9:30 a.m. — Ambrose Cantale (Sokolowski Family)
11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish



Linda Pateres
Elizabeth Littlejohn


Time, Talent & Treasure
Fostering Stewardship
as a Way of Life

Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary
(Regular Sunday Offering)

Last Year's Collection \$10,573

Last Week's Collection \$10,365
 (includes *Faith Direct*)

Thank You!

Faith Formation

The ministry of the Word is a fundamental element of evangelization through all its stages, because it involves the proclamation of Jesus Christ, the eternal Word of God

Faith Formation Office Hours

Regular Office Hours: Monday and Tuesday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. 3:00—8:00 p.m.); Wednesday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.—7:30; Thursday & Friday - Closed; Saturday - 9:00 a.m. to 11; Sunday - 10:30 a.m. to Noon.

Middle School Ministry (MSM)

Middle School Ministry is on Thursday nights from 7:00 PM to 8:45 PM. All Middle Schoolers (6th thru 8th) are welcome.



Assumption Youth Ministry (AYM)

Assumption Youth Ministry welcomes all high Schoolers (9th thru 12th) on Wednesday nights from 7:30-9:00 PM. We gather in the Parish Center Hall. Bring your friends with you.



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.

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.

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..

Good News Reflection**Baptized into ministry**

Today we celebrate the "initiation rite" that launched Jesus' public ministry. We, too, have experienced this same Baptism: Our first Sacrament of Initiation immersed us into the life of Christ. The other two Initiation Sacraments -- Confirmation and Communion -- confirm this holy life and empower us to live it in union with Christ. Thus says the Lord God about you: "Here is my servant whom I uphold, my chosen one with whom I am pleased, upon whom I have put my Spirit...." (see the reading from Isaiah).

What is this Spirit doing in you that is pleasing to the Father? How is this Spirit serving the kingdom of God through you? Are you giving this Spirit the freedom to continue Christ's ministry in today's world?

All Christians have been baptized into the ministry of Christ, but it's the hardships we endure and the passions we feel that initiate us into our own particular areas of ministry. For example, children of chronically or terminally ill parents often grow up to become doctors and nurses, and many who escape and recover from abuses often become ministers of healing for other victims, and workers who suffer from unjust employers often start their own businesses and create jobs where the staff is treated the way Christ should be treated.

Whatever we feel passionate about, we have received this energy from the Passion of Christ through the Sacrament of Baptism.

Then, if we celebrate Mass consciously, paying attention to the true meaning of the Eucharist, our calling to ministry is renewed in the Sacrament of Communion, because Christ who is the Eucharist reunites us to his ministry.

Thus, we can change the world, just as Christ did, one day at a time.

For this, you have been chosen by the Father. Whatever you are doing because of this calling, our Father is very pleased with you!

Questions for Personal Reflection:

What is the Holy Spirit doing in you that's pleasing to the Father? What will you do to give this Spirit the freedom to continue Christ's ministry in your world -- in your home, your workplace, your parish, your community -- wherever you live, work and play?

Questions for Community Faith Sharing:

Choose one line from Isaiah's scripture and explain how this describes your life in Christ. Take turns sharing on this until all verses have been covered.



Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA)

This year our parish goal is \$57,400. Your generosity provides us with an excellent opportunity to reach out to those in need by supporting the many programs run by our diocese. In particular, the CMA enables our Catholic community on LI to support the work of Catholic Charities, our Catholic Regional Schools, programs for ongoing formation and training of lay leaders as well as our deacons; our seminary which trains men for the priesthood as well as various pastoral offices which provide excellent resources throughout the diocese.

In addition, parishes who make their goal receive a rebate from the diocese, amounting to 20% of the actual goal. Thus far we have collected \$59,206. Please ask the Lord how you might participate. Your pledge is payable over a ten-month period of time.

Drug Crisis Assistance

Are you or someone you know having family or interpersonal problems due to drinking ALCOHOL and/or using DRUGS? CATHOLIC CHARITIES / Talbot House, a Chemical Dependence Crisis Center, located in Bohemia provides withdrawal and stabilization services on a voluntary basis to males and females over the age of 18, who are seeking to stop and/or withdraw from alcohol and/or other drug use. The medical and clinical staff at Talbot House will assess the kind of care the person needs, to begin his/her journey in recovery. For more information, please call: 631-589-4144. Talbot House staff is available 24/7. Each call is confidential. Sliding scale fees, Medicaid, Medicare, and other third-party insurance accepted.

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Each prayer and action in the Rite of Baptism is filled with spiritual significance, beauty, and grace. By understanding more clearly what's happening, we'll have a greater appreciation for why Baptism takes us further into a life-changing relationship with God.

PICK OF THE WEEK

Reborn
Session 2 - The Rite Explained

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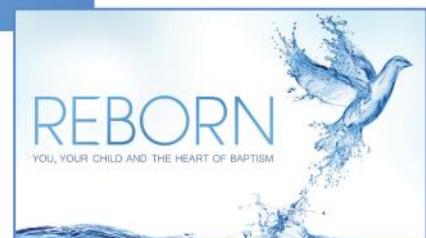
Coffee in the Courtyard in the Church basement

Assumption Youth Ministries invite everyone to "Coffee in the Courtyard", on Sundays after the 9:30 AM Mass. Since the weather has changed into cold and rainy we are moving inside until the Spring. It is a great opportunity to meet people who we worship with, make new friends, and build a stronger community, in which we then become a stronger parish family. All are welcome!



"Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another." Work to live in your marriage as God desires by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are

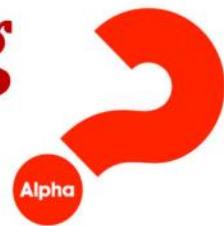
Jan 31-Feb 2, 2020 in Huntington, NY and May 1-3, 2020 in Huntington, NY. For more information, call John & Toni Torio at 877-697-9963 or visit them at <https://wwmenyli.org/>.



Our parish subscribes to a revolutionary online platform which provides the best in Catholic audio talks, movies, e-books, and video-based studies. It is, *free of charge*. Simply type in abvmcenterreach.formed.org on your browser. Once you have registered you'll have access to all the material on FORMED, again *free of charge*. You also can install FORMED through an app. Learn more at app.formed.org. Our parish code is P8DGQ8.



Alpha is coming



Come and See

on Monday, March 2, 2020 - 6:30PM

Parish Outreach Program

Our Outreach Program consists of trained volunteers who meet with anyone living within parish boundaries who is struggling financially or emotionally and needs support and direction. The Outreach office is open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Appointments can be made by calling 585-8760, x101.



Pantry Needs: Boxed milk, Deodorant, Laundry detergent, Vegetable oil, Salad dressing, Cat food, Household cleaner.



Please prayerfully consider supporting our parish with electronic donations through *Faith Direct*. Signing up is easy! Visit faith.direct/NY563 or download the **Faith Direct** app from iOS or Android app store and search for the parish with the parish code (NY563). Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

ADOREMUS
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

WITH CONTEMPORARY AND TRADITIONAL MUSIC

Friday, January 17, 2020

7:30 - 8:30 PM

EVERY THIRD FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

SILENT ADORATION * BENEDICTION



Kick off the 2020 Lent season with the ABVM Women's Ministry

4th Annual MARDI GRAS Celebration

When: Tuesday, February 25, 2020

Where: Parish Hall of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church
(33 Crown Acres Rd, Centereach, NY 11720)

Time: 6:30-9:00 pm

Cost: \$10.00 per person \$25.00 per family (parents and children)

NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR

Come celebrate the start of our most Holy Season as one family in Christ with the ABVM Women's Ministry at their 4th annual Mardi Gras event. There will be plenty of food, soft drinks and games for adults and children alike!

Be Bold, Wear a Costume, Win a Prize!

1st, 2nd & 3rd place prizes for the best costumes for both adults and kids!

Direct any inquiries to:

Georgia Lovell: 631-891-7387 glovell951@gmail.com

Diane Miller: 516-443-7856 dimiller@optonline.net

Fill out the following information and return it or drop it off with your payment to the office in the Parish Center no later than February 14, 2020. Please make checks out to ABVM Church.

Kindly provide an email address and a phone number in case we need to contact you.

Family Name: _____ **# of Adults:** _____ **# of Children:** _____

Email Address: _____ **Phone Number:** _____

