

ASSUMPTION of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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



October 11, 2020

We celebrate EUCHARIST

Saturdays: 5:30 PM Sundays: 7:30, 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)

Office hours, Monday to Friday, 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Food pantry available. Will also try to help with referrals and advocacy. Call 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, October 11th

7:30 a.m. — Billie Stovall (McGuiness Family) 9:30 a.m. — Maria & Inacio DeSousa (Family) 11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

Monday, October 12th

9:00 a.m. — Matthew Borkowski & Jay Harold Weitzel (Family)

Tuesday, October 13th

9:00 a.m. — Delfin Matibag (Ed Uy & Family)

Wednesday, October 14th

9:00 a.m. — Vito Nicola Ardilla (Wife)

Thursday, October 15th 9:00 a.m. — Ralph Cirone (Family)

Friday, October 16th

9:00 a.m. — Anna Joseph Alenchery

Saturday, October 17th

5:30 p.m. — Ann Ricciardi (Aquino Family)

Sunday, October 18th

7:30 a.m. — Leonie Moliere (Marcelot Estriplet)

- 9:30 a.m. People of the Parish
- 11:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Members of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas



Deceased Brothers and Sisters of our Parish Family

Time, Talent & Treasure Fostering Stewardship

as a Way of Life

Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary (Regular Sunday Offering)

Last Week's Collection \$9,278 (includes *Faith Direct*)

Last Year's Collection \$8,130 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 to Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m; Friday - Closed; Saturday - 9:00 a.m. to 11. Saturday schedule begins when the classes begin.

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 Alexandria McMahon at tacjs43@aol.com.

Catholic War Veterans

Second Saturday of the month: Sept - June at 10 AM in the Parish Library. Contact Vincent Zecca, 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 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

How to handle fakers

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus addresses the problem of fakers, i.e., people who try to win his friendship by being religious and showing up for the banquet of the Eucharist (Mass) while refusing to enter into a genuine relationship with God.

You know the type: They are friendly as long as it works to their own advantage. They do good deeds but only when it's convenient. They perform Catholic rituals perfectly during Mass but at home they don't even take time to pray. Their faith is so shallow that distractions easily keep them away from Mass. When a priest sins, they leave Catholicism. When their relationship with you requires sacrifice or repentance, they abandon you.

Those who have a genuine relationship with God are identified by the presence of God's love within them radiating outward and blessing others, especially when it's not easy to love.

Jesus shows us in today's parable how to handle the fakers. The invitation to join the party is open to everyone, but when people want only the fun of being a child of God and they ignore the hard work of sharing his love with others, God sets up boundaries against them.



Think of the people you've invited to your banquet table, i.e., into a healthy, Godly relationship, but they've tried to reshape it according to their unhealthiness and immorality. We should love them but not within harm-ful circumstances. We should do our own part to make the relationship healthy, but when others do not do their part, they've already abandoned the relationship.

God asks us to carry the cross of doing everything possible to invite them to repentance, conversion, and healing. However, healthy boundaries need to remain in place, and when our efforts are fruitless, eventually God says it's time to let go and move on.

And always, we're to go back out into the byroads to find those who genuinely value Godly friendships.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

How many Godly, healthy friendships do you really have? Where can you go to find more people who want to be in a holy, Christ-centered, faith-building relationship with you?

Questions for Community Faith Sharing:

What makes a friendship truly good? How do you know when the time has come to say no to an unhealthy, unholy relationship? How have you handled it? Where have you gone to find support and healing and growth? © 2019 Terry Modica, Catholic Digital Resources, Printed by permission.



During these unprecedented times, we began our Faith Formation classes on Monday, October 5. It is imperative to keep these young ones get closer and closer to Jesus. We are trying our best to keep it safe for them as well as the catechists. There are so many aspects we need to focus on and put into practice. The following are some of the precautions we are installing to make sure the safety of everyone.

Safety Procedures:

Classes will be held every other week. Every student and adult entering the school building is required to wear a face mask. There are hand sanitizer stations upstairs in the hallway. Class sizes are limited to eight students, and desks are spaced 6 feet apart.

As an additional safety measure, the parish center doors will be locked during classes, and nobody is allowed to enter the building. We have installed a "Smart-lock" with a camera, doorbell, and microphone. Please ring the doorbell, and someone will assist you over the microphone. Children will be brought out of the building to each parent. If you need to enter the building, please explain your need over the microphone, and the exterior door will be unlocked for you.

What Happens if the School District Has Another Shutdown?

If the school should close for a week or more, parents/guardians will be responsible for continuing Faith Formation at home. Each student has a textbook and some form of online content. You will be able to access all videos and textbook apps from our Parish Website: ABVMCentereach.com under the Faith Formation, Levels 1-8 tab. Your child's catechist will contact each family with more information if the schools do a shutdown.

Let us keep each other in prayers as we navigate these difficult and uncertain times to support our young disciples safe and protected with our catechists who volunteer to help them in their faith journey. $\int_{\mathcal{D}} \int_{\mathcal{D}} \mathcal{D}$

Drug Crisis Assistance

Are you or someone you know having family or interpersonal problems due to drinking ALCOHOL and/or using DRUGS? CATHOLIC CHARI-



TIES / 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. 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

Did you know a 401k can help our Parish do God's work?

You worked hard for your 401k, IRA or other retirement plan. If you leave it to anyone besides a spouse, a good portion of that savings may go to taxes. But if

you leave it to our Parish, the entire value will be put to good use because we are a taxexempt organization. Simply fill out a *change of beneficiary*



form and name our parish as a full or partial beneficiary. To learn more contact Barbara Kilarjian at 516 -678-5800 ext. 257 or bkilarjian@drvc.org.

Thank you for considering this meaningful parish gift!

New Mass Schedule starting October 4th Sat: 5:30 PM, Sun: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 AM



Catholic Ministries Appeal

This year our parish goal is \$56,200 and \$50,807.00 is pledged. We are short of \$5,393.00 of our goal. Your generosity provides us with an excellent opportunity to reach out to those in need. In particular, the CMA enables our Catholic community on Long Island 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 are also funded by the Appeal. In addition, parishes who make their goal receive a rebate from the diocese, amounting to 20% of the actual goal. 90.6% of our goal is pledged so far.

Please ask the Lord how you might participate. You pledge is payable over a ten-month period of time. Remember also, one does not have to donate a large amount; joining everyone's sacrificial gift adds up to a great resource for those in need.



Please prayerfully consider supporting our parish with electronic donations through *Faith Direct*. You are helping our church be more efficient, and have a steady, predictable cash flow to support the works that are important to you, throughout the year. Signing up is easy! Visit **faith.direct/NY563** or download the **Faith Direct app and search for the parish with the parish code** (NY563). Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

Parish Social Ministry (Outreach) Program

The Outreach Food Pantry is available for individuals and families that are struggling to stretch their food budget. We can also refer those needing assistance to any program appropriate to their needs. Appointments can be made by calling 631 585-8760 x2. The Outreach Office is open Monday through Friday from 10 AM to 12 PM.

Pantry Needs: Kleenex, Toothbrushes, Bar soap, Shampoo, Tea Conditioner, Household cleaner, Cranberry sauce, Fruit juice, Oatmeal, Baked beans, Jelly



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