

# **ASSUMPTION** of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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



# May 30, 2021

#### 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, May 30th

7:30 a.m. — Anne Keenan (Rosary Altar Society) 9:30 a.m. — Norma Bolduc (Kristen Plantamura) Robert Thiele (Joe & Joan Johnson) 11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

#### Monday, May 31th

9:00 a.m. — Jim Reilly Intention of Henry Brechter (Elizabeth Brechter)

#### Tuesday, June 1st

9:00 a.m. — Bob Ambrosimi Renny Vella (Maureen Reilly)

#### Wednesday, June 2nd

9:00 a.m. — Living & Deceased Members of the Rosary Altar Society John Ricciardi (Maryann Valero)

#### Thursday, June 3rd

9:00 a.m. — Robert Scibelli (Sister) Edith Buckley (Family)

#### Friday, June 4th

9:00 a.m. — David & Kathleen Worrell (Family) Joan Tait (Agnes)

#### Saturday, June 5th

5:30 p.m. — Carla Egan (Colleen Track) Angel Talaga (Harry & Luz Gaviola)

#### Sunday, June 6th

7:30 a.m. — Frederick C. Lingen (Family) 9:30 a.m. — Abelardo & Norma Angeles (Family) William Pyne (Rose Picariello) 11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

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# Time, Talent & Treasure

**Fostering Stewardship** as a Way of Life

**Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary** (Regular Sunday Offering)

> Last Week's Collection \$10,161 (includes *Faith Direct*)

Last Year's Collection \$7,364 Thank You!

## Faith Formation

#### 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.; Saturday - 9:00 a.m. to 11 a.m.

## Middle School Ministry (MSM)

Middle School Ministry is on Thursday nights from 7:00 PM to 8:45 PM. All Middle Schoolers (6<sup>th</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup>) 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.



Theodore Gutmann **Richard Ballato** 

## **Good News Reflection**

# You are very special to all of the Holy Trinity!

You are very special to God. You belong to God -- all of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The reason why it's so important to be baptized in the name of the full Holy Trinity, as Jesus instructs in this Sunday's Gospel reading, instead of only through Jesus our Savior as a few Protestant sects do, is because God in his fullness -- all three Persons of the triune nature of God -- wants to have a personal relationship with you, a true friendship.



Are you aware of living in a special love relationship with each Person of the Trinity? Can you sit and chat with God as Father, God as Savior, and God as Holy Spirit? When you're feeling hurt, can you sit in the Father's lap and receive his comfort? When you're fighting temptation, can you feel the strength of Jesus coming to your rescue? When you're worried or confused or struggling to have faith, are you aware of the Spirit's gentle guidance?

The Father of Jesus is our own, very special Divine Daddy or Abba in the reading from Romans. Is he a fearsome punishing authority who barely understands you? No, he gladly adopted you during your baptism, because he's a doting daddy who provides for our needs.

The Holy Spirit assures us of this. God's Spirit embraces us and comforts us and teaches us everything we need to know so we can live in the joy of a life that's full of love. And in that love, Jesus sacrificed himself for us so that we can be free from the punishment of sin and live holy lives with the help of his Holy Spirit.

God is a trinity of helpers, healers, strengtheners, and faith-builders. He wants you to live in the fullness of his divinity! He wants you to benefit from all that he is.

As baptized Christians and as sacramental Catholics who have God's presence fully available in the Eucharist, we lack nothing that really matters!

Questions for Personal Reflection:

Who is the easiest Person of the Trinity for you to feel close to? Why do you not feel as close to the other two? What will you do to remedy this? (Hint: ask the Holy Spirit to help you with it!)

Questions for Community Faith Sharing:

How does the Holy Spirit help you know that Jesus is with you always, just as he promised he would be? And how does this help you understand the goodness of being adopted by God the Father? (In your answers, be careful not to refer to the Father as "God", because Jesus is also God and so is the Holy Spirit. To prevent confusion, say "the Father" or "Daddy" when talking about the Father.)

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I want to thank everyone who helped make 2020 Catholic Ministries Appeal a success. As you may already be aware, 100% of all the money raised is restricted to support the objectives, programs, and mission that serves more than 600,000 people each year, and our parish shares in the money raised to use for our own local needs. Our parish goal this year is \$54,400.

Creating Pathways to Faith

Please ask the Lord how you might participate. Your 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. If you haven't got a pledge card please use the form below and drop it off in the Sunday collection or at the office.

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### The Most Holy Trinity

## 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. 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. We are happy to assist people of all faiths. The Outreach Office is open Monday through Friday from 10 AM to 12 PM. **Pantry Needs: Cooking Oil, Salad Dressing, Fruit Juice, Canned Carrots, Kleenex, Deodorant, Disposable Razors** 





This introduction to the Mass is produced by the Archdiocese of Mobile, AL, in association with 4PM Media. This video series is much more basic. Why go to Church at all? Why worship in the context of a meal? Why the rituals? How can it be that God comes to us is in such ordinary ways? In this four-part series, we seek to answer these questions in a very conversational format. Each video is approximately fifteen minutes in length. I hope that we will have rich conversations and sharing in our small group setting.

# FORMED<sup>®</sup> PICK OF THE WEEK May 30, 2021

## THE WILD GOOSE: GOD'S LOVE POURED OUT

During the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, we remember a fundamental pillar of our Faith: "God is love" (1 Jn 4:8). This simple statement is the beginning and the ending of our pilgrimage of Faith. In this episode of The Wild Goose, join Fr. Dave Pivonka as he illuminates God's eternal pouring out of Love.





Please prayerfully consider supporting our parish with electronic donations through *Faith Direct*. Signing up is easy! Visit **faithdirect.net/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!

#### The Most Holy Trinity



# **Covid 19 Guidelines update**

We hope and pray that our COVID crisis ends soon. Thank you for your continued cooperation and patience throughout this crisis. We have been doing our best to get our goal of fully opening without any restrictions little by little. Our first and foremost goal is the safety of everyone, adults as well as children. Diocese of Rockville Centre has sent me updates of guidelines periodically.

We have taken down the ropes off the pews, which helps us spread out in the Church.

These are some of the latest guidelines from the diocese:

- The general dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation Masses will end the weekend of Saturday / Sunday, August 14 / 15, 2021, the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is reasonable to expect that all restrictions will have been eliminated by then.
- Conflicts are inevitable as tensions, anxieties, and confusion still exist among us. We are not policing social distancing or mask-wearing. Vaccinated people are not required to wear masks or to keep social distances in most circumstances. Obviously we are not checking vaccination cards. Be patient and understanding as we accept that masks and distancing are naturally disappearing. Bottom line: "The Church" is not enforcing masks and social distancing. If you still wish to continue those practices personally, please do so.
- However, clergy and Extraordinary Ministers continue to wear masks when distributing Holy Communion until further notice.
- The Sign of Peace should not involve physical contact outside of one's household. ٠
- The Precious Blood will not be distributed until further notice.
- Holy Water fonts will remain empty indefinitely, but Holy Water is available to the faithful in the Holy Water tank in the lobby.

Overall, please be careful, reasonable, and use common sense for your safety and the safety of others in

Christian love as we come together to celebrate our faith in the Lord.

Fr. Joe

## 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. 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.