



ASSUMPTION

of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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



July 11, 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



Mass Intentions for the week

Sunday, July 11th

- 7:30 a.m. — Naithy Mathew (Molly)
Leonie Seneuf (Marcelle)
9:30 a.m. — Tony D'Esposito (McGuinness Family)
Joseph Francis Nugent (Joann & Jerry Mulcahy)
11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

Monday, July 12th

- 9:00 a.m. — Theodore Kreidler (Grace Pruno)
Marcelina Parungao (Ed Uy & Family)

Tuesday, July 13th

- 9:00 a.m. — Abelardo & Norma Angeles (Family)
Tamara Coore (Jacqueline Zinsou)

Wednesday, July 14th

- 9:00 a.m. — Anne Keenan (Ann Joan Palma)
Joan Tait

Thursday, July 15th

- 9:00 a.m. — Maria & Inacio DeSousa (Family)
Joao & Maria Dias (Family)

Friday, July 16th

- 9:00 a.m. — Patrick T. Kearney (Family)
Living & Deceased Members of Romeo & Wolz Family

Saturday, July 17th

- 5:30 p.m. — Salvatore Orlando (Anna Orlando)
Joseph Nugent (Ed & Diane Pozzi & Family)

Sunday, July 18th

- 7:30 a.m. — Joseph Amato (M/M G. Van Schaick)
9:30 a.m. — Greg Vallone (Kristen Plantamura)
Gail Spena (Catholic Daughter of the Americas)
11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

Faith Formation

Faith Formation Summer 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.

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..



Time, Talent & Treasure

**Fostering Stewardship
as a Way of Life**

Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary (Regular Sunday Offering)

**Last Week's Collection \$9,708
(includes Faith Direct)**

**Last Year's Collection \$8,885
Thank You!**

Rest
in
Peace



Deceased Brothers
and Sisters of our
Parish Family

Good News Reflection**Go forth in bold confidence!**

In this Sunday's Gospel passage, Jesus teaches us about trust. If we're to fulfill our calling as God's missionaries of love in this world, if we're to fulfill our calling to share the Good News, we must trust God and the resources that he provides.

And we must trust that he will always provide exactly what we need when we need it, even though it doesn't always seem sufficient. It's important that we don't feed the inclination to distrust him by expecting anything other than what he provides.



Every Mass ends with a re-commissioning rite for the calling we all have. The final blessing is a sending forth after we've been renewed in our relationship with Jesus. His presence in the Word and in the Eucharist and in the Church community re-energizes us (when we pay attention) to boldly go and do all that he asks of us.

Through the priest, Jesus sends us into the world to be the visible proof that he is real and that he's alive and that he cares. With Jesus, and in him and through him, we are all evangelizers who can make a difference in the world.

Yes, all of us -- all of us who have participated in the Eucharistic celebration with conscious awareness of what we are saying and praying and receiving during Mass. Go forth in bold confidence! Jesus is sending you out from the church with his Spirit and his sufficiency.

However, when we do the packing and decide what to take with us on the mission, we like to take an abundance of stuff, just in case we might need it. Thus, we fail to show others that God is reliable and trustworthy.

To be effective evangelizers, we have to surrender over to God whatever baggage interferes with our mission.

Remember this: Surrender is not truly surrender unless we no longer want what we surrendered. If we still have some desire for it, we're attached to it by a bungee cord that yanks us back to it, yanking us away from our true purpose in life.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

In what areas of your life do you rely upon the Lord? What areas do you still need to entrust to him? What will you do this week to surrender any distrust?

Questions for Community Faith Sharing:

What kind of "food" do others serve you when you rely on God to provide for your needs through them? How does their service to you help them understand God? What kind of baggage should be left at home instead of carrying it into ministry? How does letting go of this better reveal Jesus to others?

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



August 9 - 13, 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

For Children entering K to 6th Grades

Grades 7 and up can be junior counselors

For registration and more info please visit www.abvmcentereach.com



Assumption Youth Ministries invite everyone to “Coffee in the Courtyard”, on every **Sundays after the 9:30 AM Mass**. Hang out with our fellow worshippers, make new friends, and build a stronger community, in which we then become a stronger parish family. **All are welcome!** Join us after Mass for fellowship, wonderful conversations and of course coffee.

Assumption Youth Ministry SUMMER MINISTRY

All students 6th grade and up with their families are welcome



Thursday, July 15th - 5:00 PM
Hobbs Farm



(wear old clothes and shoes, no flip flops, bring work gloves)

Thursday, August 5th - 5:00 PM
Hobbs Farm
(same as above)

For more info: contact Renata at 631-585-8760 ext 105, rptak@abvmcentereach.com

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Faith Formation

Registration 2021-22

Begins on July 1st & ends on September 3rd

All registrations are done online at www.abvmcentereach.com

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 Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 AM to 1 PM. **Pantry Needs: Cooking Oil, Canned Carrots and Mixed Vegetables, Dishwashing Liquid, Paper towels, Toilet Paper**



2021

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

One Family in Mission

Creating Pathways to Faith

This year our parish goal is \$54,400. 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, to support the work of Catholic Charities, our Catholic Regional Schools, formation and training of lay leaders, our deacons as well as our seminary which trains men for the priesthood. In addition, parishes who make their goal receive a rebate from the diocese, amounting to 20% of the actual goal. Please ask the Lord how you might participate. Your pledge is payable over a seven-month period of time.

Free health screenings Mobile Outreach Bus

The Community Outreach team is pleased to offer free health screenings in your community by a Catholic Health registered nurse.



Services for adults (18 and older):

- Brief cardiac history
- Blood pressure screening
- BMI screening
- Simple blood test for cholesterol and glucose
- Health education
- Referrals as needed
- Resources for those without insurance

No appointments needed

Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary Church

33 Crown Acres Rd. Centereach, NY

Friday, July 30, 2021 - 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Sunday, Jul 11, 2021

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Each one, bring one

A lot of things in life are lonely. Being sick, being wrong, and being broke are hours difficult to share with anyone not inside the experience. Happily, religion isn't intended to be a solitary undertaking. Jesus formed a community before he engaged his ministry, and he urged his followers to go out in pairs. If you're struggling to ground your prayer life, make a deeper commitment to Bible study, or get a work of service or justice off the ground, remember: Companions in faith make the way more joyful and fruitful.

TODAY'S READINGS: Amos 7:12-15; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:7-13 (104). *"Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out two by two."*

Monday, Jul 12, 2021**Cross purposes**

No one said the path of Christian discipleship was going to be a bed of roses—but it is indeed the way of love. "The temptation is to follow a Christ without a cross," Pope Francis said—that is, to succumb to an easy albeit empty life that the world offers. Instead, "If we live our lives for the Lord, set on fire with love, then our lives will be fruitful and we will have genuine joy," said Francis. What's more, there's food for the journey, he reminds—we rediscover the mystery of Christ's cross every time we participate in the Eucharist.

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 1:8-14, 22; Matthew 10:34—11:1 (389). *"... whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me."*

Tuesday, Jul 13, 2021

MEMORIAL OF HENRY

Words matter

Holy Roman Emperor Henry II championed the Nicene Creed. He encouraged its official recitation during the Mass, a practice that didn't gain papal approval until the 11th century. And he promoted the *filioque*. *Filioque* is Latin for the four small words—"and from the Son"—used in the Nicene Creed to describe the origin of the Holy Spirit, who, Catholics and Protestants believe, "proceeds from the Father and the Son." Draw strength from our Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer God, and honor the Blessed Trinity today by praying a "Glory Be."

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 2:1-15a; Matthew 11:20-24 (390). *"Jesus began to reproach the towns where most of his mighty deeds had been done, since they had not repented."*

Wednesday, Jul 14, 2021

MEMORIAL OF KATERI TEKAKWITHA, VIRGIN

See with the eyes of faith

Some people survive trials and adversity with a faith that cannot be explained. Saint Kateri Tekakwitha (1656-80) is one of those people. At the age of 4, Tekakwitha was physically scarred and left nearly blind by a smallpox epidemic that took the lives of her parents. Though she continued to live among her people, she followed a different path than most. Baptized Kateri (Catherine) at the age of 19, she soon found a distant village of Christian Native Americans who accepted her desire to remain single and devote

her life to Jesus. The life of this first Native American saint was short, but her kind and deep faith left its own lasting mark. Visit the website: Shrine of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha.

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 3:1-6, 9-12; Matthew 11:25-27 (391). *"Although you have hidden these things from the wise and the learned you have revealed them to the childlike."*

Thursday, Jul 15, 2021

MEMORIAL OF BONAVENTURE, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Bask in reflected glory

Understanding and proving the existence of God has been a human pursuit since the beginning of time. For medieval Franciscan philosopher Saint Bonaventure, vestiges of God's existence are found in all God's creatures and, indeed, in all creation. Thus, he posits, we see God, "through a mirror." As our understanding of God increases, we begin to see God "in a mirror"; that is, we see the image and likeness of God in all things. For Bonaventure, signs of God's existence are all around, and God is present in each of us. "Therefore," says Bonaventure, one "who is not brightened by such splendors of created things is blind." Open your eyes to our all-around God.

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 3:13-20; Matthew 11:28-30 (392). *"Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest."*

Friday, Jul 16, 2021

MEMORIAL OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

The view from on high

If there were such things as spiritual "power points" on Earth, Mount Carmel would have to qualify as one. A range on the Mediterranean coast in Northern Israel, Mount Carmel has been a crossroads for religious traditions, military strife, monastic life, biblical archeology, and now, modern urban living. There is something for everyone on Mount Carmel, which is perhaps why it has a long and contentious history. Today, join your prayers for peace in the Middle East with those of Carmelites the world over. Our Lady of Mount Carmel, pray for us!

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 11:10—12:14; Matthew 12:1-8 (393). *"If you knew what this meant, I desire mercy, not sacrifice, you would not have condemned these innocent men."*

Saturday, Jul 17, 2021**No one is without dignity**

Bruised reeds and smoldering wicks were commonly discarded in ancient society because they were no longer useful for the purpose they served. People were often treated the same way. If a person was blind, lame, or suffered leprosy, they were essentially discarded by society because they were seen as a burden that couldn't be sustained. But Jesus taught of the sacred dignity of all human life regardless of health or usefulness, and that our final judgment would be based on our treatment of the least among us. Can you take a moment today to in some way lift up a lowly or outcast person?

TODAY'S READINGS: Exodus 12:37-42; Matthew 12:14-21 (394). *"A bruised reed he will not break, a smoldering wick he will not quench."*

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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