



ST. MARY OF THE ASSUMPTION

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Office Hours: Weekdays 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
(Office closed for lunch from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM)

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday through Friday: 6:30 AM & 8:30 AM

Saturday: 8:30 AM & 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM & 6:00 PM

PASTOR: REV. CHARLES C. DILLINGHAM

Associate Pastor: Rev. David F. Murphy

Weekend Assistant: Rev. James B. Smith

Deacons: John Giacci, Larry Brecht

Joseph W. Jackson, Larry R. Morris

PARISH OFFICE STAFF

Janet Aluise, Receptionist	ext. 10
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PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

PREP: Grades 1 through 8

Confirmation: Grade 9

Mrs. Cindy Krebs, DRE (302) 239-7100, ext. 17.

ST. MARY'S PRESCHOOL

Ages 2 through Pre-K.

Mrs. Karen Rombach, Director (302) 239-7100, ext. 34.

ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC SCHOOL

We are a sponsoring parish. For further information,
contact Mary Elizabeth Muir, Ed.D., Principal
(302) 995-2231, www.ascsd.org.



RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:30 PM or by appointment.

BAPTISM

During a Mass or Sunday afternoon
at 1:00 PM.

Baptisms are scheduled the second
and fourth Sundays of the month.
Baptism classes are every other month.

Please call Parish Secretary for details
(302) 239-7100 ext. 33.

MARRIAGE

Contact Parish Secretary before a wedding date is finalized.
The diocese requires one year of preparation.

ANointing OF THE SICK

In an emergency, contact the Parish Office.

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

Each weekend, Extraordinary Ministers of
Holy Communion to the Sick bring Communion
to those unable to attend Mass on a regular basis.
Contact the Parish Secretary to arrange for this ministry.

ST. PATRICK'S CEMETERY

For information, contact Parish Office (302) 239-7100.

Third Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2020

You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will fill me with joy in your presence.

— Acts 2:28



Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday April 27, 2020

6:30 am Ren DiBattista
8:30 am Mary & Ernest Hart

Tuesday April 28, 2020

6:30 am Gloria LaMarche
8:30 am Allen Taylor

Wednesday April 29, 2020

6:30 am Robert Kacmurik
8:30 am Linda D. Vesho

Thursday April 30, 2020

6:30 am William Lovelace
8:30 am Linda Cannon Graham

Friday May 1, 2020

6:30 am Joseph Pahira
8:30 am Living Intentions Donnelly Family

Saturday May 2, 2020

8:30 am John Karpovich, Jr.
5:00 pm Shirley Steenkamer

Sunday May 3, 2020

7:30 am John Karpovich, Sr.
9:30 am Parishioners
11:30 am Irene & Alex Dureiko
6:00 pm John Kwiatkowski

The Rosary is said Monday-Saturday
in the Chapel, before the 8:30 am Mass



St. Mary of the Assumption

Dear Parishioners,

Fr. Smith, Fr. Murphy, the Deacons and I really miss seeing you at daily and Sunday Masses. Please be assured that you and your families are constantly in our prayers and are with us at the altar when we celebrate our private Masses.

I am reluctant to mention parish finances at this very challenging time, yet I feel that I must address this issue. The parish is facing a financial challenge due to your inability to make a weekly/monthly contribution through the envelopes collected at Sunday Masses. Your weekly contributions are still essential for the good of the parish. While we are cutting back on our expenses including the reduction of staff hours, we are still responsible for fixed costs such as utilities, insurance and other essential operating expenses.

Please know that I am very much aware that some of you are experiencing a loss or a reduction in your income at this moment.

Bearing all of this in mind, I would respectfully request your help at this difficult time. I would be extremely grateful if you would continue your offertory contributions to the best of your ability. Your contribution can either be mailed to the parish using the enclosed envelope or dropped off at the office.

Your clergy are profoundly saddened that we are not able to celebrate Masses and Sacraments with you as a parish community. Please continue to be aware that Christ and his Blessed Mother are with us at all times, most especially at times of worry and anxiety such as these. We pray for all of you, most especially for those who are suffering and have died from the virus, medical personnel, military, first responders and for all who are risking their health for our sake.

With prayers, blessings and much concern,

Father Dillingham

Pastor



In your charity, please pray for all who have gone
before us and all the deceased of
St. Mary of the Assumption.

+Monsignor Joseph Murray, uncle of parishioner Michael Kelly
+Carmelina Frankosky, mother of parishioner Jack Frankosky
+John Blyskal, son of parishioner Joanne Gillease



GOD'S PLAN

Saint Peter speaks to us twice today. In the first reading, we hear an excerpt from his sermon on Pentecost; in the second, part of his first letter. Once a frightened, uneducated fisherman who often said just the wrong thing, now Peter is speaking what he knows to be true. Everything Jesus had said now makes sense. His death and rising were all part of God's plan, and our faith and hope can be centered on God.

Today's Gospel tells the story of Jesus' walk to Emmaus with two of the disciples. Frightened, sad, and confused, the two of them don't recognize Jesus, who tells them what we heard Peter say above: All this had to happen as part of God's plan. In the end, these disciples recognize Jesus as we are to recognize him—in the breaking of the bread.

STAY WITH US, LORD

**Walk with us, Lord,
along the road of resurrection!
Explain for us, so slow to believe,
the things that Scripture says of you.
Break the bread of the Eucharist with us
whenever we share our lives
with our brothers and sisters.
Stay with us each time night approaches
and the daylight fades in our hearts!**

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter
Tuesday: St. Peter Chanel;
St. Louis Grignion de Montfort
Wednesday: St. Catherine of Siena
Thursday: St. Pius V
Friday: St. Joseph the Worker; First Friday
Saturday: St. Athanasius; First Saturday

COLLECT PRAYER

May your people exult forever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Did you Know?

Part 19 - Ways to Boost the Belief in the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in The Holy Eucharist

8. Personally recommit to the Eucharist.

The first person to convince about the Eucharist is yourself.

g. Offer yourself with the gifts.

When the gifts are brought forward, either from the back of the church or laid on the paten, put yourself beside them. Offer yourself to Jesus with the gifts. Say: "Jesus, I place myself before you with these gifts to be taken up and transformed by your grace."

h. Transport yourself through time.

When the consecration comes, you are no longer just at Mass with people from your neighborhood. The Church teaches that you are witnessing not a new act, but the original sacrifice of Jesus Christ re-presented. So don't just glaze over watching the same old priest raise the same old chalice; see through what is happening to that one sacrifice and offering of Jesus Christ.

i. Pray silently during the elevation.

It is an old and helpful custom to pray silently when the host is elevated, "My Lord and my God," and when the cup is elevated, "My Jesus, mercy."

j. Pray in the communion line.

"Mary, lead me to the altar of love." "My guardian angel, bring me closer to Jesus." "Lord Jesus, truly present in the sacrament, I bow down before you; I adore you."

k. Finally, on the way out the door ...

Try to remember something from the homily or Gospel that struck you that you can mention to someone. Repeating what moved your heart makes it "stick" more.

Mass is the best thing you will do that day; any day you go to Mass. Make the most of it.

Tom Hoopes

The Gregorian Institute

Submitted by the Legion of Mary

Listen to The Legion of Mary Immaculate Conception Praesidium weekly broadcast of their Internet radio programs every Friday at 3 p.m., in cooperation with Oremus Communications (OC). Simply visit www.oremuscomms.com and click on "Listen Live". The Divine Mercy Chaplet is the main focus of the broadcast but every week various topics and prayers are included in the hour broadcast. Also if you missed any broadcast, you can still access them in the archives file using www.oremuscomms.com/archives-lom



Prayer to End Coronavirus Pandemic Pope Francis

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith.

You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, To confirm ourselves to the Father's will And to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas-we who are put to the test-and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA (1347-1380)

April 29

Imagine the pope receiving a young woman still in her twenties who addresses him as "my sweet Christ on earth," then orders: "Get back to Rome where you belong!" Amazingly, Gregory XI complied! Yet this was but one astonishing incident in the extraordinary life of Catherine of Siena, a truly unique medieval woman. Youngest of twenty-five children, Catherine refused marriage and became a Dominican Tertiary at sixteen, cloistering herself at home in contemplative prayer, austere penances, and mystical experiences, culminating in "spiritual espousal" to Christ. Then, incarnating the Dominican ideal of "passing on to others the fruits of contemplation," Catherine left her solitude to care for the poor, nurse the sick, comfort the dying, and bury the dead. Increasingly renowned for converting souls and healing bodies, she was sought after to broker peace during civil wars and Church schisms. All this, and like Jesus, whom she called "my Divine Spouse," she died at thirty-three! Four hundred letters and her spiritual classic The Dialogue inspired Paul VI to name her, together with Teresa of Ávila, the first women Doctors of the Church.



I was Hungry...I was Thirsty...I was a Stranger...And you cared.

Looking to grow in your faith and help others at the same time?

Become a Vincentian

	Why Join? <i>Help people in a very tangible way</i> – providing assistance for life’s basic necessities like rent, utilities, food, etc. through personal contact <i>Grow in faith</i> – inspired by Christian values, work for the good of humanity <i>Make new friends</i> – work with other Vincentians in your parish friendship
	Who are we? <i>Catholic lay organization</i> - The Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) was founded in Paris in 1833 and is now a global effort dedicated to serving those in need. <i>Our parish Conference is a group of 15 – 20 people of varying ages and backgrounds.</i> We meet once a month all together and work in pairs throughout the month, as available, to speak with our neighbors in need and visit them in-person.
	The impact (this past year)? <i>Helped > 300 people: >100 in-person visits and >250 phone calls</i> <i>Provided >\$70,000 in financial assistance</i> (the funding is possible thanks to the generosity of St. Mary’s parishioner’s donations.)
	Who to contact to become a Vincentian: <i>Call Mercedes Diaz, St. Mary’s SVdP Conference President, 302-239-7100 ext.15.</i>

**ONLINE
GIVING**

Providing the convenience of online giving and helping
St. Mary’s save money on sending envelopes.
Simple and easy just go to smachurch.com/give.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

By a rescript of November 24, 1922. The Sacred Congregation of Indulgences approved the following formula for a spiritual communion:

O Jesus, I love You. O my God. I cannot receive You in Holy Communion. Come, nevertheless, and visit me with Your grace. Come spiritually into my heart. Purify it. Sanctify it. Render it like unto Your own. Amen.

Neiman Marcus Cake Recipe



Ingredients

- 1 Box of cake mix any flavor
- 1 stick of butter
- 2 eggs
- 1 cup of nuts

Icing

- 1 8 oz. package of cream cheese, softened
- 1 16 oz. box powered sugar
- 1 egg

Blend cake mix, butter and eggs. Mix in nuts. Then spread batter into a greased and floured 13 X 9 pan.

Mix all ingredients for icing together. Then pour icing on top of the cake batter.

Bake at 350 F for 45 minutes.

Let cool and enjoy!

If you have a recipe and would like to share with our parishioners, please send to office@smachurch.com.

Children's Catholic Corner



Holy Eucharist Word Search



Jesus	Altar
Body	Mass
Blood	Sacrament
Communion	Chalice
Eucharist	Host
Holy	Wine

St. Mary of the Assumption Parish Ministry Contact list for phone numbers please call our parish office

Adult Faith Formation, **Joan Fortugno**
 Athletic Association, **Mike Pietlock**
 All Saints Catholic School Liaison, **Dennis Fish**
 Bulletin, **Annette Fad**
 Church Camp, **Cindy Krebs**
 Communications, **Elizabeth Perry**
 Cornerstone, **Mike McDonnell**
 Divine Will Prayer Group, **Linda Rioski**
 Emmanuel Dining Rooms S.E., **Bunny Stike**
 Emmanuel Dining Rooms East, **Mary Ellen Long**
 Sojourners, House of Joseph, **Suzanne Barba**
 Finance Council, **Bill Foley**
 GIFT, **Eileen Gaus**
 Holy Spirit Prayer Group, **Rich Deegan**
 Knights of Columbus, **Mike Bailey**
 Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary, **Judy Safranski**
 Knights of Columbus Ride Program, **Steve Haller**
 Ladies' Guild, **Janet Kook & Rosemarie Morris**
 Lazarus Ministry, **Rita Willis**
 Legion of Mary, **Jane Aniceto**
 Mary Mother of Hope, **Kate Morris**
 Meals on Wheels, **Kathy di Girolamo**
 Men's Small Group, **Jim Robinson**
 Mother's Prayer Group, **Sandra Cleary**
 Pastoral Council, **Bill Raiford**
 Prayer Line, **Parish Office**
 Pro-Life Committee, **Ann Courtney**
 RCIA, **Deacon John Giacci**
 Refresh Group, **Deacon Larry Brecht, Mike Bailey**
 St. Patrick's Cemetery, **Dan DiGiacobbe**
 Safety Committee, **Bernie McKay**
 Sages (50+ Group), **Nick Mastrocinque**
 Scouts (Boy & Cub), **Greg Weaver**
 St. Vincent de Paul Society, **Mercedes Diaz**
 Visitors for Christ, **Mary Lloyd**
 WilCYA, **Elise Maloney**
 Women's Faith Sharing, **Mary Tigani**
 Youth Athletic Dance Coordinator **Heather Green**

Weekly Scheduled Events

Please note: The parish calendar schedule is subject to change during the week, please check with your Ministry if you have any questions, or concerns of scheduled events.

Monday April 27, 2020

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Sunday May 3, 2020

(CF) = Coffee Run, (J) = St. Johns,
 (M) = St. Mary,
 (CP) = Chapel, (C) = Church,
 (GS) = Gathering Space (H) = Hall

Please submit all bulletin articles (2) weeks in advance to office@smachurch.com.

Need a Ride???

Fellow Parishioners!!! Do you occasionally need a ride to Church for Mass or perhaps elsewhere? As one of the service organizations of our parish, The Knights of Columbus may be able to help. Contact Steve Haller, Community Director for the council. You may contact him at, 302-690-6164 or email: govmler@hotmail.com



Looking for a great way to stay connected to St. Mary's and to receive up to date information?...

Please visit our website: www.smachurch.com