



# ASSUMPTION of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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



**September 27, 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.

**20 Chestnut Street, Centereach, NY 11720 631-585-8760 [www.abvmcentereach.com](http://www.abvmcentereach.com)**

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, September 27th**

9:30 a.m. — Intention of Terry Zarillo & The Bedus Family (MaryBeth)

11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

**Monday, September 28th**

9:00 a.m. — Anna Joseph Alenchery (Joan Tait)

**Tuesday, September 29th**

9:00 a.m. — Elliot Hayle (Mom, Dad & Brother)

**Wednesday, September 30th**

9:00 a.m. — Katherine Aridas (Joan Tait)

**Thursday, October 1st**

9:00 a.m. — Alonzo Werner (Family)

**Friday, October 2nd**

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

**Saturday, October 3rd**

5:30 p.m. — Helen Long (Petroccione Family)

**Sunday, October 4th**

7:30 a.m. — Andrew Cerqueira (Family)

9:30 a.m. — Joseph Melfi (Family)

11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish



*Rest  
in  
Peace*



Adelpha (Tiri) Paeper



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

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

Last Week's Collection \$7,769  
(includes *Faith Direct*)

Last Year's Collection \$8,253  
*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 (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..



**Good News Reflection****The correct answer isn't always right**

This Sunday's Gospel story was meant to shock people who think they're okay spiritually but do not honestly examine how well they do the Father's will. Jesus said that tax collectors and prostitutes (professions considered to be the most contemptible and unholy) were entering the kingdom of God ahead of religious experts!



These so-called "experts" knew the correct answer to the question that Jesus posed -- they knew to say yes to God -- but knowing the right answer and actually DOing the right answer is the dividing line between heaven and hell.

God doesn't want right answers; he wants righteous actions. God doesn't want dutiful compliance to Church teachings; he wants obedience motivated by love and an enthusiastic attitude of serving in the mission of the Church.

What's the value of going to Mass every Sunday, for example, if it doesn't result in deeds of holiness outside the Mass? Do you know someone who's saying "no" to coming to Mass? If they're doing good works because they genuinely love God, who's to say they won't reach full unity with him sooner than people who attend every Mass but do little to help others?

God wants us to do both: Know the right answers and be righteous. Go to Mass faithfully and be changed by it. Say yes to his calling to make the world a better place by uniting ourselves to Christ in church and following out him out the door, taking him to everyone we meet.

**Questions for Personal Reflection:**

What opportunities to serve God in your parish or out in the community have you said "no" to? Spend some time praying to understand whether or not that was an invitation from Christ himself. What can you say "yes" to now?

**Questions for Community Faith Sharing:**

What types of people today are despised the most? Who seems least likely to get into heaven? (A terrorist perhaps? An ex-spouse?) How is it possible (to our surprise) that we might be greeted by them when we arrive in heaven? How would you feel about it?

Dear parish family,

Every year in the summer, missionaries visit us and share their experience and ask us to consider helping their mission work with prayer and with money. Not all of us can go away and help at the missions, but we do that by donating to organizations who do the work. This year Mission Doctors Association, a Catholic missionary organization, was supposed to do the appeal, but because of the pandemic, they were not able to come. That's why they are doing their mission appeal through a letter below. Please prayerfully consider helping this missionary cause. Please make the checks out to Assumption. Thank you very much for your generosity.

Fr. Joe



**MISSION  
DOCTORS  
ASSOCIATION**

**A Mission of Healing,  
A Partnership of Hope**

**On behalf of Mission Doctors Association**, I had been looking forward to being with all of you at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary RC Church when the Diocese of Rockville Centre assigned us for Mission Co-op. As you know many things have changed, however, Fr. Joseph has invited us to share briefly, even if I cannot be with you today.

Catholic doctors and their families have answered the call to share their skills and faith since 1959, providing direct patient care and training for local healthcare professionals. Serving at the invitation of Bishops, Religious Sisters and Catholic Hospital in Africa in Latin America. Some serve long-term for three years and more – others serve one – three months.

Mission Doctors are looking at tomorrow with faith and hope as you are. We know the corona virus will not win, and we will eventually put this behind us, we will be back together with our families and airports will open again in Africa and Latin America **and we know the need is there.**

So, how can you help? When we look at the direct expenses of having a Mission Doctor at the bedside of a patient it came out to only \$3 per patient. So today if you can give \$30, you can make it possible for a Mission Doctor to care for 10 patients. But what ever you can share, large or small, know it is a real sign of hope for the children, the women and men cared for at Catholic Hospital where Mission Doctors serve.

There is so much more I would love to share with you, and so I invite you to visit our web page at [www.MissionDoctors.org](http://www.MissionDoctors.org) – there are videos, and inspiring stories from doctors, *and if you are a doctor yourself, and feel called to serve*, please visit and let us answer any questions you may have.

As our Partner in Hope, you make the Mission of Healing possible. God Bless you and keep you and all the families of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary RC Church well. Our thanks to Fr. Joseph and the Diocese of Rockville Centre for including us in the 2020 Mission Co-op.

Elise Frederick

Executive Director

Mission Doctors Association



# New Mass Schedule

starting October 4<sup>th</sup>

**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. 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.



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](https://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: Laundry detergent, Deodorant, Rice, Noodles, Canned peas, Fruit juice, Box milk, Corn muffin mix, Cake mix, Icing**





**Faith Formation Registration 2020-21 ENDS on Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Classes begin on Monday, October 5<sup>th</sup>**

**If you haven't registered yet, please visit [www.abvmcentereach.com](http://www.abvmcentereach.com) for more information and online registration.**

For **Level 1** registration please contact Mary Beth Van Bourgondien at (631) 487-2650 or [msscott@abvmcentereach.com](mailto:msscott@abvmcentereach.com) or Julie Mercado at (631) 588-6408 or [jmercado@abvmcentereach.com](mailto:jmercado@abvmcentereach.com)

**You're Invited To An Outdoor Seminar With Complimentary Pizza!**

**YOUR LIFE YOUR LEGACY:**

THE IMPORTANCE OF CATHOLIC FUNERAL, MASSES & EXPLANATION OF CREMATION WITH **FR. GREG RANNAZZISI**, PASTOR ST. GERARD MAJELLA R.C. CHURCH & O.B. DAVIS FUNERAL HOMES

**When: September 29th, 2020 OR September 30th, 2020**  
*(Please choose one date)*

**Where: O.B. Davis and Casimir Funeral Homes**  
4839 Nesconset Highway  
Port Jefferson Station, NY 11776

Time: 6:30 PM

Phone: 631-473-0360

PLEASE RSVP by September 27th, 2020  
631-473-0360 Seating is limited

**STAND UP FOR LIFE**

Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>  
2 to 3:30 PM

Rte 110 & Jericho Turnpike Huntington

Join fellow parishioners in a prayerful, peaceful witness to the sanctity of life...one of hundred throughout the Country.



Court St Gerard, Catholic Daughters invites you and your family and friends to take part in their THANK YOU PROJECT.

Write a note or letter to ACTIVE MILITARY MEMBERS thanking them, encouraging or praying for their service to our Country.

Return date by October 25<sup>th</sup>. Basket in Church Vestibule. Nothing other than note or letter. No envelopes, please.

Questions? Information? 631 588 7242

**THE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS OF LONG ISLAND OPEN HOUSES**

You are invited to explore the benefits of a Catholic High School Education

*Please feel free to visit our schools during the times and dates listed below.*

DATE	TIME	SCHOOL
<b>SEPTEMBER 2020</b>		
SATURDAY, SEPT. 26	11 A.M. - 2 P.M.	SACRED HEART ACADEMY
SUNDAY, SEPT. 27	10 A.M. - 1 P.M.	ST. ANTHONY'S HIGH SCHOOL
	2 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.	ST. MARY'S HIGH SCHOOL
<b>OCTOBER 2020</b>		
SATURDAY, OCT. 3	10 A.M. - 1 P.M.	KELLENBERG MEMORIAL H.S.
	2 P.M. - 4 P.M.	CHAMINADE HIGH SCHOOL
SUNDAY, OCT. 4	10 A.M. - 1 P.M.	OUR LADY OF MERCY ACADEMY
	1 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.	ST. DOMINIC HIGH SCHOOL
SATURDAY, OCT. 17	11 A.M. - 1:30 P.M.	HOLY TRINITY DIOC. H.S.
SUNDAY, OCT. 18	10 A.M. - 1 P.M.	ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST DIOC. H.S.

**TEST FOR ADMISSION TO CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS ONLINE FOR 2020-2021**

NOVEMBER 7, 2020  
REGISTER TODAY  
[WWW.TACHSINFO.COM](http://WWW.TACHSINFO.COM)  
REGISTRATION DEADLINE  
OCT. 23, 2020

New parishioner? Moving out of the parish? Kindly fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the rectory.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

New Parishioner \_\_\_\_\_ Moving \_\_\_\_\_