



# ASSUMPTION

## of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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



June 13, 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

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Phone: 631-585-8760; Fax: 1-866-214-3365  
Faith Formation: 631-588-6408



## Mass Intentions for the week

### Sunday, June 13th

7:30 a.m. — Joseph Nugent (Ed & Diane Pozzi & Family)

9:30 a.m. — Peter & Marjorie Gochan (Family)

11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

### Monday, June 14th

9:00 a.m. — Anthony Lang

Vincent Paul DeMonte (Steven DiGiamo)

### Tuesday, June 15th

9:00 a.m. — James Reilly (Ed Uy & Family)

Deceased Members of Dias & Fernandes Family

### Wednesday, June 16th

9:00 a.m. — Ralph Cirone (Ed Uy & Family)

Joan Tait (Colleen Navarra)

### Thursday, June 17th

9:00 a.m. — Joan Tait (Ed Uy & Family)

### Friday, June 18th

9:00 a.m. — Otto Wolz

Joan Tait (Ed Uy & Family)

### Saturday, June 19th

5:30 p.m. — Father's Day

### Sunday, June 20th

7:30 a.m. — Father's Day

9:30 a.m. — Father's Day

11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

for we walk by faith, not by sight.

2Cor. 5:7



## Time, Talent & Treasure

Fostering Stewardship  
as a Way of Life

Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary  
(Regular Sunday Offering)

Last Week's Collection \$9,164  
(includes *Faith Direct*)

Last Year's Collection \$9,585  
*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..

Rest  
in  
Peace



Deceased Brothers  
and Sisters of our  
Parish Family

## ***Good News Reflection***

### ***God is calling you this week!***

This week, something is going to happen that will give you the opportunity to touch someone's life with God's love. Watch for it.

If you consciously choose to make the most of the situation, you might feel challenged, perhaps a bit nervous or intimidated, but you will experience the joy of making a difference for the kingdom of God. And you might be surprised at how well you do!

God has been preparing you for this situation for a long time. Your trials, your spiritual education, your personal purification process, your prayer-time insights, your Christ-centered conversations with others -- all these and more have been part of the preparation.

You are like the seed in this Sunday's Gospel passage. Life's circumstances have fertilized you, watered you, and tilled your soil. Over time, the seed sprouted, the plant grew, and the flowers began to produce good fruit.



Every day, we all encounter small and sometimes large opportunities to serve the kingdom of God. We don't have to be full-time volunteers nor paid employees of the Church to work in the mission of Christ. If we are willing, he touches the world through us in our homes, our workplaces, our parishes, in the grocery store, in the traffic tie-ups, on the Internet, and everywhere we go.

Have any of your seeds sprouted into a tree that withered from neglect or got chopped down by others? This happens to all of us. The good news is: In every dead tree at least one fruit remains, shriveled up and barely hanging from a lifeless branch, but secretly holding a very valuable seed.

We are to take those ugly, dead fruits and plant them in the freshly tilled soil of today. A new tree will grow and it will become taller and stronger and more abundantly fruitful than the tree from which it came, because the decay from the original tree is now additional fertilizer in the soil.

In everything that happens to you, remember: You have good fruits to share; God has been nurturing their growth. You are ready!

#### **Questions for Personal Reflection:**

What are some of the ways you have grown in your faith? How can this help others? Realizing that the good fruit that come from your growth is Jesus working through you to make the world a better place, how do you feel about this?

#### **Questions for Community Faith Sharing:**

Describe various ways that we continue the mission of Christ in our ordinary lives. What produces new growth in us so that we become more useful to Christ?

# SAVE THE DATE



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

WEEK OF AUGUST 9, 2021

9:00 AM to 11:30 AM

For Children entering K-6<sup>th</sup> grade

## 2021 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL



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*One Family in Mission*  
Creating Pathways to Faith

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.

Please ask the Lord how you might participate. Your pledge is payable over a seven-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.



### ***New Altar Servers***

Four new altar servers were installed last week at the 11:30 AM Mass. Congratulations



to them as well as their parents for encouraging them to serve at the table of the Lord. As a parish family let us support, encourage and thank them for helping us to pray, praise and thank God.

## **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](mailto: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, Canned Carrots, Kleenex, Deodorant, Disposable Razors**



# THE MASS: An Introduction

## A 4 part online study series on ZOOM

on Monday evenings at 7:00 - 8:15 PM beginning June 21

For registration please visit [www.abvmcentereach.com](http://www.abvmcentereach.com)

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 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.

# ADOREMUS

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

WITH CONTEMPORARY AND TRADITIONAL MUSIC

**Friday, June 18, 2021 - 7:30 - 8:30 PM**

**LIVE**  **Streaming**

[www.abvmcentereach.com](http://www.abvmcentereach.com) - facebook: [Assumption BVM](#) - Youtube Channel: [ABVM Centereach](#)

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**Sunday, Jun 13, 2021**

ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**Surprising yields ahead**

Many have been glad to shake off the past year with good riddance. We're quick to write off difficult situations as sinkholes of our personal efforts, with nothing to show for our suffering. Every plague, war, and famine of history has caused its multitude of lost lives, endless grief, and economic devastation. Yet Jesus promises us that underneath the soil of human experience, the kingdom of God is always at work, pushing new life and fresh hope into existence. Many are working hard right this moment to promote a new vision for humanity. Commit to the new seed of Kingdom Coming.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ezekiel 17:22-24; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10; Mark 4:26-34 (92). *"And through it all the seed would sprout and grow, he knows not how."*

**Monday, Jun 14, 2021****Make an offering**

It is fitting that today is both Flag Day in the United States and World Blood Donor Day. Many have shed their blood for the ideals a flag represents, and while most of us are not called to make the ultimate sacrifice for our country, many of us can make the small sacrifice of donating blood to save the lives of others. In some areas, the blood supply has become low because of fewer blood donations during the pandemic, and blood donation remains essential everywhere. If you are able to donate, or be supportive of someone who can, it will contribute to our much-needed healing in these hurting times.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10; Matthew 5:38-42 (365). *"Give to the one who asks of you, and do not turn your back on one who wants to borrow."*

**Tuesday, Jun 15, 2021****With respect to elders**

It's World Elder Abuse Awareness Day. Pope Francis marked the observance last year by describing a shameful and painfully obvious truth: "The COVID-19 pandemic has shown that our societies are not organized well enough to make room for the elderly, with proper respect for their dignity and frailty. When the elderly are not cared for, there is no future for the young." Eighty percent of COVID deaths have been people 65 or older. What does your parish or local community do to support and engage seniors? If programs are not in place, can you help initiate them?

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 8:1-9; Matthew 5:43-48 (366). *"I say this not by way of command, but to test the genuineness of your love by your concern for others."*

**Wednesday, Jun 16, 2021****Be well intentioned**

Jesus' admonition to perform good deeds in private and pray alone in our rooms can be difficult to figure out when we belong to a church that calls the community's public gathering for Mass the "source and summit of faith." So here's the deal: Jesus isn't telling us to hide our faith but instead to check out *why* we do what we do. He frowns on giving alms to get attention or making a big public display of our prayer, as if to prove we are closer to God

than our neighbor. Instead, we are called to pray, fast, and give alms simply to draw closer to our Lord. In public or private, let's pray with the best of intentions.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 9:6-11; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18 (367). *"When you pray, do not be like the hypocrites."*

**Thursday, Jun 17, 2021****Time to move beyond temptation**

The Lord's Prayer, introduced in today's gospel, is the best-known Christian prayer the world over. Two years ago, a change in the way French Catholics say the prayer made headlines. The new translation avoids "lead us not into temptation" in favor of "do not let us fall into temptation." The point is that God doesn't lead us to sin. Rather, God gives us the strength to resist it, overcome it, learn from it, move beyond it. The next time you pray the great prayer, picture the Creator extending a hand to pull you away from sin into grace and light.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 11:1-11; Matthew 6:7-15 (368). *"This is how you are to pray: 'Our Father who art in heaven . . .'"*

**Friday, Jun 18, 2021****Get some rest**

Saint Augustine of Hippo captures the human condition perfectly when he says in his *Confessions*: "Lord, . . . our heart is restless until it rests in you." Christian prayer practices are designed to protect us from spirit-dulling anxiety and bring us to the peace of Christ. Try meditating on these words from Saint Francis de Sales for starters: "The same Eternal Father who cares for you today will take good care of you tomorrow and every day of your life. Either he will shield you from suffering, or he will give you the unflinching strength to bear it. Be at peace then and put aside all useless thoughts, vain dreads, and anxious imaginations."

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 11:18, 21-30; Matthew 6:19-23 (369). *"Store up treasures in heaven."*

**Saturday, Jun 19, 2021**

MEMORIAL OF ROMUALD, ABBOT

**A simple practice for inner peace**

Romuald was a 10th-century Italian monk and teacher. He started life as a wealthy aristocrat but soon found his life of pursuing comfort and pleasure unsatisfying. He sought refuge in a monastery and discovered peace as a monk. Wishing to help others achieve fulfillment, he founded the Camaldolese Order of monks and established several monasteries, instructing the monks to practice intellectual stillness and interior receptivity in meditation. "Take every opportunity you can to sing the Psalms in your heart," he wrote in his rule, "and to understand them with your mind." Take a moment today and give it a try.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 12:1-10; Matthew 6:24-34 (370). *"Do not worry about tomorrow; tomorrow will take care of itself."*

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



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