



ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

October 31, 2021

Our Mission

Love God.

Serve Others. Grow Disciples.

You Matter! + You Belong!

Our Vision

**Assumption Church is
committed to growing disciples
by serving and loving our surrounding community
in a way that bears witness
to the love and presence of Jesus.**

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Sunday, October 31st

7:30 a.m. — Henrietta (Penny) Vella (Holy Name Society)
 9:30 a.m. — Joseph Melfi (Family)
 James K. Mullane (DiGregorio Family)
 11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

Monday, November 1st

9:00 a.m. — All Souls

Tuesday, November 2nd

9:00 a.m. — All Souls

Wednesday, November 3rd

9:00 a.m. — All Souls

Thursday, November 4th

9:00 a.m. — All Souls

Friday, November 5th

9:00 a.m. — All Souls

Saturday, November 6th

5:30 p.m. — All Souls

Sunday, November 7th

7:30 a.m. — All Souls
 9:30 a.m. — All Souls
 11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

All Saints Day Prayer, Nov. 1, 2021

Father, All powerful and ever living God,
 Today we rejoice in the holy men and women
 of every time and place. May their prayers
 bring us your forgiveness and love.
 We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.
 Amen.



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

Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary
 (Regular Sunday Offering)

Last Week's Collection \$8,264
 (includes *Faith Direct*)

Last Year's Collection \$9,298
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.

ASSUMPTION YOUTH MINISTRY
Every Thursday
7:00PM - 8:30PM in the Parish Center
All 6th - 8th & 9th - 12th graders
Welcome

P.S. Mask required for everyone inside the building

For more information please contact Renata Tutka-Ptak
 at 631-585-8760 ext. 105 or rptak@abvmcentereach.com



Catholic Daughters of the Americas (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*

Philomena D'Onofrio
 Jerome Stadtmuller

Good News Reflection**Perfect Love**

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus asserted the two greatest commands of the Law. He quoted from the ancient Hebrew scriptures, which we have for today's first reading. And the second reading, from the New Testament letter to the Hebrews, explains how the Law of Love supersedes or fulfills all other laws. Jesus, who loved perfectly and never sinned against anyone, sacrificed himself for sinners. Therefore, we who want to follow him to heaven need to follow in his footsteps of love, by loving God and everyone else whole-heartedly.

Try as we might, though, we love imperfectly; we sin. The best penance, then, is an act of love, especially if it's a sacrifice offered to (or for) those who were harmed by our sin. But the damage we've caused has a ripple effect that goes far beyond anything we can see. This is remedied in the Catholic Church's Sacrament of Reconciliation. Jesus -- through the priest -- accepts our remorse and absolves our sins, while the entire earthly Body of Christ (the Church) -- through the priest -- accepts our penances for the earthly damage that our sins have caused.



Penance is not only an act of love, it's designed to strengthen our resolve to choose love when tempted to sin again. If the priest gives us an easy penance (for example, "Say the Lord's Prayer and three Hail Marys"), if we really want to become holier, we should ask God during those three Hail Marys for a penance that's a more difficult act of love. We should choose a sacrifice, something that requires loving God with our whole heart, soul, and mind as well as loving ourselves and our neighbors just as much.

Saint Anthony Mary Claret said, "The love of Christ arouses us, urges us to run, and to fly, lifted on the wings of holy zeal." How high is your love flying? Zeal is a good measuring instrument of how much we love God.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

Whom have you loved imperfectly this week? What act of penance could you do that would be an exercise in loving them better, treating them the way Jesus would? When will you complete the reconciliation through the sacraments of the Church?

Questions for Community Faith Sharing:

What does "zeal" mean? Name some of the ways that we love God with zeal. Tell the story of a time when you made a sacrifice because of love. How did this reveal Jesus to others?



In the Gospel, Jesus tells us to love God with all of our being and to love our neighbor as ourselves. We love God when we surrender all that we have to him – our whole mind, our whole strength which is our body, our whole heart and all our soul. In this message we will look at surrendering our need to control others. We can love people or control them we cannot do both.

Parish Social Ministry (Food Pantry) Needs for Thanksgiving

GIVING THANKS GIVING BACK

Thanksgiving
DRIVE

Gift Cards: With the Holidays just around the corner, we're getting ready to prepare Thanksgiving baskets for our clients. In addition to the food items listed below, please consider donating gift cards to local supermarkets. These are very helpful in providing those in need with a great Thanksgiving dinner, allowing them the dignity to choose their favorite holiday foods. Please drop off gift cards at the Parish Office or in the collection basket.

Pantry Needs: Boxed Milk, Cranberry Sauce, Canned Yams, Canned Vegetables, Stuffing Mix, Instant Potatoes and any other non-perishable food items. Please place these donations in our bin in the Church.



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!

Parish Social Ministry

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. **Paper Towels, Deodorant, Ketchup, Mayonnaise, Fruit Juice, Canned Vegetables, Toilet Paper, Pet Food**



You are invited to “Coffee in the Courtyard”, on every **Sunday after the 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM Masses**. Hang out with our fellow worshippers, spend a few minutes conversing with others, 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.



Nocturnal Adoration

Come and be in the presence of the Lord who is present in the Holy Eucharist. Silent Adoration, readings and benediction.

**First Friday of the month at
1:00—2:00 PM in the church.
Friday Nov. 5**

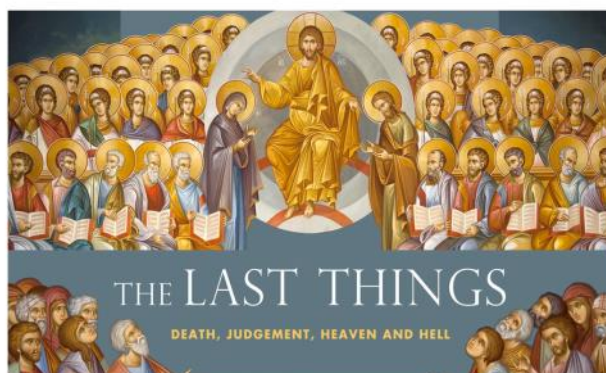
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PICK OF THE WEEK

Oct 31, 2021

LAST THINGS

This film presents the reality of death and what will follow for every person: first the particular Judgment before God, then Heaven or Hell as our destination for all eternity. The Catholic teaching on Purgatory is also explained, giving examples from the Scriptures and philosophy.



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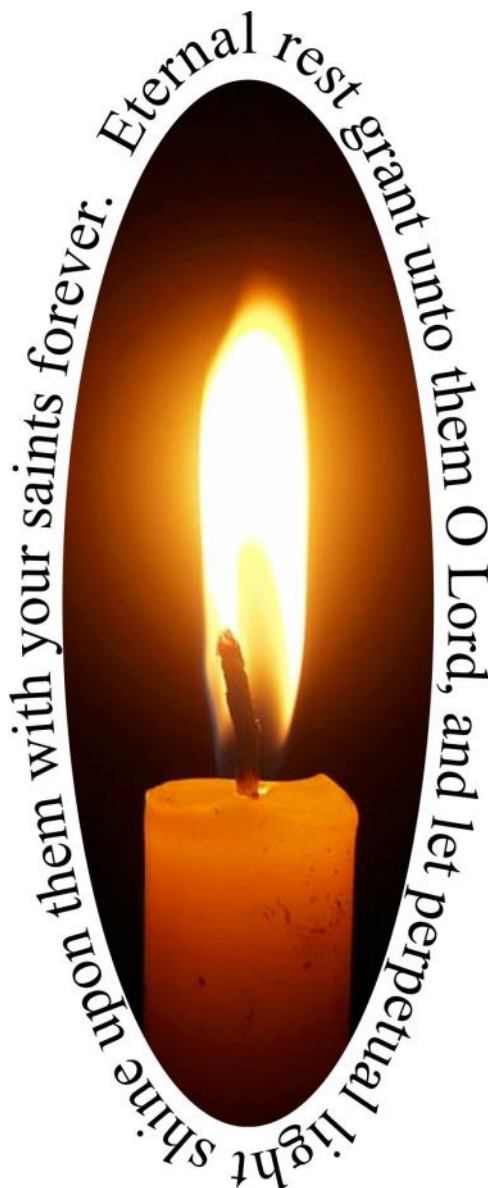
All Souls Day

Prayers for the faithful departed



June Anderson
Richard Ballato
Francis D. Barnes
Patricia Bartholomew
Muriel Brandt
Patricia Calderone
Domenica Campora
Evelyn M. Cellini
Frances Chestaro
Richard Cipriano
Joan DeMarco
John T. Dibona Jr.
Philomena D'Onofrio
Joe Donoghue
Kenneth F. Dougherty
Nancylynn Drasser
Anthony F. Dursi
Henry L. Fasano
Ron Fregara
Maria A. Giovannello
Danielle L. Golom
Theodore J. Gutmann
William Hauner
John F. Helmich
Daniel D. Hughes
Antoine Jean-baptiste
Thomas P. Keenan
Nancy Keenan
James P. Kelly
Francesca J. Kijik
Annmarie C. Ladone
Gloria Leonardo
Nancy J. Liedemann

November 2, 2021



Pietro Lipari
Michael Locascio
Gladys M. Looby
Rosemarie MacDowell
Susan A. Mahoney
Marie T. Manco
Jonathan Marchal
William P. Maxwell
Debra McArdle
Bill McEvoy
Ellen McGrory
Frank Mckenna
Arthur Mikoleski
Veronica Milazzo
Joseph A. Molick
Ryszard Nowosiadlo
Carol Plourde
Dennis M. Quirk
Jim Reilly
Rafael Rivera-rosario
Marion Roberto
Manny A. Rodriguez
Tom Russell
Elizabeth A. Sarna
Robin Schober
Laura Schuler
Rita Scuterse
Robert F. Siragusa
Jerome Joseph Stadtmuller
Joan Tait
Ramon Torres
Anna Trombino
Henrietta Vella