



ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

April 3, 2022

Our Mission

Love God.

Serve Others. Grow Disciples.

You Matter! + You Belong!

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Sunday, April 3rd

9:30 a.m. — People of the Parish
 Maria & Inacio de Sousa (Family)
 11:30 a.m. — James Michael Schultz (Schultz Family)
 Andrew Feeney (Schultz Family)

Monday, April 4th

9:00 a.m. — Fr. Chris Aridas (Colleen Navarra)

Tuesday, April 5th

9:00 a.m. — Joseph Angland, Jr. (Family)
 Unborn Children (Maria Brutus)

Wednesday, April 6th

9:00 a.m. — Charlotte Going

Thursday, April 7th

9:00 a.m. — Pat McKenna (Fran Zarcone)

Friday, April 8th

9:00 a.m. — Joanne Ruf
 Augustine Joseph

Saturday, April 9th

5:30 p.m. — Pat McKenna (Anne Joan Palma)

Sunday, April 10

9:30 a.m. — Peter & Marjorie Gochan (Family)
 People of the Parish
 11:30 a.m. — Karl A. Kloiber (Stacey Kloiber)

*Remember not the events of the past,
 the things of long ago consider not;
 see, I am doing something new!*
Isaiah 43:18-19



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

Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary
 (Regular Sunday Offering)

Last Week's Collection \$8,945
 (includes *Faith Direct*)

Last Year's Collection \$9,954
Thank You!

We celebrate EUCHARIST

Saturdays: 5:30 PM
 Sundays: 9:30, 11:30 AM
 Weekdays: 9:00 AM

We celebrate PENANCE

Saturdays: 4:00 – 5:00 PM and by appointment.

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 are 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 Denise Materazo at dmfl121@yahoo.com for more details..



*Rest
 in
 Peace*

Catherine Zemalkowski
 Mary Michaelis

Good News Reflection**Christ's compassion**

This Sunday's Gospel reading shows us a good example of how to treat someone who is, as Jesus says elsewhere in scripture (Matthew 25) "the least of these." The recipient of Christ's compassion in this story was considered to be unworthy of life itself. She was first of all a woman, which in her society meant she was inferior to men. She was a sinner and deserved punishment. She was one single person facing a condemning crowd alone. How much more of a "least" one could anyone be?

When have you felt alone and insignificant? Perhaps you've faced a condemning crowd. Then again, have you ever treated others as if they're not important? Yes, none of us can cast the first stone.



There are many in the Church who feel forgotten and neglected. We all know some of them. Their loneliness is usually hidden from us, and if we're busy with many important responsibilities, seeking them out and giving them attention feels too overwhelming. Their needs become too insignificant to warrant the expense of our time, the development of parish resources, and the sacrifice of our personal comfort.

Divorced Catholics often feel condemned, and many who could be receiving Communion stay away because they've been misinformed about the Church's rules, and no one is reaching out to lead them back.

And although the Church has been focusing on stopping the abuse of children, often the sin of homosexual activities between "consenting" adults and the lustful or abusive grooming of easily influenced adults is ignored, because they are dismissed as "less vulnerable" -- they are of least concern.

Identifying the least among us and reaching out to them is a good Lenten exercise -- but only if the intention is to make it a year-round habit.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

Which persons are you neglecting because their situation makes you feel uncomfortable or inadequate? Which members of your family or parish do you avoid because you like them "least" of all? Begin to give them compassionate attention by praying for them, then discern if the Lord is inspiring you to do anything more.

Questions for Family & Community Faith Sharing:

Share the story of a time when you encountered -- or were -- one of "the least of these". Did anyone show compassion? How? Where was Jesus? How was he helping?

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PARISH COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

(Sacrament of Reconciliation)



Friday, April 8th at 7:00 PM

All are invited

SERIOUSLY, PAIN IS A PROBLEM

Week Six – Seriously, Pain is a Problem

Scripture: Philippians 3:7-15

Pain is a significant argument against the Gospel and Christianity. However, the scriptures do not run from this issue but address it head-on. In this message, we will look at St. Paul and what he teaches us about looking past the pain and focusing on Jesus.

Rather than focusing on our pain when we suffer, we would do better to focus on Jesus and run towards him.

Commit or recommit to pursuing a relationship with Jesus Christ.

Convicted to follow Jesus and set him as our number one priority in life.

Come & join the fun

EASTER EGG HUNT

Sunday April 17 | After 9:30 AM Mass | 33 Crown Acres Rd

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church

Free Egg Hunt - Ages 2-12 - BYOB (*bring your own basket*)

Donations of plastic Eggs &/or Candy are very much appreciated,
and please drop them off at the office by April 10

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. **Pantry Needs: Household Cleaner, Conditioner, Ketchup, Cake Frosting, Mustard, Salad Dressing, Tea, Snacks, Oatmeal.**



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!



20 Catholic Ministries Appeal
22 DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

"God's love calls us to move beyond fear. We ask God for the courage to put on faith, hope and love as we go out into the world and become the Word in body as well as spirit."
 - Pope Francis

One Family in Mission - Building a Community of
FAITH HOPE & LOVE

Every year through the support and commitment of individuals and organizations, we are able to serve more than 600,000 people in our Long Island community. The Catholic Ministries Appeal enables our Church to continue to form our youth and adults in the faith, promote the dignity of life, provide quality education to our young people, feed the hungry, and foster vocations to the priesthood. Our Parish goal this year is \$56,400. We have surpassed our goal last year (54,200) and got back more than \$13,000 as rebate to use it in our parish.

Brand New Series begins on Easter Sunday



New

Holy Week Services



Holy Thursday – April 14th

9:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer

8:00 p.m. – Mass of the Lord’s Supper



Good Friday – April 15th

9:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer

3:00 p.m. – The Lord’s Passion and Holy Communion

8:00 p.m. – Stations of the Cross



Easter Vigil – April 16th

9:00 a.m. – Morning Prayer

8:00 p.m. – Easter Vigil



Easter Sunday – April 17th

9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m.



Reconciliation Schedule

Friday, April 8th – 7:00 p.m., Parish Penance Service

Sat., April 9th – 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Mon., April 11th – 11:00 to 12:00 p.m. & 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.



Coffee in the Courtyard

Coffee
Conversations
Community

in the Parish Center Hall

After
9:30 AM
&
11:30 AM
Masses

You are invited to “Coffee in the Courtyard”, on every Sunday after the 9:30 AM and 11:30 AM Masses in the Parish Center Hall. 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 for fellowship, wonderful conversations and of course coffee.