



ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

April 10, 2022

Our Mission

Love God.

Serve Others. Grow Disciples.

You Matter! + You Belong!

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Sunday, April 10

9:30 a.m. — Peter & Marjorie Gochan (Family)
People of the Parish

11:30 a.m. — Karl A. Kloiber (Stacey Kloiber)

Monday, April 11th

9:00 a.m. — Living & Deceased Members of the
Rosary Altar Society

Tuesday, April 12th

9:00 a.m. — Orsola Pasquarelli (Family)

Wednesday, April 13th

9:00 a.m. — Ralph Helmig (Family)

Thursday, April 14th

9:00 a.m. — Morning Prayer

8:00 p.m. — Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday, April 15th

9:00 a.m. — Morning Prayer

3:00 p.m. — The Lord's Passion and Holy Communion

Saturday, April 16th

9:00 a.m. — Morning Prayer

8:00 p.m. — Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 17th

9:30 a.m. — Easter

11:30 a.m. — Easter

1:00 p.m. — Easter

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 \$10,378
(includes *Faith Direct*)

Last Year's Collection \$24,856 (Easter)
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*

Doris Marciante

Good News Reflection

Share your colt with Jesus

Palm Sunday begins the highest holy week of the liturgical year. Will it also begin in your life a high holy experience of uniting yourself to Jesus and to his awesome love? There's a key phrase in the reading that we hear at the beginning of this Mass, during the Procession with Palms, which sums up this experience of your union with God: "The Master has need of it."



Why do you think the Gospel writer spent time explaining how Jesus obtained the colt for his ride into Jerusalem? It's meant to teach us something in our current circumstances. We each have a "colt" tied up somewhere in our lives. It's anything that belongs to us and is not yet being shared with Christ: It could be our possessions, money, talents and skills, creativity, time and energy, etc. The Master has need of it! But sometimes we selfishly tie these up with our own agendas and busyness. They would be useful to Jesus if we let him have them. Like the colt that Jesus rode, they could become gifts that glorify our Savior.

Palm Sunday teaches us that he deserves to be glorified for his awesome love, which he made visible on the cross. Who else would die for you -- with that much suffering? Jesus sacrificed his comfort and his body and blood to take the punishment that we deserve for our sins.

We should rejoice gratefully for this every Sunday with hosannas and admiration, for in the Eucharist we reunite ourselves to that tremendous love. In this communion, why aren't we grinning like lovers who have become joined to their beloved? The answer to that is: Our "colts" are still tied to the post.

Jesus has sent his disciples to you to ask you to share your "colt" with Jesus. They are at the altar consecrating the Eucharist for you. They are writing bulletin "help wanted" blurbs. They are interrupting you at work asking for your prayers or counsel or other assistance. They are the strangers who are in need of your charitable donations.

Who have you heard asking you to become more involved in the plans of God's kingdom?

Our WordBytes site has reflections and self-assessment tests to help you discern what God designed you to do. Go to wordbytes.org/evangelization-ministry/of-the-laity/ and visit The Master Needs You.

Questions for Personal Reflection:

Make a list of the "colts" in your life. Which ones would you like Jesus to put to good use? Spend time in prayer imagining that you are untying them and handing them over to Jesus. See how pleased he is!

Questions for Family & Community Faith Sharing:

Tell your group about a "colt" in your life that Jesus has need of. Why is it difficult to let go of the reins? How can giving control of it over to Jesus help him complete his Good Friday sacrifice in today's world?

Brand New Message Series begins on Easter Sunday



New

We love the brand new – new clothes, new gear, the new car smell. Two-thousand years ago Jesus rose from the dead and that means there is the power for each of us to be made brand new. To be made new we must believe in that power and open up ourselves to receive it. In this series we will look at how to tap into the power of the resurrection so that we can have a new life in Christ.

**STEWARDSHIP
WORSHIP OFFERING**
GIVING to our parish is an act of worship

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 Center Boiler

Nobody wants to hear about things breaking down , especially big-tag items like boilers. Unfortunately, one of our boilers in the parish center died two weeks ago. Thankfully, it failed at the end of the season (I thank God for that). After consultation with the repair people, I think it seems wiser to replace it rather than repairing it. If we spend thousands of dollars fixing it, it might run for a little while. Also, there is any guarantee that it will not break down again. Every time it breaks down it costs thousands of dollars. The fact is that the boiler is more than 60 years old. In this current situation, with shipping delays and things like that, it will take a few months to replace it. The price tag on it will be around \$60,000. I am hoping to replace it by September.

I am writing this note to let you know what is going on. Our parish Center is the hub of all the activities in our parish, especially Faith Formation classes, Youth Ministry, etc. Our parish family is very generous in its offering, especially embracing the GIVING to our parish as an act of worship. I thank God and you for your generosity, love, and care for our parish as we LOVE GOD, SERVE OTHERS, and GROW DISCIPLES.

Change in Week Day Mass Schedule

Beginning the week after Easter Sunday, we will discontinue the daily Friday Mass at 9:00 AM. When we had Fr Chris around, it was easy for me to take a day off. Since that is not the case anymore, Friday will be my off day. Funerals will be celebrated on Fridays. So, our new weekday schedule will be Monday to Thursday, Mass at 9:00 AM. Thank you very much for your understanding. If you have any questions, please let me know.

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!



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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 Catholic Ministries Appeal enables our Church on Long island 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. Your generosity helps to make all of this, and so much more, possible! **Thank you for your support.**

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.