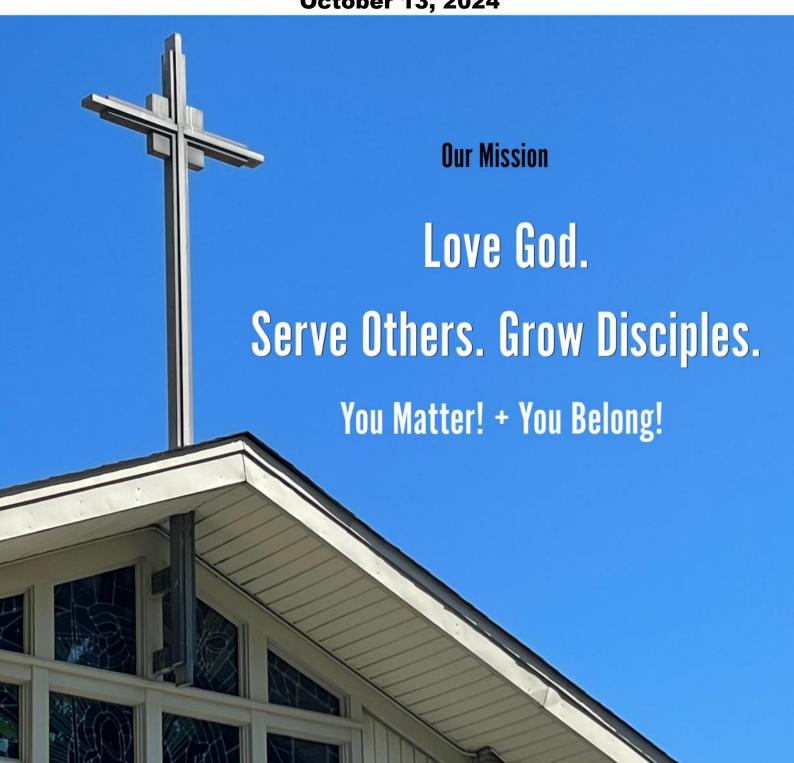


ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

October 13, 2024



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Rev. Joseph Alenchery, Pastor Deacon Michael Montelione

Rectory Office: M - F 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

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Faith Formation: 631-588-6408



Sunday, October 13

9:30 a.m. — Linda Streuli & Frances Jamotta (Peter Ferrara & Family)

Sofia Guillermo (Gochan Family)

11:30 a.m.— Marie A. Kerwick (Joe & Arlene Angland)

People of the Parish

Monday, October 14

9:00 a.m.— Dawn Hearn (Rose Picariello)

Michael Kennedy (Kennedy Family)

Tuesday, October 15

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Michael Kennedy (Kennedy Family)

Wednesday, October 16

9:00 a.m.— Caorle Mullen (Maria Calestini)

Marie Brock McCleary (George & Carolyn
McCleary)

Thursday, October 17

9:00 a.m.— Sofia Guillermo (Ed Uy & Family)

Colin Campbell (Michelle & Jerry Randall)

Saturday, October 19

5:30 p.m.—Intentions of Frank & Patricia Campanelli 62nd Wedding Anniversary Mariana Ruivo (Family)

Sunday, October 20

9:30 a.m.—Sebastiano Vultaggio (Christine & James Fouskas)

Peter Avalos (Family)

11:30 a.m.— Emilio Lagasca (Ed Uy & Family)

People of the Parish

STEWARDSHIP GIVING to our parish as an act of worship

Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary

Last Week's Collection: \$11,128 (includes Faith Direct) Last Year's Collection: \$10,632 Thank You!

We celebrate EUCHARIST

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

Weekdays: Mon—Thurs 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.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Monday 10 Friday 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM

Sacraments

For more information on Baptism, Marriage and Anointing of the Sick, please visit our parish website www.abvmcentereach.com or call the office at 631-585-8760 during regular office hours.

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 631-585-3938.

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. Meetings are held on every first Tuesday of the month from September thru June.



Deceased Brothers & Sisters of our Parish

Good News Reflection Sharing God's Riches

Jesus asks the rich young man, "Why do you call me good? Only God is good." What's he trying to achieve?

First, if the young man truly believes that Jesus is good and that his teachings are good, and if he has observed his miracles and behavior, then it should be obvious to him that all this goodness is proof that Jesus is God.

Also, Christ's question offers the young man an opportunity to become more humble. If he truly believes what Jesus says, then he should realize that since only God is good, no one else, including himself, obeys the com-

mandments perfectly. Such a realization should have opened his heart to the truth that Jesus explains

"There's only one thing keeping you from being holy like God: earthly attachments. To gain freedom from this world and possess only what belongs to the kingdom of God share your treasures."

He's saying this to all of us, but he's not telling us to become destitute. To "give up" everything we possess means being willing to give it away. If it's a good thing



for us to have because it blesses us, God does want us to enjoy it, but true joy comes from being God's partner as a distributer of his wealth. It's the fullest way to live! And we are all called to live this way.

If we remain attached to earthly stuff, we distance ourselves from God and hurt those who would benefit from our generosity. However, to achieve complete freedom from attachments, we cannot rely only on our own efforts. It's often very difficult to let go and become willing to share everything.

The good news is that Jesus made it possible by taking our sins to the cross and sharing with us his own Holy Spirit, who empowers us to do whatever he asks of us. Our lives on earth become more fulfilling when we dare to share. The more we give to others in a spirit of love, the more we receive the treasures of heaven. Indeed, we become one of heaven's treasures!

Questions for Personal Reflection: In comparison to the holy ways of dealing with life's circumstances that Jesus modeled for us, how unlike Jesus – how worldly – are you today? And how divine is your behavior? What earthly treasures have you given away? Decide upon an action that will help you detach from earthly treasures this week.

Questions for Community Faith Sharing: Share the story of a time when you gave away an earthly treasure even though you really didn't want to detach from it. What motivated you to give it away? How did God repay you?

DANGEROUS Brand New Message Series PRAYERS begins on October 20th

Prayer is often seen as a good thing but not necessarily effective. We say our prayers and hope it makes a difference but at the end of the day see it as a backup plan to our efforts and activities. We say things like, "All we can do is pray." But what if we have been selling prayer short? What if we don't pray fully because we are afraid it actually will work? As Hebrews 10:31 says, "It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God." In prayer we connect with the power that created the heavens and the earth. The power of the sun and the depths of the ocean are nothing compared to the power and depth of our God. In prayer we meet this same God and have an opportunity to receive and draw upon his power.

In this series we will seek to uproot some of the limiting attitudes towards prayer and lead our community to make dangerous prayers.



As you already know, at Assumption, we preach in message series. Over several weeks, we will examine a topic in depth. We select a topic based on the weekend's scripture readings.

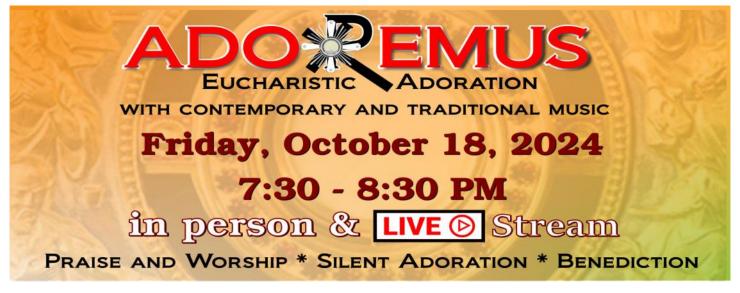
God speaks to us at every moment, especially in a community setting, when His people come together on Sundays and listen

to the Word of God as we celebrate, pray, praise, and thank God. Then the discussion continues in the Small Groups and goes deeper. Our message series usually runs from September to July. Our mission continues to Love God, Serve Others, and Grow Disciples.

Daily Practice

"Daily Practice" is a daily devotional that is sent in an email weekly. It is a Scripture passage, and a reflection, for each day of the week. If you would like to subscribe to it, please sign up with an email. Please leave your name and email at the Welcome Desk or contact the Office at rectory@abvmcentereach.com.





Diocesan Bankruptcy—Statement

The Diocese of Rockville Centre and its related ministries are grateful that preliminary terms have been agreed upon for the settlement of our bankruptcy case. For the sake of survivors and the Church's mission on Long Island, we pray that the plan is approved and completed as quickly as possible.

The total proposed settlement amount is just over \$323 million, which includes insurance contributions, Diocesan assets and sale proceeds from Diocesan property, and contributions from parishes and other related entities. The Diocese, Parishes and other related entities will contribute a total of \$234.8 million. Insurance companies will contribute a total of just over \$85 million. Counsel for the Creditor's Committee will contribute \$3 million. All participated in order to help offer equitable compensation to survivors and move this difficult ordeal towards a conclusion.



Part of the settlement plan involves all parishes entering into an abbreviated Chapter 11 with the approval of the court and the parties to the case in order to secure a release from liability for the parishes. It is expected that parish Chapter 11's will be resolved within 48 hours of filing and will not interfere with parish work and ministries. No parishes are closing as a result of this process.

The Diocese's goal has always been the equitable compensation of survivors of abuse while allowing the Church to continue her essential mission. We believe that this plan will achieve those goals.



Small Group is where our large church gets small. Groups are 6-10 people who meet usually once a week to discuss faith, go deeper in the weekly message, and support one another in their relationship with Christ. During this season of Lent it is a great opportunity to discover and explore the small group experience. This is the place to care for others and be cared for; Assumption small groups are open to accept more people anytime during

the year to help your faith journey. If you like to join a small group, stop by at the Welcome Desk in the church lobby on Sunday or email rectory@abvmcentereach.com to sign up.

Assumption Prayer Team

We pray for every request in the prayer Petition Books, from Adoremus and those given to us in person. What are your prayer needs? Prayer Petition Books are in the back of the church. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Hebrews 4:16







Please prayerfully consider supporting our parish with electronic donations through *Faith Direct*. Signing up is easy! Visit **faithdirect.net/ NY563** or scan the QR Code on your right. Please use **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. 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. The Outreach Office is open on Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday from 10AM to 1PM.



PANTRY NEEDS: Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Toothbrushes, Liquid Hand Soap, Deodorant, Household Cleaner, Mayonnaise, Salad Dressing, Gelatin Mix, Pudding Mix, Coffee, Fruit Juice, Rice-A-Roni, Noodles, Syrup, Canned Chili, Canned Tomatoes, Canned Peas, Canned Carrots, Canned Potatoes, Canned Chicken, Jelly.



Children's Ministry for ages four to fifth grade on Sundays during 9:30 AM Mass At the beginning of the Mass, children will be sent forth with catechists and assistants downstairs to the church basement to reflect and share the scriptures read at the Mass. A presentation is given, and then the children share in their small groups.

This is an excellent opportunity for our youngest to engage during the Mass at their own level. We are ready to hear and be part of the stories of our parish's youngest disciples and invite them to the most incredible adventure of their lives, reminding them weekly, year after year, that our Father is madly after their hearts. For more information contact the Faith Formation Office.

Tickets are 1 for \$10.00 or 3 for \$20.00. Each ticket gives you multiple times to win within the month.

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12 NOON TO 2 PM

ASSUMPTION CHURCH PARISH CENTER

INDOORS!

NON-SCARY
NON-VIOLENT
COSTUMES
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PEADLINE TO SECURE A TRUNK (TABLE); OCTOBER 12!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP MAKE THIS A GREAT EVENT FOR THE CHILDREN!!

LOOKING FOR PARISHIONERS & MINISTRY MEMBERS TO HOST A TRUNK (TABLE)!

ALL TRUNK (TABLE) THEMES WILL BE BIBLE-BASED & MUST BE APPROVED.

PLEASE CONTACT MELISSA AT ABVM OFFICE - 631-585-8768 / MFERRARA@ABVMCENTEREACH.COM
TO SECURE YOUR SPOT AND FOR THEME APPROVAL.
FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS GIVEN AT THAT TIME.





REFRESHMENTS

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO HOST A TRUNK (TABLE) BUT ARE EXCITED TO HELP, WE ARE ACCEPTING BAGS OF INDIVIDUALLY WRAPPED CANDY AT THE WELCOME DESK DURING WEEKEND MASSES OR IN THE OFFICE THROUGH OCTOBER 28!