



# CHURCH OF THE *A*SSUMPTION

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## December 20, 2020

### • *Today's Mass* **Fourth Sunday of Advent**

- *Sunday Masses*  
8, 9:30, 11 am, 12:30pm
- *Saturday Masses*  
7:00am, 5:00pm
- *Weekday Masses*  
Monday through Friday  
7:00am, 12 noon
- *Holy Day & Holiday Masses*  
Please see weekly Mass schedule
- *Confessions*  
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday, 11:30-11:50am and Saturday, 4-4:30pm, lower church
- *Baptisms*  
Each Sunday following the 12:30pm Mass
- *Matrimony*  
Membership in parish for at least one year prior to marriage plans
- *Devotions*  
Mother of Perpetual Help Tuesdays & Sacred Heart on Fridays at 11:45am



## *2020 Christmas Season Schedule*

This year we are adapting to celebrate a loving God who comes to us in Jesus. We know that most parishioners and friends will be having a safe Christmas at home and hopefully celebrating with us through lovely, virtual Masses. Livestreamed and video Masses will be available on the parish website at [www.assumptionsp.org](http://www.assumptionsp.org).

With the current church capacity restrictions, reservations are required to attend Mass on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Seats may be reserved via the parish website. If you were unable to secure a reservation for Mass, please continue to check the reservation link on the website. Cancellations may occur and reservations may become available leading up to Christmas.

### **Christmas Eve – Thursday, December 24**

Masses at 2:00pm (Livestreamed), 4:00pm, 6:00pm & 8:00pm

### **Christmas Day – Friday, December 25**

Masses at 8:00am, 9:30am (Livestreamed), 11:00am and 12:30pm

### **Feast of the Solemnity of Mary**

Thursday, December 31, Mass at 5:15pm

Friday, January 1, Masses at 7:00am and 12:00 Noon

### **Important Instructions for Attending Christmas Masses**

- Make sure to print and bring your email confirmation as it is required to get into Church.
- Everyone included in your reservation must arrive and be seated at the same time.
- Church doors will open 30 minutes prior to the start of Mass to allow for adequate time to sanitize the Church. Please remain in your car until Church is open.

## Upcoming Events

- *Drive-Up Communion*, Wednesdays, 1:00-2:00pm, in the parking lot facing the hospital.
- *Feast of the Solemnity of Mary*. Masses will be offered Thursday, December 31st, 5:15pm, and Friday January 1st, 7:00am and 12:00 Noon.
- *Baptism Preparation Class*, Sunday, January 3rd, following the 9:30am Mass in the choir room. Please call the parish office to register or to schedule a baptism, 651-224-7536. Baptisms are held most Sundays at Assumption with a common celebration of the sacrament after the 12:30pm Mass.

## *United in Prayer for Our World*

In response to these challenging times, we are offering the opportunity to commit to praying for our world together. Join with others in the parish in saying a few of the same prayers each day in your own home. We ask you to consider committing to saying these prayers from Christmas Day until the first day of Lent.



Prayer sheets can be found at Theresa's Altar (on the west side of church near the main entrance). You are invited to write your name in the book of participants. If you are not attending Mass at this time and would like the prayers mailed to you, please contact Colin Miller, 651-789-6929, or [cmiller@assumptionsp.org](mailto:cmiller@assumptionsp.org).

## *Welcome!*

To those who are visitors with us this weekend. If you would like more information about the parish or are interested in registering, please call the parish office, 651-224-7536.

## *We Offer Our Condolences*

To the family and friends of **Dorothy McGuire, Donna Culbertson, and Jeanne Goetz** who have passed away. *"Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let Perpetual Light shine upon them."*

## *In Observance of Christmas*

The parish office will be closed on Monday, December 28th. In case of pastoral emergency, please call the parish office, 651-224-7536, and your call will be redirected. Because of the pandemic, the parish office continues to remain closed, except by appointment. However, the phones are answered Monday through Friday, 8:30am to 4:30pm. Please do not hesitate to call if we can be of assistance.

## *Congratulations and God's Blessings*

To the following young people who were recently confirmed at Assumption: **Ella Brustad, John Mailand and Cady Pagel**. *May the gifts of the Holy Spirit fill their hearts and kindle in them the fire of God's love.*

## *The Power of Prayer*

You are welcome to request prayers for yourself or a loved one through our Assumption prayer team. To do so, call the parish office, 651-224-7536. You may leave a first and last name. Requests for prayers can be for any reason, including illness or death of a loved one, job stress, or family discord. Please identify the timeline for your request (i.e. 1 day, 1 month, 6 weeks). All requests are kept confidential.



## Parish Staff

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### Special thanks to:

- *Snow Plowing*  
Joseph Vogel
- *Parish Historian*  
Dave Brown
- *Landscaping*  
Brian Christopherson
- *Porter*  
James Prifrel, Jr.

## Becoming Catholic

Are you interested in exploring the Catholic Faith? Would you like to be baptized or confirmed as an adult? Assumption offers Becoming Catholic Classes (RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) on a rolling basis – it is never too late or too early to join. For more information please contact Colin Miller, 651-789-6929, or by email at [cmiller@assumptionsp.org](mailto:cmiller@assumptionsp.org).



## Stay Connected, Stay Informed

Please share your email address with us to better help you stay up to date on our latest news and safety protocols. You may send an email to the office at: [info@assumptionsp.org](mailto:info@assumptionsp.org) or call the parish office, 651-224-7536.

## Weekly Mass Intentions

<b>Sunday, December 20</b>	8:00am	†Said & †Ann George
<i>Fourth Sunday of Advent</i>	9:30am	†Bud & †Virginia Conoryea
	11:00am	Parishioners
	12:30pm	†Jeanne & †Bill Pilla
<b>Monday, December 21</b>	7:00am	†John Palacio
	12:00pm	†Loretta Clemens
<b>Tuesday, December 22</b>	7:00am	†Trevor Buttermore
	12:00pm	Samuel Joseph Mathews
<b>Wednesday, December 23</b>	7:00am	†Dave Clemens
	12:00pm	†Mary Selander
<b>Thursday, December 24</b>	2:00pm	†Carol Waschbusch
<i>Christmas Eve</i>	4:00pm	†Chloe Ann & †Gordon Kapaun
	6:00pm	†William Wheeler
	8:00pm	†Stephen Evans
<b>Friday, December 25</b>	8:00am	†Joyce Juenemann Gardner
<i>Christmas Day</i>	9:30am	†Molly O’Gara
	11:00am	†Bud Faricy
	12:30pm	†Charles Fisher
<b>Saturday, December 26</b>	7:00am	†MaryAnn Quinlan
<i>Saint Stephen</i>	5:00pm	†Bill Fallon
<b>Sunday, December 27</b>	8:00am	Parishioners
<i>Feast of the Holy Family</i>	9:30am	†Hugh Markley
	11:00am	†Barb Ciresi
	12:30pm	†Thomas Murphy

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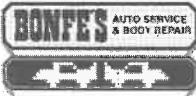
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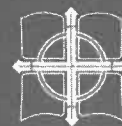
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