

February 3, 2019
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Mon. - Sat. 7:30 am
Saturday 5:00 pm Vigil
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10:30 am (Choir Mass), 12:00 noon, 5:00 pm

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Mondays & Wednesdays 8:00am - 5:00pm (in silence)

We welcome all new parishioners and those who wish to return to the Church or to learn more of what we Catholic Christians believe.

In Loving Memory

Pray for the Sick

The Flowers at Mary's Statue are in loving memory
of **Rocco Engongoro**

The candles at Mary's Statue burn in loving memory
of **All the Unborn**

The Sanctuary candle burns in loving memory
of **Jim Gardner**

The candles at the Tabernacle burn in loving memory
of **Buck Iannacone**

The candles at the Altar burn in loving memory
of **Dominic & Elvira Lener**

Pray for our men and women currently serving our country

Sgt. Randy Ackerman, US Army
L.Cpl. Durry Becker, USMC
Matthew Bradstock, US Army
James Branson, USN
Tony Cuseo, USMC
Ryan J. David, USN
2nd Lt. Alex Deep, US Army
Sgt. Christopher Dietl, US Army
Pvt. Auriane de Sousa, US Army
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Sgt. Stephanie Gilbertie, US Army
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Sgt. Matthew Harwedel, USMC
Sgt. Joseph Kelly, USMC
2nd Lt. Karl Kuechenmeister
Cpl. Michael Linnen, USMC
Sgt. Andre Mercado-Divoff
P.F.C. Brad Myers, US Army
Spec. Jonathan Morris, US Army
LT Jonathan R. Nelson, USN
LTJG Ryan T. Nelson, USN
Sgt. Colin Santacroce, US Army
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M/Sgt. Zachary B. Taylor, USAF
Patrick Tazella, US Army
Capt. James Tesauro, US Army
Cpl. Calvin Robert Wauchope, USMC
L.Cpl. Patrick Zingaro, USMC

*Please pray for all those who have been wounded
or have sacrificed their lives for the cause of
peace.*

Pray For Our Recently Deceased

Rocco Engongoro, Angelo Palmisano, Leo
Keehan, Msgr. Ernest Esposito, Theodore
Donald Hegedus, Msgr. John Sanders, Anthony
Lisi, Msgr. Thomas Driscoll, Peggy Thorne, Ann
Troy, Jean Reale, Dick Healey, Shirley D'Aiuto,
Richard Romano, Sharonlyn Arenz, Julie Halka
May they rest in peace

Catherine Alter, Mary Ann Andronaco, Noelle Anastasia, Joan
Bailey, Henry Baker, Bob Barker, John Barry, Ryan Brewster,
Mary Bulakites, Cornelia Buono, Betty Cabral, Sr. Lucy
Caporaso, Bill Chadwell, Aida Ciferri, Tonino Covatta, Andrea
Charboneau, James Cordia, Alder Crocker, Ann Danilak, Connie
& Howard Danner, Nicholas DeMatteo, Matt Dudzik, Colette
Dunham, Gail Eichinger, Angela Farricielli, Charlie French,
Marge Gabriele, Diane and Anthony Gilbertie, Guy Giordano,
Elisabeth Grein, Katarina Hale, Jane Hawley, Malcolm
Heckman, Bob Helfenstein, Logan Howard, Susan Izzo, Marie
James, Kathy Jeary, Bernadette Juoan, Jack Kelly, Nancy
Kelly, Laura Kesling, Dan Kiely, Sr., Frank Kropf, Mary-Ellen
Kuhn, Abigail Lamb, Eddy & Rita Leyden, Michelle Lombardi,
Cara MacDonald, Frank Machi, Helen Maggio, Dorothy Matto,
Gabriella McCrae, Eric Moakler, Clarissa Moore, Estelle Murray,
Danielle Murrugarra, Denise Murtha, Lisa O'Connor, Donna
Olsen, Ginny O'Neill, Lisa Orr, Kevin Palaez, Frank Palmieri,
Stephanie Philo, Kim Preston, Alexa Prosnitz, C.J. Rice, Deanne
Ryan, Sandra Ryan, Teresa Sacouto, Adrian Sandiford, Kerry
Schroeder, Greg Strauss, Carmela Tornatore, Cheri Travis, Carl
Viesti, Pat Viesti, Lee Watkins, Phyllis & Bob Wentworth, Janusz
Zwolinski, James Dominick Zwolinski.

**Please help us update our prayers for the sick list. If
there is anyone you would like to add/remove, please
call the Parish office, 203-227-5161. Thank you.**

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, February 2

7:30am Sandra McDevitt
5:00pm Vigil Julie Halka

Sunday, February 3

7:30am The Family of Assumption
9:00am Ann Arciola
10:30am Linda Santarella
12:00pm John McVeigh
5:00pm Augustus Cardello

Monday, February 4

7:30am Shirley D'Aiuto

Tuesday, February 5

7:30am Saviour Debono

Wednesday, February 6

7:30am Emmanuel Debono

Thursday, February 7

7:30am Loreta Debono

Friday, February 8

7:30am Larry Debono

Saturday, February 9

7:30am Betty Debono
5:00pm Vigil Ruth Fedrizzi

Sunday, February 10

7:30am The Family of Assumption
9:00am Diodata Izzo
10:30am Catherine Padua
12:00pm George Prackup, Sr.
5:00pm Betsy Epifano

Pray For Peace!

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

January 27, 2019 Sunday Offertory: \$7,164
Second Collection for the Church in Latin America: \$1,760

God bless you for your charity. Thank you!

Online Giving

Our Online Giving system provides you the opportunity to give to our special collections in addition to regular offerings. You can choose to do a one time gift, a special remembrance or your end of the year contribution. The system allows you to schedule contributions to be withdrawn on the date you specify. Even if you typically use your offering envelopes, you may wish to contribute online to a particular collection. It is easy and convenient!

Go to our parish website at
www.assumptionwestport.com
 and select Online Giving.

If you wish to support the Parish by having your bank mail a check directly, you are welcome to do so. Please have the checks made payable to Assumption Church. Remember Assumption Church in your estate planning. If you wish to make a donation of appreciated stock please call the Parish Office at (203) 227- 5161.

2018 Tax Contribution Statements

Contribution statements for the 2018 tax year were mailed to all parishioners who donated \$250.00 or more to the parish. The statements will also include donations for Masses, flowers and candles booked in 2018. On your contribution statement they will be listed as "Mass and Prayer Intentions".

If you do not receive a statement, or you made a contribution of less than \$250.00 and wish to receive one, please call the Parish Office at (203) 227-5161 and we will be happy to mail it to you.

Thank you!

Estate Planning & Obituary Remembrance

A framed memorial is displayed in the vestibule of the church that lists the names of the Faithful Departed who either remembered Assumption in their Estate Planning and/or requested that in place of flowers a donation be made to the Parish in their memory. We are very grateful for their charity and the charity of all who love and memorialize them. May they rest in peace enjoying eternal life.

Capital Campaign

The campaign is over!

If you have any questions regarding payments or remittance statements, please contact Janice Baldino of the diocese at (203) 648 - 9050 or jbaldino@diobpt.org.

Mass Intentions

When a priest celebrates Mass daily, he offers each celebration of the Eucharist for a particular person. Most often for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. By doing so he applies special graces from God upon that person.

In addition to Mass Intentions, we also offer the option to purchase cards for the candles and flowers that adorn the sanctuary. These are placed weekly in loving memory of those that have passed.

There are still Mass Intentions, flowers and candles available for the 2019 calendar year. Please stop by the Parish Office or call (203) 227-5161 to make arrangements.

Today's Readings

First Reading: I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord (Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19).

Psalms: I will sing of your salvation (Psalm 71).

Second Reading: If I have all faith filled so as to move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing (1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13 [13:4-13]).

Gospel: No prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown (Luke 4:21-30).

Readings for the Week

Monday: Heb 11:32-40; Ps 31:20-24; Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday: Heb 12:1-4; Ps 22:26b-28, 30-32; Mk 5:21-43

Wednesday: Heb 12:4-7, 11-15; Ps 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mk 6: 1-6

Thursday: Heb 12:18-19, 21-24; Ps 48:2-4, 9-11; Mk 6:7-13

Friday: Heb 13:1-8; Ps 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9; Mk 6:14-29

Saturday: Heb 13:15-17, 20-21; Ps 23:1-6; Mk 6:30-34

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8; Ps 138:1-5, 7-8; 1 Cor 15:1-11 [3-8, 11]; Lk 5:1-11

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday, February 3: Forth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Tuesday, February 5: St. Agatha; Chinese New Year 4717

Wednesday, February 6: St. Paul Miki and Companions

Friday, February 8: St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita; International Day of Prayer and Awareness against Human Trafficking

Saturday, February 8: Blessed Virgin Mary

Next Week's Mass Schedule

Saturday, February 9th

5:00 pm Vigil Fr. Cyrus

Sunday, February 10th

7:30am Fr. Augustine

9:00am Fr. Cyrus

10:30am Fr. Augustine

12:00pm Msgr. Shea

5:00pm Fr. Augustine

Wedding Banns Announcement



Mary Bell & Peter Watts

Congratulations!

Dear Parish Family,

It's that time of the year and, as you are aware, the winter months coincide with the influenza (flu) season which generally extends through the end of March. We all need to take precautions to minimize the spread of the flu within our community. Out of an abundance of caution I am suspending the distribution of the Precious Blood at all our Masses until further notice.

For those scheduled to serve as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC), please be aware that there will be NO CUP served at Mass.

Thank you in advance for your understanding and have a blessed and healthy new year.

Sincerely,
Fr. Cyrus

Dear Parish Family,

Let us continue last week's reflections on the newly revised Liturgical Norms of the Diocese of Bridgeport that come from the Leadership Institute:

Can I distribute Communion as and Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC) if I myself do not receive Communion?

No. Part of the nature of the distribution of Holy Communion to the faithful is the significance that Christ gives himself to his people, contained within the sacramental representation of his sacrificial offering. When an EMHC does not first receive the sacrament of Holy Communion before distributing to others, that connection is broken, preventing the person to distribute Holy Communion to others.

What should I do when I am distributing the Precious Blood and someone comes up to dip the host into the chalice (which is the practice of intinction)?

"The communicant, including the extraordinary minister, is never allowed to self communicate, even by means of intinction." Practically, this means that the person approaching the minister must consume the host before receiving from the chalice.

Why can't laypeople lead a Communion service in the absence of a priest anymore?

Though some parishes have fallen into the practice of allowing EMHCs to lead Communion Services during the week, this practice is not in keeping with the revised norms. Morning celebrations of Mass at parishes are more than the personal reception of Holy Communion; it is to be the act of joining my life with Jesus' Sacrifice that is represented in grace during the celebration of Mass. Though there may not be daily Mass every day at your parish, the Diocese of Bridgeport is blessed with more than 80 parishes and finding a daily Mass at a neighboring parish should not be difficult.

What are the considerations I must know regarding the distribution of Holy Communion to someone who is gluten intolerant?

A person who has gluten intolerance and who desires to receive Holy Communion needs to discuss their situation with their pastor or chaplain to determine the most appropriate way to receive the Body and Blood of our Lord. It is important to remember that, when low-gluten hosts are consecrated as Mass, they are to be kept in a ciborium or on a separate paten to segregate them from ordinary hosts. Due to the sensitive nature of gluten intolerance, even the slightest contact with normal hosts can have a difficult—if not disastrous—effect in someone with gluten intolerance.

- Fr. Cyrus -

Healing Mass This Weekend



In observance of St. Blaise's feast day on February 3rd, our Parish Priests will offer a blessing of the throats after all weekend Masses on February 2nd and 3rd.

All are invited to come forward after Mass to receive this special blessing.



BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS THIS WEEKEND

B/P screening is a simple procedure that takes only a few minutes. However, it is one of the most important screenings available because without any outward signs to indicate a problem, hypertension can be overlooked. Frequently high blood pressure is discovered in a random screening.

Take a minute this weekend after the Saturday 5:00pm mass and the Sunday 7:30am mass to have your blood pressure checked by a parish volunteer nurse. It's good for your health!

Save the Date

Saturday, February 9, 2019

5:30 pm to 8:00 pm

Parents' Night Out

Would you like a night out for
Valentine's Day?

We will entertain your kids while you
enjoy a night off!

Our night will include fun arts & crafts,
active play and a family-friendly movie.
Your child will be supervised closely by
Virtus trained adult parishioners along
with the High School Youth Group.

Drop your kids off at 5:30 pm and pick
them up any time before
8:00 pm in the school building.
\$25.00 per family.

Call the Religious Education Office for
more information:
(203) 226-5448

**Sponsored by our
High School Youth Group**





Join Fr. Cyrus on an inspirational journey through the rolling hills and lively cities of Italy to see some of the world's most incredible religious sites and relics. The Shrines of Italy Tour departs October 8, 2019 is 11 days and includes 15 meals. Highlights include Rome, Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi, San Giovanni Rotondo, Tomb of Padre Pio, Abbey of Santissima Trinita, Madonna del Rosario Sanctuary, Vatican City, a Papal Audience and St. Peter's Basilica.

Sign-up deadline is April 2019!

For more information or a detailed itinerary contact Fr. Cyrus Bartolome at (203) 227-5161 or email lumengentium77@gmail.com.



The Westport Men's Ministry is a gathering of men from Assumption and Saint Luke striving to grow in our spiritual journey.

Our vision is to experience our faith lives as more than a set of beliefs and to deepen our personal relationships with God through our faith community.

JOIN US TO GROW IN FAITH

We meet Saturday's from 8:30am-9:30am at Saint Luke Church.

Call Jim Meehan for more information

(860) 209-4793



**Knights of
Columbus
Council 3688
Meeting
Information**

Assumption Knights of Columbus meet the first Tuesday of the month in Roncalli House (44 Lincoln Street) at 7:30pm.

**Next meeting will be
February 5th.**

For more information, please contact Walter Avitabile by calling (203)981-3083 or emailing wavit@optonline.net.

New members are always welcome!

Anointing After Mass



February 11th is the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes. Thousands of people travel to France every year to receive her special gift of healing.

In observance of her feast day, our Parish Priests at Assumption will offer that same gift of healing after all weekend Masses on **February 9th and 10th** for all physical ailments, worries, concerns, hurts and suffering anyone may be experiencing.

The Priests will anoint the forehead and hands of each person with holy oils as he/she approaches the altar and pray the person receive the gift of healing. All are invite to come forward to receive this special grace.

Come Join Us

**Wednesday, February 13, 2019
6:30pm in McGrath Hall**

Join us as we view the award winning DVD:

**Word Made Flesh, True Bread of
Heaven:
The Mystery of the Liturgy and the
Eucharist**

World acclaimed Bishop Barron explores the ancient practices of the Church's worship that endure to this very day and the notion that "all value is summed up in the liturgy, the supreme act by which we commune with God."

Bishop Barron describes all the parts of the Mass and shows how the sacred Liturgy embodies the whole of the Faith. With the beautiful cinematography and sacred music, he brings us to such diverse places as Jerusalem, Rome, Chicago, Orvieto and Mexico City.

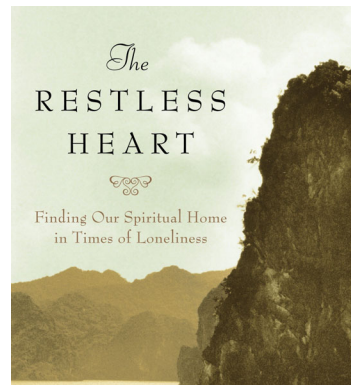
Father Augustine will lead us in discussion following the DVD presentation. Coffee and light refreshments will be served.

Please RSVP by Tuesday, February 12th by calling the Parish Office at (203) 227-5161.

YOU ARE INVITED

Please join Assumption Book Group as we read:

THE RESTLESS HEART by Ronald Rolheiser



"Using contemporary parables from literature, film and his own life, Rolheiser shows loneliness can be a tremendously creative and valuable force toward growth."

The Book Group shares thoughts, feelings and ideas which creates an interesting and fun gathering. We meet Wednesdays from 1:00pm—2:30pm in Roncalli House for eight weeks beginning February 6th. For more information, contact Helen Thiemann at (203) 227—5161 or helenctman@gmail.com

Mary's Mantel



Stitches from the Heart

A Prayer Shawl Ministry dedicated to the Blessed Mother, Mary

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Thursdays at 1:00pm

Come join us

every Thursday afternoon at 1:00pm in the
Beard Room at the Roncalli House.

No experience necessary! We will teach you how
to knit or crochet!

This ministry is intended to be a reminder of
God's ever present love which is as near to you
as your own body is to your spirit. The shawls
are for every time and every occasion - joyful or
sorrowful.

For more information or if you know someone
who would like a shawl,
please call (203) 226-5448.
or email cat.j.rom6@gmail.com



The Prayer Ministry is a network of over 70 members. If you or someone is in need of prayer or a special intention, please email Liz, lizlazarou@optonline.net or call Betty, 203-226-6702 and leave the request, intention and first name of the person to be prayed for. Intentions are forwarded to the network. Members respond by praying in their homes. The network is always open to new members.



Social Concerns is an active ministry formed to respond to the problems of social justice, the physical and spiritual needs of the Assumption parish family, and to those in need in the neighboring communities. Some of the projects we are involved with are: Christmas

Angels Collection, Thanksgiving Gifts of Plenty, Towels Collection, Lenten Alms, Blankets/Winter Warm-up Collection, and Easter Food Baskets, Summer Food Collection, Blood Pressure Screening, Sock Collection and Merton House Breakfast. The Prayer Network and A.C.T.S. are additional services to our parishioners. The Ministry meets on the third Monday of the month (September through June) at 7:00pm in Roncalli House. If you wish to contact us, please call Connie at 203-852-9937.

Update your contact Information!



Have you recently moved? Changed your email address? Gotten a new phone number?

Please fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket, or bring or mail to the parish office so we can update our database and keep in touch with you.

Name:

Address:

Email:

Phone:

Sick and Homebound

We are a parish family. The priests and laity who bring Holy Communion are delighted to share with you the Body of Christ. If one of the priests visits, he can also share Sacramental Absolution and the Sacrament of the Anointing of Sick (Holy Oils).

We need your help. When you or a family member are sick at home, whether for a short period, home with a chronic illness, or simply homebound, we are happy to visit. You can help us by calling the rectory, so we can set a time to visit at your convenience.

The Anointing of the Sick is not just for life threatening illness but for any illness—cancer, pre-surgery, depression... The sacrament is for the sick and prays for healing. It is not Last Rites or Extreme Unction. (These terms were deleted 50 years ago as a result of Vatican II.) We look forward to visiting you.

Hospital Visitations

With today's HIPPA regulations...that is, **the right of privacy for hospital patients**, clergy have difficulty knowing if/when parishioners are hospitalized. Even, if when registering you identify yourself as a Catholic, it does not guarantee you will be visited by a priest or Eucharistic Minister from Assumption because we are not informed by the hospital.

Please call the rectory if you wish a priest or Eucharistic Minister to visit you. All parishes provide for the salary of priests on duty in our Fairfield County hospitals—hospital chaplains. While in the hospital you or a family member are able to ask for the **Hospital Catholic Chaplain** to visit and provide the sacraments.

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Devotions

Miraculous Medal Novena: Wednesdays following the 7:30am Mass.

Daily Rosary of Peace: 7:00am before daily Mass.

Silent Adoration: Monday and Wednesdays 8:00am – 5:00pm. Please call Andrea Remlin 203-227-5477 if you would like to take ½ - 1 hour of Adoration.

Baptismal Prep Class

Mothers and Fathers who are parents for the first time are required to attend a Pre-Baptism class. **The next Pre-Baptismal Class will be held on Thursday, February 7th at 7pm in the Oscar Romero Room at Roncalli House** (*the Parish Center at the end of the parking lot.*)

Please call the Parish Office at 203-227-5161 to register for the class. **Please note, Godparents must be practicing, Confirmed Catholics and age 16 and over.**

Sacramental Information

Marriage: Arrangements are to be made a minimum of six months prior to the wedding date. Please call the Parish Office.

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office to make arrangements for your child's Baptism. Baptisms are on the second and fourth Sundays of the month at 1:00 pm, one to four families.

Reconciliation: Saturdays 4:00pm – 4:45pm

Communion: We welcome the opportunity to visit our homebound parishioners. Please call the Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call the Rectory prior to surgery or at the onset of an illness.

RCIA: The process by which an adult joins our Catholic Faith Community. Contact Marilyn Moran at 203-286-6939.

News Around the Diocese & Beyond

- **Saturday, February 9th, 2:30pm: Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the Sick at St. Aloysius Church (New Canaan)**

All, especially the sick, handicapped and the frail are invited to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes and World Day of Prayer for the Sick. Mass will be celebrated and the Sacrament of the Sick offered. Refreshments will follow. Welcome begins at 2:30pm and Mass begins at 3:30pm.

- **Sunday, February 10th, 2:30pm: The CT Order of Malta is hosting a special mass for World Day of Prayer with the Anointing of the Sick at Blessed Sacrament Church (Bridgeport)**

Join us for the Sacrament of the Sick, gospel music, refreshments and fellowship. Welcome at 2:30pm and Mass begins at 3:00pm. For more information contact Kelly Weldon at klweldon@optonline.net.

- **Saturday, February 16th, 8:30am – 12:00pm: Sing Once Pray Twice at Saint Catherine of Sienna Parish (Trumbull)**

Missionary discipleship begins with an invitation to encounter the Lord in deeply personal ways, and to nurture an enduring relationship with Him, in and through the Church. We cannot effectively proclaim to others He whom we do not know, love, and serve. One of the principal ways by which we can prayerfully encounter the Lord is through the Sacred Scriptures. By nurturing our love for the Word of God, and allowing it to transform our lives, we will be able to serve as messengers of glad tidings to all whom we meet.

All musicians, choir directors, choir members, liturgy coordinators, and those who like to sing are invited to join Bishop Frank Caggiano for a presentation, "Let the Word of God Grow In Our Hearts"

Registration is free! For more information, or to register, please visit: <https://formationreimagined.org/events/sing-once-pray-twice/>

- **Saturday, February 16th, 9:30am: Secular Franciscan Order Come and See at St. Anthony of Padua Church (Fairfield)**

COME AND SEE if you are being called to a vocation in the Secular Franciscan Order. The Secular Franciscan Holy Spirit Fraternity invites everyone to St. Anthony of Padua Church in Fairfield to celebrate Mass in the church. Afterward, there will be a social and meeting held in the Parish Hall. All are welcome! For further info. call Pat Heile, OFS at: 203.255.8801 or email at: pheile5713@aol.com.

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