Welcome!

Daily Mass:

Monday - Saturday: 7:30am

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm **Sunday**: 7:30am,

9:00am (Family Mass), 10:30am (Choir Mass),

12:00pm and 5:00pm

Holy Days of Obligation:

Vigil Mass: 5:00pm

Holy Day: 7:30am, 12:00pm

and 5:00pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Monday and Wednesday 8:00am - 5:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00pm - 4:45pm

Sacrament of Baptism:

2nd and 4th Sundays: 1:00pm or by appointment.

Pre-Baptismal instruction is required for first time parents. Please call the parish office to schedule the class.

Sacrament of Matrimony:

Please contact Michelle Hankey in the parish office at least six months prior to wedding date.

New Parishioners:

We warmly welcome you and your family to our parish community. Please contact the parish office to register.

Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 8:30am - 4:30pm (closed 12:00pm - 1:00pm)

Religious Education Office Hours: Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 4:00pm (closed 12:00pm - 1:00pm)

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Church of the Assumption

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, September 1, 2019



CLERGY

Fr. Cyrus Bartolome, Pastor frcyrus@assumptionwestport.org
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Michele Harding, Youth Minister youthminister@assumptionwestport.org

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Frank Matto, Director and Organist fmatto@assumptionwestport.org



Saturday, August 31 Sts. Joseph of Arimathea and

Nicodemus

7:30am Anne and Gerard Hand

5:00pm **Hugh Reilly**

Sunday, September 1 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Giles

7:30am Thomas Pellicano

9:00am Nicholas and Rose Saviano 10:30am Jameson Daniel Conte 12:00pm John and Rose Palmer 5:00pm Family of Assumption

Monday, September 2

Blessed John Francis Burté and Companions

7:30am The Bell Family

Tuesday, September 3

St. Gregory the Great Pope and Doctor of the Church

7:30am Archbishop Bernardito Auza

Wednesday, September 4

St. Rose of Viterbo

7:30am Eric Mockler

7:30am

Thursday, September 5 St. Teresa of Calcutta John Barry

Friday, September 6 Blessed Claudio Granzotto 7:30am Dorothy Caseria

Saturday, September 7 Blessed Frédéric Ozanam

> 7:30am Giilian and Jared Reigle (living)

5:00pm Robert Nolan

Sunday, September 8 23nd Sunday in Ordinary Time **Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

7:30am Family of Assumption 9:00am The Giannitti Family 10:30am Rev. Phillip T. Morrissey 12:00pm Rose and Luis Gaultieri 5:00pm Carazon and Donato Follers

The flowers at Mary's Statue are in loving memory of Anna Tartarone

The candles at Mary's Statue burn in loving memory of Joseph A. Izzo

> The Sanctuary candle burns for **Colin Lomnitzer (living)**

The candles at the Tabernacle burn for **David Klein (living)**

The candles at the Altar burn for Miguel Betancur Lenis (living)

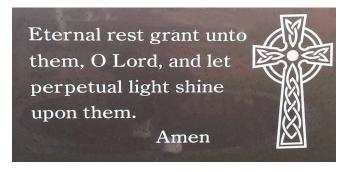


Pray for the Sick

Please remember in your daily prayers all the sick of our Parish and their caregivers, especially:

Catherine Alter, Mary Ann Andronaco, Noelle Anastasia, Joan Bailey, Henry Baker, Bob Barker, Ryan Brewster, Mary Bulakites, Cornelia Buono, Nancy Burke, Betty Cabral, Bill Chadwell, Aida Ciferri, Tonino Covatta, Andrea Charboneau, Alder Crocker, Ann Danilak, Connie & Howard Danner, Nicholas DeMatteo. Amanda DeRosa, Matt Dudzik, Colette Dunham, Gail Eichinger, Angela Farricielli, Charlie French, Ed Gargiulo Barbara Gentile, Diane & Anthony Gilbertie, Guy Giordano, Elisabeth Grein, Wilfried Grein, Katarina Hale, Jane Hawley, Malcolm Heckman, Bob Helfenstein, Logan Howard, Marie James, Kathy Jeary, Bernadette Juoan, Jack Kelly, Nancy Kelly, Laura Kesling, Dan Kiely Sr., Frank Kropf, Mary-Ellen Kuhn, Abigail Lamb, Grant Leschin, Eddy & Rita Leyden, Michelle Lombardi, Cara MacDonald, Frank Machi, Helen Maggio, Dorothy Matto, Gabriella McCrae, Clarissa Moore, Estelle Murray, Danielle Murrugarra, Denise Murtha, Lisa O'Connor, Donna Olsen, Lisa Orr, Kevin Palaez, Frank Palmieri, Stephanie Philo, Kim Preston, Alexa Prosnitz, CJ. Rice, Charlie Robins, Deanne Ryan, Frank Ryan, Sandra Ryan, Teresa Sacouto, Adrian Sandiford, Kerry Schroeder, Greg Strauss, Cheri Travis, Carl Viesti, Pat Viesti, Jean Wanat, Lee Watkins, Paula Weltens, Phyllis & Bob Wentworth, Victoria Whelan, 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 at 203-227-5161.



Pray For Our Recently Deceased

Paula Cairo, Rosaria Vento, Mary Frawley Ring, Fred Pascariello and John Barry

Pray for our men and women currently serving our country

Lord God, creator of mankind and author of peace, as we are ever mindful of the cost paid for the liberty we possess, we ask you to bless the members of our armed forces. Give them courage, hope and strength. May they ever experience your firm support, gentle love and compassionate healing.

Be their power and protector, leading them from darkness to light. Amen.

Sgt. Randy Ackerman, US Army L.Cpl. Durry Becker, USMC Matthew Bradstock, US Army James Branson, USN Lt. Griffin Buke, 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 Sgt. Kimberly Gendreau, US Army Sgt. Stephanie Gilbertie, US Army Sgt. Trevor Gilbertie, US Army L. Cpl. William Gilbertie, USMC Sgt. Matthew Harwedel, USMC Sgt. Joseph Kelly, USMC 2nd Lt. Karl Kuechenmeister Cpl. Michael Linnen, USMC Sgt. Andre Mercado-Divoff Spec. Jonathan Morris, US Army LT Jonathan R. Nelson, USN LTJG Ryan T. Nelson, USN Sgt. Colin Santacroce, US Army Lt. Col. Devin A. Smiley, USMC 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 More Novenas

The original email novena reminder.

A Novena is an ancient devotion that consists of 9 days of prayer. Novenas are often prayed for a specific intention. Go to

www.praymorenovenas.com

and feel the power of praying with hundreds of thousands of people around the world!



"Our hearts are restless until they rest in Thee."
(St. Augustine, <u>Confessions</u>)

The restlessness and stress of daily life too often keeps us from experiencing the peace which The Lord offers us. This peace can be found through an intimate relationship with Jesus in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament.

We are fortunate to have this opportunity here where the Blessed Sacrament is exposed in our Church on Monday and Wednesday from 8:00am to 5:00pm, followed by Benediction. If you would like to sign up for a half or an hour, please call Andrea Remlin at 203-227-5477.

Please prayerfully consider spending some time each week to be with Our Lord in adoration.

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Wednesdays following the 7:30am Mass.

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





Born to New Life...

Please welcome the newly Baptized members of our parish family:

Jack Joseph Troy

Next Weekend's Mass Schedule

Saturday, September 7

5:00 pm Vigil Fr. Augustine

Sunday, September 8

7:30 am Fr. Cyrus
9:00 am Fr. Augustine
10:30 am Fr. Cyrus

12:00 pm Monsignor Shea

5:00 pm Fr. Cyrus



Midtown Men

Saturday, September 14th, 2019 VIP Reception 6:00PM & Concert 8:00PM The Palace Theatre 61 Atlantic St. Stamford, CT 06901



Please join Malta House on September 14th for The Midtown Men, a fun concert and VIP Reception to celebrate the mothers and babies we serve and protect.

www.maltahouse.org/events



SEPTEMBER 14 @ WEBSTER **BANK ARENA.**

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TO CLIMB THE 1000 STEP COURSE!

> REGISTRATION: BAM > STAIR CLIME: 9AM > AWARDS TO FOLLOW > AGES & AND OLDER ELIGIBLE TO CLIMB

Proceeds will provide housing and services to help homeless Veterans return to productive and meaningful lives.

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Become Catholic. Are you interested in knowing more about the beliefs and traditions of the Catholic Church? Are you not baptized but are now seeking a Church family? Or perhaps returning to the Church after an absence and have not received First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation? Follow your heart and join us on the journey of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA).

Many reasons bring us to seek out a church community — a feeling that something is missing, a crisis, a major life change, or the gentle encouragement of a friend or family member. Whatever your reason, we welcome you and look forward to you becoming a part of us.

Becoming Catholic is a process called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). This is a process that involves study of the Sacred Scripture, Catholic teaching and practices, and Christian morality and values. It also involves time to deepen in a life of prayer and a closer relationship with Christ, as well as a time to get to know a local Catholic community. Participants prepare for the reception of the sacraments, and for a whole new way of life.

If you or a friend or loved one is thinking about joining the Catholic Church, please contact Fr. Augustine (FrA ugustine@assumptionwestport.org or 203-227-5161) with any questions or to become part of our RCIA program in September.



Sunday, September 15th at 9:00am Opening Mass all 7th & 8th grade students and parents

followed by a meeting in McGrath Hall, at least one parent must be in attendance.

A NEW Confirmation program— **CHOSEN** is planned for this year. Come learn all about it and receive information and key dates for your planning purposes. We look forward to seeing you!



Attention 6th -12th graders!!. Please join
Assumption Youth for a celebration to kick off our new year. Come for food, games and friendship on Sunday, September 15th at 6:00pm on the Roncalli lawn

Parents are welcome. Assumption Youth has both a middle and high school group that focuses on faith and service.

Please RSVP to our Youth Minister Michele Harding

youthminister@assumptionwestport.org



Altar Server Training Sessions for all $4^{th} - 12^{th}$ grader students who are interested in serving our Parish community as Altar Servers will be held at the Church during the month of October.

Classes will be Thursday, October 3rd through Thursday, October 31st (4 weeks), 4:30pm to 5:30pm.

God bless you, we are truly grateful for your dedication to serving the Parish. Any questions, please contact Altar Server Coordinator Juany Fumai jfumai@hotmail.com

Religious Education



Registration is open!!

As we begin this new year of Faith Formation, please be assured that the staff at Church of the Assumption Parish and the catechists in our program are dedicated to helping your children grow in our Catholic faith and draw closer to God. As parents, you are the primary educators of your children and are their best teachers in the faith. Your children learn the most from the example you set when you pray together and actively participate in Mass and the sacraments as a family. We strive to support you in your ministry as you work at home in developing a love of Christ and His Church.

New students must submit a baptismal certificate at the time of registration. Our formation classes are continuous and build one year upon the next. Sacramental preparation: Grade 1 is required for Grade 2 in which the children are prepared for First Reconciliation and Eucharist. Grades 3 through 7 are required for Grade 8 Confirmation preparation. Students enrolled in a Catholic school must attend First Eucharist and Confirmation classes here at Assumption Church.

The RE office is open 9am to 4pm Monday through Thursday and during the school year Sundays 8am to 12 noon. We follow the Westport Public School calendar for holidays and school vacations.

Please call the Religious Education Office at 203-226-5448 or email Cathy Romano, DRE *cromano@assumptionwestport.org* with any questions or for further information.

You may download registration forms from our website www.assumptionwestport.org or pick them up at the Religious Education office.



Assumption Bereavement Group

It is especially wonderful to witness the comfort, acceptance, support and strength shared by those who gather with others as they allow grief to heal them and find hope.

We meet every Wednesday, beginning September 4th

from 3:30pm to 5:00pm in the Beard Room at Roncalli House (the parish center at the Lincoln Street end of the parking lot).

All are welcome!

Helen Thiemann 203-227-6318 helenctman@gmail.com

Girthright

For over 30 years, Birthright of Greater Norwalk (non-profit charitable organization) has been a beacon of hope for women with unplanned Pregnancies. Birthright is a wonderful pro-life organization, that is dedicated to teaching the miraculous wonder of human life given to us by our Creator and protecting the fullness of the dignity of each person. Along with providing love and moral support, we help women with material essentials such as pregnancy testing, medical, housing and counseling referrals as well as maternity and baby items. Through Birthright's strong support system, mothers who have chosen to give life to their unborn babies can realize hope for their future!

Birthright will be collecting after all Masses on on September 14th and 15th.

Any free will offering help Birthright continue to provide free, loving, confidential and non-judgmental support to the women who reach out to them.



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Commemorating the Eighteenth Anniversary of 9-11

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9:30 AM MASS

ST. AUGUSTINE CATHEDRAL 399 WASHINGTON AVENUE BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT



A Mass for Law Enforcement, Fire and Emergency Medical Service Personnel who serve in the Diocese of Bridgeport.

Everyone welcome!

Reception immediately following the Mass in the Kolbe Cathedral gym.



The Diocesan Blue Mass is co-sponsored by the Diocese of Bridgeport, and Fairfield County Councils and Assemblies of the Knights of Columbus. For more information, contact **Elizabeth Auda, 203.416.1636**.



The mission of Veritas Catholic Network is to share the truth of the Gospel and fullness of the Catholic faith by broadcasting faithful and entertaining programs on multiple media platforms including radio, mobile devices, social networking, and through community engagement.

Wednesday, August 21st - on the Feast of St Pius X, a wonderful and holy pope - was the first day Veritas Catholic Network began broadcasting on WNLK 1350AM radio!

The Veritas catholic Network app is also available to download:

For Apple: apps.apple.com/us/app For Android: play.google.com/store/apps search veritas catholic network search veritas catholic network

You can listen live to our broadcast and reach out to Veritas Catholic Network easily from your phone or radio.



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Pope Francis Food Closet

The Food Closet is currently in need of:

CANNED VEGETABLES
COFFEE
SUGAR
FLOUR
COOKIES and SNACKS

No donation is ever too small!

All the families we assist each month are grateful to you and your support of the Food Closet.

A special Thank You to the anonymous donor for all the food deliveries we receive from Amazon.

Stewardship

Stewardship calls us to be ever grateful for the gifts that God has given. Not only are we called to be grateful to God, but we also must be grateful to one another. Your sacrificial offering and generosity makes all the difference. Thank you! Fr. Cyrus

August 25, 2019 Sunday Offertory \$7,124.00



Our online Giving system provides parishioners 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!

You may use our online giving website by going to our website, www.assumptionwestport.org.

THANK YOU for your financial support to our parish.

2019 Annual Catholic Appeal Progress

Thank you to the 249 families that have generously participated so far.
We have \$51,763 remaining to reach our goal.
We need everyone's support, consider making your gift today.



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For questions or information, please contact Kathleen Redman 203-226-5448 bulletin@assumptionwestport.org