

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: 5:30pm

Holy Day: 7:30am, 12:15pm
and 5:30pm

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)

Parish Office Address and Telephone:

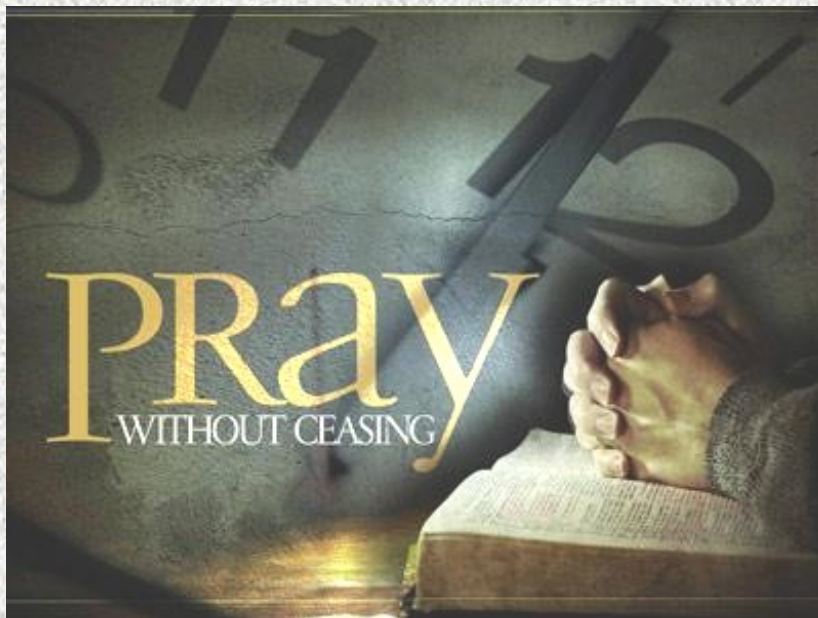
98 Riverside Avenue, Westport, CT 06880
Phone: 203-227-5161 Fax: 203-227-1206

Website: www.assumptionwestport.org

Church of the Assumption

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday, October 20, 2019



CLERGY

Fr. Cyrus Bartolome, Pastor

fcyrus@assumptionwestport.org

Fr. Augustine Nguyen, Parochial Vicar

fraugustine@assumptionwestport.org

Msgr. Richard Shea (Weekend Help)

PARISH STAFF

Michelle Hankey, Business Manager

mhankey@assumptionwestport.org

Nancy Curcio, Assistant Business Manager

ncurcio@assumptionwestport.org

Dennis Stypinski, Parish Custodian

dstypinski@assumptionwestport.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE (203-226-5448)

Catherine J. Romano, Director

cromano@assumptionwestport.org

Ann Perce, Religious Education Assistant

Marie Vandall, Confirmation Coordinator

mvandall@assumptionwestport.org

YOUTH MINISTRY (203-222-8486)

Michele Harding, Youth Minister

mharding@assumptionwestport.org

SACRED MUSIC MINISTRY (203-227-5161 ext. 105)

Frank Matto, Director and Organist

fmatto@assumptionwestport.org

Cidalia Kettles, Youth Choir

ckettles@assumptionwestport.org



Saturday, October 19 **Sts. Isaac Jogues, Jean de Brébeuf and Companions**
 7:30am Louise Marie Gockley
 5:00pm Costanzo & Anntoinette Greco

Sunday, October 20 **29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher
 7:30am Carmen Joseph Tornatore
 9:00am William G. Turner
 10:30am Felix & Nazareth Terrero
 12:00pm Amy Abbott
 5:00pm Family of Assumption

Monday, October 21 **St. Hilarion**
 7:30am Elizabeth and Fran Melia

Tuesday, October 22 **St. John Paul II**
Pope
 7:30am Ellis Nance

Wednesday, October 23 **St. John of Capistrano**
Priest
 7:30am Deogracias Jaculba

Thursday, October 24 **St. Anthony Mary Claret**
Bishop
 7:30am The William T. Quinn Family

Friday, October 25 **St. Antônio de Sant'Anna Galvão**
 7:30am Maria Carusone

Saturday, October 26 **St. Peter of Alcantara**
 7:30am Maria Carusone
 5:00pm Jeffrey Bell

Sunday, October 27 **30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Blessed Bartholomew of Vicenza
 7:30am Helen Esposito
 9:00am Nick Thiemann
 10:30am Velma Valiante
 12:00pm Frank Morris
 5:00pm Bacilia and Michael D'Amico

The flowers at Mary's Statue are in loving memory of **Luigi and Mary Izzo**

The candles at Mary's Statue burn in loving memory of **Johann Strohmaier**

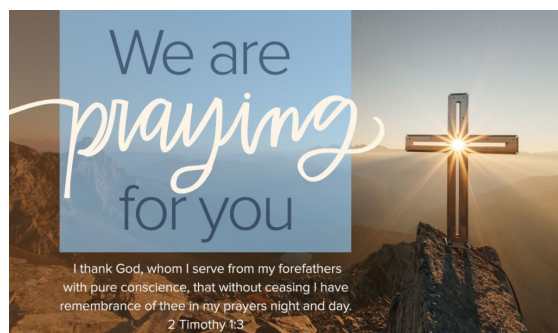
The Sanctuary candle burns in loving memory of **Joseph Valiante, Sr.**

Pray For Our Recently Deceased

Maria Carusone and Gerard V. Raschella

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

Amen



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, Nancy Burke, Betty Cabral, Elijah Capuano, Bill Chadwell, Aida Ciferri, Tonino Covatta, Andrea Charboneau, Alder Crocker, Ann Danilak, Connie & Howard Danner, Nicholas DeMatteo, Amanda DeRosa, Frank Donovan, Matt Dudzik, Colette Dunham, Gail Eichinger, Angela Farricielli, Charlie French, Peter Gakos, 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, Michael Macnamara, 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, Rev. Corey Piccinino, Kim Preston, Alexa Prosnitz, CJ. Rice, Charlie Robins, Deanne Ryan, Frank Ryan, Sandra Ryan, Teresa Sacouto, Adrian Sandiford, Kerry Schroeder, Greg Strauss, Cheri Travis, Angela Trucks, Carl Viesti, Pat Viesti, Jean Wanat, Lee Watkins, Paula Weltens, Phyllis & Bob Wentworth, Victoria Whalen, 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 contact the Parish office at 203-227-5161 or bulletin@assumptionwestport.org.



Born to New Life...

Please welcome the newly Baptized members of our parish family:

**Parker Ryan Smith
 George Bauer Ippolito**

**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 Burke, 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 Tesauero, 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.*

Assumption Bereavement Group

*"Those whom we love and lose are no longer where they were
before. They are now wherever we are." St. John Chrysostom*

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.

All are welcome to join us Wednesdays,
3:30pm to 5:00pm in the Beard Room at Roncalli House
(the parish center at the Lincoln Street end of the parking lot).

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

Adoration
of the
Blessed Sacrament



Eucharistic Adoration is the act of worshipping
Jesus Christ, His real presence, in front of the
consecrated Eucharist or Blessed Sacrament.
Adoration is a time for silent prayer. It may be time
to read spiritual material, pray a Rosary or other
devotion, meditate with Scripture or simply - sit in
the presence of the Lord. *We "watch and wait", we
remain "silent" in His Presence and open ourselves
to His Graces which flow from the Eucharist.* By
worshipping the Eucharistic Jesus, we become what
God wants us to be. The Lord draws us to Himself
and gently transforms us.

The Blessed Sacrament is exposed

Monday 8:00am – 5:00pm

and

Wednesday 8:00am – 5:00pm

Please call Andrea Remlin at 203-227-5477 to sign
up for a half or an hour with the Lord.

*"Our Lord hears our prayers anywhere, but He has
revealed to His servants that those who visit Him in
the Eucharist will obtain a more abundant measure of
grace." St. Alphonsus Ligouri*

Miraculous Medal Novena:

Wednesdays following the
7:30am Mass.



Daily Rosary of Peace:

7:00am before daily Mass.

The Miraculous Medal originated in the year 1830 after
St. Catherine Labouré experienced an apparition of the Virgin
Mary at a convent in Paris, France - "God wishes to charge you
with a mission." Our Lady asked Catherine to have the image
made into medallions and distributed, saying
"All who wear them will receive great graces."

Catherine reported that Mary came framed in an oval and
standing upon a globe. Rays of light shone from her hands.
Around the edge of the oval, these words appeared: *"O Mary,
conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee."*

Next Weekend's Mass Schedule

Saturday, October 26th

5:00 pm Vigil Fr. Cyrus

Sunday, October 27th

7:30 am Fr. Augustine

9:00 am Fr. Cyrus

10:30 am Monsignor Shea

12:00 pm Fr. Augustine

5:00 pm Fr. Cyrus



Each November, the Church celebrates two feast days, which are related to each other.

On **All Saints' Day November 1st**, we celebrate the great Communion of Saints, which includes all holy men and women who have passed before us, *known and unknown*. All Saints' Day is a Holy Day of Obligation, we are obligated to attend Mass to praise and worship God and honor the lives of the saints. We are especially mindful of our patron saints: the saints whose names we share, those that our families honor or that our parishes are named for.

On **All Souls' Day November 2nd**, we remember and pray for all those who have died, especially those in Purgatory, by visiting the cemetery where they are buried, lighting a candle, giving alms, doing good works and attending Mass.

All Saints' Day Masses will be celebrated:

Thursday October 31st 5:30pm Vigil
Friday November 1st 7:30am, 12:15pm and 5:30pm



Remembering our Beloved Dead.

Everyone is invited to remember deceased family and friends.

November 4th, 7:30pm Mass

reception following Mass in the McGrath Hall

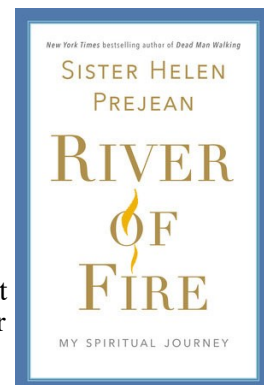
"Listen kindly to our prayers, O Lord, and, as our faith in your Son, raised from the dead, is deepened, so may our hope of resurrection for your departed servants also find new strength. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever."

Assumption Book Club

Join us weekly on Wednesdays (until November 20th) 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the Beard Room at Roncalli House.

We're reading **"River of Fire"** by Sister Helen Prejean.

For more information, please contact Helen Thiemann at 203-227-6318 or helenctman@gmail.com



All 4th – 12th grade students who are interested in serving our parish community as Altar Servers please come to Altar Server Training sessions:

October 3rd - October 31st

(Thursdays - 4 weeks)

4:30pm to 5:30pm in the church

Please contact Juany Fumai jfumai@hotmail.com



The Saint Augustine Medal of Service

and awards ceremony will be held at St. Augustine Cathedral in Bridgeport on Saturday, October 26th at 1:00 pm. Bishop Frank J. Caggiano will lead the prayer service and present medals to recipients from parishes and ministries across the diocese.

Congratulations to Gloria Licari –

a lifelong parishioner who unselfishly gives of her time and talents to Church of the Assumption. This year she is our parish recipient and will receive a medal of acknowledgement. Her volunteerism spans across many ministries and for that reason we extend our heartfelt thanks and congratulations. Gloria radiates God's love and joy in all she does!

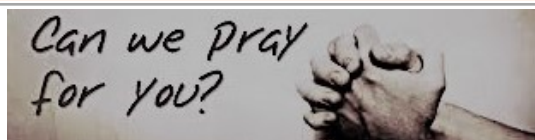




We are excited to begin a
Youth Choir
 program here at
 Church of the
 Assumption!

**Join us - Thursday afternoons from
 4:00pm—5:00pm
 Weekly Rehearsals**

The choir will participate in one liturgy each month.
 If you have an interested 3rd grader or older,
 please contact Cid Kettles
ckettles@assumptionwestport.org



Our **Church of the Assumption Parish Prayer Ministry**
 is a network of members who are praying for you and
 your intentions. If you or someone you know is in need
 of prayer or a special intention, please contact:

Liz Lazarou lizlazarou@optonline.net or
Betty Copersino 203-226-6702

and leave a message with the first name of the person
 you would like to pray for and the prayer request or
 intention (*last names are permitted for the deceased only*).
 Your intentions will be forwarded to our network.
 If you are interested in joining the prayer network,
 please contact Liz or Betty for more details.



Gifts of Plenty

From **October 19th until November 16th** we will be
 collecting food gift cards for the “Gifts of Plenty”
 project, sponsored by the Social Concern Ministry.
 For many years you have given generously to our
 brothers and sisters who are in need of food. This
 year we are asking you again to help our needy
 neighbors by purchasing a supermarket gift card of
 any denomination.

Envelopes are provided in baskets in the center aisle
 of the church and at both entrances. Parishioners are
 asked to place your food gift card in the envelope
 provided and return to the offertory basket next time
 you attend Mass.

Thank you for your generosity.



CONFIRMATION RETREAT Sunday, October 27th, 2019

All 8th graders are required to attend with 1 parent.
 Meet at St. Philip's in Norwalk for Mass at noon. The
 retreat concludes around 4:00pm. Pizza lunch will be
 served. Attendance at the retreat is mandatory for all
 Confirmation candidates.

NO 9:00am 8th GRADE CLASS ON OCTOBER 27th!

7th & 8th GRADE Works of Mercy Log

6 hours of community service is a requirement for the
 Sacrament of Confirmation. The corporal and spiritual
 Works of Mercy are our guidelines. If your child has
 served in the community please note it on the Works of
 Mercy Log.

Please check the parish website
www.assumptionwestport.org
 for more information about Religious Education.

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 contact Cathy Romano at 203-226-5448 or
cromano@assumptionwestport.org

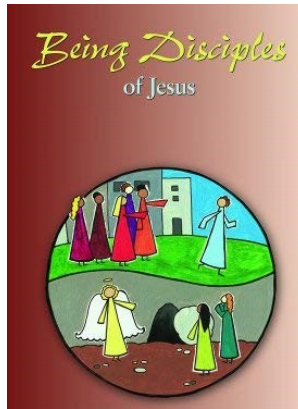
Being Disciples of Jesus

(Six Weeks with the Bible)

Saturday October 12th - November 16th

8:30am - 10:00am

Roncalli House (lower level) \$10.00 textbook fee



Join us whether you are a beginner or experienced in reading the Bible. **Being Disciples of Jesus** is an inviting 6 week series for anyone who wants to become more familiar with Scripture and the lessons it has to teach us today!

For more information contact Fr. Augustine

Fraugustine@assumptionwestport.org

Day of Recollection -

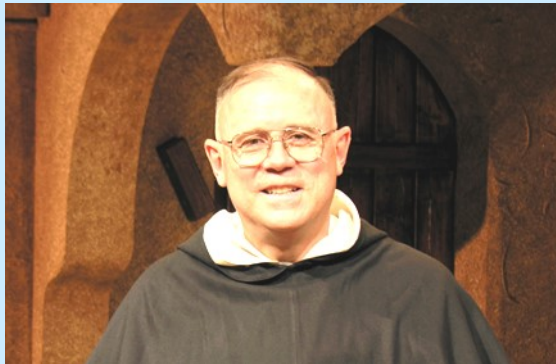


Growth in Prayer

Saturday, November 9, 2019

Enders Island (Mystic, CT)

6:30am - 2:00pm



Keynote Speaker - Fr. Brian Mullady, OP

Fee: \$50.00 (includes refreshments and hot lunch - make check payable to Church of the Assumption)

Deadline: November 3, 2019

For more information, contact Fr. Augustine at fraugustine@assumptionwestport.org

Celebrate RESPECT LIFE MONTH



How to Build a Culture of Life

*Read the full version at
respectlife.org/culture-of-life.*

Watching the news and reading the headlines, we may feel helpless seeing the heartbreaking lack of respect for human life. *How do we respond?* Changing the culture is a process of conversion that begins in our own hearts. When we encounter Christ, experience His love, and deepen our relationship with Him, we become more aware of our own immeasurable worth and that of others. His unchanging love is the source of our God-given dignity, which, therefore, cannot be taken away. When someone is facing great trials, we need to walk with them on their journey, intercede for them, and be open to sharing Christ's love however He directs. We simply need to follow where He leads.

***Our mission
field is daily life.***

This is a summary of a USCCB Respect Life Program article by the same name and is reprinted with permission. © 2019, USCCB, Washington, D.C. All rights reserved.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE. SEPT. 25 - NOV. 3, 2019

The next life-saving campaign is coming soon to locations around the world. Will you speak for those who cannot speak for themselves?

Bridgeport Location

Public right-of-way outside
Planned Parenthood

4697 Main St. | Bridgeport, CT

For more information and to sign up for vigil hours visit
<https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/bridgeport/>

Danbury Location

Public right-of-way outside
Planned Parenthood

44 Main St. | Danbury, CT

For more information and to sign up for vigil hours visit
<https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/danbury/>

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR

It's only October but it takes a while to get ready for our **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR**. We have many ways you can help support this parish event. Many parishioners inquire how they can help. Some donate their hand crafted items, some are vendors, some donate their time at the booths, some set up or clean up, some donate pre-owned jewelry, some sponsor a booth.

All our Religious Education families contribute to the creation of extraordinary and beautiful THEME BASKETS for the Silent Auction. Let's all help Assumption's Christmas Fair be a huge success!

The Re-New Boutique



Jewelry & Silk Scarves

We will accept any kind of jewelry and gently used or new scarves.

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS FAIR Sponsors

We are looking for parish families, organizations or businesses to **SPONSOR** our Christmas Fair. We will display a sign with your name in the bulletin, at the fair and on the parish website. It costs \$100.00 minimally, *sponsors are always welcome to donate more if they wish.*

To be a sponsor, volunteer or donate please contact Cathy Romano
cromano@assumptionwestport.org
or 203 226-5448



October 13, 2019 Sunday Offertory \$7,087.00

Have you supported the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal? If not - donate now! If you are one of the 271 families who have already made your pledge - **thank you** for your generosity. Because of your contribution our church is here in times of need providing comfort and hope.

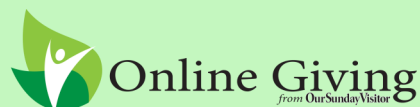


Thank you!

Joe Cardello

We appreciate your consistent presence and participation in our community. Thank you for your willingness to serve our parish in a number of ways, most recently as Parish Finance Council Chair.

Our Parishioners are the Body of Christ!



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!

Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website **www.assumptionwestport.org** and selecting the Online Giving link.

Church of the Assumption
98 Riverside Avenue
Westport, CT 06880
203-227-5161

Bulletin Number 911170

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