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:

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Church of the Assumption

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, October 27, 2019



CLERGY

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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 Maria Del Carmen Rodriquez Betancourt

and Pedro Elias Betancourt

Monday, October 28 Sts. Simon and Jude

7:30am Nelly Pedraza

Tuesday, October 29 St. Narcissus of Jerusalem

7:30am Dr. and Mrs. Gately

Wednesday, October 30 St. Alphonsus Rodriguez

7:30am Ann Corbett

Thursday, October 31 St. Wolfgang of Regensburg

> Bishop 7:30am Julia Arliss

> 5:30pm Paul Licari

Friday, November 1 Solemnity of All Saints

7:30am Liam Patrick Gordon 12:15pm Gaetano Passarelli 5:30pm Nerissa Matie

Saturday, November 2 Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed

> 7:30am Armando Frusciante, Sr. 5:00pm Luigi and Mary Izzo

Sunday, November 3 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Martin de Porres

7:30am Ken Makowka

Anastasia and John Carroll 9:00am 10:30am Armando Frusciante, Sr. 12:00pm Marion and Robert Nardi 5:00pm Family of Assumption

The flowers at Mary's Statue are in loving memory of Thomas Murphy

The candles at the Tabernacle burn in loving memory of John and Mary Calzi



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, Brendan Bachon, 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, 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.



Pray For Our Recently Deceased

Maria Carusone, Gerard V. Raschella and Frank Donovan

<u>Pray for our men and women currently</u> <u>serving our country</u>

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 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.

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



Eucharistic Adoration is the act of worshiping 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 worshiping 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, November 2nd 5:00 pm Vigil Fr. Cyrus

Sunday, November 3rd

7:30 am Fr. Cyrus
9:00 am Fr. Cyrus
10:30 am visiting priest
12:00 pm Monsignor Shea

5:00 pm Fr. Cyrus

Father Augustine Thank You and may God Bless you!



It is always hard to say goodbye. After serving as our Parochial Vicar for the past four years, Fr. Augustine Nguyen will begin a new assignment on November 1st as the Chaplain at Western Connecticut State University. We offer him a fond farewell and cam on (thank you) for the years of faithful and joyful service to our parish family. We are grateful for all he has done for us.

Father Augustine, we pray that Christ bless your love of Him and your service to the Church; and reward you for being a faithful servant of God!





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

On **All Saints' Day** *November* I^{st} , 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* 2^{nd} , 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."



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 <u>required</u> 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

Blessing Bags for the Homeless - provide at least 2 bags for the homeless population in Bridgeport. Look for the Confirmation class flyer with more information.

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.



The Saint Augustine Medal of Service

and awards ceremony was held at St. Augustine Cathedral in Bridgeport on Saturday, October 26^{th.} Bishop Frank J. Caggiano led the prayer service and presented 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 received 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!

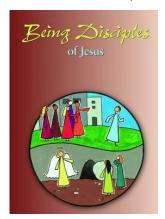


Being Disciples of Jesus

(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

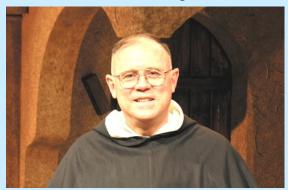
Fraugustine@assumptionwestport.org

Day of Recollection



Growth in Frayer

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

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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

Our mission field is daily life.

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.

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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!



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 20, 2019 Sunday Offertory \$7,983.00

October 20, 2019 2nd Collection for World Missions \$1,057.00

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.



Assumption Youth Ministry thanks you for your generosity.

We raised \$5,750.00 at the "Sell Your Old Gold" event. Thank you for helping us with our summer mission trip to Ohio, where we will help the underprivileged through the Catholic Heart Work Camp.

Michele Harding, Youth Minister



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.

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