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## Daily Mass:

Monday - Saturday: 7:30am

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\text { Weekend Mass Schedule: } \\
\text { Saturday Vigil: } & \text { 5:00pm } \\
\text { Sunday: } & \text { 7:30am, } \\
& \text { 9:00am (Family Mass), } \\
& \text { 10:30am (Choir Mass), } \\
& \text { 12:00pm and } \\
& 5: 00 \mathrm{pm}
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## Holy Days of Obligation: <br> Vigil Mass: $\quad 5: 30 \mathrm{pm}$ <br> Holy Day: $\quad 7: 30 \mathrm{am}, 12: 15 \mathrm{pm}$ and $5: 30 \mathrm{pm}$

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:
Monday and Wednesday
8:00am - 5:00pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday $4: 00 \mathrm{pm}-4: 45 \mathrm{pm}$

## 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: 203-227-1206Website: www.assumptionwestport.org

## Church of the ©ssumption

Third Sunday of Advent - Gaudete Sunday Sunday, December 15, 2019


CLERGY
Fr. Cyrus Bartolome, Pastor frcyrus@assumptionwestport.org Fr. Augustine Nguyen (Weekend Help) fraugustine@assumptionwestport.org Msgr. Richard Shea (Weekend Help)

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Cidalia Kettles, Youth Choir


| Saturday, December 14 | St. John of the Cross |
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|  | Priest and Doctor of the Chur |
| 5:00pm | Rev. Philip T. Morrissey |
| Sunday, December 15 | 3rd Sunday of Advent |
| 7:30am | Raymond and Mary Ferri |
| 9:00am | Betty Caprio |
| 10:30a | Jospeh Cabral |
| 12:00pm | Rev. Stephen Barrett |
| 5:00pm | Family of Assumption |
| Monday, December 16 | sed Honorat |
| 7:30am | Tim Romano and family (living) |
| Tuesday, December 17 | St. Hildegard of Bingen |
| 7:30am | Rev. Phillip T. Morrissey |
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| Wednesday, December 18 <br> 7:30am | 8 Blessed Anthony Grassi |
| ursday, December 19 | Blessed Pope Urban V |
| 7:30am | Nick Thiemann |
| Friday, December 20 | St. Dominic of Silos |
|  | Priest |
| 7:30am | Carmen Joseph Tornatore |
| Saturday, December 21 | St. Peter Canisius |
|  | Priest and Doctor of the Church |
| 7:30am | Kenny Potter |
| 5:00pm | Frank DeMace |
| Sunday, December 22 | 4th Sunday of Advent |
| 7:30am | Meduri Family |
| 9:00am | Victor Paolantonio |
| 10:30am | Jameson Daniel Conte |
| 12:00pm | Florence Gerlach |
| 5:00pm | Family of Assumption |



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, Maryann Burriesce, Betty Cabral, Elijah Capuano, Bill Chadwell, 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, 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 and Victoria Whalen.

> 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.

The week of December 14th—December 20h
The candles at Mary's Statue burn in loving memory of Roselle Como
The Sanctuary candle burns in loving memory of Carmen Joseph Tornatore
The candles at the Tabernacle burn in loving memory of John Lerner
The candles at the Altar burn in loving memory of The Tuccinardi's


## Visitation of the Sick

I'm a Catholic If you, or a loved one is admitted to the hospital, it is important that you identify yourself to the hospital as a Roman Catholic parishioner of Church of the Assumption. Please notify the parish office of your hospitalization, as well. A member of the clergy will only be able to visit if we know you are in a hospital.


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

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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, December 21st

5:00 pm Vigil Fr. Augustine
Sunday, December 22nd
7:30 am Fr. Cyrus
9:00 am
Fr. Cyrus
10:30 am
Fr. Augustine
12:00 pm Monsignor Shea
5:00 pm
Fr. Cyrus

## Thank You To All Who Made the Christmas Fair A Success




Advent Penance Service and Individual Confession Tuesday, December 17th 7:00pm

s Let every heart prepare him rooms
Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of Jesus...
at Christmas, at the end of time, and into our hearts each and every day.

Our Parish Advent Penance Service is an opportunity to examine our lives, go to confession, and prepare our heart and soul to receive Jesus at Christmas!

Celebrate the joy of Christmas with your Parish family!


The Nativity of the Lord

## Christmas Eve Vigil Masses -

Tuesday, December 24, 2019

4:00pm Church<br>4:00pm SchoolGymnasium<br>7:00pm Church<br>10:00pm Church (Sacred Sounds of Christmas prelude at 9:30pm)

Christmas Day Masses -
Wednesday, December 25, 2019
8:00am, 10:00 am and 12:00pm in Church Christmas season

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph -
Sunday, December 29, 2019
Regutar Masstimes: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm and 5:00pm

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God ~ holy day of obligation
Tuesday December 31, 2019
Wednesday, January 1, 2020
Vigit Mass: 5:30pm
Mass: 7:30am and 12:15pm

Epiphany of The Lord - Sunday, January 5, 2020
Regular Masstimes: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm and 5:00pm

Baptism of The Lord - Sunday, January 12, 2020
Regular Masstimes: 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am, 12:00pm and 5:00pm

Advent is a season of hope and anticipation.
You are invited to celebrate the season with a
Filipino Advent tradition, a nine-day Novena of Masses -
Simbang Gabi - leading up to Christmas Eve.
The term novena is from the Spanish word nueve,
which means nine. These nine Masses represent
the nine months wherein the Blessed Virgin Mary
carried Jesus in her womb.
Join us at Church of the Assumption
as we prepare our hearts for the coming of Christ!
Simbang Gabi - 2019 Novena Mass schedule
December $16^{\text {th }}$ through December 23
December $244^{\text {th }}$
8:00pm



## Cathy Romano

Thank you for your willingness to serve our parish by coordinating another wonderful Christmas Fair, the proceeds of which supports Religious Education and Music Ministry. Your time and talent have been a precious gift to our community!

Our Parishioners are the Body of Christ!


During these COLD winter months, many of our sisters and brothers must sleep outside or in crowded shelters.

Please help by donating NEW OR GENTLY USED CLEAN
Sweater, coats, hats, gloves, mittens and scarves.
January 4, 2020-January 31, 2020 There will be boxes located at the entrances of the Church for your donations. All items will be distributed as they are received.
Thank you for your continued generosity!
The Social Concerns Ministry



December 8, 2019 Sunday Offertory \$7,615.00
December 8, 2019 2nd collection Retirement Fund for Religious $\mathbf{\$ 1 , 8 3 3 . 0 0}$

Have you supported the 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal?
If not - it's not too late! We are \$34,589 from our goal. Thank you to all of the families who have already pledged. Your generosity and contribution to our church provides comfort and hope to those in times of need.


May the peace and joy of Christmas be with you today and throughout the new year!

The parish office holiday hours: Monday, December 23, 2019-8:30am-4:30pm Tuesday, December 24, 2019 - closed Wednesday, December 25, 2019 - closed Thursday, December 26, 2019 - closed Friday, December 27, 2019-8:30am - noon Monday, December 30, 2019-8:30am-4:30pm
Tuesday, December 31, 2019-8:30am - noon Wednesday, January 1, 2020 - closed Thursday, January 2, 2020 - normal hours resume

## Online Giving

Online contributions may be made at any time from the comfort of your own home or any place with internet access. Online contributions are credited to your tax statement for the end of the year. You can change your account preferences and donation amounts at any time by contacting the Parish Office. Sign up by visiting www.assumptionwestport.org.

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