

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,
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:

Second and fourth Sunday at 1:00pm.
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
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Website: www.assumptionwestport.org

Church of the Assumption

The Baptism of the Lord

Sunday, January 12, 2020



CLERGY

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Saturday, January 11

7:30am Joan and Joseph Toppin
5:00pm John Barry

Sunday, January 12

7:30am Gennaro Ranieri
9:00am Francesca Tuccinardi
10:30am David Francis Ellison
12:00pm Jeff Bell
5:00pm Richard Krost

Monday, January 13

7:30am Harry Engel

Tuesday, January 14

7:30am Christopher Brunner

Wednesday, January 15

7:30am Dorine Millar (Living)

Thursday, January 16

7:30am Nigel Ricards (Living)

Friday, January 17

7:30am Carmen Jacinto

Saturday, January 18

7:30am Evelyn Doran
5:00pm Rosaria Vento

Sunday, January 19

7:30am Raymond & Mary Ferri
9:00am Elvio Casatelli
10:30am Gloria Mallozzi
12:00pm Velma Valiante
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, Meghan Andrews, 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, Michael Cole, 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, TerryAnn McDonald, 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, Kazime Seckin, 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 candles at Mary's Statue burn in loving memory of **Roland Doran**

The Sanctuary candle burns in loving memory of **Maria Calandriello**

The candles at the Tabernacle burn in loving memory of **Angela Trucks**

The candles at the Altar burn in loving memory of **Rocco Urciuoli**

Pray For Our Recently Deceased

Winifred (Tona) McKenna and Janusz (John) Zwolinski

May they rest in peace.

**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.*

Visitation of the Sick

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.

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
**Mondays and Wednesdays from
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, January 18, 2020
5:00 pm Vigil Fr. Cyrus

Sunday, January 19, 2020
7:30 am Fr. Cyrus
9:00 am Msgr. Shea
10:30 am Fr. Cyrus
12:00 pm Fr. Cyrus
5:00 pm Fr. Cyrus

MARCH FOR LIFE 2020

January 24, 2020 | Washington, D.C.

January 24, 2020

**Bus Pilgrimage to Washington, DC
for the 47th March for Life**

Schedule

5:00am Depart The Cathedral Parish, Bridgeport

5:30am Pick up St. Thomas Apostle, Norwalk

6:00am Pick up at Basilica of St. John the
Evangelist, Stamford

11:30am Arrive at March for Life

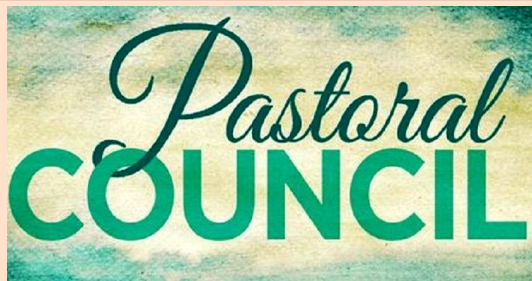
4:00pm Depart for Connecticut

Register at:

www.bridgeportdiocese.org/faith-formation
by January 17, 2020

**\$75.00 per person
(non-refundable)**

You are welcome to bring your own food and drink
on the bus. For more information, email
officeoffaithformation@diobpt.org
or call 203-416-1670



The next meeting will be on
January 28, 2020
7:00 pm

McGrath Hall

Church of the Assumption



Pope Francis Food Closet

The Food Closet is currently in need of:

**PASTA SAUCE
CANNED VEGETABLES
COFFEE
SUGAR
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.

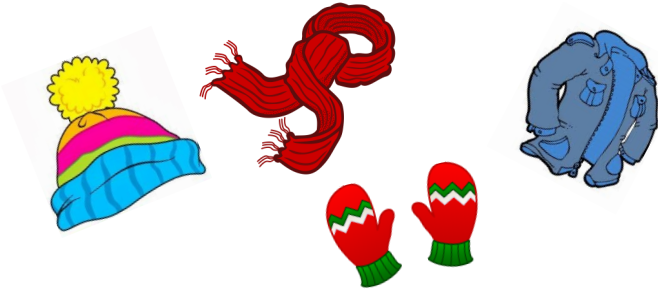
*A special Thank You to the anonymous donor for
all the food deliveries we receive from Amazon.*

*Can we pray
for you?*



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** at lizlazarou@optonline.net or **Betty Copersino** at 203-226-6702

Please 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.



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**

Sweaters, coats, hats, gloves,
mittens and scarves.

**January 4, 2020 thru
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 generosity!
The Social Concerns Ministry*



Sick and Homebound Visitation

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 parish office 203-227-5161 so we can schedule a 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. We look forward to visiting you.



walking with purpose

**"See to it That No one Misses the Grace
of God" (Hebrews 12:15)**

Do you have a heart for other women and desire to share Christ's love with them? Do you feel called to connect with other women in our parish? Please prayerfully consider attending a **Walking With Purpose Connect Coffee**, an open house where women can come, share hospitality and hear more about this women's Catholic Bible study ministry now offered at 17 parishes in the Diocese of Bridgeport. Church of the Assumption would like to bring WWP to our parish and we invite you to visit an upcoming WWP at a nearby parish to learn more! Please email Fr. Cyrus with questions frcyrus@assumptionwestport.org

Upcoming WWP Connect Coffee Events:

- Mon. 1/13 12:00pm - St. Philip, 1 Father Conlon Pl., Norwalk
- Tues. 1/14 9:30am - St. Matthew Parish, 216 Scribner Ave. Norwalk
- Tues. 1/14 7:00pm - St. Philip, 1 Father Conlon Pl., Norwalk
- Wed. 1/15 7:30pm - St. Matthew Parish, 216 Scribner Ave. Norwalk



On Sunday during Religious Ed our third grade students learned about the Feast of the Epiphany. They read the story and each made a star and a crown to help them understand the image of the magi following a bright star across the darkened landscape which guided them to the place where Jesus was.



All 8th grade Confirmation candidates must submit their Saint report on January 12. Please give to your catechist or deliver to the Religious Ed Office. Reminder the saint you write about will be the saint whose name you will be taking on the day of Confirmation. Please check the parish website at www.assumptionwestport.org. Link to religious education/Confirmation. All the requirements for the saint report can be found there.

SPONSOR CERTIFICATES ARE OVER DUE. If you have not already done so, please submit your sponsor certificate NOW! We must have a valid sponsor certificate for each candidate for Confirmation.

Marie Vandall
Confirmation Coordinator

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.

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

Mary's Mantel 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



**Knights of Columbus
Westport Council
No. 3688**

Join us at 7:30pm the
first Tuesday of each month in
Roncalli House.

If you have any questions or would like additional information please contact
Bill Macnamara at
billmacnamara@outlook.com



Dear Social Concerns Ministry and Parishioners of Assumption Church

I just wanted you to know how happy you made the Female Soldiers: Forgotten Heroes (FSFH) Vets. The ladies were elated and overwhelmed with all your generous and thoughtful gifts you gave through the Advent Angels program..

You managed to have me shed a tear or two when I saw the Sketchers for one of the ladies here. She wanted those sneakers for so long.

Thank you. Thank you. Thank you.

Best Regards,

Nancy
Case Manager

Join the Youth Choir!



**Weekly rehearsals are
Thursday afternoons from
4:00pm - 5:00pm**

The choir will participate at the 9:00am mass once a month.

If you have an interested 3rd grader or older, please contact Cid Kettles at ckettles@assumptionwestport.org



**Christmas First Collection
\$26,009.00**

**Christmas Second Collection
\$17,080.00**

**December 29, 2019 Sunday Offertory
\$11,191.00**

**Solemnity of Mary
\$2,908.00**

**January 5, 2020 Sunday Offertory
\$7,041.00**

Thank you for your continued generosity!



Online Giving
from Our Sunday Visitor

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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