

Church of the Assumption

March 6, 2022



First Sunday in Lent

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Daily Mass:

Monday - Saturday: 7:30am

Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday Vigil:

5:00pm

Sunday:

7:30am ~ 9:00am ~ 11:00am ~ 5:00pm

Holy Days of Obligation:

Vigil Mass: 5:30pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Monday and Wednesday

8:00am - 5:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00pm - 4:45pm

Parish Office Hours:

Monday - Friday: 8:30am - 4:30pm

(closed 12:00pm - 1:00pm)

Religious Education Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00am - 4:00pm

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PRAY FOR OUR MEN AND WOMEN SERVING OUR COUNTRY

*Please pray for all those who are bravely
defending our nation and especially pray for
those who have been wounded or have
sacrificed their lives for the cause of peace.*



IN LOVING MEMORY

The candles at Mary's statue burn in loving
memory **Marie Latorre**

The Altar candles burn in loving memory of
Elizabeth Petretta

The Sanctuary candle burns in
loving memory of
Cosmo Oppedisano

The Tabernacle candles burn in
loving memory of
Dominic & Elvira Lener

MASS INTENTIONS



Saturday, March 5

7:30am

Doug Spencer

5:00pm

Patsy DeMace

Sunday, March 6

7:30am

First Sunday in Lent

Rosa Tran

9:00am

Parishioners (Pro

Populo)

11:00am

Donald Dunn

5:00pm

Dolores Palma (Living)

Monday, March 7

7:30am

St. Perpetua, St. Felicity

Mary Calzi

12:15pm

Nigel Ricards (Living)

Tuesday, March 8

7:30am

St. John of God

Linda MaCallum

12:15pm

Kimberly Smartt (Living)

Wednesday, March 9 St. Frances of Rome

7:30am

Frank Migliarese

12:15pm

Betty Durland

Thursday, March 10

7:30am

Donna Cordia & Family

12:15pm

(Living)

Liguory Pereira

Friday, March 11

7:30pm

Patsy Lynch

12:15pm

David McClatchie

Saturday, March 12

7:30am

Thomas Washicko (Living)

5:00pm

Mary Larson

Sunday, March 13

7:30am

Second Sunday of Lent

Harry Engel

9:00am

Juliette M. Desrochers

11:00am

Joseph Cabral

5:00pm

Parishioners (Pro

Populo)

Pray For Our Recently Deceased

Elizabeth Petretta, James Demare, Enza Cassata,
Henry Lomazzo, Jr, George K. Hart, Jr,

May they rest in peace.



Weekly Offertory: February 27, 2022

Sunday Offertory: **\$ 4,648.00**
Online Giving: **\$ 3,638.00**
 \$ 8,286.00

Thank you to all the parishioners who contribute their weekly offering either at mass, by mail or through Online Giving. Your contributions help support the parish and all of the outreach ministries that are in need during these times.

If you would like to donate through **Online Giving** please visit our website at www.assumptionwestport.org. It's easy, safe and convenient. Thank you again for your ongoing support.

God Bless!
 Fr. Cyrus



Online Giving allows you to make donations, payments, and pledges via your mobile phone, smart device or computer.

Additional funds to our Sunday offertory are:

UCP - Upkeep of Church Property which is used for repairs and maintenance of buildings and grounds and the restoration of pews and custom cushioning.

Youth Ministry helps fund youth activities, projects and outreach programs.

Parish Crisis Fund helps those with emergency needs within our community



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, Mitza Arena, 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, Matt Dudzik, Colette Dunham, Gail Eichinger, Carol Fumo, Peter Gakos, Barbara Gentile, Diane & Anthony Gilbertie, Guy Giordano, Elisabeth Grein, Wilfried Grein, Katarina Hale, Frances Casey Hansen, Jane Hawley, Sean Healy, Rose Heiser, Malcolm Heckman, Bob Helfenstein, Logan Howard, Lisa Hughes, 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, Caitlyn Llorens, Owen Llorens, Sean Llorens, Michelle Lombardi, Frank Machi, John J. McCarthy, TerryAnn McDonald, Helen Maggio, Tom McMarthy, Gabriella McCrae, Clarissa Moore, Estelle Murray, Denise Murtha, Lisa O'Connor, Donna Olsen, Lisa Orr, Kevin Palaez, Elizabeth Petretta, Stephanie Philo, Kim Preston, Alexa Prosnitz, C.J. Rice, Charlie Robins, Deanne Ryan, Frank Ryan, Sandra Ryan, Teresa Sacouto, Malia Sanchez-Valdez, Adrian Sandiford, Kerry Schroeder, Kazime Seckin, Maryann Stypinski, Cheri Travis, Carl Viesti, Pat Viesti, Jean Wanat, Lee Watkins, Paula Weltens, 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.



2022 Annual Bishop's Appeal has begun. This years parish goal is \$146,300. Please consider supporting the appeal.

We have raised **\$18,370** out of our parish goal of \$146,300 bringing us to **12.56% of our goal!**

To donate, please make checks payable to:

2022 Annual Bishop's Appeal
 Diocese of Bridgeport
 238 Jewett Avenue
 Bridgeport, CT 06606-2892

Or donate online at:

<https://www.bridgeportdiocese.org/aca/donate>

Join us for a Divine Mercy Retreat!

Retreat Launch Date:
March 20, 6:00pm in McGrath Hall

This retreat is based on the bestselling book by Fr. Gaitley, *33 Days to Merciful Love*. Journey into the heart of St. Thérèse of Lisieux's Little Way with this retreat. This 6-week parish retreat includes work-books, group discussions, and talks on DVD by renowned speaker and author Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC and concludes with a consecration to Divine Mercy on Divine Mercy Sunday. There is about 2 pages of reading each night with optional group meeting attendance on Tuesday evenings for 6 weeks. To reserve a spot please email gracemaryavitabile@gmail.com or call the parish office at 203-227-5161.

Alms Giving March 3 to March 31

Lent is a time we are asked to Fast, Pray and Give Alms to help the poor in our community. Beginning the first Thursday of Lent, March 3rd to March 31st there will be a basket in the church for your donation to help those in need. Thank you for your care and concern for all the brethren in our midst.

Lenten Alms



*A project of the Church of the Assumption
Social Concerns Ministry*



Assumption Book Group

The Book Group has just started a book for reading and discussion; the group will meet for the next 8 weeks.

**Mondays at 11:00am until
1:00pm on Zoom.**

In *THINGS HIDDEN*, Scripture as Spirituality, Richard Rohr discusses how Jesus "gave us a wonderful lens by which to love the Jewish tradition and kept moving forward with it in an inclusive way which became its child, Christianity." If interested, please contact Helen Thiemann at helenctman@gmail.com, or phone at: 203-227-6318.

Becoming a Catholic/RCIA: Your Faith Journey

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a journey through which adults discern to become a member of the Catholic Christian Faith. Through discussions, prayers, and reflection, the Church will accompany the person on this faith journey.

This process fosters the spiritual needs of the following persons:

- Those adults never baptized, who seek to become Catholic.
- Those adults baptized in another Christian church, who seeks to be Catholic.
- Those adults already baptized as a Catholic, but who have not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

When a person considers becoming a Catholic, the Church welcomes him or her to begin the process from the moment of Inquiry.

For more information, please email Walter Avitabile at wavit@optonline.net or call the parish office at 203-227-5161.

All are invited!

St. Joseph Day Celebration Saturday, March 19th

in McGrath Hall after the 5:00pm Mass



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THE SEASON OF LENT

Lenten Daily Mass Schedule

Monday – Friday, 7:30am & 12:15pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday and Wednesday, 8:00am to 5:00pm

Stations of the Cross

Fridays during Lent 7:00pm

Lenten Spiritual Exercises

"Come Away and Rest a While..." Mark 6:31

Friday, March 11, 2022, 6pm in the Church

Topic: "Redemptive Suffering"

Presenter: Ms. Jen Gentile Theology teacher at Iona Preparatory School, New Rochelle, NY

Friday, March 18, 2022, 6pm in the Church

Topic: "Draw Near, Oh Lord"

Presenter: Rev. Fr. Arthur Rojas

Fr. Rojas is currently the administrator of Presentation -Sacred Heart Parish in Fort Ewen and Esopus New York.

Church of the Assumption

Lenten Spiritual Exercises



Meet Our Speaker

Jennifer Gentile is a Lay Camelite who holds a MA in Theology from St. Joseph's Seminary and College and a MS in Special Education from Mercy College. Presently, Jennifer teaches Theology at Iona Preparatory school in New Rochelle, NY. Jennifer resides with her husband and two sons in Westchester NY.

Topic: "Redemptive Suffering"

Please Join Us

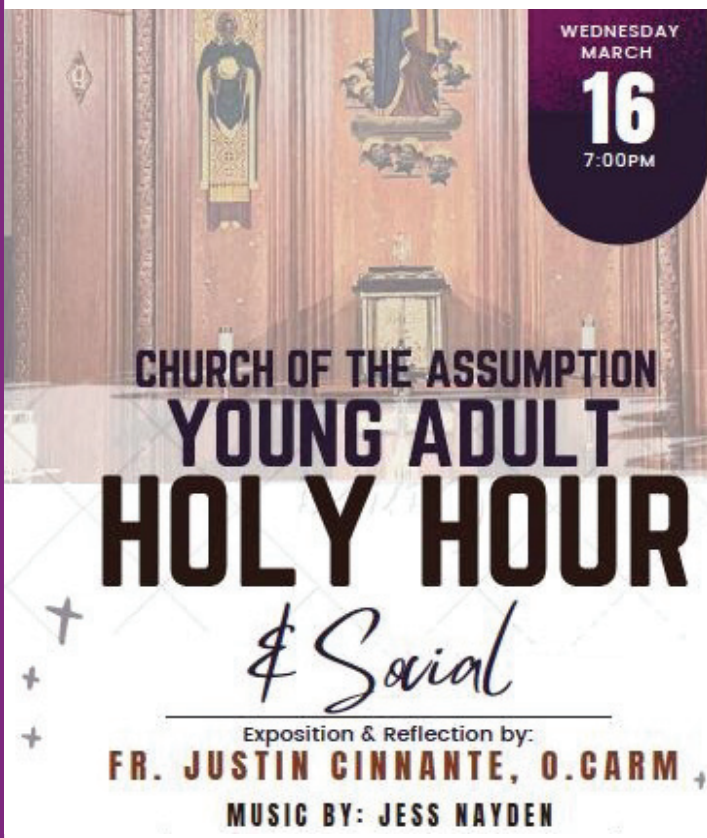
Friday, March 11, 2022

**6:00 pm
in the church**

After Jennifer's presentation everybody is welcome to stay for the stations of the Cross.

Young Adult Holy Hour

Join us for our first Young Adult Holy Hour on **Wednesday, March 16th at 7:00pm.** Confession will be available beginning at 6:30pm. Exposition & reflection will be led by Fr. Justin Cinnante, O. Cram and music will be provided by Jess Nayden. Social to follow in parish hall.



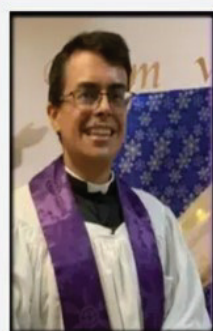
Draw Near, Oh Lord

Join Us

**Friday, March 18, 2022
6:00pm in the Church**

Presenter

Fr. Arthur F. Rojas



Is the Administrator of Presentation-Sacred Heart Parish at Port Ewen and Esopus, NY

Fr. Rojas is a graduate of St. Joseph Seminary, Yonkers, New York (class of 2006, which includes our pastor). Fr. Rojas also helps with Hispanic ministry at St. Mary-St. Andrew Church, Ellenville, NY. He is the spiritual director and moderator of the Ulster Deanery Respect Life Committee.

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