

Church of the Assumption

October 9, 2022



Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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

Lay Members of the Parish Corporation

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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 of **Helen Freely**

The Sanctuary candle burns in
loving memory of **Joe Bonilla**

The Tabernacle candles burn in
loving memory of **David Freeley**

The Altar candles burn in
loving memory of **Frank Bellino**

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 8

7:30am

5:00pm Vigil

Milagros Revilla

Jean Marie Washicko
(Living)

Sunday, October 9

7:30am

9:00am

11:00am

5:00pm

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pietro & Maria Carusone

Rick Jarrard

John & Rose Palmer

Bronislowe Grasewicz

Monday, October 10

7:30am

Tony Buono

Tuesday, October 11

7:30am

St. Francis Assisi

Alberta Toth

Wednesday, October 12

7:30am

Fred Hainsworth

Thursday, October 13

7:30am

Harry Engel

Friday, October 14

7:30pm

St. Callistus I

Thomas McCarthy

Saturday, October 15

7:30am

5:00pm Vigil

St. Teresa of Jesus

Ann Ahern

The DeMaria Family

Sunday, October 16

7:30am

9:00am

11:00am

5:00pm

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Betty Cabral

Lily Abraham

Eduardo Matic

Family of Assumption
(Pro Populo)

Pray For Our Recently Deceased

Robert Murtha, Joseph Remlin, Julia Shaw,
Shelia Hodges, John James Hanley

May they rest in peace.

STEWARDSHIP



Weekly Offertory: October 2, 2022

Sunday Offertory: \$ 4,565.00
Online Giving: \$ 2,951.00
\$ 7,516.00

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. God Bless!

Fr. Cyrus

Next weekend, there will be a Special Collection to aid the victims of Hurricane Ian. Please place your donations in the Second Collection on Saturday, October 15th and Sunday October 16th. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



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

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, Elijah Capuano, Michael Caputo, Lauretta Carl, Bill Chadwell, Michael Cole, Tonino Covatta, Andrea Charboneau, Alder Crocker, Ann Danilak, Connie & Howard Danner, Matt Dudzik, Colette Dunham, Gail Eichinger, Peter Gakos, Barbara Gentile, Diane 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, Angelo Labbruzzo, Abigail Lamb, Grant Leschin, Eddy & Rita Leyden, Caitlyn Llorens, Owen Llorens, Sean Llorens, Michelle Lombardi, Frank Machi, TerryAnn McDonald, Helen Maggio, Gabriella McCrae, Clarissa Moore, Estelle Murray, Denise Murtha, Lisa O'Connor, Donna Olsen, Lisa Orr, Kevin Palaez,, Stephanie Philo, Kim Preston, Alexa Prosnitz, C.J. Rice, Jacob Rivera, Jaxson Rivera, 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.

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GIFTS OF PLENTY PROJECT

Starting October 15th until November 6th we will be collecting food gift cards for the "Gifts of Plenty" project.

In the past years you gave generously for our brothers and sisters who are in need of food. We are asking you again to help our needy neighbors by purchasing a major food store gift card of any denomination.



Envelopes for your gift cards will be available in baskets placed in the center of the aisle and at both entrances to the church. Please take an envelope, purchase a major food store gift card of any denomination, put it in the envelope, and return to the Collection Basket or in the mail slot at the rectory office at any time. Thank you.

*Sponsored by the Church of the Assumption
Social Concerns Ministry*

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Nancy Engel and Tim Romano, the 2022 recipients of the St. Augustine Medal of Service Award. We would like to thank them for their tireless dedication to our parish community.



Nancy
Engel



Tim
Romano

Assumption Youth Group

Assumption Youth gathered to take part in the Pink Aide Posse, which helps women suffering from breast cancer in local hospitals. The group wrote cards and collected comfort items for patients. We have a busy month ahead! If you want your teen to get involved for service and faith building, please contact Youth Minister Michele Harding at mharding@assumptionwestport.org.



Blessing of the Animals

On Sunday October 2nd and Tuesday October 4th Assumption celebrated the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi with the Blessing of the Animals! Both events were filled with all kinds of adorable pets which were blessed by Fr. Cyrus and Fr. Yi! Thank you to all who came!



**Thank you
for donating
Blankets
and Socks!**

The Church of the Assumption Social Concerns Ministry collected, from YOU, our most generous parishioners, **355 pairs of new socks for children and adults and more than 50 new and gently used blankets.** Some of the recipients are: Missionaries of Charity, Dorothy Day, Open Door, Gillespie Center and the Soup Lady Legacy.

Thank you again for support to the needy.

-Social Concerns Ministry -

**The Parish Office will be closed
for Columbus Day,
Monday, October 17th.
Thank you!**



**Sunday, October 23, 2022
12:30pm - Church Parking Lot**

Come for lunch, pumpkin carving, face painting, bouncy house, games, and lots of fun! Our local fire & police departments will be on hand with their vehicles for the children to explore. We will be serving pizza, drinks, and ice cream. Carving tools will be provided.

Please bring your own pumpkins to carve.

**To sign-up, visit
www.assumptionwestport.org or
mail/drop-off a check payable to
Assumption Church with
"Pumpkin Carving" written in the memo.**

\$35 per family

R.S.V.P by Monday, October 17th



Having the Conversation

Sunday, October 23rd at 1:30pm

If you were very sick and not expected to live much longer, what are the three things that are most important to you? Is it being at home? Or, is it being in No Pain? Do you have a favorite Bible Passage? Does your family know your wishes?

Probably Not!

"Having the Conversation" is what we all say we want to do, but somehow never get to it.

Featuring:

Legal issues will be addressed by **Hon. William Osterndorf**, Probate Judge for Darien-New Canaan Probate Court.

Robert O'Brien from the Development Office of the Diocese will discuss Catholic burials.

Neil Harding of Harding Funeral Home will speak on funeral care and options.

Melanie Barnard, staff Chaplain at Norwalk Hospital, will lead us to an upbeat format of the conversation.

For more information, please contact Fr. Cyrus at 203-227-5161 ext.103 or Melanie Barnard at 203-561-3050.



Assumption Bereavement Group

*"Blessed are they who
mourn...they shall be
comforted."*

Grief is a painful, complex and complicated process for each who experiences the loss of a loved one. We meet on Thursdays from 3:00pm -4:30pm in McGrath Hall, following appropriate safety guidelines. Please enter from the parking lot and take the stairs immediately on the left. For more information, please contact Helen Thiemann at 203-227-6318 or by email at helenctman@gmail.com.

Interested in joining our faith family?

To register, please visit the parish website at www.assumptionwestport.org or call the parish office at 203-227-5161.

Mary's Mantel

Thursdays at 1:00pm

Come join us in McGrath Hall—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 any time and every occasion - - joyful or sorrowful. For more information or if you know someone who would like a shawl, please contact Cathy Romano by phone at 203-226-5448 or by emailing her at cromano@assumptionwestport.org



Join Us At Our Family Mass

Every Sunday
at 9:00am

Followed by Coffee and Donuts!

The Sunday 9:00am mass will be our Family Mass. Each week a different family is asked to bring up the gifts at the Offertory. After Mass everyone is invited to the McGrath Hall for refreshments and a chance to meet other families. All are encouraged to participate in some way during the Family Mass.

We are also inviting children who would like to read the Second Reading to please contact Cathy Romano at the Rel. Ed. office at 203-226-5448 or cromano@assumptionwestport.org. Training will be provided.

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Parish Prayer Ministry is a network of members who pray 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 (*last names are permitted for the deceased only*). Your intentions will be forwarded to the network. If you are interested in joining the Prayer Network, please contact Liz or Betty for more details.

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 is 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.

ASSUMPTION FUNERAL MINISTRY



We need you:

The Funeral Service Ministry is a group of adult volunteers who perform all altar server duties during Funeral Masses.

What we do:

- Arrive 15 minutes before Mass to help set up
- Perform all altar server duties during the Mass, carry a candle or cross.
- Are caring, compassionate individuals who believe that serving on the altar during funerals is a quiet yet meaningful way to assist our priest and help comfort those who mourn
- Have flexible schedules and can serve on weekdays and Saturdays on short notice.

Call the Parish office 203-227-5161 to sign up!



Join the Knights of Columbus

The Church of the Assumption Knights of Columbus Council 3688 is looking for Catholic men age 18 and over to join. Please contact Bill Macnamara 203-856-2854. The council meets the first Tuesday of each month in St. Joseph's Hall in the school building.

Church of the Assumption Pope Francis Food Closet

Thank you for the continued support to the Parish Food Closet. Your donations are helping so many families during these difficult times. If you would like to donate, the following items are in need:

- PASTA
- PASTA SAUCE
- CANNED SOUPS
- COFFEE
- CRACKERS
- SNACKS, COOKIES, CEREAL BARS
- PEANUT BUTTER
- CAKE MIX, FROSTING
- BROWNIE MIX



The back door of the church off the parking lot is open from 7:30am - 5:00pm, Monday - Friday (or before weekend masses) for your donations or you may have your items shipped directly to the Parish Office: 98 Riverside Avenue, Westport, CT 06880. Thank you again for your generosity!

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 Fr. Cyrus at frcyrus@assumptionwestport.org or call the parish office at 203-227-5161.

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