

April 9, 2023

*He
is
Risen*

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

**First Saturday Devotion to
Our Lady of Peace & Good Voyage:** 4:00pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Monday and Wednesday

8:00am - 5:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 4:00pm - 4:45pm

Lay Members of the Parish Corporation

Mr. Matthew Fair
Trustee

Mr. Mark Rubino
Trustee

Mrs. Michelle Hopson
Chairman, **Parish Pastoral Council**

Mr. Craig Wiele
Chairman, **Parish Finance Council**

Pray for the Sick

Meghan Andrews, Maryann Stypinski

If you would like to add a loved one to be prayed for please contact the parish office at 203-227-5161. In order for us to publish a name in the bulletin you must receive permission from that person.

IN LOVING MEMORY

The candles at Our Lady of Peace and
Good Voyage burns for the
Nestor Rafisura

The candles at Mary's Statue burns
in loving memory of **Richard Viens**

The Sanctuary candle burns
in honor of **Thomas Brown**

The Tabernacle candles burn in
loving memory of **Phillip and Beatrice Dunn**

The Altar candles burn in
loving memory of **Joseph Pascarella**



Saturday, April 8

7:30am

8:00pm (Vigil)

Holy Saturday

Morning Prayer

Family of Assumption

Sunday, April 9

7:30am (Church)

9:00am (Church)

9:00am (Gym)

11:00am (Church)

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**Easter Sunday of the
Resurrection of the Lord**

Family of Assumption

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Monday, April 10

7:30am

Al Messemer

Tuesday, April 11

7:30am

Elvio Casatelli

Wednesday, April 12

7:30am

Theresa Lamphier

Thursday, April 13

7:30am

Harry Paul Engel

Friday, April 14

7:30am

Jennie McCarthy

Saturday, April 15

7:30am

5:00pm (Vigil)

James Patrick Connelly

Kevin Tuccinardi

Sunday, April 16

7:30am

9:00am

11:00am

3:00pm

5:00pm

Divine Mercy Sunday

Family of Assumption,

Dorothy Coppola

Virginia Pasacreta

Johnson

Margaret Malone

Del Castillo

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Fred & Shirley D'Aiuto

Pray For Our Recently Deceased

Frank Lener, Mary Murphy, Rita Leyden,
Jennifer Bosco, Mildred Garrity

May they rest in peace.

STEWARDSHIP



Weekly Offertory: April 2, 2023

Due to the early submission of the bulletin, (publisher holiday schedule) offertory for Palm Sunday weekend will be available in the following week's bulletin.

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!



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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.*

Parish Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed on Easter Monday, April 10. The office will reopen Tuesday, April 11th at 8:30am.



The 2023 Bishop's Appeal

Over the years, many corporations in the Diocese have participated in the Matching Gift Program. When making your pledge to the 2023 Bishop's Appeal, please consult with your employer to determine if they match gifts. If your company does participate, the Diocese of Bridgeport or its designated agencies such as Catholic Charities, Catholic Academy of Bridgeport, or Foundations in Education, may qualify for these additional funds to support the Bishop's Appeal. The company match will increase the dollar amount received at no extra cost to you. Contact the Development Office at 203-416-1312 or email us at 2023BishopsAppeal@diobpt.org for more information.



Thank you for your gift.

**We have raised \$85,153 of our
\$146,300 goal (58.20%).**

2024 Mass Book

The 2024 Mass Book will open after Easter on Tuesday, April 11, 2023. You may choose to honor your loved ones by offering a mass and candle intention. **In order to accommodate as many of our parishioners as possible, we will be accepting a total of five mass requests at this time (candles are unlimited).** After Monday, June 12th, we will then be able to fulfill your additional requests for the remainder of the year. We kindly ask that you do not submit your additional requests before June 12th.

To make an arrangement, please call the Parish Office at 203-227-5161 or email mhankey@assumptionwestport.org. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Westport Knights of Columbus
Council 3688 present



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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

APRIL 16, 2023

**Please join us as
we pray the
Chaplet of Divine
Mercy at
3:00pm in church.**

What is so special about Divine Mercy Sunday?

Divine Mercy Sunday was declared by Pope John Paul II. It **focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection.** As the Pope stated, "Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ crucified."

Why pray the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy?

Jesus himself revealed the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy to Sr. Faustina and asked her to pray the Chaplet unceasingly. Jesus promised that whoever recites it will receive great mercy at the hour of death. Become a part of the great multitude in the world today who will be praising God for His great and abundant mercy. God wants us close to Him. He simply wants to pour out His mercy on you.

Mary's Mantle Prayer Shawl Ministry **Thursdays 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. The shawls are for all occasions - - joyful or sorrowful. Some knitters come every week and others knit or crochet at home. For more information or if you know someone who would like to receive a prayer shawl, please call Cathy Romano at 203-226-5448 or email cromano@assumptionwestport.org

***"Prayer wraps unseen arms around those
who need a touch of Heaven."***

Altar Server Installation

We would like to congratulate Conor Daly, who was installed as an Altar Server on Sunday, March 26 at the 9:00am Mass by Fr. Raja. May God bless Conor and his brother Andrew, who is also an Altar Server as they continue in this important ministry.



Lenten Alms

**A MOST
GRATEFUL
THANK YOU**



Fellow Parishioners:

Thank you to all of the parish for your great generosity and giving to Assumption Lenten Alms collected by your Social Concerns Ministry. It is through your open heartedness and understanding of the needs of those within our community that we are pleased to announce that we were able to donate to the following 2023 Lenten Alms recipients:

1. **Missionaries of Charity**
2. **Catholic Charities - Loaves & Fishes**
3. **Adversity to Prosperity**
4. **St. George Catholic Church, Bridgeport**

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Blessings to All,

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Parish Prayer Ministry

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.

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 McGrath Hall.

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:



- **CRACKERS**
- **PEANUT BUTTER**
- **SNACKS, COOKIES**
- **CEREAL BARS**
- **CAKE MIX, FROSTING, BROWNIE MIX**
- **SMALL BAGS OF SUGAR**
- **SMALL BAGS OF RICE**
- **PASTA, PASTA SAUCE**
- **CANNED SOUPS**
- **COFFEE**

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 and thank you to our anonymous donor!

Assumption Youth Group

Our Assumption Youth teamed up with teens from St Francis for Life Skills 101 in the St Francis kitchen! The group helped and learned how to prepare chicken noodle soup and Mac and cheese from scratch before enjoying diner together! If you want your 6th-12th grader involved please contact Youth Minister Michele Harding at mharding@assumptionwestport.org.





PLEASE JOIN US!

All are invited for coffee and donuts in McGrath Hall every Sunday after the 9:00am mass. This is a great way to meet and chat with fellow parishioners.

If you are interested in volunteering for Hospitality Sunday, please contact Cathy Romano at cromano@assumptionwestport.org, 203-226-5448 or Michele Harding at mharding@assumptionwestport.org

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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.

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



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. Meetings during these cold months will be held at the Roncalli House, the white house at the north end of the church parking lot. For more information, please contact Helen Thiemann at 203-227-6318 or by email at helenctman@gmail.com.

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