

*April 16, 2023*



**DIVINE  
MERCY**

*Church of the Assumption*

**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  
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Mr. Mark Rubino  
**Trustee**

Mrs. Michelle Hopson  
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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 **Natividad S. Ramos**

The candles at Mary's Statue burns in loving memory of **Zelinda Gomes**

The Sanctuary candle burns in honor of **William Saviano**

The Tabernacle candles burn in loving memory of **George Wellington Sherwood**

The Altar candles burn in loving memory of **Mildred Saviano**



**Saturday, April 15**

7:30am James Patrick Connelly  
5:00pm (Vigil) Kevin Tuccinardi

**Sunday, April 16**

7:30am **Divine Mercy Sunday**  
Family of Assumption,  
Dorothy Coppola  
9:00am Virginia Pasacreta Johnson  
11:00am Margaret Malone Del Castillo  
3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet  
5:00pm Fred & Shirley D'Aiuto

**Monday, April 17**

7:30am Tony Buono

**Tuesday, April 18**

7:30am Bob Daye

**Wednesday, April 19**

7:30am Rev. Patrick Carroll

**Thursday, April 20**

7:30am Anastasia Carroll

**Friday, April 21**

7:30am Margaret McCarthy

**Saturday, April 22**

7:30am Michael Patrick Casey  
5:00pm (Vigil) Joseph DeMace

**Sunday, April 23**

7:30am **Third Sunday of Easter**  
Carmen Joseph Tomatore  
9:00am Michael "Shane" Jibben  
11:00am John Hanrahan  
5:00pm Family of Assumption,  
John N. Pino

**Pray For Our Recently Deceased**

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

*May they rest in peace.*

# STEWARDSHIP

Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023

Sunday Offertory: \$11,673.00  
Online Giving: \$ 2,928.00  
\$14,601.00

Good Friday/Holy Land, April 7, 2023

\$ 1,638.00

Easter Sunday, April 9, 2023

Sunday Offertory: \$ 11,990.00  
Online Giving: \$ 3,654.00  
\$ 15,644.00

Easter Sunday Offertory: \$ 10,141.00  
Online Giving: \$ 745.00  
\$ 10,886.00

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!



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*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.*



## The 2023 Bishop's Appeal

"The Catholic Bridge," Center for Entrepreneurship provides resources and mentorship to young adults for growth in their Catholic faith while making an impact on their local communities. It is aimed at welcoming, engaging and forming young adults in the life of the Church. "The Catholic Bridge" will provide college age young people and graduates mentoring opportunities with successful Catholic businesspersons who will assist them as they begin their professional careers. These mentoring relationships will also provide the tools by which interested young adults can work and address some of the local social problems that affect people throughout our Diocese. Thank you for making a gift to the Bishop's Appeal and supporting "The Bridge".



Thank you for your gift.

**We have raised \$96,848 of our  
\$146,300 goal (66.20%).**

## 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 12<sup>th</sup>, 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 12<sup>th</sup>.

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

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# Trivia Night

Saturday April 22, 2023  
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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](mailto:cromano@assumptionwestport.org)

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



## Congratulations!

On April 8th, during the Holy Saturday Vigil mass, four young adults were brought into full communion with the Catholic Church receiving Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist. Thank you to Walter and Gracemary Avitabile for coordinating the RCIA process.

***Congratulations to Brandon Harvey,  
Deanna Rosson, Heather Rosson and Sherry Zaffina***



After the 9:00am mass on Easter Sunday, the Youth Group sponsored the Assumption Annual Easter Egg Hunt. The event was enjoyed by everyone and was a huge success. Thank you to all who helped stuff the plastic eggs with candy, scattered them on the lawn and set-up the refreshments. Thank you also to the Easter Bunny who hopped over for a visit!



### 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](mailto: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:

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- **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!



## 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](mailto:cromano@assumptionwestport.org), 203-226-5448 or Michele Harding at [mharding@assumptionwestport.org](mailto:mharding@assumptionwestport.org)

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### 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](mailto:helenctman@gmail.com).

## 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.
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- Have flexible schedules and can serve on weekdays and Saturdays.

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

### **CLERGY**

Rev. Fr. Cyrus M. Bartolome  
Pastor and Episcopal Vicar for Filipino Catholics  
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