June 18, 2023



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Church of the Assumption

Daily Mass: Monday - Saturday: 7:30am MASS INTENTIO Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday, June 17 The Immaculate Heart of Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm the Blessed Virgin Mary Sunday: 7:30am Edward Benatti 7:30am ~ 9:00am ~ 11:00am~ 5:00pm 5:00pm (Vigil) The DeMaria Family Holy Days of Obligation: Sunday, June 18 Vigil Mass: 5:30pm 7:30am Tony Buono **First Saturday Devotion to** 9:00am Passarelli Family Our Lady of Peace & Good Voyage: 4:00pm 11:00am William Belford 5:00pm Family of Assumption, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Thanksgiving to St. Joseph Monday and Wednesday 8:00am - 5:00pm Monday, June 19 St. Romulald 7.30am Stephen LaSalla Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00pm - 4:45pm Tuesday, June 20 Earl Hubbard 7:30am Wednesday, June 21 St. Aloysius Gonzaga Lay Members of the Parish Corporation 7:30am Michael Jardon Mrs. Michelle Hopson Mr. Matthew Fair Chairman, Parish Pastoral Council Trustee Thursday, June 22 St. Paulinus, St. John Mr. Mark Rubino Mr. Craig Wiele Fisher, St. Thomas More Trustee Chairman, Parish Finance Council 7:30am Al French **Pray for the Sick** Friday, June 23 Ellen Griffin 7:30am Meghan Andrews, Janice Dean, Candace Roy, Maggie Schoon, Maryann Stypinski Saturday, June 24 The Nativity of St. John the Baptist If you would like to add a loved one to be prayed for please contact the parish office at 203-227-5161. Eileen Andrus 7:30am In order for us to publish a name in the bulletin you 5:00pm (Vigil) Margaret Labbance must receive permission from that person. Sunday, June 25 7:30am Family of Assumption, IN LOVING MEMORY

The candles at Our Lady of Peace and Good Voyage burns for the **Guillermo & Tennessee Santos**

The candles at Mary's Statue burns in loving memory of **Msgr. Frank McGrath**

The Sanctuary candle burns in loving memory of **Carmen Joseph Tornatore**

The Tabernacle candles burn in loving memory of **John Barry**

The Altar candles burn in loving memory of **David Kucharczyk**

9:00am 11:00am 5:00pm Family of Assumption, Caroline Veseiqlio VanAcker Christy Boccanfuso Sr. Ellen Hathaway, SND Yuderka Espinal

Pray For Our Recently Deceased

Dorothy Myer, Janice Dean, Sophia Makowski, Jennie Caiati, Kathleen Salmon

May they rest in peace.

STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Offertory: June 11, 2023

Sunday Offertory: \$6,524.00 Online Giving: \$3,279.00 \$9,803.00

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*





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.



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.



The 2023 Bishop's Appeal We Reached Our Goal!

THANK YOU to all who donated to the **2023 Bishop's Appeal**. We have reached our goal of \$146,300! Your donations help many charitable organizations and your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Contributions to the **Upkeep of Church Property** (**UCP**) are still welcome and encouraged. Currently, funds are needed to repair the steeple structures, replace school gutters and windows, AC units in the church, side and back exterior doors of the church and other necessary projects. Once again, I would like to thank you for your unending support.

Fr. Cyrus

SOCIAL CONCERNS MINISTRY

"I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me."

FEED THE HUNGRY - Thanksgiving Food Gift Cards, Palm Sunday Food Donations, Summer Food Collection, Soup Lady Legacy.

CLOTHE THE NAKED - coats, socks, blankets and the Advent Angels' gifts requests.

COMFORT THE LONELY AND MOURNING-Prayer Network and Lenten Alms

WHO WE SERVE – some charities we serve: Soup Lady Legacy, Daughters of Charity, Open Door, Gillespie Center, Missionaries of Charity.

Interested in becoming a Parishioner?

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

Bridgeport Area Retired Firefighters 38th Annual Memorial Service

This year, Assumption Church hosted the Memorial Service on June 6th honoring the firefighters who have died in the line of duty and recently deceased. Bless our firefighters and keep them safe.



Assumption Youth Group

Our Assumption Youth Group would like to thank our teen and parent bakers and our incredibly generous parishioners who helped make our fundraising bake sale a success! All proceeds go towards deferring the cost of our upcoming mission trip, as well as towards our outreach with groups that include Hall Neighborhood House in Bridgeport, Malta House and Blessed Sacrament. We cannot thank you enough!







Father's Day Cards and Offerings

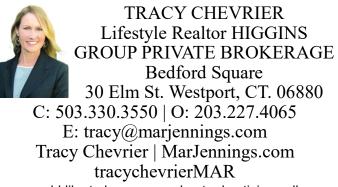
Honor your Father during the month of June!

Father's Day Spiritual Gift Envelopes are available at the entrances of the Church to honor the fathers in your life.

Please return the envelope, with your mass intention, in the offertory basket or at the Parish Office. The intentions will be remembered on Father's Day and throughout the month of June at all masses.

You are welcome to take a complimentary Father's Day card!

Advertiser of the Month



If you would like to learn more about advertising call our Bulletin Representative: **Judy McNee**. jmcnee@jppc.net (203)856-9085

The Parish wishes to congratulate our parishioners who have graduated this year from various High Schools, Colleges & Universities with diplomas and degrees. We are so proud!

Please write your graduate's info and drop it in the collection basket, at the Parish Office, or email josterndorf@assumptionwestport.org.

Name

Congratulations! CLASS OF 2023,

Taylor Marie Birch Bucknell University BSE in Computer Science & Engineering

> Grace Burg Staples High School

Walsh Geelan Loyola University Maryland Bachelors of Arts in Psychology

Brian Green Providence College Bachelors of Science in Finance

Chloe Hankey Drexel University Bachelors of Science in Nursing

Grace Mathews Saint Josephs High School

Olivia Otter University of Michigan Major Biochemistry & Minor Eastern European & Eurasian Studies

> Joseph Pontoriero Staples High School

> Michael Pontoriero Staples High School

> **Charlie Wiele** Staples High School

> **Charlie Wright** Staples High School

Mary Beth Zaffina Fairfield University Masters in Nursing

School:



Dear Families,

Guided by the Holy Spirit, we look forward to the Faith Formation program in the Fall of 2023. Our goal is to provide a program that consists of sacramental, scriptural catechesis and service that offer the opportunity for children to strengthen their understanding of God's presence in their lives.

Our program is open to the children of our parish. We offer age-appropriate faith formation to help enrich their spiritual lives.

We also aim to support parents, who are their children's first introduction to Christ and His Church. We pray that the spiritual life of our Assumption Catholic faith community grows even stronger.

Our formation program consists of Grades 1-8. To register and for more information, please visit <u>www.assumptionwestport.org/religious-education</u>

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, dealing 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, presurgery, depression... The sacrament is for the sick and those in need of healing. It is not Last Rites or Extreme Unction. We look forward to visiting 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

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



• CEREAL (Plain Cheerios)
• CEREAL BARS

PEANUT BUTTER
SNACKS, COOKIES

- CAKE MIX, FROSTINGBROWNIE MIX
- ONE POUND BAGS OF SUGAR
- ONE POUND BAGS OF RICE (White or Brown)
- 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.



Church of the Assumption **Adoration** Come join us on Mondays and Wednesdays anytime from 8:00am to 5:00pm

The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in heaven, and will help bring about an everlasting peace on earth."

– St. Teresa of Calcutta

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.

CLERGY

Rev. Fr. Cyrus M. Bartolome Pastor and Episcopal Vicar for Filipino Catholics *frcyrus@assumptionwestport.org* Rev. Fr. Joseph Yi, SDB, Parochial Vicar *fryi@assumptionwestport.org* Rev. Fr. Frank Hoffmann (In Residence) Vicar for Clergy Deacon James Meehan, Parish Deacon *dnmeehan@assumptionwestport.org*

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Frank Matto, Director and Organist fmatto@assumptionwestport.org Aidan Andrews, Cantor

YOUTH MINISTRY 203-222-8486

Michele Harding, Youth Minister

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.

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

Tune in to 24-hour Catholic Radio!

Veritas Catholic Network is on the radio at 1350 AM, 103.9 FM, livestream from your computer, and on a mobile app for your phone. Subscribe to our weekly newsletter for notices of original shows, local Catholic events. For more information: <u>www.veritascatholic.com</u>

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