



**CHURCH  
OF THE  
ASSUMPTION**

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*January 31, 2021  
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST**

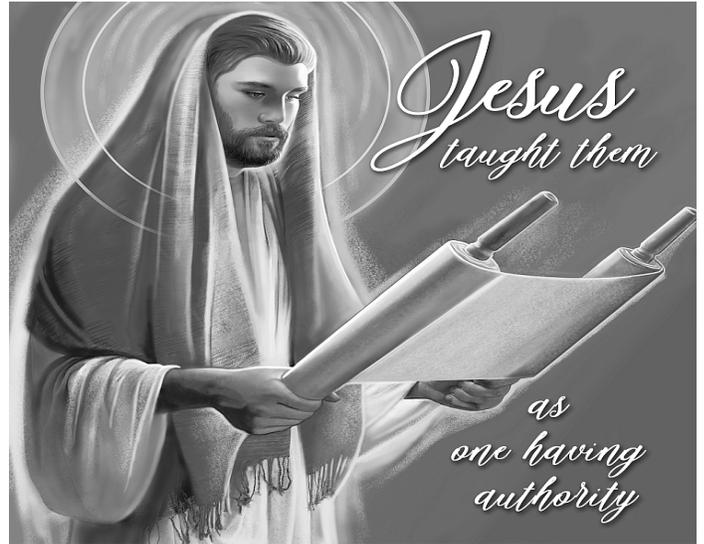
**Daily Mass: 8:30AM**

**Sunday: 10:30 AM**

**Drive thru Communion: 11:30 AM**

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Saturdays: 3:30 to 4:00 PM and By Appt**



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**Parish Office Hours:**

**9:30AM -12:00PM – 12:30PM - 3:00PM**

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**ASSUMPTION SCHOOL**

**Lana Rocheford, School Principal**

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**School Office Hours: 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**School News**

January 31st—Catholic Schools Week begins

January 31st—Virtual School Open House

February 6th—World Day of the Sick

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March 6th—School's Virtual Auction

(more information to follow)

**Financial  
Report**

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**Week of January 24, 2021**

**\$2,439.00**

***Assumption Parish Mission Statement***

Assumption Parish is a culturally diverse and vibrant Catholic community which strives to grow as followers of Jesus Christ. We do this by accepting the challenge to build a Christ-centered community that draws on the wisdom of our seniors and the energy of our youth. We are committed to Catholic education at various levels. We are nurtured by inspired Liturgy, active and enriching faith formation programs, and inclusive family ministry, all of which enable us to share our gifts of time, talent, treasure and vision with our parish family and surrounding communities.

## *A Word from the Pastor*

In a little more than three weeks the Lenten season begins with Ash Wednesday kicking it off to hopefully a blessed time for all. One of the things I would like to address during this time of preparation and prayer is the sacrament of Reconciliation or what is commonly known as "Confession". It is often said that confession is good for the soul and I believe that to be true. Confession **is** good for the soul, but more importantly, it is good to rid ourselves of the baggage we accumulate during the year. And 2020 was, as the Queen once said, "anus horribilis", a horrible year indeed. So with that I would like for the next few weeks write about this soothing and rewarding sacrament that reconciles our friendship not only with God but with our whole community. Firstly, let us get to know what the Sacrament of Reconciliation is and its purpose in the life of the church by referring to the Catechism.

By starting off with this question, "what is the sacrament of reconciliation in the Catholic Church", I believe will assist and guide us to a better and profound understanding of this vitally important sacrament we share.

In the Latin Rite Church, for example, people go to confession to say they are sorry for the sins they committed in their lives and to experience God's healing power through forgiveness. Confession also permits reconciliation with the Church, which is wounded by the sins people commit. "Those who approach the sacrament of Penance obtain pardon from God's mercy for the offense committed against him, and are, at the same time, reconciled with the Church which they have wounded by their sins and which by charity, by example, and by prayer labors for their conversion." It is called the *sacrament of conversion* because it makes sacramentally present Jesus' call to conversion, the first step in returning to the Father from whom one has strayed by sin. It is called the *sacrament of Penance*, since it consecrates the Christian sinner's personal and ecclesial steps of conversion, penance, and satisfaction. It is called the *sacrament of confession* since the disclosure or confession of sins to a priest is an essential element of this sacrament. In a profound sense it is also a "confession" - acknowledgment and praise - of the holiness of God and of his mercy toward sinful man. It is called the *sacrament of forgiveness*, since by the priest's sacramental absolution God grants the penitent "pardon and peace." It is

called the *sacrament of Reconciliation*, because it imparts to the sinner the life of God who reconciles: "Be reconciled to God." He who lives by God's merciful love is ready to respond to the Lord's call: "Go; first be reconciled to your brother."<sup>8</sup>

As a priest I find reconciliation or confession to be a good thing in that it gives me comfort knowing my Father in heaven pardons me and renews my friendship in a most profound way. Yes, I too go to reconcile my sins to a priest, and I reconcile my sins knowing fully through Jesus suffering and death on the cross my sins are forgiven. If I did not believe that, then I make a mockery of Christ' death. God is good and God wants us to be with him in His heavenly kingdom. God bless.

## **School News**

Today is the start of Catholic Schools Week. Assumption School is a vital part of both the parish community and the community at large.

A virtual Parent Information Meeting will start at 1:00pm.

A virtual Open House will follow beginning at 2:00pm.

Information packets for new families are available in the church office, at the back of the church or in the school office.

For more information , please contact school principal, Mrs. Lana Rocheford either by phone at 510-357-8772 or by email at

[lrocheford@cstdo.org](mailto:lrocheford@cstdo.org).

If you know of anyone who could benefit from attending Assumption School, please pass on the information to them.

## **Congratulations to the Assumption School Community!**



**JANUARY 30—FEBRUARY 6, 2021**

*\*We Remember at the Eucharist\**

- Saturday 30**  
8:30a.m. Lucille Danielsen+
- Sunday 31**  
10:30 a.m. Stephen Pantaleoni+
- Monday 1**  
8:30a.m. Larry Maynard+
- Tuesday 2**  
8:30a.m. Roger Piegia+
- Wednesday 3**  
8:30a.m. Enrico Biagini+
- Thursday 4**  
8:30am Patty Gilmore+
- Friday 5**  
8:30am
- Saturday 6**  
8:30a.m. Jim O'Brien+

**World Day of the Sick**

The World Day of the Sick was initiated by Pope Saint John Paul II and held annually near the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes, is a ministry of the Diocese of Oakland and Bishop Michael C. Barber, S.J.

Bishop Barber invites all who are sick or ill, as well as family members, caregivers, and healthcare providers, to observe this day with him and many priests, religious and laity from throughout the diocese on Saturday, February 6, 2021 at 10:00am. The mass will be Live Streamed through <https://www.youtube.com/c/CathedralifChristtheLight>.

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be offered at the Cathedral parking drive through, and additional Parishes throughout the Diocese from 12noon-1:00pm.

Included will be Blessing of Caregivers and Healthcare providers, Sacrament of the Anointing the Sick, Holy Communion, Distribution of Lourdes Water, Limited to the first 300 cars, Distribution of Lourdes Rosaries and Holy Cards, and Collection of Prayer Petitions

Please join us in this special opportunity to pray for the healing and hope in this fragile population.

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS:**

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- Communion to the Homebound:**  
Joan Tonsberg..... 510-357-1985
- Communion to Kindred Hospital:**  
Susan Sequeira..... 510-352-5614
- Prayer Chain:**  
JoMarie Stavosky..... 510-889-9469
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Gloria Calegari..... 510-357-0943
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Jennie Gisslow..... 510-875-9170

**St. Vincent dePaul**

The Society of St. Vincent dePaul; wishes to thank you for your contributions during this week's Fifth Sunday second collection,

Recently, through your support, we were able to assist two of our neighbors with their security deposits to secure housing. One woman was previously homeless and living in her car. The other woman was able to move from a rodent infested apartment to a clean, safe dwelling.

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance,  
please call our Help-Line 510-352-6079.

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Attention: Martha

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Message:

Please send 150 bulletins