



**CHURCH  
OF THE  
ASSUMPTION**

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*February 28, 2021  
2nd Sunday of Lent*

**CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST**

**Daily Mass: 8:15AM**

**Saturday: 4:30pm Sunday: 10:30 AM**

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

**THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

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

**Parish Office Hours:**

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

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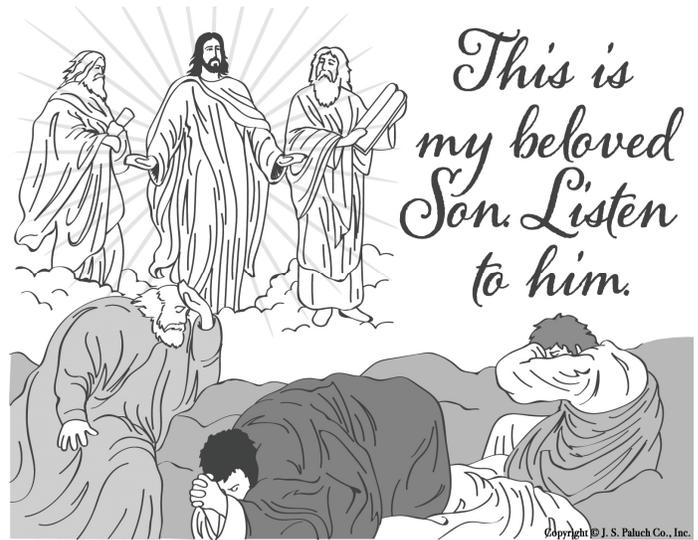
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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**School News**

March 6th Virtual School Auction  
See Page 2. Also check the parish calendar on the parish website for more updates

**Lenten Taize**

The Lenten Taize prayer service will be available via the parish Facebook page and You Tube.  
Taize Prayer will begin March 3rd at 7:00pm

**Please note change in daily mass time to 8:15am and the addition of a Saturday evening at 4:30pm starting March 6th**

**Financial  
Report**

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**Week of February 21, 2021**

**\$7,736.16**

***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*

Lenten sacrifice is something we all try to accomplish. But for me, and I'm sure for others, sacrificing or giving something up you love can be difficult. For a very long time I used to give things up for Lent that were important, or at least I thought they were important. But as I get older I've come to realize that giving up sweets or things of that sort really aren't much of a sacrifice. I always manage to find excuses to indulge in my favorite thing and so failing in my endeavor to be "Christ" like. Then, if that is the case, what is the point of giving something up only to indulge in it anyway?

The point that is being made is that Christ himself fasted and he prayed often, often leaving his men behind and seeking the desolation and isolation of the desert. "He advanced a little and fell prostrate in prayer, saying, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will." When he returned to his disciples he found them asleep. He said to Peter, "So you could not keep watch with me for one hour? Watch and pray that you may not undergo the test. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak." (Mt. 26:40). These words that Jesus spoke to his disciples gives me food for thought. As I think back to Ash Wednesday, my first day of fasting, I failed miserably. My brother brought with him a dessert to share at the dinner meal and instead of denying myself this luscious treat, I, like Peter, denied my fast to Christ. This act showed my own human failings in that I could not even for one day "give up" something as trivial as a dessert. As Jesus said above to Peter, "So you could not keep watch with me for one hour?". What should one do in my situation? Simple. Move on and try again, but try something with a greater meaning, and substance. God knows us from the very beginning of time, He knows what our weaknesses are and how much we are willing or capable of sacrificing.

Giving up desserts and these sorts of sacrifices really are not much of a sacrifice when we know there are those, even in our own country, who go without eating three meals a day, something you and I take for granted.

What then must we do to make a real Lenten sacrifice? The church asks us to give something up that is consequential in our lives and replace that thing with something that will help you as well as others. The church asks us, if we are able, to consume one full meal, with smaller meals in between and to take that money you would have spent on those meals and donate it to the poor. This simple gesture allows us the opportunity to share in the pain many people around the world, and in our own country, to go without eating. But it also gives us the occasion to center ourselves in prayer and meditation. "The goal of fast-

ing is inner unity. This means hearing, but not with the ear; hearing, but not with the understanding; it is hearing with the spirit, with your whole being. ... Fasting of the heart empties the faculties, frees you from limitations and from preoccupations." — Thomas Merton. As Merton says above, fasting is more than sacrifice for others, it is about you and me settling down, centering ourselves, putting us with God in the silence of our mind and heart. If you fail the first or second time in your fast then just begin again. God is understanding and patient. God bless.

### **Virtual School Auction**

March 6, 2020

3:30—5:00pm

Catering Pick Up at Assumption School

6:00pm

Log on for the Virtual Gala

Please join us for a one hour FREE virtual event celebrating our school community and to raise funds for our  
"Together We Can Fund"

Assumption School is excited about our upcoming Virtual Gala on March 6th supporting our new "Together We Can Fund".

This event is taking the place of our auction this year. You can register for the event by going to the school website.

Please come celebrate with us our Assumption School spirit and help raise funds for a school we all love. Our host for the evening will be Warriors Hype Man Franco Finn. You will also have the opportunity to up and dance to beats by Warriors Official DJ and proud Assumption parent Derrik "DJ D-Sharp" Robinson.

The online event is free to all, but you can make a night of it by purchasing dinner from Pinx Catering and cocktails from Sons of Liberty available for pick-up from the school before the event. We will also be having a special \$100 donation option for a chance to win \$5000, the winner to be announce during the gala.

We are looking forward to a night of celebrating together even though we are apart. We are blessed to have such a wonderful and supportive community here at Assumption. Please contact Allison Fargo with any questions at  
assumption2021gala@gmail.com

**Reservation Deadline for ordering dinners is February 28, 2021**



**FEBRUARY 27—MARCH 6, 2021**

*\*We Remember at the Eucharist\**

**Saturday 27**

8:30a.m. Ana Martinez+

**Sunday 28**

10:30 a.m. Ruth Kretz McDonnell+ & Richard Palia+

**Monday 1**

8:15a.m. Bill Vonnegut+

**Tuesday 2**

8:15a.m. Lucille Danielsen+

**Wednesday 3**

8:15a.m. Maria Costa+

**Thursday 4**

8:15am Tillie Rivera+

**Friday 5**

8:15am Deotilde Soares+

**Saturday 6**

8:15a.m. Jennelly Valdez (Living)

4:30-pm

**Formed**

This is a new program available to all the parish free of charge. It provides a variety of content to assist all of us on our journey of faith.

Sign up and be in **FORMED**

1. visit <http://signup.Formed.org>
2. Enter Assumption of the Blessed Mary or just type in San Leandro (our church shows up)
3. Enter your name and email and you are in for the whole year! No more hassle

**Lenten Series via Zoom**

Begins Tuesday, February 23 at 7:30pm

This will run for 7 weeks during Lent.

Go to Formed and watch Episode 1 under

Search: What Do you Seek?

Then join the Zoom discussion

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83652647390>

Zoom Meeting ID 836 5264 7390

Any questions, contact Jim Brady at 510-939-9396 or by email at [jbrady@assumptionsanleandro.org](mailto:jbrady@assumptionsanleandro.org)

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**St. Vincent dePaul**

Lent is a call not just to give up something or even to give something for the poor but to deepen our sense of affinity and solidarity with the poor. The Society of St. Vincent dePaul and its members do not simply work for the poor but work with the poor.

This past week, through your generosity, we helped two households with past due utility bills and provided them with resources to assist them to achieve a stable financial footing in the future.

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

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Please send 150 bulletins