



# CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

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July 25 2021 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

## FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS & THE ELDERLY

The Vatican has released Pope Francis' message for the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will be celebrated on Sunday 25th of July. To express the closeness of God and of the church to every older person, Pope Francis has chosen "I am with you always" from the Gospel of Matthew as the theme for the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

"I am with you always" (Mt 28:20): this is the promise the Lord made to his disciples before he ascended into heaven. Pope Francis emphasized in his message that the Lord is always with us and always calling us to play a role in spreading the Gospel no matter our age. "I was called to become the Bishop of Rome when I had reached, so to speak, retirement age and thought I would not be doing anything new. The Lord is always – always – close to us. He is close to us with new possibilities, new ideas, new consolations, but always close to us. You know that the Lord is eternal; he never, ever goes into retirement. "They are the words that he repeats to you today, dear grandfathers and grandmothers, dear elderly friends. "I am with you always" are also the words that I, as Bishop of Rome and an elderly person like yourselves, would like to address to you on this first World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly. The whole Church is close to you – to us – and cares about you, loves you and does not want to leave you alone!

*Gospel: John 6:1-15*

The Gospel reading comes from the beginning of the Bread of Life discourse, in which Jesus will reveal that he is the eternally nourishing bread of life (John 6:51). In the portion that we read today, Jesus crosses the sea (6:1), leads a crowd (6:2), and goes up onto a mountain (6:3) – actions that echo Moses' leadership of the people in Exodus. When the crowd is gathered, and Jesus "had given thanks" (eucharisteō), the bread and fish donated by a young boy become a nourishing meal for about five thousand people, with twelve baskets of leftovers. The baskets of leftovers suggest that this bread,

broken and shared in thankfulness, continues to nourish the people even beyond the immediate moment.

In keeping with the theme of Grandparents Day, we are invited to reflect on how our grandparents' life experiences might shape our own. We can ask them, "what 'bread' of life experiences can you share with me?"

At this weekend's Masses, we invite our grandparents and elders to be honored with a special blessing. Let us always keep them in our prayers.

### ***Blessing of Grandparents***

*Lord God almighty,  
bless our grandparents with long life,  
happiness, and health.*

*May they remain constant in your love  
and be living signs of your presence  
to their children and grandchildren.*

*We ask this through Christ our Lord.*

*R/. Amen*

CHURCH  
CLEANING  
DAY

SATURDAY, JULY 31  
10 AM-NOON

Thank you for your helping hands!

## RERUTN TO THE EUCHARIST—NEW MASS TIMES NOW IN EFFECT

Saturday: 4:30 PM Vigil Mass  
Sunday: 8:00AM  
Sunday: 10:00 AM  
Sunday: 12:00PM  
Monday-Saturday 8:15AM

"So let us come back to Him at Mass in person, joining together as a worshipping community, to be fed with His word in Scripture, and His body and blood in Holy Communion".

In a pastoral letter Bishop Barber wrote, "When people ask, 'Why should we go to Mass?' I answer, 'Because Jesus is waiting for you there in the Church, and He wants to be with you -- right there -- in the Holy Eucharist.' It is about a personal encounter with Jesus that we have as individuals AND as a community, in the celebration of the Mass."

Read the full Pastoral Letter: <https://oakdiocese.org/news/bishop-calls-catholics-home-to-eucharist>

## THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

7/31@ 10:00am - 1:00pm  
Family Church Clean-up in preparation of Feast Day. Pizza on us!

8/6-8/13@ 7:00pm- 7:30pm  
Blessed Sacrament Adoration & Novena Rosary

8/14:  
10am-12pm MARY CAMP for Kids (4 and Up) Register online  
3:00pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament  
3:30pm Confession  
4:00pm Rosary & Novena

4:30pm Vigil Mass & Offering of Flowers to BVM Statue

8/15 Solemnity of the Assumption  
12:00pm Solemn Mass  
1:00pm **Assumption Family Day** - Outdoor Fun, Food & Faire

**Financial Report**  
**Week of July 11, 2021**  
**\$5,040.55**  
**Week of July 19, 2021**  
**\$7,103.00**

## FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK FOR KIDS

Walking with Jesus: The Rosary Prayers in Songs

<https://watch.formed.org/kids-1/videos/walking-with-jesus-the-rosary-prayers-in-song>

### WHAT IS THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY?

The Assumption of Mary is the teaching that: The Immaculate Mother of God, the ever-Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory. Pope Pius XII in his apostolic letter *Munificentissimus Deus* defined as dogma the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on November 1, 1950! This happy occasion points us to have cause for hope. Pope Pius wrote "it is our hope that belief in Mary's bodily Assumption into heaven will make our belief in our own resurrection stronger and render it more effective."

Let us Pray: Oh God who created us as a substantial unity of body and spirit, we thank you for our mother Mary, who's Assumption reminds us of our own destiny: to dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of our lives.

## RCIA AND ADULT CONFIRMATION

Adult Faith Formation begins right here at church during mass when we celebrate the Liturgy of the Word with our excellent homilist and the Liturgy of the Eucharist with the very presence of Christ in our midst! RCIA is a RITE, the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. This program is open to adults seeking baptism in the Catholic Church or the completion of the sacraments of Initiation, namely the Eucharist and Confirmation. We are now enrolling adults Call or Text Jim Brady at 510-393-9396 or email at [jbrady@assumptionsanleandro.org](mailto:jbrady@assumptionsanleandro.org)

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

In the Gospel, Jesus supersedes both the apostles' and the crowds expectations" with little he feeds many . . . Jesus is the sign of God's lavish presence and love, Your donation to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is indeed a sign of God's extravagant love to the lonely and the poor. This week our members brought food and love to two households as well as many of the unhoused in our neighbors.

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

**JULY 24—JULY 31, 2021**

*\*We Remember at the Eucharist\**

**Saturday 24**

8:15a.m. Andrade Family+

4:30pm

**Sunday 25**

8:00am Patricia McDonnell+

10:00 am Louise Balthes+

12:00 noon. Dave Fredericks+

**Monday 26**

8:15a.m. Johnnie Glaze (Living)

**Tuesday 27**

8:15a.m. Rick Bradley (Living)

**Wednesday 28**

8:15a.m. Brady Strawn (Living)

**Thursday 29**

8:15am Frank Roger+

**Friday 30**

8:15am

**Saturday 31**

8:15am

4:30pm George P Aguiar Sr+

**FLOCKNOTE**

We want to communicate more effectively with you. But we also want to make it easy for you to control what types of announcements you get from us and how you are notified when we make them. And in order to do this we are using a new, simple service called FLOCKNOTE. Like sending "notes" to your "flock" Flocknote. This is all totally free for you to use and it's going to also make it easy for you to stay plugged in to the ministries or groups that you care about, all by text message or email updates. Your information will be completely safe and secure. And you can unsubscribe from any updates at any time! Open your internet browser (i.e. Safari, Internet Explorer, Chrome, Firefox) and go to <https://assumptionsanleandro.flocknote.com/>. Enter the requested information and click on "Sign Me Up".

**Parish Office Hours:**

Monday thru Thursday

9:00AM -12:00PM – 12:30PM - 3:00PM

Friday 9:00AM to 12:00PM

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**ASSUMPTION SCHOOL**

**Lana Rocheford, School Principal**

**School Office:** 510-357-8772

**School Summer Office Hours:** 9am-1:00 pm

July 1—August 15, closed week of July 18

**Celebration of the Eucharist**

**Daily Mass:** 8:15am (Live Streamed)

**Saturday:** 4:30pm **Sunday:** 8:00am,

10:00am (Live Streamed), 12:00noon

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation**

**Saturday:** 3:30pm to 4:00p, and by Appt

**SCHOOL NEWS**

Application deadline update.

We are still accepting applications for limited spaces in 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th grades and very limited space in TK only. Contact the school di-

**PRAY THE ROSARY WITH US**

Monday thru Saturday Church of The Assumption Of The Blessed Virgin Mary Parishioners pray the Rosary immediately after the 8:15am morning mass. If you have a special intention you wish us to pray for, please contact Father John Carillo by email at [frjohn@assumptionsanleandro.org](mailto:frjohn@assumptionsanleandro.org) or call the office at (510) 352-1537.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

Come join us on Saturday, August 7, 2021 after the 8:15am for the Anointing of the Sick. If you will be having surgery or if you have any chronic illness, please come and join us for this celebration.

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Attention: Martha

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Message:

Please send 250 bulletins