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5 Things Catholics Should Know About First Friday: First Friday Adoration and Mass at Assumption

Join us every First Friday of the Month for Eucharistic Adoration following 8:15am Mass until 12:00pm and at 6:00pm followed by the First Friday Mass at 7:00pm.

Here's an excerpt from 5 things Catholics Should Know About First Friday Adoration.

1. How did the First Friday Devotion begin?

While some saints referenced the Heart of Jesus in their writings even centuries earlier, in 1673, a French Visitandine (Visitation) nun named Margaret Mary Alacoque had visions of Jesus, wherein he asked the Church to honor His Most Sacred Heart. In particular, Jesus asked the faithful to "receive Communion on the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months." The request was connected to a specific promise made to all who venerated and promoted devotion to the Sacred Heart. After Margaret Mary's death, the First Friday practice steadily spread in the Church — endorsed by popes and promoted by saints — but it greatly increased in popularity when Margaret Mary was canonized a saint in 1920 by Pope Benedict XV.

2. Why nine consecutive months?

The number nine is traditionally associated with a novena and finds its origin in the nine days that the apostles spent in prayer before Pentecost. A novena provides an extended amount of time for preparation and interior renewal.

3. What am I supposed to do on First Fridays?

Go to Mass and receive Holy Communion with the intention of honoring Christ's Sacred Heart. If you are not in a state of grace, and thus unable to receive, you will also need to go to confession.

4. What are the "promises" connected to this devotion?

Jesus said to St. Margaret Mary, "In the excess of the mercy of my heart, I promise you that my all powerful love will grant to all those who will receive communion on the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the

grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour." This means that if a person faithfully receives communion for nine consecutive months on First Fridays, Jesus will grant that person extra graces at the time of their death, making it possible to repent of their sins and receive the last rites (if needed).

5. Are the First Fridays a "ticket" to heaven?

It is not as simple as going to Mass for nine months and then clocking out, never going to Mass again and leading a sinful life! The entire purpose of this devotion is to draw a person closer to the heart of Christ. If a person fulfills these obligations with sincere faith, it is natural for he or she to be closer to God and better prepared for death. The moment that this devotion is observed in a superstitious manner, neglecting the need to live a virtuous life, all bets are off and Jesus' promise is null and void.

Jesus wants us to rest on his heart, like St. John, and the First Friday devotion is an opportunity for us to encounter him more than just on Sundays and to deepen our love of him.

Coming to know, love and trust that we may take rest in the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and place our anxieties within, is what the First Fridays are all about.

<https://aleteia.org/2016/04/29/5-things-catholics-should-know-about-first-fridays/>

Special Intention Prayers

If you need prayers or have special intentions, please email Fr. John at frjohn@assumptionsanleandro.org or call the office at (510) 352-1537. These intentions will be included in our daily rosary and in the universal prayer at mass.

Our solemn obligation to the attend Mass on SUNDAYS and HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION has come back into force in the Diocese of Oakland.

RETURN 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

Masks are now required at mass for all, regardless of vaccination status. Thank you for helping keep our community safe.

**Faith Formation for Kids
Registration is now open**

We meet on Sundays from 10:00 to 11:15am. Students preparing for First Eucharist need to have two years of preparation. Classes begin on September 19th. Register online through the parish website. Any questions, please call the office at 510-352-1537 or email Mary Schirmer at mschirmer@assumptionsanleandro.org.

Youth Confirmation 2021/2022

Registration is now open. Confirmation students must be at least 15 or a sophomore in high school. Classes start September 19th. Register online through the parish website. Any questions, please call the office at 510-352-1537 or email Mary Schirmer at mschirmer@assumptionsanleandro.org.

Welcome Back to School!

As we begin the 2021-2022 school year, we reflect on the many challenges Assumption School has faced together over the past 18 months. We express our appreciation to staff, students, and families for their devotion to Catholic education and share their excitement for the new school year. A full opening of the school year started Tuesday August 24, with in-person learning for all students. After a busy summer preparing, Lana Rocheford and her team, are excited in welcoming the students back. They are committed to having their teachers and students in a safe and supportive environment to enhance their academic, social, emotional, and spiritual development. On behalf of the Assumption Community, we bless our teachers, school administrators, school support staff, friends, and classmates. Whether or not you have a child or grandchild in school, we invite all to join us in offering this wonderful prayer. It is from Catholic Household Blessings and Prayers by United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Prayer to Begin a School Year

God of wisdom and might, we praise you for the wonder of our being, for mind, body and spirit. Be with our children as they begin a new school year. Bless them and their teachers and staff. Give the strength and grace as their bodies grow; wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding; and peace and zeal to their hearts. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Come join us on Saturday, September 4, 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.

Financial Report

Week of August 22, 2021

Unavailable

Mothers and Children Collection

\$1,754.00

Assumption Family Day Celebration

\$3,928.72

St. Vincent de Paul

Your gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul during today's Fifth Sunday second collection allow our members to reach out to our neighbors in need. We thank you. This week our members assisted a multi-generational household with a past due utility bill, food and a gas card for their transportation needs. We also helped a previously disabled woman get established in an apartment with some furniture, a Target gift card and food. If you are or someone you know is in need of assistance please call our Help-Line at 510-352-6079.

AUGUST 28—SEPTEMBER 4, 2021

We Remember at the Eucharist

Saturday 28

8:15a.m.

4:30pm End Abortion in America

Sunday 29

8:00am Gerhard Sawter+

10:00 am Prudencia Pavo+

12:00 noon. Lita Flinders (Living)

Monday 30

8:15a.m. Barbara Vaughn+

Tuesday 31

8:15a.m. Vicenta Sierra+

Wednesday 1

8:15a.m. End Abortion in America

Thursday 2

8:15am Gino Pacini+

Friday 3

8:15am

Saturday 4

8:15am Hospicia Bautista Pantido +

4:30pm John & Mary Musgrove (Living)

FORMED-Pick of the Week for Kids

JoyToons, The Brother Francis Song Collection!

Join the joyful Brother Francis as he teaches children about the blessings that come when heart and mind are filled with praise for God and thoughts of his love for us. Children will learn what the Bible has to say about singing and music. This special episode includes visualized songs from Brother Francis episodes 1–9 along with short, thought-provoking quotes from the saints.

<https://leaders.formed.org/pathway-religious-ed-and-schools/>

Back to School Donuts

This Sunday, August 29, TK and Kindergarten will be presented to the parishioners at the 10:00 am mass. We are happy to welcome all these new school families. Join us after mass for fellowship, donuts, and coffee at the Mary Seese Plaza.

Assumption Youth Community Service Team

AYCST (formerly MSAT) were busy this summer doing their many outreach projects. Some of the things they worked on were making soup for April Showers and making bag lunches for our homeless encampments. These middle & high schoolers were also a big help in setting up and breaking down tables & chairs for the Feast of the Assumption Family Day. We are so proud of our youth!!!

Our AYCST members will be presented this Sunday, August 29 at the noon time mass. Father Chris and Father John will be concelebrating as we recognize these incredible students.

CYO NEWS 2021/2022

CYO Registration is now open for Cross Country, Track and Field, Girls' Volleyball, Girls' Basketball, Boys' Basketball, and Sand Volleyball.

Forms are available on the Oakland Diocese Webpage under Forms. Please complete the forms and return as soon as possible. Any questions, please contact Nathaniel Fripp or call the parish office at 510-352-1537.

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

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

July 1—August 15

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

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Attention: Martha

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Message:

Please send 250 bulletins