Fr. Leonard Marrujo, Parochial Administrator  
Fr. Chris Berbena, Parochial Vicar  
Bill Vaughan, Music Director  
James Brady, RCIA /Adult Faith Formation  
Mary Schirmer, Youth Ministry & Formation  
Rhina Ruggiero, Office Manager  
Dolores Hurtado, Bookkeeper  
Lana Rocheford, School Principal

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST  
Saturday: 8:15 AM, 5:00 PM (Vigil Mass)  
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 AM and 12:00PM  
Weekdays: 8:15 AM  
Holy Days: 8:15 AM, 7:00 PM

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION  
Saturdays: 3:30 to 4:00 PM

Perpetual Help Devotions:  
Tuesday mornings after 8:15 AM Liturgy

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and  
Chaplet of Divine Mercy:  
Every Wednesday 8:45-9:45 AM
Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 1, 2019

You have approached Mount Zion and the city of the living God. — Hebrews 12:22a

A Word from the Pastor

Last Sunday the parish blessed and welcomed our new TK and Kindergarten classes to a new school year. It was wonderful seeing so many families attending mass and then participating in the parish picnic at the school/parish green. What a great time and lots of fun and good food; I was very impressed as to how many of us brought food to share. The lumpia’s were delicious, as were the many salads, bean dishes and numerous sides dishes; it was literally an international smorgasbord of deliciousness. The dessert table was laden with so many sweets I didn’t know which to choose.

I would like to take this time to thank all involved during this incredible time. Thank you Kelli and Paul Jackman and those who assisted them. Thank you Dad’s club for grilling hot dogs and tending bar; as always you guys do great work for the school and parish. And thank you all who came early and left late to set up and take down the canopies, tables and everything else. I would also like to thank all the teachers, staff and Mrs. Rocheford for being there to support this great community. And a big thank you to all the parents and their children for sharing this time with the whole parish. It was satisfying to see so many families and friends coming together to share in this joyous occasion. As I mentioned to Doug Taylor and Pedro Naranjo, I felt a lot of positive energy that day and feel like we have a great future ahead of us. Many parents and friends also said they thought our community was starting to come together not as just the school or the parish, but as a whole community of Assumption.

As pastor of this incredible parish, I am especially excited about the upcoming events that will take place in September and October. Our annual school festival is scheduled for September 27th thru the 28th, followed with a pancake breakfast on the 29th. This year also marks the beginning of what I hope to be an annual event on our parish calendar and that is the parish “Wine Tasting” fundraiser. Faye Clement has taken great strides in preparing for and planning this event. She’s doing a bang up job and I look forward to getting my very own wine glass with our parish logo etched on the side. And Mary Schirmer is again planning for our Second Annual Brats, Bingo and Beer fundraiser for our youth ministry programs. So much fun is coming our way.

One more piece of news. This Fall we’re getting a Transitional Deacon from St. Patrick’s Seminary in Menlo Park. Deacon Juuni is from Guam and will begin his “deacon year” starting Sunday, September 22nd. In addition to deacon Juuni, we are also blessed with another seminarian who will assist in our youth programs helping Mary to develop and expand the parish youth ministry. Lots of things happening in the Fall. Stay tuned as more projects and events come online. God bless.

Bible Study

Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 4 in the rectory conference room at 10:00a.m.

Assumption will be taking part of the World wide event on Saturday, October 12th in the Mary Seese Plaza at 12noon. We would like to invite everyone to come and join us. Bring your Families, neighbors and friends. We would like to see more young people to come. We hope to see this ministry grow.

Last week to sign up for CYO Fall sports

Boys basketball
Girls volleyball
Track and field

Please call rectory office at 510-352-1537
St. Vincent de Paul

Today, we hear Jesus say to us, "...when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame and the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you. For you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous." Through your generosity and love the Society of St. Vincent de Paul maintains a food pantry. This past week our members provide food for three households. We also assist three households with past due utility bills. One of our neighbors has reached out to us in need of a car. If you have a vehicle in running condition which you would consider donating contact St. Vincent de Paul through our Help-Line at 510 352-6079.

MEN’S GROUP

Great progress was made in renewing the ministry center when the men's group, dad's club, and boys scouts combined forces. The men's group and dad's club focused on refreshing the main living room by doing a makeover that included painting, installing energy efficiency lighting plus deep cleaning of the carpet and furniture. Assumption dad and men's group representative Tim Karlstrand said that many people use the room and that it was time to transform the space. Assumption boy scouts focused on doing a major yard cleanup under the direction of assumption alumni Matthew Gerardi; who is doing the renewal of the yard as part of his eagle scout project.

HUMILITY

Humility is a virtue we don’t see much in our times. It seems that bragging, swaggering, and arrogance dominate our fashion for everything and our internet conversations. Who hasn’t been irritated by the “trolls” who try (usually with bad grammar and poor spelling) to start an online fight with those whose opinions do not align with theirs? Our stores, catalogs, and online shopping sites are full of useless items geared in use and price to the very rich, as ordinary, useful things seem to fade off the sales scene. As the rich get richer, the poor get poorer and the middle class is fading away. What is the antidote to this? Humility is a good place to start. Devotion to God is worth more than riches. “The father of orphans and the defender of widows is God in his holy dwelling. God gives a home to the forsaken; [God] leads forth prisoners to prosperity.”

Save the Dates

Donut Sunday on September 22, 2019

Looking ahead to autumn, our annual Assumption Festival will be held on Friday and Saturday, September 27/28 with a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, September 29. Fun or all!

Sunday, October 6, 2019 at 1:00p.m. will be our inaugural wine-tasting fundraiser featuring award-winning wines from Bishop's Vineyard. Please feel free to bring neighbor families and friends to join us in fellowship at this event!

On Saturday, October 12, our parish will host America Needs Fatima for our second year. We will gather to say the rosary in Mary Seese Plaza at 12 noon.

Also in the fall there will be a Men’s Cursillo scheduled for October 10-13, 2019, with a Women’s Cursillo taking place October 17-20, 2019. More information will follow at a later date.

Dad’s Club Golf Scramble

This event takes place on Saturday, September 21 at the Metropolitan Golf Links in Oakland. Call Leo Gudino at 510 507-2413 for information.

Financial Update for August 11, 2019

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Thank you for your continued giving!
Invite Yourself and Others to Grow Closer to God

To evangelize one heart at a time beginning with our own, begins by getting to know God and to understand the Catholic Faith in our church founded by Christ when he said to Peter, “You are Peter and upon this rock I will build my church…” Matt 16.

If you or anyone you know is interested in receiving or completing the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist, or Confirmation, please contact the Parish Office or Jim Brady at (510) 393-9396. RCIA and Adult Confirmation will get started soon, so make haste! Anyone already fully initiated is invited to join us. We will be incorporating Bishop Barron’s CATHOLICISM into the sessions. Last year many parishioners found the series to be a source of enrichment for their journey of faith. Jim will also be giving a series of lectures based on St. John Paul II’s “Theology of the Body” as part of our Monday evening series of talks in the fall.

Confirmation/Faith Formation Registration

August is the time for registration for children’s Faith Formation and teen Confirmation. Confirmation classes will begin on Sunday, September 15th with an information meeting for both parents and candidates in the Small Hall at 11:00a.m. This meeting will last about 45 minutes and will be an overview of the yearly plan and curriculum. Registration paperwork will be available to pick up at the meeting and is also available in the back of the church, in the parish office and on our parish website. Classes start on Sunday, September 29th! ALL ARE WELCOME to participate in our classes. We are looking forward to seeing you all!

Ministry Opportunities

Please join our Liturgical Ministries here at Assumption by volunteering your time and talent to enrich our weekly liturgies. To sign up, follow these instructions:
1. Go to the Assumption Ministry website at: www.rotundasoftware.com/ministry/slassumption
2. Just under the blue box in the middle of the page, you should see, “Don’t have an account yet? Sign up now.” Click “Sign up now”.
3. Fill out the enrollment form completely, indicating at which ministries you would like to sign up, at which masses you prefer to serve, and how often you would like to serve.
4. Don’t forget to click “submit” at the bottom of the page! You will receive an email once your enrollment form is processed.

If you have any questions, please contact Giovanna Giuliani at: assumptionscheduling@gmail.com.
Our faith community here at Assumption will be more vibrant and alive because you are willing to be a part of it. Please sign up soon!

Recycling Drive

Boy Scout Troop 556 will hold its next recycling drive to earn money to help scouts pay for summer camp on Saturday, September 21, from 10-11:00a.m. at Assumption School across from the Ministry Center. The troop is collecting plastic and glass beverage bottles and aluminum cans. Please contact Jason Beito at (510) 439-7050 or jbeito@gmail.com or Alan Dunn at (510) 207-8068 or stargazeralan@yahoo.com Thanks!

Bulletin Articles

If your church ministry has an article or an announcement to publish in our weekly parish bulletin, it is due to the parish office no later than Friday before 5:00p.m. Bulletins are sent to the publisher on the following Tuesday for the next weekend’s announcements. All articles must be submitted to Rhina at this email address: slassumption@sbcglobal.net
We will always print your article if we have room in the bulletin. Thanks for your help.
WE REMEMBER AT THE EUCHARIST

Weekly Mass Intentions
August 31 — September, 2019

Saturday 31 5:00 Irene Gilman +

Sunday 7:30 Ann Graves +
9:00 Isabel Luisotti +
10:30 Leticia Tinia +
12:00 Dorothea Pena +

Monday 8:15 Peter McWalters +

Tuesday 8:15 Margaret Gonzales +

Wednesday 8:15 Pat Gilmore +

Thursday 8:15 Charles Seegerger +

Friday 8:15 Michel Fitzpatrick +

Saturday 8:15 Jodene Gonzales +

Sunday 7 5:00 Amelia Rodriguez +

Office is closed on Monday.

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday 31

Monday  Labor Day

Tuesday  SH Drama 3pm
         SH School Board  7pm
         GYM CYO 3pm

Wednesday  Ch Children’s Choir 2pm
          SH Girls Scouts 6 pm
          SH Boys Scouts 7pm
          CH Adult Choir 7pm
          GYM CYO 3pm

Thursday  GYM CYO 3pm

Friday  GYM Jr High Dance

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Head Lector:
Cathy Ralph ..........................510 895-0420

Altar Server Coordinators:
Dennis Burigsay ......................510 895-1628
Mike Tedeschi ........................510 357-9447

Head Communion Minister:
Faye Caruso ..........................510 882-5002

Head Usher:  Ed Hernandez ...........510 351-7025
Head Greeter:  
Ministry Scheduler:
Giovanna Giulian ..................510 872-9035

Faith Formation & Teen Confirmation:
Mary Schirmer ......................510 352-1537

St. Vincent de Paul
Denis Ducey ..........................510 352-6079

Pastoral Council:
Doug Taylor ..........................510 638-3050

School Board:
Pau Carney ..........................510 872-2452

Finance Committee:
George Brandt ........................

Tuesdays with Larry:
Larry Graves .......................510 352-4777

Rosary Makers:
Irene Haines .......................510 483-7975

CYO:
Nathaniel Fripp .....................510 789-5565
Tom Shaddle ......................510 357-1342

All Saints Skilled Nursing
Lizette Rocha ........................510 351-1342

Communion to the Homebound:
Mary Croak ..........................510 352-1537

Communion to Kindred Hospital:
Susan Sequeira .....................510 352-5614

Prayer Chain:
JoMarie Stavosky .................510 889-9469

Knit/Crochet Group
Gloria Calegari ..................510 357-0943

Linens:
Anita De Marais ..................510 357-9172

Cursillo
Jennie Gisslow ....................510 875-9170

Hospitality Team

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 liturgy and faith formation programs, which enable us to share our gifts of time, talent, treasure and vision with our parish family and surrounding communities.