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1:30 PM-5:00PM

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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
Lana Rocheford, School Principal

CELEBRATIONS OF THE UCHARIST
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
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 9, 2020  Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?” “Here I am,” I said, “send me!”  
— Isaiah 6:8

A Word from the Pastor

A few weeks ago the bishop brought to my attention some concerns voiced by some of our parishioners. I would like to address those concerns hoping this explanation suffices to put away any concerns that may linger. One concern some had was that I was too “focused” on “redecorating” the rectory. This perception is far from reality. And now, in retrospect, I wish I had been a little more transparent regarding the state in which the rectory was and what I needed to do in order for the rectory to function properly as an office.

First, the rectory was poorly maintained. This was the result of deferred maintenance from the previous administrations. Secondly, many of the first floor rooms were being used as storage. There was no room to conduct interviews nor was there a welcoming place to meet grieving families or to conduct other functions necessary to run an office. The “common” room was filled with various types of broken and dilapidated furniture. The dining room was used as a conference room and was dark and unwelcoming. That room was in dire need of painting and organizing. This past fall we had to replace the sewer line from the office/rectory to the city sewer line. This, as you know, was expensive but had to be done. Consequently, both Fr. Chris and I had to vacate the premise for several nights. Thirdly, the boiler is as old as the rectory and is no longer in working order, therefore that is next on our list of replacing and, of course, is another expensive project. At this time the staff, Fr. Chris and I have no heating, except for some space heaters that are in use in our offices and living quarters. I was told that we are going to have to replace the water heater as well. Another project I’m putting off is the replacement of the air conditioning units. These units are no longer in any working condition. Remember, this is an old building and some things have to be replaced now or very soon. Lastly, one project that seems to have cropped up is a Tiki Bar I commissioned. Yes, I did request that a tiki bar be built and I did so for fundraiser purposes. I paid for half of this project and also for all the furnishings and decorations that go along with it. Because of this project, the parish has received numerous donations that were sorely needed for projects we needed to fund.

If I have in anyway offended anyone, or if anyone thought I was being careless with our financial resources, I sincerely apologize and will endeavor to be more transparent and mindful of your concerns for any future projects that are planned. If you have any questions regarding anything at our parish, I want you to know that my office door is open to you. I welcome any constructive suggestions you think might be helpful in guiding me. I take very seriously your concerns regarding our wonderful parish community here at Assumption. May God bless you always.
URGENT NEED FOR 2020 CENSUS TAKERS: Alameda County, CA is looking for Census Takers-Census Field Supervisors, Recruiting Assistants, Office Operations Supervisors and Clerks with salaries ranging from $22.50 and hour---$27.50 an hour. Basic Qualifications: Must have a valid e-mail address, U.S. Citizenship required and just be 18 years of age or older.

You can go on line to apply: www.2020census.gov/jobs or call 1-855-562-2020. One application is all it takes to be considered for all positions!

Confirmation Retreat

Our Confirmation class will be on retreat this weekend at CYO camp in Occidental, Ca. Twenty-six candidates from Assumption will be joined by about the same amount from Corpus Christi in Oakland. Led by a team of about 10 adult and youth leaders they will be given the opportunity to hear talks, share their faith and faith stories with each other. Please pray for them during this time of preparation.

Friendship/Donut Sunday

We are looking for groups or families to host our Friendship/Donut Sundays. The church provides everything you need. Please contact Katherine Greenberg at katherinegreenberg@gmail.com

CYO Registrations

CYO registration for girls basketball, track and field, and sand volleyball. All San Leandro youth are welcomed. For more information contact Nathanial Fripp: mrfripp13@gmail.com. Or call the parish office at 510-352-1537. Please find registration forms at assumptionsanleandro.org

CHOOSING SIDES

My great concern is not whether God is on our side; my great concern is to be on God’s side. — Abraham Lincoln

SERVE THE POOR

Be diligent in serving the poor. Love the poor, honor them as you would Christ himself. — St. Louise de Marillac

St. Vincent de Paul

In the Gospel today, Jesus says, ”You are the light of the world.” He is calling us to live our Christian vocation in words and deeds. Your gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are a "light" to those living in poverty and in a world of darkness. Vincentians go in pairs to visit our neighbors in their homes to best assess how we can help them in words and deeds.

This past week our members assisted a family with bus passes to help them with transportation. If you or someone you know is in need of assistance please call our Help-Line at 510 352-6079.

Parish Lenten Mission

Our Parish Mission will begin on the weekend of February 22/23 and continue through Wednesday, February 25. It will be given by Fr. John Ettasohn, OMI, of Lenox House in Oakland. Please mark your calendars and join us as we grow our faith together during the upcoming Lenten season.

Birthright

On the weekend of February 15th and 16th, volunteers from Birthright of San Lorenzo will be giving out empty baby bottles after the Masses. Please take them home, fill them with your donation, then return them to the church office or our Birthright office at 1048 Grant Ave. in San Lorenzo. (Donations may be given that weekend also.) Our phone number is 510-481-9677. Your generosity will enable our volunteers to continue helping Moms, babies and families. We are a non-profit, pregnancy crisis and support center, receiving no government funds. We are staffed by unpaid volunteers who give their time to help pregnant women with non-judgmental care, resources and layettes. This will also be an opportunity to learn more about Birthright, sign up for receiving our quarterly newsletters, or to be a volunteer. We would love to have you on our team.
School News

Congratulations to Assumption Alumni Grace N, ('18) and the Bishop O'Dowd Cheer team that Grace captains. They competed in the Jamz Cheer and Dance Competition, and won a giant bear for congeniality. They were great supporters for the Auction Decorations Team is looking for wooden pallets, crates and barrels to use the night of auction. Please contact Dana Yumul, yumuldm@gmail.com if you have any that the school may borrow for the evening.

Congratulations Rachel H ('23) for your excellent performance at the City of San Leandro's Poetry Slam at the Senior Center on January 20th!

MSAT

I was able to reserve spots at the Alameda County Food Bank from 12:30-3:00 pm for volunteers at the Alameda County Food Bank on Thursday, April 16th. The Food Bank is located at 7900 Edgewater, Oakland. All weekend volunteering dates were already gone!! Although this date occurs during Easter Break, I thought that students, parishioners and some parents might be available to go to the Food Bank.

When 5 of us went on December 20th, we had a very good experience. The Food Bank is very clean; our tasks were clear; we even had to take a required cookie break halfway through. We also got a tour of the whole facility at the end of our shift.

If parishioners wish to sign up or need more information they may email me at: prettonancy18@gmail.com.

Assumption Schools Auction

“Assumption School’s 31st Annual Auction - Bootleggers Ball Speakeasy will take place on Saturday, March 7th at the Colombo Club. This is the school’s largest fundraiser of the year and registration is now open. 50/50 raffle tickets can also be found in the back of the church and returned to the school office. Any and all support is greatly appreciated!”

ATTEND! Grab your friends and neighbors and come to this fun and beautiful event. Tickets will be on sale soon. Can you provide donations? Do you have tickets to a sporting event, theatre, symphony? Wine or wine club tasting passes? Is there a favorite kids' class/camp, fitness club/class, restaurant, spa, hair salon that you might solicit a gift certificate or gift basket from? Do you have a cabin or vacation home to share for a weekend? Do you like to cook or bake? Dinner-a-week for a month, cookies-of-the-month, tamales, winter soups, holiday cookies, jams & holiday pies. Are you crafty? Handmade jewelry, knit-ware, blankets & quilts, note cards, photography. Have a service or skill that you can offer? Design consulting, family portrait session, party treats, handy-person, financial planning, first-aid training? For more info, please visit this url: https://www.assumptionschool-sl.org/apps/news/article/1149395

SPONSOR OR SUPPORT: For more info, please visit this url: https://www.assumptionschool-sl.org/apps/news/article/1149397

BAKE FOR THE DESSERT AUCTION: For more info, please visit this url: https://www.assumptionschool-sl.org/apps/news/article/1149399

BUY 50/50 RAFFLE TICKETS: For more info, please visit this url: https://www.assumptionschool-sl.org/apps/news/article/1149398

Financial Update for February 2, 2020

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WE REMEMBER AT THE EUCHARIST

Weekly Mass Intentions
February 8—February 15

Saturday 8  5:00  Chris Calegari (L)

Sunday 9  7:30  Ann Graves +
  9:00  Myrna Banaag (L).
  10:30  Leo Kienny +
  12:00  Manuel Uribe +

Monday 8:15  Roger Piegaia +

Tuesday 8:15

Wednesday 8:15

Thursday 8:15  Charles & Irene Guest +

Friday 8:15  Raymond H. Peters +

Saturday 8:15  Charles & Irene Guest +  5:00  Anita Labayog +

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday  MC  FF 9:00a.m.
       GYM  CYO 1:00p.m.

Monday  GYM  CYO 3:30p.m.
       H  Drama 3:00p.m.

Tuesday  GYM  CYO 3:30p.m.
       CR1  Pastoral Coun. 7:00p.m.

Wednesday  H  Girl Scouts
         H  Boy Scouts 7p.m.
       GYM  CYO 3:30 p.m.
       CH  Child. Choir 2:00 p.m.
       CH  Adult Choir 7:00p.m.

Thursday  GYM  CYO 3:30p.m.

Friday  GYM  CYO 3:30p.m.

Saturday  GYM  CYO 9:00a.m.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

Head Lector:  Cathy Ralph…………………………..510 895-0420
Altar Server Coordinators:
  Dennis Burigasy…………………………..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:  Hanne Gerardi………………..510-393-9989
Ministry Scheduler:
  Giovanna Giuliani………………..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:
  Paul Carney………………..510 872-2452
Finance Committee:
  George Brandt………………..510-410-5819
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.