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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

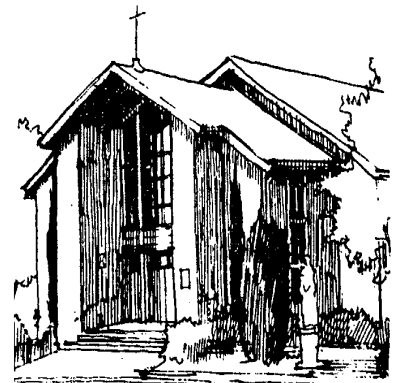
Saturdays: 3:30 to 4:00 PM

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



**Fifteenth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
July 14, 2019**

Christ Jesus . . . is the
head of the body, the church.
— *Colossians 1:15, 18*



A Word From the Pastor

A Few Tips for Improving Parish Hospitality

Every parish has visitors, but not every visit is the same. Are your visitors having a positive experience? Will they come back? Do they feel welcomed? How is our hospitality? Think of the last time you visited another parish for the first time. Did you know where to park? Did you find your way around easily? Did you feel welcomed? Were you a bit nervous? What was positive about the experience and what was negative? Many Catholics are able to look beyond the negatives in a parish, because they are insiders who understand the reality of the Eucharist. But, most outsiders to our parishes are unable to do the same and they may focus on the externals we may gloss over. The challenge for us is to see our parishes through the eyes of our visitors, so we can be more welcoming to them.

Therefore, we need to explore how we can be more hospitable; the primary reason is that it is commanded by Jesus! God wants us to welcome the stranger and tells us this again and again in Sacred Scripture:

“The stranger who sojourns with you shall be to you as the native among you, and you shall love him as yourself; for you were strangers in the land of Egypt: I am the Lord your God.” Lev. 19:34

“Practice hospitality ungrudgingly to one another.” 1 Peter 4:9

“Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.” Heb. 13:2

Our Christian witness is reflected in how we treat one another - “By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” John 13:35

At this point I doubt anyone would not want their parish to be more hospitable, but first think of the reasons someone may come to your parish: Visiting from out of town. Special occasion (baptism, wedding, funeral, etc). A person (or

family) going through a tough time and looking for something to help them. Think of folks going through a death, divorce, troubled child, lack of meaning to life, etc. They may have questions and are looking for answers. A non-Catholic who is exploring Catholicism, but doesn't know where to start, so they come to visit. Trying to find a new parish and are “church shopping”. Each person has a unique reason why they are visiting your parish. What every one of them wants is to feel valued and welcomed. Here is how we can improve.

1. The first 10 minutes are key. You only get one chance at a first impression and it really does matter. From the time they enter your parking lot, to the time they sit down and take in the church, they are making judgments about your congregation that may mean the difference in returning or never coming back.
2. Your website is where most people will visit first. Will they find what they are looking for easily? Is it well designed?
3. Make your nursery, cry room, etc. easy to find, well-marked, clean, and safe.
4. Have someone who is easy to find, stationed at a prominent place, to answer questions. Some parishes have added welcome booths. This is an easy way to make visitors know where they can come for more information.
5. Separate out ushers and members of your hospitality team. They serve a different purpose! Ushers should hold doors, help find seats, clean, help make things safe, and hand out bulletins. A hospitality team does all the other things on this list!
6. If someone volunteers their information, then follow-up within 48 hours. Have a member of the hospitality team call them and ask them to come to a welcome dinner for the month.
7. One last thing - pray for those who are visiting your parish in the Universal Prayer during Mass.

Remember, the point isn't just to be hospitable for the sake of hospitality, but to show the love of God, as a community, to others. I hope this list can be helpful to all of us. God bless. (Catholic Missionary Disciples, 2019)

What's Happening

St. Vincent de Paul

In today's Gospel when Jesus asks, "Which of these three, in your opinion, was neighbor to the robbers' victim?" the scholar of the law answered "The one who treated him with mercy." Jesus then said, "Go and do likewise." Because of your generous gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, our members are able to bring your mercy to the poor and marginalized who call our Help Line for relief.

This past week we helped a woman with food and household items as she sets up her apartment. We also brought food and bus passes to a disabled couple living in a motel. Lastly we helped three families with food and past due utility bills.

Thank you for your selfless support in our recent Fifth Sunday second collection. If you or someone you know is in need of assistance, please call our help line at (510) 352-6079.

Middle School Social Action Update

Assumption's Middle School Social Action Team will sponsor a breakfast fundraiser to send three needy Washington School students to summer camp. The team also put together bags of snacks consisting of protein bars, nuts or fruit snacks and one sweet treat. The bags will be distributed at April Showers. Go MSSAT! You carry Christ's love to all you touch!

Save the Date

Please mark Sunday, October 6, 2019 at 1:00p.m. on your calendars for our Assumption **wine-tasting fundraiser**. The event will feature wines from the Bishop's Vineyard and offer an opportunity for us all to come together to celebrate our Assumption community.

Our **Parish Picnic** will take place on Sunday, August 25 at 1:00p.m. The parish will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, buns, condiments, and paper plates. Please bring a side dish to share. There will be a "free will" offering to defray costs.

Assumption Festival

Our annual **Assumption Festival** will be held on Friday and Saturday, September 27/28 with a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, September 29.

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.

An Invitation

Please join us to celebrate the life of our dear parishioner, Jeanne MacCoy, on Saturday morning, August 10, at the 8:15a.m. Mass. After liturgy we will gather over coffee and baked goods to share memories and anecdotes about Jeanne. You are welcome to join us!

Recycling Drive

Boy Scout Troop 556 will hold its next monthly recycling drive to earn money to help scouts pay for summer camp this Saturday, July 20 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**. Thanks!

Financial Update for July 7, 2019

Plate Collection.....	\$ 7,571.00
EFT Collection.....	\$ 1,625.00
Total.....	\$ 9,196.25
Goal.....	\$ 9,500.00
Over/(Under).....	\$ (303.75)

Thank you for your continued giving!

What's Happening at the School

Assumption CYO Cross Country will begin practicing in August! The thrill of victory! The agony of de-feet?! Please contact any of these coaches to ensure that you are on their distribution list for more information.

James Zahradka: jfzahradka@gmail.com

Allison Pretto: alliepretto@yahoo.com

Kisitina Venegas: kisitina@yahoo.com

Jeff Mihaly: jeffmihaly@yahoo.com

Carlos Javier: carlosx21@comcast.net

Donut Sunday

Assumption Church has a new ministry and we are looking for different families, friends, and service groups to organize a parish financed monthly event where Mass attendees, parishioners, families, and friends gather to celebrate fellowship and community over donuts and coffee. All supplies are provided by the parish. Please contact Katherine Greenberg at: katherinengreenberg@gmail.com or phone (510) 815-4091 if you would like to help. Thanks.

Catechetical Congress 2019

The Lead Me Lord Catechetical Congress will be held on Saturday, August 10 at Bishop O'Dowd High School. For registration and speaker information call (510) 278-4161 or go to: www.oakdiocese.org/congress. Early bird registration before tomorrow, July 15, is \$35.

Rebuild My Church

The 2019 **Bishop's Appeal** collection will be held next weekend, July 20-21. This collection helps with the expenses of vital ministries and programs throughout the diocese such as religious education and faith formation, clergy formation and support, priest care/retirement, and support for Catholic schools and parishes in need. The goal of this year's appeal is \$3 million. For more information, please read the pamphlets located on the tables at the back of the church. There are envelopes in the pews for your donation of a one-time gift or a pledge payable over a period of time. Please be generous in supporting our diocese.

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!

Life Teen

If you are a teen who wants to encounter Christ and grow in relationship with Him, we encourage you to attend a Youth Conference on July 26-28 at the San Ramon Marriot. If you have questions about this life-changing event, go to: www.steubenvillenorcal.com or contact Patty Collyer at: pcollyer@oakdiocese.org.

Quo Vadis Days

The Seminarians of the Diocese of Oakland will be hosting a Quo Vadis Day on Monday, July 22 from 9:30a.m.-6:30p.m. at the Diocese of Oakland Youth Retreat Center in Lafayette. This day of gathering is open to young men ages 13 - 18. The cost is \$20.00 To register or for more information please contact: Cielo Branco at: cbranco@oakdiocese.org or call (510) 267-8356. Thank you.



WE REMEMBER AT THE EUCHARIST

**Weekly Mass Intentions
July 13— July 20, 2019**

**Saturday 13 5:00 Walter Bielaski + and
Polly Smith +**

**Sunday 14 7:30 Angelina & Stefano
Villata +
9:00 Maurice Gracias +
10:30 Sofia Gonzalez (L)
12:00 Jose Rodrigues
Oliveira +**

Monday 8:15 Mel Calegari +

Tuesday 8:15 Gilbert Puccini +

Wednesday 8:15 Polly Smith +

Thursday 8:15 Phyllis Demos +

**Friday 8:15 Walter & Anna
Szymanski +**

Saturday 20 8:15

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday 14

**Monday GYM Mr. D's Sports Zone
MC Coding with Don**

Tuesday GYM Mr. D's Sports Zone

**Wednesday GYM Mr. D's Sports Zone
MC Coding with Don**

Thursday GYM Mr. D's Sports Zone

Friday GYM Mr. D's Sports Zone

**Saturday 20 YRD Boy Scouts Recycling
10 - 11:00a.m.**

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 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 Carney510 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

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.