

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

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To all who are tired and need rest; to all who mourn and need comfort; to all who are friendless and need friendship;
to all who are discouraged and need hope; to all who sin and need a Savior; and to whomsoever will,
THIS CHURCH OPENS WIDE ITS DOOR IN THE NAME OF THE LORD JESUS!



**Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 21, 2022**

SERVED BY:

Rev. Paul Prevosto, Pastor Fr.Prevosto@proton.me

Rev. James F. Spera, Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Carmine Rizzi, Priest-in-Residence

Rev. Deacon David J. Farrell, Deacon and
Religious Education Coordinator

John Ballantyne, Trustee

Elizabeth Santora, Trustee

Donna Schmatz, Organist and Music Coordinator

Virginia Jediny, Parish Secretary

Debbie Kachnowski, Parish Catechetical Leader

New members of the Parish are welcome and invited to
REGISTER by calling the Rectory Office. Please notify the
Office when moving away from the Parish.

EUCCHARIST:

Saturday Evenings: 5:30 pm

Sundays: 8:00 am, 10:30 am, 12:00 Noon

Weekdays: Monday - Saturday, 8:00 am

Holy Days of Obligation:

8:00 am and 7:30 pm

Novenas:

St. Jude after the Saturday 8:00 am Mass

St. Anthony, prayers with Benediction of the

Blessed Sacrament, Tuesday, 7:30 pm, September thru June

Confession:

Saturday afternoon from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Weekdays (Monday-Saturday) at 7:30 am before the

8:00 am Mass, or anytime by appointment

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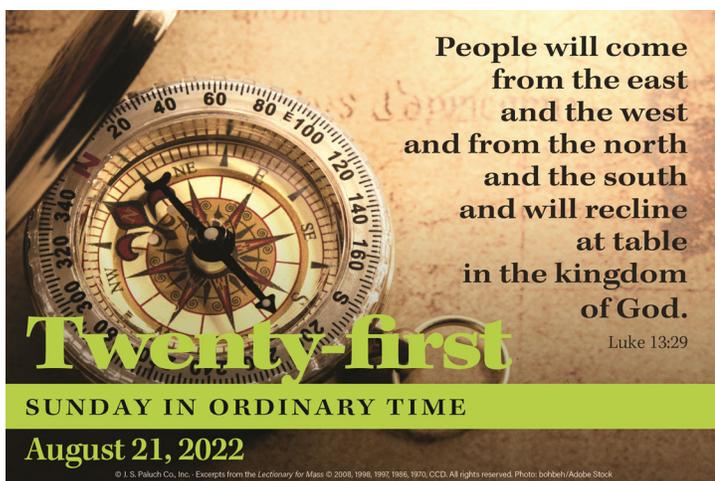
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Eucharistic Ministers — Two Ministers for each Mass.

August 2022

- 5:30 PM - Cindy Campbell, John Mattingly
 8:00 AM - John Ballantyne, Maryann Mansueto, Barbara Sokol
 10:30 AM - Noelle Degbe
 12 Noon - Sue Carlstrom, Maureen McNulty

LECTORS

August 20/21, 2022

- 5:30 PM Leona Seufert
 8:00 AM John Ballantyne
 10:30 AM
 12 Noon Debbie Kachnowski

August 27/28, 2022

- Gerard Taveras
 Tom DiMaio
 Diane Burgos
 Nicholas Milici

ALTAR SERVERS

August 20/21, 2022

- 5:30 PM Joe Schmatz
 8:00 AM Loretta Raczynski

 10:30 AM
 12 Noon

August 27/28, 2022

- Riley & Rocco Paolino
 Ethan Pama



Prayer List: (In alphabetical order) To have someone placed on or removed from the sick list please call the Rectory. We invite you to clip out this section each Sunday. Perhaps you could put it near a prayer book, in your Bible, or in your pocket or purse. It is a good thing when we pray with and for one another. Thank you and God bless you!

Patrick Ahern Jr., Altagracia Alvarez, Kathy Barz, Fred Boyne, Brendan, Rocco Cerrato, Christine Conrad, Ken Castenon, Rev. Msgr. Peter Cheplic, Kay Downey, Ronald Fellner, Charles Frank, Nicholas Fusco, John Garofalo, Lynn Gehrman, Fran Getchies, Harold Gibson, Bonnie Greer, Joseph Gregory, Doris K. Handschuh, Helen Hojnoski, Cynthia and Thomas Ingman, A.M.J., Elizabeth Knych, Cyndee Kurri, Nancy Lanfrank, Stella LoPiccolo, Tina Marino, Christine Mattingly, Zchantell McDonald, Eleanor Morehouse, Tanina Naccarato, Carol Fellner Nasta, Monica Quigley O'Brien, Margie Ortizio, Lily Rita Procopio, Lorraine Ruivo, Rudy Salazar, Roseann Santanna, Ann Sisalli, Antonio Spano, Gabrielle Spano, Debra Szajko, Lynn Tumblety, Tony & Laura Wargacki

Mass Schedule

SATURDAY, August 20: Saint Bernard

- 8:00 AM **Church Founders & Benefactors 1955**
 5:30 PM **Beatrice & Joseph Pietrzak**
 (Love, Irene)

SUNDAY, August 21 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 AM **For the Parishioners**
 10:30 AM **Joan Ternyik**
 (From: Bernadette Bodnar)
 12:00 Noon **William Larkin**
 (From: Antoinette Auletta)

MONDAY, August 22: Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

- 8:00 AM **Domenica Grossi**
 (Love, Ted Grossi)

TUESDAY, August 23: Saint Rose of Lima

- 8:00 AM **Charles & Evelyn Florio**
 (Love, Nick & Josie Florio)

WEDNESDAY, August 24: Saint Bartholomew

- 8:00 AM **Karen Geremia**
 (From: Nancy Morey & Janet Rizzo)

THURSDAY, August 25: Saint Louis & Saint Joseph Calasanz

- 8:00 AM **Pierino & Olinda Berardenanni**
 (From: Maria DiFabio)

FRIDAY, August 26

- 8:00 AM **Daniel Covine**
 (Love, Suzanne)

SATURDAY, August 27: Saint Monica

- 8:00 AM **Matthew Conroy**
 (From: Mom & Dad)
 5:30 PM **Mary Muso**
 (From: Daughter, Angela)

SUNDAY, August 28 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 AM **For the Parishioners**
 10:30 AM **Erminio Dinardo**
 (From: Wife)
 12:00 Noon **Anthony Signorello**
 (Love, Pop)



“Lord, will only a few people be saved” (Luke 13:22)?

We live a world today where more and more people are exclusively about themselves and not about love of God and neighbor. This attitude pervades every aspect, from the individual to the nation. This attitude is in direct opposition to Our Lord’s teaching, which can only lead to one’s condemnation.

I have in my mind that upon our particular (immediate) judgment, we present to the Lord our good deeds and our contrite hearts. It can be likened to when we visit someone’s home. We do not go empty handed. We give our host a bottle of wine, a sweet or a bouquet. Imagine then entering God’s home empty handed: no good deeds, no virtuosity, no contriteness, no humility.

Rather when we die, we must have in our store a spiritual bouquet to present to our Lord even if it is only a humble contrite heart which the Lord would never scorn.

In today’s Gospel, the question of universal salvation is asked by a passerby. Jesus stresses that the gate is narrow and the only a few are strong enough (remain faithful and virtuous) to enter. He tells us that we must be vigilant and cannot rest on our laurels or believe that just because we know about him or were his associates can we get into heaven. Each day we must commit ourselves to being his disciples. If we forget this then we are vainly hoping that Jesus, that nice guy, will say “Welcome my good and faithful servant,” when in fact we have been distant, giving lip service and pretending that Jesus is our BFF.

Upon our deaths, from an individual’s perspective, according to CCC 1022, the immortal soul immediately enters one of possible 3 states (as particular judgment):

1. the blessedness of heaven immediately [for the saints, who lived exemplary lives of virtue and faithfulness]
2. the blessedness of heaven through a purification [purgatory for those who less than “perfect”], or
3. immediate and everlasting damnation [those who have rejected God’s love and forgiveness]

It is important to understand purgatory and hell are not principally locations, but rather states of being. Hell is the state of definitive self-exclusion from communion with God and the blessed. Purgatory is a time in which a deceased souls need to be purged of residual sin, attachments to worldly desires and whatever else prevents us from complete union with our Maker. The Catechism continues (CCC 1472): These two punishments (speaking of purgatory and hell) must not be conceived of as a kind of vengeance inflicted by God from without, but as following from the very nature of sin.

Finally, if the soul has been judged, what’s the purpose for final judgment? It will reveal in full the justice and glory of God for all to see. This is not accomplished in each man’s private and particular judgment. The full implications of the good and evil that we do in our lifetime will not be fully realized at the time of our particular judgment.

Since we sin and perform virtuous acts as a body/soul composite, it is fitting that we be judged as a body/soul composite as well. This too does not occur at our particular judgment, but rather at the final judgment when the body is raised and united to the soul.

So while God desires the salvation of all, many have turned away from his love and mercy and are condemned. They were not strong enough to keep the faith under trial, to resist sin when tempted, to repent and receive God’s mercy, and to prefer the long and winding road of perdition to the straight and narrow road that leads to heaven.

Be strong.

Pax Christi, Fr. Paul

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

O God, who cause the minds of the faithful to unite in a single purpose,
grant your people to love what you command
and to desire what you promise,
that, amid the uncertainties of this world,
our hearts may be fixed on that place
where true gladness is found.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

SPECIAL DONATIONS

To make a Special Donation for Hosts, Wine, Candles, Sanctuary Candle or Tabernacle Flowers, please use the Special Donation Envelope found at the doors of the Church.

**In Loving Memory of Alexander L. D'Addio, Jr.
8/26/11**

Requested by Wife Joanne and Family
Donation of Sanctuary Candle

Feast of St. Anthony

Church of the Assumption
2022

On behalf of the Church of the Assumption, I would like to thank everyone – volunteers, parish staff and attendees - who made the 2022 Feast of St. Anthony a great success. **The parish made a profit of \$53,673.**

Only with your help could the Feast have been this successful! The dates for the 23rd annual Feast of St. Anthony are June 8-11, 2023. See you all then!

Greg Demeter
Feast of St. Anthony Coordinator

GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Our readings today remind us of the larger story of the Bible, of God's purposes and promises for the world. Because of humanity's rejection of God, as told in Genesis, human communities were first dispersed. Isaiah proclaims that one day God will gather these communities to be healed and reconciled with God. In Luke's Gospel, Jesus echoes Isaiah and teaches that all peoples in God's promised future "will recline at table in the kingdom of God." Notice that in Isaiah, the nations coming to God do not lose their ethnicity or unique identity. They bring their own distinct cultural gifts to God's table. Each people has its unique history with God, has received distinct blessings from God, and each is accountable to God. Today, we live in a global and multi-cultural Church. When God's diverse peoples gather in worship today, may we honor and celebrate each other's gifts and blessings.

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**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY
WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS!**

The St. Vincent de Paul Society organizes a number of different projects here at Assumption: Giving Tree, Food Bank, Respect for Life, etc. We are always happy to have new members! We will meet on Sept. 13 (We meet once a month from September to June.) to plan our activities for the coming year. If you would like to join, feel free to just come to the meeting on Sept. 13. (We meet in the chapel after the St. Anthony Novena.) We are a very flexible group! You do not have to attend meetings! You can just be on our email list to find out if you would like to participate in any activity we have coming up. For example: we help out with the bulk mailings from the parish. This would be just a few hours of your time once or twice a year if you feel like it.

If you would like addition information or just want to be placed on our mailing list, email **Anthony Giordano** at giordanoanthony@hotmail.com and let him know!

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

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PRAY
For
PEACE



Registration forms for the 2022-2023 Religious Ed School Year have been emailed to all returning students.

Please be sure to complete the form and return it to the Religious Ed Office no later than August 15th, along with the appropriate fees.

Classes will begin on Sunday September 18th. We are in need of substitute Catechists, classroom aides, and office help.

If interested, please send an email to assumptionschool110@outlook.com. and someone will reach out to you. Once approved, you will be required to submit a volunteer application, undergo a background screening and obtain certification in the workshop, Protecting God's Children.

Please feel free to contact our office with any questions.

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Weekly Collection for August 13/14	\$5,139
Archdiocese Assessment Collection	\$1,567

Thank you for your generosity!

MARY'S GROTTA

We will be closed during the months of July and August.

Ladies of the Rosary Society,
 Church of the Assumption

**Knights' Corner (Council #3240)**

The Knights of Columbus (Council #3240) of the Church of the Assumption would like to invite any interested Parish men, that wish to learn more about the Knights of Columbus to fill out one of the cards located in the front of the Church and place it in the collection basket. The Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus is currently conducting a membership drive. Please be sure to "like" our Facebook page: Knights of Columbus - Msgr. Loreti Council #3240



Through God's Grace, we save babies' lives and shelter their young mothers, while providing education and ongoing compassionate support services, including our Pregnancy Sonogram Center. We further educate young people to make healthy life choices. We also support some inner city Special Families with care packages for Easter, Back-to-School, Thanksgiving and Christmas. Your financial gift will help save the life of a child and help us to continue our ministry. Can you be a child's earthly Guardian Angel?

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Please focus your smartphone camera on the QR code and you will have the readings for the days.

Upcoming Events and Notices—Save the Dates



Please welcome **Rev. Fr. Paul Shirima** who will be representing the Catholic Diocese of Tanga in Tanzania/East Africa and speak at all the weekend Masses for the Misison Appeal at our parish on **this weekend of August 20-21, 2022**. Fr. Paul is a priest from Tanzania. He was ordained in 2011. Since his ordination, Fr. Shirima has done parish ministry in several parishes in Tanzania, as a teacher at the diocesan junior seminary and as the diocesan youth director. Since August 2021, Fr. Shirima has been a graduate student in Jewish-Christian Studies at Seton Hall University in South Orange, NJ.

The mission needs of the diocese of Tanga are many. Currently they have 29 seminarians in formation. Any help we can give to them will be vital in supporting the formation of these fine young men who will soon move on to priesthood. They can't thank us enough for our consideration. Your generous financial and spiritual help will make a difference. Please be generous in your response to Father's appeal.

Father Richard Kunzman will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

Bon Voyage Fr. Carmine

On September 7, 2022, Fr. Carmine will be leaving Church of the Assumption and heading to Rome for his new assignment. **On the weekend of August 27/28, 2022**, there will be gatherings in the Lower Parish Hall, (formerly Chiego Hall), with light refreshments after each Mass. Please join us in wishing Fr. Carmine: Good Bye, Good Luck, and God Bless You, on your new adventure.

Novena

**Mary, Un-tier of Knots
after all Masses from
August 14-August 22**

Rachel's Vineyard is a safe place to renew, rebuild and redeem hearts broken by abortion.

Weekend retreats offer a supportive, confidential and non-judgemental environment where women and men can express, release and reconcile post-abortive emotions to begin the process of restoration, renewal and healing. We will be offering a retreat on the following weekends

September 9-11, 2022 (English) call: 973-497-4350 or e-mail cheryl.riley@rcan.org

October 21-23, 2022 (Spanish) call: 973-497-4350 option 2 or e-mail elvindoderaquelin@rcan.org

For more information on Rachel's Vineyard, (rachelvineyard.org)

Are you in need of healing for the pain from abortion?

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We're here for you 24/7.

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Mother Seton Gala and Silent Auction

Mother Seton Regional High School in Clark, NJ is pleased to announce the 2022 Gala Evening of Celebration and Recognition. Alumnae, family, and friends are invited to attend. The festivities will include cocktail hour, hors d'oeuvres, and dinner. A silent auction and gift basket raffle are also planned. The event will be held on Friday evening, October 14, 2022 from 6:30-10:30 p.m. at Ariana's Grand, 800 Rahway Avenue, Avenel, NJ 07095. To purchase tickets or for more information, visit MSRGala.org or email Gala@motherseton.org.

Octave of Prayer to Mary, Un-tier of Knots

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

-Amen

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be

Let us ask our Heavenly Mother to assist those who are having difficulties with the knots in their lives.

For those having marriage troubles, we pray:

Mary, Un-tier of Knots, pray for us.

For those struggling with employment & financial problems, we pray:

For those striving to persevere in the faith, we pray:

For those suffering from illness, we pray:

For those combating addiction & behavioral problems, we pray:

For those dealing with loneliness, we pray:

For those burdened with fears and worries, we pray:

For those suffering discord in the family, we pray:

For those overwhelmed by anguish or despair, we pray:

For those victimized by violence or neglect, we pray:

For those targeted by bigotry, we pray:

For those struggling to let go of grudges, we pray:

For those seeking to make peace, we pray:

For the knots in our own lives, we pray:



Holy Mary, full of the presence of God, during your life you accepted with great humility the Holy Will of the Father and the legacy of your Son Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Evil never dared to entangle you with its confusion.

Since then, you have interceded for all of our difficulties.

With all simplicity and patience you have given us examples on how to untangle the knots in our complicated lives.

**By being our Mother forever,
you arrange and make clear the path that unites us to Our Lord.**

Holy Mary, Mother of God and our Mother, with your maternal heart untie the knots that upset our lives.

We ask you to receive in your hands

(mention who or prayer request in your heart)

and deliver us from the chains and confusions that have us restrained.

Blessed Virgin Mary, through your grace, your intercession and by your example, deliver us from evil, and untie the knots that keep us from uniting with God, so that once free of every confusion and error, we may find Him in all things, have Him in our hearts, and serve him always in our brothers and sisters.

Amen

Mother of Good Counsel

--pray for us

Through the intercession of Holy Mary, Un-tier of Knots, may almighty God bless you (us), the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

- Amen

This devotion became known in the 18th century, originally for help in a difficult marriage. In the early 17th century, a noble couple were on the brink of divorce, and their priest prayed before Our Lady of Victory, holding up a ribbon (symbolic of the ribbon placed over the hands of a bridal couple) praying that all the knots in the marriage might be untangled. The marriage was saved.

Some years later, a priest relative of theirs, Hieronymus Ambrosius Langenmantel (1666-1709) of Augsburg, commissioned this painting, Our Lady Un-tier of Knots, for a family altar. The painting now hangs in the Church of St. Peter am Perlach in Augsburg, Germany. In the image, Mary stands above a crescent moon, crushing a serpent under her foot. An angel passes a knotted white ribbon to Mary who unties the knots in the ribbon. Another angel receives the smooth, unknotted portion.

Both the painting and the devotion to Mary, Un-tier of Knots, trace their roots to the second century bishop of Lyons, St. Irenaeus. Referring to Mary's role as the Second Eve, St. Irenaeus wrote that "the knot of Eve's disobedience was loosed by the obedience of Mary. For what Eve had bound fast through unbelief, thus did Mary set free through faith" (*Against Heresies*)

This devotion goes beyond marital problems, and can be used during any other kind of crisis.