

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church



**15TH SUNDAY
OF THE CHURCH YEAR**

JULY 14, 2024

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening Vigil:
5:00 p.m.

Sunday Morning:
8:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m.
11:30 a.m.

Monday—Friday
9:00 a.m.

Holy Days:
Vigil: 6:30 p.m.
Holy Day:
9:00 a.m.
& 6:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday:
4:00-4:45 p.m.
and by appointment.

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PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Monday, July 15, 2024

9:00am Mass—Church
7:00pm Men’s Basketball—Hanlon Center

Tuesday, July 16, 2024

9:00am Mass—Church

Wednesday, July 17, 2024

9:00am Mass—Church
10:00am Bible Study—Finnegan Room

Thursday, July 18, 2024

9:00am Mass—Church
7:30pm Adult Volleyball—Hanlon Gym

Friday, July 19, 2024

9:00am Mass—Church

Saturday, July 20, 2024

4:00-4:45pm Confessions—Church
5:00pm Mass—Church

Sunday, July 21, 2024

8:00; 10:00; 11:30am—Sunday Masses-Church

WEEKEND CELEBRANTS

Sat. Vigil, July 20 at 5:00 pm– Fr. Burns
assisted by Deacon Stu

Sunday, July 21

8:00 am– Fr. Torma assisted by Deacon Kelly
10 am– Msgr. Klinger assisted by Deacon Don
11:30 am– Msgr. Klinger assisted by Deacon Don

**The celebrants are subject to change.
See our website for updates.**

Next weekend our special collection supports the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your donation helps restore the Church and build the future



in more than 25 countries still struggling to recover from former communist rule. Funds from this collection support reconstruction, education, formation, and poverty outreach. Please be generous to the collection today.

REMINDER

Don’t forget to send back the parish **Census Form**, Volunteer Form and a Pledge Card. This information helps us to better serve your needs. Please mail these forms together in the envelope that was included or place it in the collection basket. We ask that all forms be returned by the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, our patronal feast, 15 August. Thank you for your promptness.

CENSUS Why is this so important?

The Parish Census is important to our church community. Did you get rid of your land line? Do you have a cell phone? Please update your information for us so we can better serve your family. Include your current email address too! It’s also important to let us know the grade that your children will enter in the fall of 2023.

TAKE TIME AND FILL IT OUT! Thanks:)



**Widow and Widower
social group**

Save the Date: **Wednesday, August 14**, at 1:00pm in the Finnegan room for a sing-a-long and make your own ice cream sundaes! Join us for some good conversation, refreshments, and fun! Any questions, contact Mary at 610-867-7424x16 or abvmrect@ptd.net. Bring a friend!

Mission Statement

The Church of the Assumption B.V.M. is dedicated to becoming a community of disciples of Jesus Christ. As disciples we make Jesus Christ a living reality in the lives of the members of our parish family. By guiding and encouraging our people to discipleship through a heightened awareness of our Lord’s presence in their lives, the parish community becomes a visible and active expression of the living Christ in our world today.

Assumption Parish Staff

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VBC Our VBC 2024 Team of 10 youth volunteers, 3 adults and 10 youth apprentices welcomed 30 children last week for 4 days of *God's Superheroes!* We all learned what it takes to be a superhero of God: prayer, learning, using our talents, and love! We met some of God's superheroes, the saints, and grew in our desire to follow the GSE (Greatest Superhero Ever!), Jesus! When we use the gifts God has given us to love our Lord and others, we, too, are God's Superheroes! How about you?



God's Superheroes



The campers presented Monsignor Klinger with a birthday card and stickers at VBC

Retreat

Revive: A Return to Joy will be the topic of the weekend retreat at St. Francis Retreat House, Easton, on August 9 to 11. Jeanne Hunt, humorous presenter, wants us to know that joy is ours for the asking.

Register by July 26 at:

stfrancisretreathouse.org/retreats/.

The retreat include 6 meals, a private room with bath, and all materials. Visit the site for single, couple, commuter, and virtual participation costs.

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Summer Hours:



June 24 - August:

- ES: Tuesday & Wednesday 8AM-1PM
- MS: Wednesday & Thursday 8AM-1PM

August 12 - August 16 M-F 8AM - 1PM

August 19 - August 23 M-F 8AM - 3PM

August 26 - First Day of School
for the 24-25 School Year

**Top 10 reasons to send your child
to a Catholic School:**



Catholic education has always been at the heart of the Catholic mission. Students and teachers have been entrusted with the fullness of faith and have been charged with the mission of evangelization. Catholic school graduates help the broader community to be the best that it can be!

Written by: Reverend Ronald J. Nuzzi

Watch the bulletin for the countdown
on why you should send your child
to a Catholic School!

**Parish Religious Education Program
PREP**

PREP REGISTRATION for 2024-2025:

To obtain your registration form, please visit the parish office or Religious Education Office, Mon. – Thurs., 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Call 610-814-0712 or e-mail at **durback@ptd.net** with questions. Registration forms are also available on the parish website: assumptionbethlehem.com. Please register ASAP.

Parents of Children in Grades 1 - 8

At Assumption Parish, children are eligible to join **Sacramental Preparation Processes** during the following school grades:



- ◆ First Reconciliation: grade 2
- ◆ First Eucharist: grade 3
- ◆ Confirmation: grade 7 - 8 (two yr. process)

Please note that a child must be consistently attending religious education sessions in a Catholic school or a parish religious education program for at least one year prior to being eligible for Sacramental preparation. If you have a child or children who have not been involved in religious education sessions, and you would like to have them join our programs, please contact the Religious Education Office by calling 610-814-0712.



Children’s Liturgy of the Word

Helpers Needed: Our faithful *Children’s Liturgy of the Word* leaders welcome aides and new leaders. Anyone ages 12 and up interested in assisting with the *Children’s Liturgy of the Word* at the 10 a.m. Mass (usually no more than one Sunday a month), please contact Christina Durback at 610-814-0712 or durback@ptd.net. Join us in helping our parish’s little ones hear the message God speaks to them each Sunday at Mass. It will help you to hear God speaking to you as well!

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week
in memory of Bob Price.

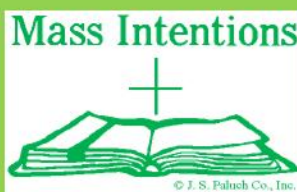


Monday, July 15: St. Bonaventure
9:00 a.m. Marcee Winterholter
Tues., July 16: Our Lady of Mount Carmel
9:00 a.m. Robert Carrow
Wednesday, July 17: Weekday
9:00 a.m. Victor Silimperi
Thursday, July 18: St. Camillus de Lellis
9:00 a.m. Sean Black
Friday, July 19: Weekday
9:00 a.m. Marie Chuckran
Saturday, July 20: St. Apollinaris
No Morning Mass
Vigil 5:00pm Living & Deceased Parishioners
Sun., July 21: 16th Sunday of the Church Year
8:00 a.m. Florence Festa
10:00 a.m. Earl & Bertha Youngblood
11:30 a.m. Theresa Fischer

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: First Reading: Isaiah 1: 10-17
Gospel: Matthew 10: 34 – 11: 1
Tuesday: First Reading: Isaiah 7: 1-9
Gospel: Matthew 11: 20-24
Wednesday: First Reading: Isaiah 10: 5-7, 13b-16—Gospel: Matthew 11: 25-27
Thursday: First Reading: Isaiah 26: 7-9, 11, 16-19—Gospel: Matthew 11: 28-30
Friday: First Reading: Isaiah 38: 1-6, 21-22, 7-8—Gospel: Matthew 12: 1-8
Saturday: First Reading: Micah 2: 1-5
Gospel: Matthew 12: 14-21
Sunday: First Reading: Jeremiah 23: 1-6
Second Reading: Ephesians 2: 13-18—Gospel: Mark 6: 30-34

Mass cards and special intention cards
are available in the parish office for \$10.



Grocery Gift Cards

June total sales: \$4,675.00

Grocery gift cards are on sale in the parish office Mon.-Fri. from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (except during the lunch hour). Our parish receives a profit from Giant, Gerrity's and Fresh Market grocery stores and from Boscovs and Red Robin restaurant.

Try it - it's easy!



Any retired, or semi-retired parishioner is invited to join *Young at Heart*. The group will resume monthly meetings in September. If you would like to join the *Young at Heart* group, contact Charlotte at 484-894-7520 or cbuckenmyer@gmail.com. There are no dues to join the group, but we ask members to buy gift cards from our parish to support the extra costs of the monthly *Young at Heart* meetings, including paying for half of the picnic fees, the fall luncheon and bus transportation for special events.

Volunteers needed



Our parish serves on the 4th Friday of the month at *New Bethany* in Bethlehem. If you'd like to volunteer to help a few times a year on our Assumption Church team, please call Kate at 610-867-7424 x 11 or email abvmkate@ptd.net.

The altar flowers for this weekend were donated in celebration of the 60th Wedding Anniversary of:



Rosemary and Gerry Cozzolino.

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PACKING LIST

Are you an over or under packer? For most of my life, I have been an over-packer. The person who packs both a sweatshirt and a jacket, just in case. Enough socks for every day of the trip knowing the forecast is sandals weather. Slowly, I am working on letting go of this need for control. I have even participated in a challenge to wear the same dress for 100 days, just to push myself to think more creatively and sustainably about my clothing choices. And, at the end of the day, laundry is always an option.

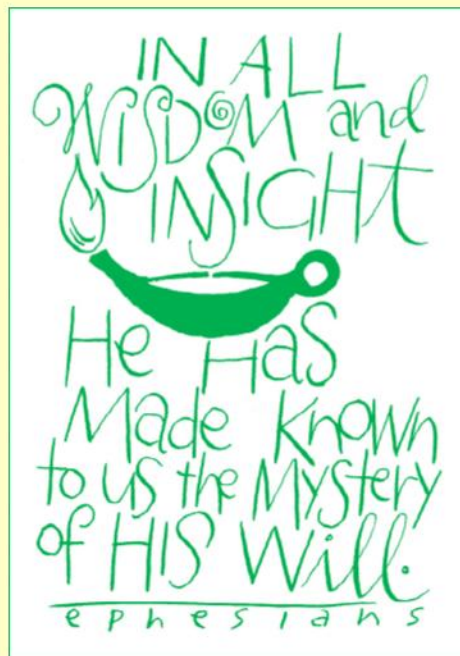
Jesus takes things to a whole new level with the disciples. “Take nothing for the journey...no food, no sack, no money in their belts” (Mark 6:8). They were permitted a walking stick and sandals, their means of movement, but no sustenance. Jesus asks them to be totally dependent on others and on the providence of God.

They didn't know the road ahead. If their past experiences with Jesus were any indication, it wasn't going to be easy. The verses immediately before this reading depict how Jesus was rejected in Nazareth. His message was not always popular, and now the disciples were being asked to go out and preach it on their own, without Him there to back them up. Even more risky, they had nothing to offer by all worldly standards.

But here's the catch, that all of us should be aware of - the world's measuring stick is faulty. The world's attachment to control leads nowhere. The desire to dictate the who, when, where, why, and how of every single moment of every single day will drive us ultimately to despair and disappointment. The disciples had seen the miracles. They had eaten the bread and fish and had witnessed the healings. They knew firsthand that when people opened themselves up to rely on Jesus, He provided for their needs. It was now the disciples' turn to do the same.

Jesus extends the same invitation to us. I'm not saying I'm striving to pack nothing when I go on a trip. However, even packing can be an opportunity to recognize that I am not ultimately in control of what comes next, no matter how many layering options I shove into my bag. Give Jesus the chance to take care of you, no matter where you head next.

-Kate Taliaferro



Youth Group

North Bethlehem Catholic Youth Group

Introducing: The North Bethlehem Catholic Youth Group! Calling all students in grades 8 through 12. Join us for social time, fun activities, and spiritual nourishment.

Wednesday, July 17, 6:30pm - 8:00pm
and

Wednesday, August 21, 6:30pm - 8:00pm.

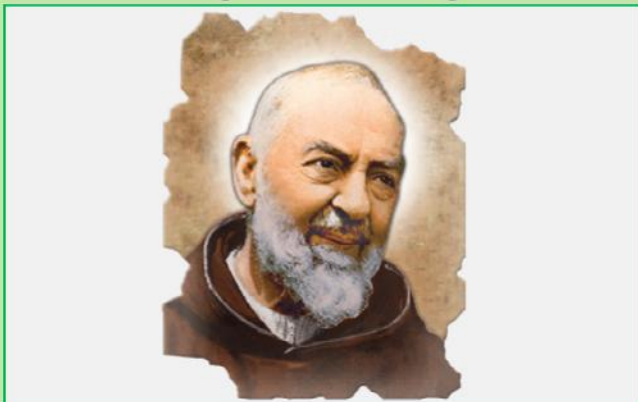
St. Anne Church Rectory, 450 East Washington St, Bethlehem. Interested? Email Fr. Alexander Brown at Abrown@allentowndioce.org



Pilgrimage to the National Centre for Padre Pio

A Local Diocesan Pilgrimage has been planned for September, 2024 at the National Centre for Padre Pio in Barto, PA. Please save the dates for Thursday, September 19, 2024 (high school students), Friday, September 20, 2024 (English), and Saturday, September 28, 2024 (Spanish). Contact Father Hoffa directly at his diocesan email ahoffa@allentowndiocese or call 610-921-2729, ext. 2205.

Pilgrimage



NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome! Our parish family invites all of its members to participate fully in our spiritual and social life. Registration is required for the administration of the Sacraments and for sponsor certificates for Baptism and Confirmation.

Please contact the parish office to register.

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are scheduled in the parish office after receipt of sponsor certificates. Baptisms take place **immediately following the 11:30 a.m. Sunday Mass**. Contact the parish office at 610-867-7424 x10 at least six weeks in advance.

Parents must attend a Baptismal Preparation Class.

WEDDINGS

Engaged couples should meet with the parish priest as soon as they become engaged. The diocesan marriage preparation program should be completed at least six months prior to the wedding date.

BULLETIN

All copy must be received in writing two Fridays prior to the intended Sunday publication. We reserve the right to edit all copy. All inserts must be received at least two weeks in advance.

PRAYER CHAIN

Please email Sandy Zengion at abvmprayers@gmail.com or (610-212-5487) and give her your name and intention.

She will contact other parishioners participating in our Prayer Chain on your behalf.

PARISH MEMORIALS

Following the death of a relative or friend, offerings may be made to the Church in loving memory of the deceased. The offerings may specify a particular request or placed in the Parish Memorial Endowment, The Parish Education Endowment, or the Health Ministry Endowment.

Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service

If you have an allegation of abuse against a bishop, please contact the Catholic Bishop Abuse Reporting Service at www.ReportBishopAbuse.org or by calling 800-276-1562.

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