



# **Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary RC Church**

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*Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish is a welcoming community,  
sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ through faith, prayer and the sacraments.*

## **June 11, 2017**

### **We celebrate EUCHARIST**

Saturdays: 8:30 AM and 5:30 PM

Sundays: 8:00, 9:30, 11:30 AM

Weekdays: 7:30 and 9:00 AM

### **We celebrate PENANCE**

Saturdays: 4:00 – 5:00 PM and by appointment.

### **We celebrate BAPTISM**

Usually the first and third Sundays each month. Meeting with Deacon Mike and attendance at class is required. Please contact the rectory during regular office hours to register.

### **We celebrate MARRIAGE**

Make arrangements with the priest at least six months prior to the wedding. All are required by our Bishop to attend the Pre-Cana Conferences as part of the preparation.

### **Catholic Daughters of the America's (Court St. Gerard)**

First Thursday of the month: Sept - June at 7:30 PM in the Parish Library. Contact Maria Calestini at [flo815@optonline.net](mailto:flo815@optonline.net).

### **Catholic War Veterans**

Second Saturday of the month: Sept - June at 10:00 AM in the Parish Library. Contact Thomas Donnelly at [tjdon@optonline.net](mailto:tjdon@optonline.net).

### **Communion for the Sick or Shut-ins**

Contact the rectory during regular office hours.

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

- First Friday of the month: 1:00 - 2:00 PM. - Nocturnal Adoration
- Third Friday of the month: 7:30-8:30 PM. - ADOREMUS

### **Holy Name Society**

Usually the second Monday of the month: Sept - May at 7:30 PM in the parish center. Contact Sal Stingo at [rtbhuntington@yahoo.com](mailto:rtbhuntington@yahoo.com) or Bruno Sidor at [bjsidor01@optonline.net](mailto:bjsidor01@optonline.net).

### **Miraculous Medal Novena**

Saturdays following the 8:30 AM Mass.

### **Music Ministry**

Our parish's Music Ministry seeks to lead and support our parish family in full, conscious, and active participation in the liturgy. Practices are on Wednesday, 6 – 7:30 PM, and Thursday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM. For further information call Rob at 516-523-1668.

### **Parish Social Ministry (Outreach)**

Open Tuesday and Friday, 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Food pantry available. Will also try to help with referrals and advocacy. Call Outreach Office for appointment, 631-585-8760 x101.

### **RCIA**

Provides for those who have never been baptized an adult process to experience the joy of our Catholic community; also prepares those who have been baptized but have not celebrated Eucharist and/or Confirmation to do so within an adult context. Anyone 18 and over is welcome. Contact the rectory office at 631-585-8760.

### **Religious Formation Office**

Works with parents to share faith with our youngest members, grades 1-8. Contact Lisette Robustelli for details at 631-588-6408. Office hours during school sessions: Mon., Tues., Wed. 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM; Saturday 9:00 AM - Noon. Office is closed Thursday, Friday & Sunday. Check bulletin for summer hours.

### **Rosary Altar Society**

A service-based women's organization that cares for the Church and promotes the spiritual life of its members. Contact the rectory for meeting dates and times.

### **Scouting (Cub Scout, Boy Scouts)**

Contact Anthony Ptak at 631-219-1503 or [leaders@bsa356.com](mailto:leaders@bsa356.com) or visit [www.bsa356.com](http://www.bsa356.com) for more details.

### **Youth Ministry**

- High School Ministry (AYM), Wednesdays: 7:30 - 9:00 PM in parish center. All teens, grades 9 - 12, are invited.
- Middle School Ministry (MSM), Thursdays, 7:00 - 8:45 PM in parish center. All 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are invited.

For further information, contact Renata 631-585-8760 or email [rptak@abvmcentereach.com](mailto:rptak@abvmcentereach.com).

Rev. Chris Aridas, Pastor  
Msgr. Joseph K. Curley, Pastor Emeritus  
Rev. Joseph Alenchery  
Deacon Michael Montelione

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Phone: 631-585-8760; Fax: 631-585-3601  
Religious Education: 631-588-6408  
Youth Ministry (AYM): 631-588-7434

## ***From the Pastor's Desk***

### ***Faith Formation — Catechists, Office Help, Security Needed***

An important part of our parish's mission is sharing our faith with both young and old alike. When speaking of children, however, the primary persons involved in this process are, beyond question, the parents. The entire parish, however, is there to assist and support these efforts. For that reason, our parish provides additional instruction and experiences to support the child's parents in fulfilling this responsibility.

To accomplish this mission we ask faith-filled people to meet with the children weekly to explore further the beauty and power of our faith in the Lord Jesus. In years past, providing this opportunity was fairly easy. People's lives were less hectic and many were able to volunteer. Now, however, many things have changed — except the need for catechists. Our parish is no different from others in the diocese in terms of experiencing the challenge of identifying and providing catechists for our youngest parishioners. Time is always a factor: "Father, I simply don't have time to do this." Another barrier is our own sense of inadequacy and lack of knowledge: "Father, I wouldn't know what to do or say." All of this is understandable. The challenge, however, is to confront our fears and give generously of our time trusting that the Lord will guide us in this parish endeavor.

**Security Needs:** The security person stays by the door to make sure that no one enters the building without the necessary permission. He/she also makes sure that the outside dismissal area remains free of cars so the children remain safe while being picked up by their parent.

**Office Help:** This person remains available in the office during class time to assist the Faith Formation Secretary with filing, attendance, mailings, etc.

It goes without saying that you will receive ample and ongoing assistance from the Faith Formation Office as you accept the challenge of these ministries.

#### **As of this writing, we need the following:**

- Monday @ 4:30 pm      Level 6**
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- Tuesday @ 4:30          Level 5, Level 6**
- Wednesday @ 4:30 pm   Level 5, Level 7 (2 needed)**
- Saturday @ 9:30 am      Level 4**

**In addition, we also need additional assistance with our Sunday program** which takes place in the parish center after the 9:30 a.m. mass. This exciting program involves entire families. It includes celebrating mass, sharing breakfast, and having time for faith formation based on age groups. We need help for Level 1 as well Level 7. Additional adult facilitators would be helpful so we can have two adult facilitators in each group. Eighth grade facilitators are needed for our Confirmation program which involves the video series, "Chosen."

I know that not everyone has the gift of being a catechist and working with children. However, don't sell yourself short. Make an appointment to discuss this with me or with Lisette Robustelli, our parish's Coordinator of Evangelization and Formation. Allow us to help you discern if and how the Lord is leading you to stretch your tent (see Isaiah 54:2) so you can embrace the children God is asking us to nurture in the faith.

## **REGISTRATION**

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Roman  
Catholic Church, Centereach  
Faith Formation Program**



Register your child now

Registration ends Saturday, September 30, 2017

Registration forms can be found online at  
[www.abvmcentereach.com](http://www.abvmcentereach.com)

or they can be picked up at the Parish Office  
during regular office hours

☆ **All New Registrations must be done in person** ☆

Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

3rd Saturday of the month

9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.



For more information contact the Faith Formation  
Office at (631) 588-6408 or email  
[Lrobustelli@abvmcentereach.com](mailto:Lrobustelli@abvmcentereach.com)



# Mass Intentions for the Week



## Sunday, June 11th

- 8:00 a.m. — Vincent Stile (Connie & Vinny Stile)
- 9:30 a.m. — Living and Deceased Members of the Catholic Daughter of the Americas
- 11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

## Monday, June 12th

- 7:30 a.m. — Pat Perrino (Annette)
- 9:00 a.m. — James Favaloro (Family)

## Tuesday, June 13th

- 7:30 a.m. — Lucy Garofola
- 9:00 a.m. — Living & Deceased Members of the Romeo & Wolz Families

## Wednesday, June 14th

- 7:30 a.m. — Anthony Lang
- 9:00 a.m. — Eileen Hayes (Donnelly Family)

## Thursday, June 15th

- 7:30 a.m. — Harold G. Plock (Musselwhite Family)
- 9:00 a.m. — Bobby O'Mahony (O'Mahony Family)

## Friday, June 16th

- 7:30 a.m. — Mildred Campanelli
- 9:00 a.m. — Bobby O'Mahony (O'Mahony Family)

## Saturday, June 17th

- 8:30 a.m. — John Reilly (Jim & Maureen Reilly)
- 5:30 p.m. — Father's Day

## Sunday, June 18th

- 8:00 a.m. — Father's Day
- 9:30 a.m. — Father's Day
- 11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish



## Middle School Ministry (MSM)

MSM has various activities planned throughout the summer, e.g., Hobbs Farm, Outdoor Movie Night, etc. Please check the parish calendar for specific dates and times.

## Assumption Youth Ministry (AYM)

AYM has various activities planned throughout the summer, e.g., canoe trip, Hobbs Farm, Outdoor Movie Night, etc. Please check the parish calendar for specific dates and times.



## Faith Formation Office Hours

The office is opened Monday through Thursday from 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. and on the third Saturday of the month from 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2017



For Grades K - 6

Jr. Counselors: Grades 7 & Up

Monday - Friday, July 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 Noon

Our parish's Vacation Bible School (VBS) begins July 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 a.m. -- Noon, Monday thru Friday. It includes snacks, crafts, t-shirts, music, fun, storytelling and games. **To register please download, fill the form from our parish website (www.abvmcentereach.com) and return by June 30<sup>th</sup> with check payable to Assumption Church.**

Please see the details on our website.

If you have further questions please contact Lisette at 631-585-8760 or by email, Lrobustelli@abvmcentereach.com

## Time, Talent & Treasure

Fostering Stewardship as a Way of Life



### Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary (Regular Sunday Offering)

Last Week's Collection \$9,221 (includes Faith Direct)

Last Year's Collection \$9,955

Thank You!

New parishioner? Moving out of the parish? Kindly fill out the form below and drop it in the collection basket or mail it to the rectory.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

New Parishioner \_\_\_\_\_ Moving \_\_\_\_\_

### Our Parish App Is Available

### VBS Needs

To help with our upcoming VBS we're asking for the following donations. You can contact the Faith Formation Office for further details and additional supply needs.

- Ball – Pit balls                      2 bags (100 count)
- Beach Balls & Beach Pails                      12 of each
- Beads                                      5 large multi bags
- Mosaic Tiles (Small glass)                      5 large bags
- Graham Crackers                      8 14-ounce boxes
- Ice-cream cones                      12 12-count boxes
- Nilla Wafers                              8 11-ounce boxes
- Popcorn                                  7 large bags
- Small Marshmallows                      6 16-ounce bags
- Teddy Grahams (Cinnamon)                      10 10-ounce boxes

### Outreach Needs

Peanut butter, jelly, paper towels, coffee, tea, canned black beans



## Bringing Home the Word **+**

A lectionary-based, electronically delivered resource for individuals,

families and parish groups. Readings for Sunday and the week following are listed, as well as helpful articles, faith-filled family reflection activities, and various prayers. Offered as a resource to help our parish family grow in faith, BHTW is on our parish website [www.abvmcentereach.com](http://www.abvmcentereach.com). Check it out and tell us what you think.

### Youth Ministry Prayer Request

In April we asked for your assistance to sponsor our teens and leaders going to July's Steubenville Catholic Youth Conference at St. John's University. The support we got was amazing. Whether you bought raffle tickets or gave individual donations we thank you. Because of your generosity we have 29 teens and 8 leaders going to the conference.

As we continue to prepare for this amazing experience, we ask for your continued support by responding to our "Call to Prayer" in which you pray for all who are going to the conference. This is a wonderful way to be involved and connected to the conference participants as we experience through prayer the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Next weekend prayer cards will be available that have a prayer on one side and the name of the person for whom you will pray on the other. Your prayer support is undoubtedly the most important part of our preparation for the conference. We rely on you for that support!

# ADOREMUS

## Eucharistic Adoration

**with Contemporary and Traditional Music**

# June 16<sup>th</sup>

**7:30 - 8:30P.M.**

**(Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the Month)**

**PRAISE AND WORSHIP**

**SILENT ADORATION**

**BENEDICTION**

*Enter, let us bow down in worship;  
let us kneel before the LORD who made us.*

Psalm 95:6