

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.

February 17, 2019

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.

Catholic War Veterans

Second Saturday of the month: Sept - June at 10 AM in the Parish Library. Contact Richard Gallagher at popparich38@aol.com.

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 or Anita Wolf at hwolf96@aol.com.

Miraculous Medal Novena

Saturdays following the 8:30 AM Mass.

Rev. Chris Aridas, Pastor

Msgr. Joseph K. Curley, Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Joseph Alenchery

Deacon Michael Montelione

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., 9 AM - 8 PM; Wed. 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM; Saturday 9:00 AM - Noon. Office is closed Thursday, Friday. Opened Sunday, 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM during class sessions. 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 Chantal Mears at Chantalmears@yahoo.com or 631-438-2468 or visit 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 6th, 7th, and 8th graders are invited.

For further information, contact Renata 631-585-8760 or email rptak@abvmcentereach.com.

Rectory: M - F 9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. Phone: 631-585-8760; Fax: 631-585-3601 Religious Education: 631-588-6408 Youth Ministry (AYM): 631-588-7434

From the Pastor's Desk

Your Input Is Requested

Bishop Barres and the Priest Personnel Board are requesting input regarding the skills and qualities you think are necessary in the next pastor as well as any specific parish needs you think must be addressed. To participate go to the diocesan website, drvc.org, fill out the New Pastor Recommendation Form and follow the directions posted

Sign Up for Alpha

If you wish to hear again or for the first time the ardent proclamation of the Gospel, then RSVP to the invitation to "Come and See." We will have an introductory session on Monday, March 11th. We will begin with a meal, and then have a short video presentation followed by a small group experience. At the end of the session you will have the opportunity to sign up for the entire Alpha course. Please note that registration for the March 11th session is needed since we must prepare a meal for all participants. You can register by calling the rectory (631-585-8760) and leaving your name and phone number, or by emailing Maria at rectory@abvmcentereach.com.



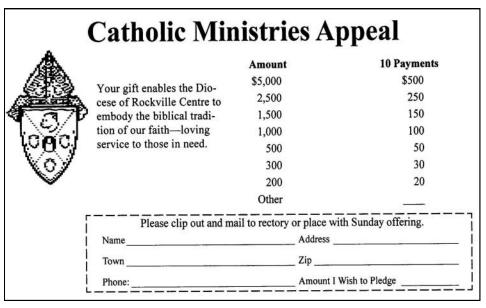
Catholic Ministries Appeal

I want to thank everyone who helped make last year's 2018 Catholic Ministries Appeal a success. The diocese collected over ten million dollars, which was used to support many services for the people on Long Island.

Your generosity enabled our parish to reach our assigned goal of \$57,400, thus bringing back to the parish \$14,322 in monies that have been redirected to parish activities.

This year our parish 2019 goal remains \$57,400. Your generosity provides us with an opportunity to reach out to those in need by supporting the many programs run by our diocese. In particular, the CMA enables our Catholic community on Long Island to support the work of Catholic Charities, our Catholic Regional Schools, programs for ongoing formation and training of lay leaders as well as our deacons; our seminary which trains men for the priesthood as well as various pastoral offices which provide excellent resources throughout the diocese are also funded by the Appeal. This is but a short listing of a large number of worthwhile programs which your generous contributions support. In addition, parishes who make their goal receive a rebate from the diocese, amounting to 20% of the actual goal.

Please ask the Lord how you might participate. You pledge is payable over a ten-month period of time. Remember also, that one does not have to donate a large amount; joining everyone's sacrificial gift adds up to a great resource for those in need.



Mass Intentions for the Week



Sunday, February 17th

8:00 a.m. — Inocencio Dacruz (M/M K. O'Toole & M/M J. Moutinho)

9:30 a.m. — Valeriano Dimaya (Ed Uy & Family) 11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

Monday, February 18th

7:30 a.m. — Marie Claude Casimir (Children)

9:00 a.m. — John Sparano (Family)

Tuesday, February 19th

7:30 a.m —

9:00 a.m. — Jennie Burckhardt (Scott Ward)

Wednesday, February 20th

7:30 a.m. —

9:00 a.m. — Intention of Richie Snystrup (Lynn Family)

Thursday, February 21st

7:30 a.m. —

9:00 a.m. —

Friday, February 22nd

7:30 a.m. —

9:00 a.m. —

Saturday, February 23rd

8:30 a.m. — Martin C. Hartmann, Jr. (Judy & Todd Gesa)

5:30 p.m. — Mary & Peter Muratore (Marty Muratore)

Sunday, February 24th

8:00 a.m. — Amelia & Inacio DeSousa (Family)

9:30 a.m. — Abelardo Angeles (Family)

11:30 a.m. — People of the Parish

Youth Ministry

Middle School Ministry (MSM) —

Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall. Come and discover all that God wants to offer through our MSM community's faith-building programs.



Assumption Youth Ministry (AYM)

AYM welcomes all high school teens grades 9-12 to "Come & See" — Wednesday nights, 7:30-9 p.m. in the parish center.



Faith Formation Office Hours

From mid-October through mid-May the office is opened Monday & Tuesday from 9:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m. (when there are classes); Wednesday 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.; and Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.—noon.

Outreach Needs

Fruit juice, canned chili, grape jelly, liquid hand soap, deodorant.

Parish "Media Ministry" Forming

Come join our newly formed media ministry. **Job description**: operate the computer during mass so we can project the songs, prayers, and readings on the screen. The response to using the screen has been very positive. What we need now is a group of "media people" who will help to lead the people in prayer and song through this innovative ministry. It's not difficult to do; see Fr. Joseph for details.

Rest in Peace

John Sorrentino, Robert O'Donnell

Time, Talent & Treasure



Fostering Stewardship as a Way of Life

Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary (Regular Sunday Offering)

Last Week's Collection \$8,501 (includes Faith Direct)

Last Year's Collection \$8,983

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



Eucharistic Adoration

with Contemporary and Traditional Music
March 15th

7:30 - 8:30P.M.

(Every 3rd 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



Our parish now subscribes to a revolutionary online platform which provides the best in Catholic audio talks, movies, ebooks, and

video-based studies from trusted providers like the Augustine Institute, Scott Hahn, Edward Sri, Fr. Michael Gaitley, etc. This allows you, *free of charge*, to access online resources in bible study, apologetics, Christian entertainment, family catechesis, etc. at your convenience. It's available 24/7 thus allowing you to put time aside when it's best for you.

Check it out by signing up for the website. Simply type in <u>abvmcentereach.formed.org</u> on your browser. You will be asked to fill out a registration form and create a password for your email address. **There is no charge**. Once you have registered you'll have access to all the material on FORMED.

You also can install FORMED through an app. Learn more at <u>app.formed.org</u>. Our parish code is P8DGQ8.

Third Annual Mardi Gras Celebration

When: Tuesday, March 5, 2019 Where: Assumption Parish Hall

Time: 6:30—9:00 pm

Cost: \$10.00 per person/\$25.00 per family (parents and children)

NOTE: TICKETS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR!

Come celebrate as one family in Christ the start of our most Holy Season

by joining with the ABVM Women's Ministry for their Third Annual Mardi Gras event! There will be plenty of food, soft drinks and games for adults and children alike!

Don't forget your costumes (not required). There will be first, second, and third place prizes for the best costumes for both children and adults.

Direct any inquiries to Georgia Lovell, 631-891-7387, <u>glovell951@gmail.com</u> Diane Miller, 516-443-7856, dimiller@optonline.net.

Tickets can be obtained at the parish office during regular office hours or by mail.

Fill out the following information and drop it off with payment at the rectory no later than Feb. 25th . Make check out to ABVM Church.

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Kindly provide an email and phone number in case we need to contact you.		
Email Address:		
Phone Number:		
Provide the name of those attending for name tags	3	
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