

Pastor's Corner

Dear Parishioners,

In an effort to foster better communication, an insert with the Assumption Parish news will be placed in our Area Catholic Community bulletins. Hopefully this will help clear up Mass schedule information and other information pertinent to our three parish configuration. Given our connections to the Holy Saints and Christ Our Hope Area Catholic Communities as well as our connection to St. Anthony in Watkins, of the New Ulm Diocese, which is part of their Area Faith Community called Shepherd of Souls, information can easily be lost. The Planning Office of the Diocese does not want us to print a separate bulletin, so thus the insert.

When the school year starts I plan to set up Altar Server training in each of our parishes. I also hope to address how each parish handles the collection and bringing up of gifts at the Offertory etc. Some uniformity would be most helpful.

I encourage you to actively support the festivals in each of our parishes and stay committed to the life of the parish!

In Christ,
Fr. Don Wagner

Eucharistic Revival A recent Pew Forum survey revealed the startling statistic that 69% of Catholics do not believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist. For the majority of Catholics today, the Eucharist is merely a symbol of Christ, and the Mass is merely a collectivity of like-minded individuals gathering to remember his life. This indicates a spiritual disaster, for the Eucharist is "the source and summit of the Christian life." In response to this crisis the National Eucharistic Revival was born.



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Revival**

This Is My Body: A Call to Eucharistic Revival is designed to accompany that revival. In this text, Bishop Barron helps readers to understand the sacrament of Jesus' Body and Blood more thoroughly so that they might fall in love with him more completely.

Excerpt from Chapter 1 (page 4): "The "dominion" spoken of in Genesis has nothing to do with domination and should definitely not be construed as a permission for human beings to take advantage of the world that God has created; just the contrary. What God entrusts to Adam and Eve might best be explained through the term 'stewardship.' They are to care for creation and, if I can put it this way, they are to be the spokespersons for it, appreciating its order with their illuminated minds and giving expression to its beauty with their well-trained tongues."

(Page 9): "God established a meal that united the whole people, gathering them, in their households, around a common table and a common food. And he declared that this act of unity must be repeated down through the ages as the defining gesture of the Israelite nation. The Passover meal, in a word, was a recovery (however imperfect) of the easy unity and fellowship of the Garden of Eden."

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Mass Times Sundays.....10:00 AM

Wednesdays & Fridays.....8:00 AM

Reconciliation Following Sunday Mass

Wednesdays & Fridays: 7:30-7:45 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays 8:00 AM- Fridays 5:00 PM

Office Hours

Mon: 12:30-4:00, Wed: 8-4

Fri: 8-12:00 (hours may vary)

Parish Staff Contacts

Secretary

Jessica Teicher

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Bonnie Meyer

Youth Minister

Sam Mettler

PRO-LIFE Essay / Poster Contest KC's will be judging the

"Pro-Life essay/poster contest entries" at their Sunday, August 20 7pm meeting. If you would like to enter a poster or essay, please bring it to Assumption Church in the gathering space on or before this meeting. This is short notice, but if you feel called to do this—go for it. 1st prize is \$50, 2nd prize is \$25, 3rd prize is \$10. A space will be provided in the gathering space especially for your poster.

Did you know? You can give using your collection envelope at any of Father Don's parishes (St. Nicholas or St. Anne's in Kimball) and also at St. Anthony's and your envelope will be forwarded back to Assumption.

Assumption Parish News

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, August 23:

No Mass

Friday, August 25:

8:00 AM Mass: † Rosemary Ruprecht

Sunday, August 27:

10:00 AM Mass: † Ralph Ruhland

Mass Ministries

Sunday, August 27, 10:00 AM:

Lector: Lona Brutger

Extraordinary Minister of

Communion: Jenny Evens

Rosary: Larry & Jeanne Schmitz

Ushers: Chuck Schoolmeesters & Joel Braun

Homebound: Rose Becker

Hospitality: Bonnie Meyer & Jamie Ries

Financial Blessings

August 13, 2023

Adult Env 3055.00

Loose 194.00

Votive 60.00

Total \$3309.00

Monthly Auto Transfers: \$2815

THANK YOU
for your generosity



No Wednesday Daily Mass There will be no daily Mass this Wednesday, August 23. Father Don will be gone.

Low Gluten Hosts Now Available There are now low-gluten hosts available for Holy Communion. Please let Father Wagner know before Mass if you will be needing a low-gluten host. This will be available at all three of Father Don's parishes.

Faith Formation Volunteers Before the big, yellow school buses gas up for this new school year it would be great to have volunteers in place ready to pass on the faith. If you are reading this you could be of help to the program. Please consider stepping up to volunteer. The more people involved in the program the richer our parish community will be. Consider inviting others to step up with you, God is calling you to use your skills and for you to invite others to discern their gifts too. Some volunteer areas: Teacher, co-teacher (ask a friend to teach with you), classroom assistant, substitute, office support, monitor, meal prep, nursery help, greeter, emcee, speaker, prayer leader, small group leader etc. After prayerfully considering your talents please reach out to the Faith Formation Office at either 320-453-5765 or ewwcatholic@gmail.com. I can't wait to hear from you....Bonnie Meyer

Annual Teacher and Classroom Assistant Meeting Mark your calendars for our annual teacher and aide meeting coming up on Tuesday, August 29th 6:30pm (after the 6pm Mass) in the St. Anthony's Parish Hall. This meeting is for all K-11th grade teachers and classroom assistants from both St. Anthony's and Assumption.

Open Adoration Hour We have a open Adoration hour on Wednesday morning from 12-1:00 a.m. If interested in taking this hour call Rose Becker, or MaryAnn Ruhland at 292-0647.

Job Opportunity! Faith Formation Assistant for the parishes of Assumption and St. Anthony's. This assistant would work collaboratively with the Faith Formation Coordinator. Qualifications: Knowledge of Catholic doctrine and practice, good communication skills, and a willingness to travel required. Part time with benefits. Please send a letter of introduction and resume to: frdonwager@aol.com or frjeff@shepherdofsouls.org, or for more info call Fr. Don at 320-293-7566 or Fr. Jeff at 320-221-4120.

ASSUMPTION FEST!

This year's Assumption Fest is set for September 17th and the festival committee need your help!

SILENT AUCTION ITEMS- all items must be new and any amounts are welcome. **PLANTS, CRAFTS AND FANCY WORK-** sewing projects, embroidered towels, crocheted dish cloths, art work, and needle work, plants, rosaries etc. Please mark a suggested value of the item. **BAKED GOODS FOR THE BAKE SALE-** These can be homemade or store bought and can be dropped off in the narthex on Saturday, September 16 or the morning of the 17th. **LIVE AUCTION ITEMS-** items should have a \$500 value or more. New or used items. Any questions or to donate items please call Steve Ries at 503-577-6918. **MONETARY DONATIONS-** accepting monetary donations to purchase supplies for the fest: Four \$25; and Four \$50 donations for children's game prizes; Two \$100, Four \$50, and Four \$25 donations for food and beverages. Please mark "Assumption Fest Supply Donation" and drop in the collection. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED-** sign-up sheets for work shifts are on a table in the Narthex. There is a need for workers to help with the children's games, bake sale, silent auction, fancy work stand, and for setup and take down.

Thank you in advance for your help in these areas!