

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH



PARISH INFORMATION

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Masses

Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00, 10:30 a.m.
Weekdays 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days 7:00 p.m. [Vigil]
6:45 a.m.; 8:00 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
or by request

Baptism

Every Weekend after Mass on request. Baptismal preparation classes are the first Saturday of every month at 10:00 a.m. in the classrooms above the church. Please call the rectory in advance to schedule class attendance and Baptism.

Sponsors

Parishioners need to meet with Msgr. Koons to determine whether they are eligible to serve as a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. Please call the rectory.

Marriage

Please call the rectory at least one year in advance to schedule a wedding. Attendance at diocesan Marriage Preparation Classes is required six months prior to the wedding date, as well as three or four sessions with the priest. Current Baptism and Confirmation certificates are needed for the Catholic parties. In the case of previously existing marriages, a death certificate or declaration of nullity is necessary before another marriage can be considered.

Parish Registration

New parishioners are always welcome and are asked to register at the rectory. Please notify the rectory if you change your address, phone number, or move out of the parish.

Communion to the Sick

Communion is taken to the sick after the Sunday Masses and during the month. The Anointing of the Sick is celebrated with individual homebound parishioners several times a year or at your request. Please call the rectory to request being included on the homebound Communion list.

Please call the rectory when parishioners are admitted to a local hospital.

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish
Third Sunday of Easter – April 25/26, 2020

Msgr. Koons will offer Mass for

Apr. 27, Monday	†Members of our Memorial Fund	
Apr. 28, Tuesday	†John and Irene Miklos	Family
Apr. 29, Wednesday	†Carol Kinney	Joanne and Juliet
Apr. 30, Thursday	†Helen Sipics	Robert and Janice Bauer
May 01, Friday	†Philippe Doiron	Sister, Bella, and Mike Skweir
May 02, Saturday	†Herb Bitenc	Wife, Marie
May 03, Sunday	†Gerald G. Makovsky	M/M Gerald J. Makovsky

Sanctuary Lights are burning this week in loving memory and for the pious intention of Joseph Seko, Jr. requested by Grandchildren, Great Grandchildren and Great Grandchild.

Please pray for God's blessings and the gift of good health for the sick people of our parish.

Dear Padre

April 26, 2020

Why couldn't the disciples recognize Jesus after the resurrection? Do you think we would recognize Jesus if he came back today?

Before the resurrection, Jesus likely would have suffered the ravages of illness and lack of proper nutrition that all the people of his time were subject to. After the resurrection, Jesus showed he was exalted with the very power of God. Even his physical appearance had changed.

In view of his glorified appearance, the disciples were able to recognize Jesus with the aid of his marks of the passion (John 20:20). No one would go to the extreme of putting nails through his own hands and feet and thrust a spear into his side to pretend he was Jesus! He bore those marks, so he *had* to be the Lord.

Another purpose of showing his disciples his glorified body was to assure them we would undergo a similar glorification. In the resurrection we shall be completely changed and perfected in our humanity (1 Corinthians 15:52).

We are sometimes slow to recognize our Lord in the ways he indicated he would be with us today: in the Eucharist (John 6:53); in the poor (Matthew 25:40); in his body, the Church (1 Corinthians 12:12). Coming to recognize him among us in these ways today will ensure we are more like him in our resurrection.

—Fr. Gary Lauenstein, CSsR

Calendar:

Monday – April 27

Easter Weekday

Acts 6:8–15

Jn 6:22–29

Tuesday – April 28

Easter Weekday

Acts 7:51–8:1a

Jn 6:30–35

Wednesday – April 29

St. Catherine of Siena,
Virgin and Doctor of the
Church

Acts 8:1b–8

Jn 6:35–40

Thursday – April 30

Easter Weekday

Acts 8:26–40

Jn 6:44–51

Friday – May 1

Easter Weekday

Acts 9:1–20

Jn 6:52–59

Saturday – May 2

St. Athanasius, Bishop
and Doctor of the Church

Acts 9:31–42

Jn 6:60–69

Sunday – May 3

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 36–41

1 Pt 2:20b–25

Jn 10:1–10

Prayer Shawl Meeting..... CANCELLED
 Choir Rehearsal..... CANCELLED
 Adoration..... CANCELLED
 Giving Sunday..... Sunday, May 10, 2020
 BVM Night – Iron Pigs..... Thursday, August 13, 2020
 Church Picnic..... Sunday, September 13, 2020

PARISH WEBSITE-

Our parish website is updated: links available for online giving, the bulletin, and videos of Mass and rosary.

<https://bvm-northampton.com/>

PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE

Connect to the parish at

<https://www.facebook.com/pg/Assumption.BVM.Northampton.PA>

Night at the Ball Game: Come and enjoy an Iron Pigs baseball game on **Thursday, August 13** on the Party Porch, 1st base line, at Coca-Cola Park, 1050 Ironpigs Way, Allentown hosted by B.V.M. Choir. Food will be available from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Game starts at 7:05 p.m. Deadline for reservations is Wednesday, July 1. For more information call Jane Spengler at 610-262-8138. Cost is \$40 per person. You can place your payment in the church collection basket to hold your tickets (reservations). Please make checks payable to the church.

Good Shepherd Catholic School News

Registrations: Good Shepherd Catholic School is now accepting registrations for the 2020-2021 school year for grades Kindergarten through 8, Preschool 3, and Pre-K 4. For more information, or to schedule a tour please contact our Advancement Director Mrs. Lauri Tripaldi email her at mrstripaldigscs@gmail.com.

Pierogie Making for the Church Picnic: MARK YOUR CALENDARS. We will be making pierogies for the church picnic on **Friday, July 31 after the 8:00 a.m. Mass and Saturday, August 1 starting at 7:00 a.m.** Friday we will be peeling and cooking potatoes. Saturday we will be making, cooking and packing the pierogies. Please come and help. The more help we have, the faster we get done. **We need both Men and Women. Please come and join us. We do have fun.**

REDNER'S SAVE-A-TAPE PROGRAM: Please keep saving your Redner's Save-A-Tape Receipts by using your Save-A-Tape Card. If you do not have one, just ask the cashier during your next shopping trip. Our church receives 1% for items you purchase, just by turning in your receipts. **So far this year we have received \$1,052.20. Just think, that is over \$1,000.00** received from pieces of paper you would normally throw in the garbage. Please place your **full receipts** in the containers located in the church vestibule. **We need the WHOLE receipt**, not just the bottom portion of the receipt. **See the letter from Redner's Markets, Inc. posted on the bulletin boards for more information.** Thank You!

PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

Name _____
 Street _____
 City _____
 Phone No. _____

Check One:

- New Registration
- Change of Address
- Moving out of Parish
- Request Envelopes
- Request envelopes (returned home from college)**

Please drop in the collection basket or mail to the Rectory

Assumption B.V.M. Church Annual Parish Picnic

Sunday, September 13, 2020

EGYPT MEMORIAL PARK

begins with a Mass at 11:00 a.m.,

continues with music,

games and food until 7:00 p.m.

Featuring the music of "Flirtin' With The Mob"

4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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