

# 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**  
**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time - June 20/21, 2020**

**Daily Masses**

June 22, Monday	8:00 a.m.	†Rev. Francis P. Straka	Berdell Haines
June 23, Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	†Carmine Rizzo	Rose and John Rizzo and Family
June 24, Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	†Jean Bridges	John and Betty Toolan and Family
June 25, Thursday	8:00 a.m.	†Elaine Hewko	Assumption B.V.M. Young-at-Heart
June 26, Friday	8:00 a.m.	†Kathleen Martin	Mom and Dad White
June 27, Saturday	4:00 p.m.	†Connie Marth	Margaret Krempasky
June 28, Sunday	8:00 a.m.	†John M. Humenik	Jack and Lois McAllister
	10:30 a.m.	Living and deceased parishioners	

**Sanctuary Lights** are burning this week in loving memory and for the pious intention of John and Mary Wanisko requested by John and Elizabeth Kuchera.

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

# Good News!

June 21, 2020

*Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)*  
Jer 20:10–13; Rom 5:12–15; Mt 10:26–33

**Easier said than done.** There is so much to be afraid of today: war; the loss of life and the devastation caused by it; unemployment and poverty; illness and the pain and diminishment that often accompany it; the threat of ecological collapse; to say nothing of personal anxiety and trauma. The readings for this Sunday all speak of the hardships that loom over every life.

But these hardships are not the last word. Jeremiah ends his announcement of gloom on a positive note: “Praise the Lord, / For he has rescued the life of the poor / from the power of the evildoers!” (Jeremiah 20:13). The psalm of lament picks up the same message: “the Lord hears the poor” (Psalm 69:34).

Saint Paul insists that sin and death don't win: “...How much more did the grace of God...overflow for the many” (Romans 5:15). Caught in the throes of misfortune, people cry out—but God responds.

It is in the Gospel that the reassurance of God's care unfolds. The struggles described there are real, but they will not last. The imagery employed to characterize God's care is picturesque and extraordinarily tender. If God is attentive to the lowly sparrows, how much more will God be attentive to us? Even more personally, God knows us so well that the very hairs on our head are counted. The admonition here is clear: Never fear! If catastrophes threaten, don't be afraid! Even if they engulf you or carry you away, don't be afraid. It is only temporary. God is always there, attentive to our needs, so fear not!

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

## Calendar:

### Monday – June 22

*Weekday*

2 Kgs 17:5–8, 13–15a, 18  
Mt 7:1–5

### Tuesday – June 23

*Weekday*

2 Kgs 19:9b–11, 14–21,  
31–35a, 36  
Mt 7:6, 12–14

### Wednesday – June 24

*Nativity of St. John the Baptist*

Is 49:1–6  
Acts 13:22–26  
Lk 1:57–66, 80

### Thursday – June 25

*Weekday*

2 Kgs 24:8–17  
Mt 7:21–29

### Friday – June 26

*Weekday*

2 Kgs 25:1–12  
Mt 8:1–4

### Saturday – June 27

*Weekday*

Lam 2:2, 10–14, 18–19  
Mt 8:5–17

### Sunday – June 28

*Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

2 Kgs 4:8–11, 14–16a  
Rom 6:3–4, 8–11  
Mt 10:37–42

**Adoration**..... First Fridays after Mass  
**Giving Sunday**..... Sunday, July 12, 2020  
**Church Picnic**..... Sunday, September 12, 2021

### 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>



**Memorial Flowers:** The flowers by the altar this week are in memory of William Molchany and Robert Lakatos. They were donated by Anthony and Diane Molchany and Family.

### **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](mailto:mrstripaldigscs@gmail.com).

**Memorial Fund:** Gratefully the parish acknowledges the following memorial contributions **in memory of Ronald Weiner:** \$25 Deborah Bodnar; \$50 M/M Dennis Knauss and Family; \$40 Iona and Jack Harhart; \$40 Leroy and Debra Brobst; \$25 Florence Edelman; \$25 Oliver and Barbara Bredbenner; \$300 Catholic War Veterans Post 454. **In memory of Mary Ann Beichey:** \$10 Martha Jandrisevits.

**Thank You** to my parish family for your get-well wishes, cards, gifts, meals, and most of all your prayers during my recovery from shoulder surgery. Also, I would like to thank the ladies who helped me with all my personal needs. I could not have done it without you. Assumption B.V.M. is truly a Parish Family and I am very blessed to have all of you in my life. I will never forget all your kindnesses!

*Joanne A. Manning*

**Halupki Dinner:** St. Elizabeth Parish is sponsoring a Drive Thru Halupki Dinner on Saturday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. Dinner is \$10 and includes 2 halupki, mashed potatoes, rolls, butter & dessert; extra halupki can be ordered for \$4 each. Orders are due June 22<sup>nd</sup>. Pick up is at St. Elizabeth Parish Hall, 435 Pershing Boulevard, Whitehall from 4 – 6 pm. For more information or to place an order, please call Joan at 610-349-7791.

### **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

### **VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR**

The Diocese of Allentown provides assistance to anyone who, as a minor, was sexually abused by a priest, deacon, or employee/volunteer of the Diocese/Parish. Parents, guardians, children, and survivors of sexual abuse are invited and encouraged to contact the Diocese of Allentown for more information about this program. The fullness of compassion should be extended to these victims by the Church.

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To learn more about the Diocese of Allentown's Youth Protection Programs, Sexual Abuse Policy, and Code of Conduct, please visit [www.allentowndiocese.org](http://www.allentowndiocese.org) and click on "Youth Protection" in the upper right-hand corner of the page.

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