

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH



PARISH INFORMATION

Rev. Msgr. Thomas Koons, Pastor
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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
Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – July 4/5, 2020

Daily Masses

July 06, Monday	8:00 a.m.	†John Pavlick	Carol Zarayko
July 07, Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	†Gloria Reinert	Catherine Macsisak
July 08, Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	†Betty Panik	Joanne and Juliet
July 09, Thursday	8:00 a.m.	†Louise Procanyn	Melvin Procanyn
July 10, Friday	8:00 a.m.	†Anna and Frank Walakovitz	Daughter, Ruth
July 11, Saturday	4:00 p.m.	†Herb Bitenc	Wife, Marie
July 12, Sunday	8:00 a.m.	†Helen Swankoski	Sandy Gasper
	10:30 a.m.	Living and deceased parishioners	

Sanctuary Lights are burning this week in loving memory and for the pious intention of Anna and Edward Weidner requested by Daughter, Sandra, and Family.

Please pray for God's blessings and the gift of good health for the sick people of our parish. Also remember in your prayers Betty Panik who died this past week.

Dear Padre

July 5, 2020

Why doesn't the Catholic Church practice what it preaches and sell off its considerable assets at the Vatican?

The Catholic Church, the world's largest charitable organization, has a legacy of ministry to the poor, the sick, and the ostracized. According to Pope Francis, the Church's real estate, for example, is used "to maintain the structures of the Church and to maintain the many works the Church does in needy countries: hospitals, schools." Thus, the old adage applies: Give a man a fish and you feed him for a day, but teach him to fish and he's fed for a lifetime. Similarly, selling the Church's assets would add to its immediate efforts to assist the poor, but it would prevent the Church from maintaining greater long-term assistance.

Moreover, selling the Church's patrimony of artwork (such as Michelangelo's *Pietà*) into private or corporate hands would deprive future generations the transcendence that comes from praying before a priceless treasure. In 2015, Pope Francis was asked if he ever felt pressure to sell "the treasures of the Church." He responded that they weren't the Church's treasures, but "the treasures of humanity."

While popes aren't at liberty to sell what belongs to "humanity," they generally donate personal gifts to support the needy. Motorcycles, cars, and other gifts to Pope Francis have been given away or auctioned to benefit the poor. On his deathbed, St. John XXIII offered his doctor his fountain pen, saying it was the only thing of value he possessed.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR

Calendar:

Monday – July 6

Weekday

Hos 2:16, 17b–18, 21–22

Mt 9:18–26

Tuesday – July 7

Weekday

Hos 8:4–7, 11–13

Mt 9:32–38

Wednesday – July 8

Weekday

Hos 10:1–3, 7–8, 12

Mt 10:1–7

Thursday – July 9

Weekday

Hos 11:1–4, 8e–9

Mt 10:7–15

Friday – July 10

Weekday

Hos 14:2–10

Mt 10:16–23

Saturday – July 11

St. Benedict, Abbot

Is 6:1–8

Mt 10:24–33

Sunday – July 12

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 55:10–11

Rom 8:18–23

Mt 13:1–23

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>

Rectory Summer Hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. or call for an appointment. **Rectory office is closed on Wednesdays.**

Memorial Fund: Gratefully the parish acknowledges the following memorial contributions **in memory of Ronald Weiner:** \$50 Rosemarie Seeley and Rita Ann Zangari; \$25 Bernie and Joann Niderostek; \$25 Thelma Barcy.



Memorial Flowers: The flowers in church this week are in memory of Michael and Catherine Cesanek. They were donated by daughter, Helen Kerbacher, and family.

Baptism: We are happy to welcome Peyton Abigail Paukovits, child of Stephen and Jessica Paukovits, who began to share in the life of Jesus this past Saturday in the Sacrament of Baptism. We will continue to pray for Peyton Abigail as she continues to grow in our faith.

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.

Save Aluminum Pulltabs – Save the pull tabs from cans of soda and bring them to the church. Place them in the receptacle in the lobby of the church. Tabs will be taken to the Ronald McDonald House in Philadelphia. The tabs are recycled and generate income to defray the cost of running the Ronald McDonald House, where parents of chronically ill children stay while their children are being treated in nearby hospitals.

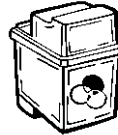
VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

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.

Victim Assistance Coordinator
 DIRECT TELEPHONE NUMBER
 1-800-791-9209

Email: victimsassistance@allentowndiocese.org

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



Ink Cartridge and Toner Recycling:

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PARISH MEMBERSHIP:

Name _____

Street _____

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Check One:

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