

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH



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Masses

Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00, 10:30 a.m.
Monday & Friday 8:00 a.m.
Tue., Wed. & Thu. 7:00 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
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe – November 20/21, 2021

Daily Masses

Nov. 22, Monday	8:00 a.m.	†Pauline Kosman	Assumption B.V.M. Young-at-Heart
Nov. 23, Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	†Martha Marie Hozza	Husband, Edward
Nov. 24, Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	†Leonard Fry	Wife, Ann
Nov. 25, Thursday	8:00 a.m.	Thanksgiving Day – Mass of Thanksgiving	
Nov. 26, Friday	No Mass		
Nov. 27, Saturday	4:00 p.m.	†Richard Hanzarik	Wife, Betty, and Family
Nov. 28, Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Living and deceased parishioners	
	10:30 a.m.	†Phyllis Kush	Joanne and Juliet

Next Week's Schedule: Lector:

Nov. 27, Sat. 4:00 p.m.	Mary Ellen Schwartz
Nov. 28, Sun. 8:00 a.m.	Marge Heist
10:30 a.m.	Deb Heckenberger

Euch. Min.:

Leonard Kosciolk
Joseph Ciecko
Drew Maron

Altar Servers:

Hope Warren/Mikayla Warren
Aidan Kraus
Ava Miletics

Sanctuary Lights are burning this week in loving memory and for the pious intention of Stephen Kotoris requested by sister, Nikki.

Please pray for God's blessings and the gift of good health for the sick people of our parish. Also remember in your prayers, Johanna Fabik, mother of Michele Fabik Carroll, and Michael Zastko, brother of Joseph Zastko, who died recently.

Good News!

November 21, 2021

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe (B)
 Dn 7:13–14 / Rv 1:5–8; Jn 18:33b–37

Your Majesty. This is an interesting form of address. It is not really a title like Queen or Lord. Nor does it identify a function ascribed to royalty, as does ruler. It refers to a status of excellence. It belongs to the position of royalty itself rather than the person in that position. Just what is majesty and why do we attribute it to some people? Originally people believed that royal individuals were descendants of the gods. This probably explains the notion of royal majesty. The readings for today's feast show that Jesus turned the ideas of kingship and royal majesty upside down.

The son of man in Daniel was a heavenly being upon whom "dominion, glory, and kingship" (7:14) were bestowed by God. The kingship of this figure is universal and everlasting. In the Gospels, Jesus frequently identifies with this title. When he does so, he is making a claim about his identity. The passage from Revelation depicts Jesus like this son of man, a heavenly being who comes "amid the clouds" (1:7) as "the ruler of the kings of the earth" (1:5).

In the Gospel scene, Jesus is interrogated about his identity. He insists that his kingship springs from love and service, not power and force. It's clear that his royal majesty flows from who he is, not from any political position he might hold. To call him king, as we do with today's responsorial psalm, was a very dangerous political statement for his early followers, for it claimed that Jesus is Lord, not Caesar.

Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

Calendar

Monday – November 22

St. Cecilia, Virgin and Martyr
 Dn 1:1–6, 8–20 / Lk 21:1–4

Tuesday – November 23

Weekday
 Dn 2:31–45 /
 Lk 21:5–11

Wednesday – November 24

St. Andrew Dūng-Lac, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
 Dn 5:1–6, 13–14, 16–17, 23–28
 Lk 21:12–19

Thursday – November 25

Weekday
 Dn 6:12–28 / Lk 21:20–28

Friday – November 26

Weekday
 Dn 7:2–14
 Lk 21:29–33

Saturday – November 27

Weekday
 Dn 7:15–27
 Lk 21:34–36

Sunday – November 28

First Sunday of Advent
 Jer 33:14–16
 1 Thes 3:12–4:2
 Lk 21:25–28, 34–36

Rel. Ed. Classes Sundays, 9:00 – 10:05 a.m.
7th & 8th Grade Rel. Ed. .. Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
First Friday Adoration.... after 8:00 Mass
Prayer Shawl Meeting.... 3rd Tues. of month @ 10 a.m.
Adoration..... Wednesdays after Mass
Choir Rehearsal..... Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.

Breakfast: Back by Popular Demand. We will be resuming the BVM Breakfast starting in January. Please watch the bulletin for more information. Also, Donut Sundays are back starting on Sunday, January 9. Hope to see you there.



Memorial Flowers: The flowers by the altar this week are in memory of Richard Hanzarik. They were donated by wife, Betty, and Family.

Filling Sale

Volunteers are needed to help prepare the filling. Today, Sunday, November 21, 3:00 p.m.; Monday, November 22 at 9:00 a.m. and Tuesday, November 23 at 8:00 a.m. Please call Jane Spengler at 610-262-8138 for more information.

Slovak Kolach Sale: Your Christmas Slovak Kolach orders are **due by next Sunday, November 28.** Please complete the form and return it with your payment as soon as possible. **The cost is \$16.00 each.** Additional order forms will be available in the church vestibule. Order pick up is scheduled for Saturday, December 11 and Sunday, December 12.



Stocking Stuffer: Need a stocking stuffer? Or just a little something to add to a gift for that special person? The Parish Fund Raising Committee is sponsoring a monthly lottery calendar for January 2022. The calendars are \$5 each and the winners are based on the **evening daily** Pennsylvania Lottery number. Calendars will be on sale before Mass the weekends of November 20/21, November 27/28, December 4/5, 11/12 and 18/19. Calendars must be purchased prior to January 1, 2022.



Remember the Needy: Please take a tag from the "Giving Tree" which is located in the Church vestibule. The tags list items needed by the Catholic Charities Office to care for the needs of babies and their families. **Please place your unwrapped gifts under the tree by December 10** and we will take them to the Catholic Charities office.

Special Collection: There will be a collection for the **Northampton Area Food Bank** at the Thanksgiving Day Mass this Thursday, November 25.

Oplatky (Christmas Wafers) will be available (free will offering) in the church social hall all weekends during Advent. The 2022 Calendars, which are free, will also be available in the church social hall during Advent, compliments of Schisler Funeral Home.

Memorial Fund: Gratefully the parish acknowledges the following people who gave memorial contributions **in memory of Mark Heckenberger:** Lisa Vanderbeck. **In memory of Joseph G. Bauer:** Carol and Gary Houck. **In memory of Joseph Strella:** Steve Marsch.

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 don't 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 \$2,759.55. Just think, that's almost \$2,750.00** 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!

Winter Weather: With the return to colder temperatures and the possibility of snow and ice, we ask everyone to exercise caution when using the front church steps. A recommended alternative would be to enter thru the side entrance and use the interior Steps/Elevator.

Home Aide available: Woman available and seeking to assist with elderly (65+) in home: light cleaning, errands, laundry, transport to doctors, cooking. Call 267-374-1812. References available. \$20.00/hr.

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

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.

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2021 Hand Rolled Slovak Kolach Sale

Apple

Apricot

Coconut Cream

English Walnut

Lekvar (Prune)

Poppy Seed

Pumpkin Cheese

Seedless Red Raspberry

\$16.00 each

Baked and prepared by Country Cottage Bake Shop Tamaqua, PA 18252

Forms are included in the Sunday Bulletin.

Place your order WITH PAYMENT in the Sunday Collection or drop off at the Rectory.

IMPORTANT:

Deadline for Orders: Sunday, November 28

Pick-up: After Mass in Church Social Hall:

Saturday December 11

Sunday December 12

THANK YOU

2021 CHRISTMAS FUND RAISING: HAND ROLLED SLOVAK KOLACH ORDER FORM

Assumption BVM Church, Northampton

\$16.00 each (PAYMENT WITH ORDER)

AP = Apple **A = Apricot** **CC = Coconut Cream** **N = English Walnut**

L = Lekvar (prune) **P = Poppy Seed** **PC = Pumpkin Cheese** **R = Red Raspberry**

SELLER (NAME and PHONE NUMBER):

Quantity each

Name	Phone Number	AP	A	CC	N	L	P	PC	R	Total Rolls	Cash	Check number & date
		Apple	Apricot									

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AP A CC N L P PC R Total