

**November 2, 2014
All Souls Day**

MASS INTENTIONS

- Sunday (November 2) All Souls Day**
 8:00 Giuseppe & Filomena Pascetta
Requested By: Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Diulio
 10:00 Felcy Dias & Fernandes, & The Deceased Members
 of the Fernandes Family
Requested By: Elfy Clemente
 12:00 Pro-Popluo
 7:00 Spanish Mass
- Monday (November 3)**
 7:00 Pacina Fernandes
Requested By: Family
 9:00 All Souls Day Novena
- Tuesday (November 4) St. Charles Borromeo**
 7:00 All Souls Day Novena
 9:00 John DeRico
Requested By: Yolanda DeRico & Family
- Wednesday (November 5)**
 7:00 Lucia Lizotte
Requested By: Mr. & Mrs. Carmine DeLuca
 9:00 All Souls Day Novena
- Thursday (November 6)**
 7:00 All Souls Day Novena
 9:00 Zeoli Family & Malaspina Family
Requested By: Antoinette Malaspina & Family
- Friday (November 7)**
 7:00 Elizabeth & Carl Ferrazza
Requested By: Nina Ferrazza
 9:00 All Souls Day Novena
- Saturday (November 8)**
 9:00 All Souls Day Novena
 5:00 Pro-Populo
- Sunday (November 9) Thirty second Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 8:00 All Souls Day Novena
 10:00 Giuseppe & Filomena Pascetta
Requested By: Family
 12:00 Gemma Romano
Requested By: Pietro & Concetta DiPaterio & Family
 7:00 Spanish Mass

**Please notify an usher if you would like to bring up the gifts during a Mass for your loved one.*



Wedding Banns

**Third Time: Michael Pikoulas & Jeanna Pasquale
 Third Time: Edgar Sinchi & Angelica Quizhpi
 First time: Moises Ortiz & Joana Noriega**



DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR SCHEDULE

November 2, 2014	3PM	Location to be Determined
November 9, 2014	3PM	Cancelled for Cemetery Sunday
November 16, 2014	3PM	Location to be Determined

MEMORIALIZATIONS

ALTAR CANDLES

- Msgr. Francis J. Ansbro
Requested By: Catholic Daughters of the Americas
 Bruno Valente
Requested By: Wife
 Deceased Members of the Vega Nuñez Families
Requested By: Family
 Deceased Members of the Bernardo Family
Requested By: Family

SANCTUARY LAMPS

- Jessie Perrotto
Requested By: Family
 Daniel Cuoco
Requested By: Arlene and Doug Swankie

NOTES FROM THE LOFT

"The Dream of Gerontius"

All Souls Day

In his book, AFTER THIS LIFE, the late Fr. Benedict Groeschel, CFR, includes Blessed John Henry Cardinal Newman's unusual (and very appealing!) 'vision of Purgatory'. Inspired by Dante's "Purgatorio" from the DIVINE COMEDY, Fr. Newman wrote his 900-line, epic poem, THE DREAM OF GERONTIUS in 1865. It unfolds the prayer of a dying, old man, Gerontius (as in 'geriatrics'). Like Dante who travels through the realms of the dead, Gerontius dreams he is guided by his Guardian Angel through dark passages, infested with demons seeking their prey. Gerontius dimly hears the voices of both ministering priest and angelic beings who encourage and console him. He prays, "Jesu, Maria, I am near to death... 'Tis this new feeling, never felt before...that I am going, that I am no more....Now it comes again, that sense of ruin...that masterful negation and collapse of all that makes me man...A fierce and restless fright begins to fill the mansion of my soul." His heavenly assistants intercede with the Saints for mercy for him. Gerontius surrenders: "Into Thy hands, O Lord, into Thy hands..." as he hears the priest powerfully utter: "Go forth, Christian Soul, from this world!"

Gerontius reflects. "I went to sleep; and now...I feel...an inexpressive lightness ...a freedom, as I were at length myself, and ne'er had been before. Someone has me fast within his ample palm...I am...borne forward on my way..." Gerontius's angel prepares him. "Thou...with extremest speed art hurrying to the Just and Holy Judge." Unexpectedly joyful and without fear, Gerontius, in one Divine glance perceives the "first-fruit" of his heavenly reward! He hears a heavenly choir: "Praise to the holiest in the height..." as he passes through the Gate. However, painfully conscious of his unworthiness, he begs to be purged! His Angel transports, embraces and immerses him in the "penal waters" of a Lake where other angels will "tend, nurse and lull" him until his Guardian returns "on the morrow" to wake and escort him to heaven.

Ten years after Newman's death in 1890, British admirer and premier composer, Sir Edward Elgar (of "Pomp and Circumstance" fame) composed his opera "The Dream of Gerontius" in tribute to Newman. The Guardian Angel was played by a woman, lending a maternal and marital comfort. Today the Choir will sing PRAISE TO THE HOLIEST IN THE HEIGHT.

CEMETERY SUNDAY

Assumption Parish is blessed to have a beautiful cemetery. Since the month of November is dedicated to praying for the repose of the souls of the Faithful Departed, please consider joining us for Cemetery Sunday. Weather permitting, we will meet at the Stations of the Cross Columbarium Garden on Sunday, November 9, at 3:00PM to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet and renew the blessing of the graves.

TITHING REPORT

30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2014.....	\$ 9,102.00*
30 th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2013.....	\$ 9,382.96
Second Collection: Mission Sunday.....	\$ 2,640.00

*includes ParishPay total of \$611.25

RESPECT LIFE

The Church opposes abortion, but embraces with mercy those who have made this mistake. Let's all take encouragement from these words of Pope John Paul II: "I would now like to say a special word to women who have had an abortion. The Church is aware of the many factors which may have influenced your decision, and she does not doubt that in many cases it was a painful and even shattering decision. The wound in your heart may not yet have healed. Certainly what happened was and remains terribly wrong. But do not give in to discouragement and do not lose hope. Try rather to understand what happened and face it honestly. If you have not already done so, give yourselves over with humility and trust to repentance. The Father of mercies is ready to give you his forgiveness and his peace in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. To the same Father and to his mercy you can with sure hope entrust your child." (The Gospel of Life, #99). **The next Respect Life Holy Hour will be on November 25th, from 7:00PM – 8:00PM**

WE'D LIKE TO CONNECT WITH YOU!



Get important updates from the parish in a timely and convenient way. This new tool we're using lets you choose what info you'd like to receive - via email or text message - from the various ministries and groups in the parish. You can unsubscribe any time. There are 2 easy ways to connect (pick one): Visit our Parish at: www.flocknote.com/assumptionpeek OR Text [Assumptionpeek](http://www.flocknote.com/assumptionpeek) to 84576 from your phone to subscribe to updates. Text STOP to 84576 to stop txt notifications at any time. Text HELP for help. There is no charge for this service, but your carrier message and data rates may apply. View full terms & conditions at www.flocknote.com/txt

VOTING AND MORAL RESPONSIBILITY

Election Day is Coming -- make sure to vote with the principles of our Catholic Faith in mind. We encourage *all citizens*, particularly Catholics, to embrace their citizenship not merely as a duty and privilege, but as an opportunity meaningfully to participate *in building the culture of life*. Every voice matters in the public forum. Every vote counts. Every act of responsible citizenship is an exercise of significant individual power. We must exercise that power in ways that defend human life, especially those of God's children who are unborn, disabled or otherwise vulnerable. We get the public officials we deserve. Their virtue -- or lack thereof -- is a judgment not only on them, but on us. Because of this, we urge our fellow citizens to *see beyond party politics, to analyze campaign rhetoric critically, and to choose their political leaders according to principle, not party affiliation or mere self-interest*. - United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Living the Gospel of Life*.

BLOOD DRIVE



Assumption Church is sponsoring a Blood Drive on **Sunday, November 30th**, in Father Wilson Hall between the hours of 8:30 AM and 2:00 PM. We look forward to your blood donation for the Hudson Valley Blood Services. Blood Donors please bring personal identification and know your Social Security Number for registration. Please give the Gift of Life.



PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Gladys Latimer, Catherine Chesser, Janet Fortier, Linda McGarr, Loretta Donohue, Andrew Muller, George Strumke, Daniel Cairl, George Smith, Fr. Steven Clark, Cecilia Murphy, Walter Bittal, Patricia Cothren, Guadalupe Arango, and Mario Garziona

A CANDLELIGHT CHRISTMAS CONCERT



Our traditional Christmas Concert featuring MARY MANCINI, MARIO TACCA, and the VICTOR LIONTI STRING QUARTET, will take place in our Assumption Church by candlelight on Sunday afternoon, December 7th 2014 at 3:00pm. A reception will follow in the Father Wilson Hall. Be sure to reserve the date and join us for this special evening of glorious inspirational music in preparation for the Birthday of Jesus! Sign-ups will take place the weekend of November 22 & 23 and November 29 & 30.

SEASONAL MISSALETTE



Assumption Church is grateful to parishioners who, in memory of their loved ones, help defray the significant cost of our Breaking Bread Missal/Hymnal. There are still a few opportunities to memorialize, but the new copies will be out end of November. Anyone interested in memorializing them in remembrance of a loved one, please contact the parish rectory for more information. **Deadline to memorialize your loved one is November 17th.**

CHRISTMAS FOR THE NEEDY

Assumption will participate in the Salvation Army's Christmas drive for the poor with a giving tree during the Advent Season. If you or anyone you know has a need, visit the Salvation Army this week at their Peekskill location at 117 Nelson Avenue in Peekskill or call (914) 214-2031. The Salvation Army in turn will make available to Assumption an anonymous list of needs for parishioners to do this good work of charity.

PARISHPAY



Automated giving is here for those who wish to take advantage of it. At the request of the Archdiocese of New York, Assumption Church partnered with ParishPay. ParishPay is an automated giving program. It is a means for you to provide prayerful, financial support to the parish through monthly contributions from your checking, savings, or major credit card account. There is NO cost to you to participate! More information in future bulletins.

COULD YOU NOT PRAY WITH ME...?



First Fridays of every month are special times to visit our Lord, who is truly present in the Eucharist and is exposed in the Church. Friday, November 7th, our Lord Jesus Christ, in the Eucharist, will be on the altar for us to adore from 12:15 PM until 7:00PM. At 7:00 PM will be the Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. Please come and spend some time adoring the Lord Jesus with us.

COFFEE HOUR



The Assumption Choir will host a Coffee Hour on Sunday, November 16, 2014 following the 12 Noon Mass. Please join us for a great opportunity to socialize with fellow members of the congregation, meet new visitors, or continue discussion of themes brought up during the service.