

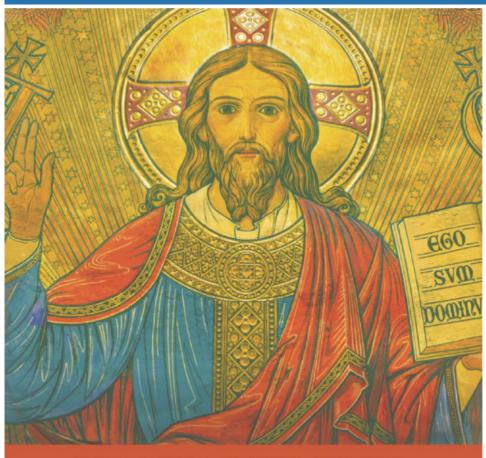
## Church of the Assumption

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# Church of St. Anthony



November 20th, 2022 • 34th Sunday in Ordinary Time



### OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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He said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied to him, "Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise." - Lk 23:42-43

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All Visitors and Guests Welcome to the Assumption and St. Anthony parishes! Thank you for joining us for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. If you would like to become a member of either parish please call or email the parish offices. "May the Lord guard your coming and going both now and forever." -Psalm 121

Church of St. Anthony, Watkins / Assumption Church, Eden Valley Assumption St. Anthony Catholics

#### **Assumption Church**

www.churchoftheassumptionedenvalley.org

Youth Ministry

evwyouthministry@gmail.com

#### **Mass Times**

Wednesdays	5:15 PM
Fridays	7:00 AM
Saturday	
Sunday	

#### Reconciliation

Wed: 4:45 PM, Fri: 8:00 AM Sat: 3:30 PM & Sun 7:30 AM

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Mondays 8:00 AM- Fridays 5:00 PM

#### **Office Hours**

Mon: 12:30-4:30, Wed: 8-4 Fri: 8-12:00 (hours may vary)

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#### **Mass Times**

Tuesdays	9:30 AM
Thursdays	8:30 AM
Sunday	

#### **Reconciliation**

Tuesdays: 9:00 AM, Thursdays: 8:00 AM, Sundays: 9:45 AM

#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Thursdays 9:00 AM-Fridays 9:00 AM

#### Office Hours

Mon: 8-12, Tues: 8-4 Thurs: 8-4 (hours may vary)

#### **Twinned Parish Contacts**

Pastor Secretary DRE RE Assistant Youth Minister Father Aaron Nett Jessica Teicher Nancy Jans Bonnie Meyer Sam Mettler

#### **A Message from Father Aaron**

#### **Advent: Rejoicing in the Lord**

Dear Friends,

As we celebrate "Christ the King", the King of Heaven and Earth this Sunday, we come to the end of the liturgical year. This means that we begin a new liturgical year next Sunday, which is the First Sunday of Advent. I know... it is hard to believe how quickly time flies by. But so it is, we enter into the wonderful Season of Advent, a season of preparation and waiting for the Lord to come, our cause for rejoicing. The psalm antiphon for the First Sunday of Advent this year is, "Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord."

The word Advent comes from the Latin "adventus," which means a coming, approach, or arrival. It refers to the period encompassing the four Sundays prior to Christmas. It is a time of penance, (the reason for purple or violet) of turning away from sin and a hopeful, joyous preparation for the coming of the Savior.

So what are we preparing and waiting for in Advent? We are preparing for the coming of Jesus Christ into the world, primarily on the Solemnity of the Nativity, otherwise known as Christmas Day. It is the celebration of the Incarnation of Jesus Christ, the Word made Flesh, to save us from sin and redeem us. "Emmanuel," means God with us.

However, they're layers to this time of preparation for Christ in Advent as well. It has been said that there are three comings of Christ which are; Christ has come in history, Christ comes in mystery, and Christ comes in majesty. Christ's coming in history is the Incarnation. Christ's coming in mystery is his presence here on earth through the Sacraments; like Baptism, Confession and the Holy Eucharist. Also, his abiding presence to us through the Holy Spirit at all times and in every moment. Also, his presence in each baptized Christian themselves and in the other, as each of us are "Alter Christus," or "other Christs." And Christ is present to us in the poor and those in need. These are the ways Christ is present to us here and now in the mystery of our faith.

The third coming of Christ is in majesty. In the Second Coming into the world that he has promised he will come to be the judge of all. "I charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and by his appearing and his kingly power." (2 Timothy 4:1) By preparing well for Christ in history and mystery, we will be well prepared for his coming in majesty. May God bless you this Advent Season, and may his coming be the cause of your rejoicing.

In Christ, Father Aaron

#### **Twinned Parish News**

#### **Thanksgiving Day Mass**

Mass for Thanksgiving Day will be at 9:00 AM at St. Anthony's.

#### **Hospitality/Greeter Ministry**

The purpose is to live the Gospel call to evangelize through personal encounter, attending to others' needs, being available, and prayerfully making others feel welcome. If you are interested, please contact the parish office.

#### **No Wednesday Religion**

This Wednesday, November 23rd, there will be no Wednesday Religion due to Thanksgiving.

## Prayer for 11th grade Confirmation Retreat Dec 2nd-4th

Our Confirmation students will be going away for retreat from Friday night at 4:30pm thru Sunday at 11am. Please keep them in your prayers along with those speakers, leaders, and guides. As we pray: Oh Merciful Father, grant that Your Divine Spirit may enable all Your faithful to be fruitful in good works for the glory of Your majesty and for the spiritual and material well being of all people. Holy Spirit, cleanse, inflame and enlighten the minds and hearts of our Confirmation students on their retreat. Please bless the retreat with your gifts and great grace. We ask this through the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Sock Religious Fundraiser** You can support our Puerto Rico mission trip by buying Sock Religious products. You can visit this website at https://stores.inksoft.com/youthfund/shop/home. Half of the proceeds go to reduce the cost of the trip. Any questions can be addressed to Sam.

**Silence & Prayer after Mass** As we seek to prepare for the coming of Christ this Advent we are mindful of the need to pray in silence. Starting in the first week of Advent, I will be inviting the congregation to a time of thanksgiving after Mass. The prayer of thanksgiving after Mass is a special time to reflect on the gift of the Eucharist and the gifts we have received, even if for a few moments. I will invite all after the final hymn to kneel or sit down and pray the "Anima Christi" prayer in the back of the hymnal together. After the prayer as you depart, I ask that you please respect silence for those who wish to stay longer and wait until outside or you are in the parish hall to resume conversation. Thank you!

#### **Assumption Parish News**

#### **Mass Intentions**

Wednesday, November 23:

5:15 PM Mass: † Andrew Schoenecker Friday, November 25:

7:00 AM Mass: † Paul & Margie Kerzman

Saturday, November 26:

4:00 PM Mass: People of the Parishes

Sunday, November 27:

8:00 AM Mass: † Poor Souls in Purgatory

#### **Mass Ministries**

#### -Saturday, November 26, 4PM:

Lector: Lona Brutger Extraordinary Minister of Communion: Andrea Huschle Rosary Leader: Larraine Vivier Hospitality: Reuben Stommes & Mark Schoenecker

#### -Sunday, November 27, 8AM:

Lector: Steve Ries

Extraordinary Minister of Communion: Denise Nohner Rosary Leader: Janet Roberg Homebound: Jeanne Schmitz

**Hospitality:** Theresa Branstner & Joel Braun Coffee & Rolls: Rob Haag & Margie Kuechle

#### **Adoration Announcement**

The Adoration chapel will close on Thanksgiving day at 8:00 a.m, and reopen on Friday at 8:00 a.m.

#### **Holiday Porch Planters**

The Faith Formation Office will be selling Holiday Porch Planters to help raise funds for Alejandro; the Mexican orphan we support throughout the year. Once the planters arrive, they will be ready for pick-up after the 4pm and 8am Masses. Limited quantity available. They are made with fresh Spruce tops and assorted mixed greens. They are minimally decorated and all have a bow. If you would like to donate to the orphan but do not need or want a planter we will have a donation basket available for that as well.

#### **Additional Ushers Needed!**

The Assumption Church is looking to grow it's usher ministry. If you are interested in helping serve the parish in this way let the office know.

#### **Multiple Donations**

When donating to multiple parish groups and collections, please make out separate checks for each donation. For example: you should make out one check for the Sunday "adult envelope" collection and a separate check for "World Mission Sunday". This makes it immensely easier for our money counters to count the collection. Thank you for your attention to this detail!

#### **Financial Blessings**

#### November 6, 2022

Adult Env 2840.00 Loose 293.00 Bazaar Ltr 0.00 Youth 0.00 Votive 77.00 **Total** \$3210.00

Monthly Auto Transfers: \$2215 Bazaar Letter YTD: \$17,485

The financial information for this past weekend was not available due to the early bulletin deadline and will be published next week.

### **Traveling Chalice & Madonna**

**HOLINESS** is a challenge for all of us, whatever our specific vocations. We are called to be holy in all aspects of our lives. This is an ongoing process, often slowed by setbacks. When the saints were alive, they did not regard themselves as saints; rather, they knew they were sinners and they strived to be saints. The process of becoming holy is, even for saints, filled with struggle. Know you are a sinner; strive to be a saint. Thank you for you continued prayers for vocations! If you would like to volunteer to host the Traveling Chalice and Madonna for a week, contact Mary Jo Ruhland or Jay Schoenecker.









#### **All Souls Remembrance**

During November we remember the deceased, especially our dearly departed loved ones and members from our parishes from this past year. Please pray for them and for the all the poor souls in purgatory.

Assumption: Harold Meierhofer, Mary Spartz, Mary Gronsberg, Jeffery Ruhland, Alan Loch, George N Ruhland, Carol Braun, Burgetta Nistler, Gerhard Weinmann, Viola Nistler, Michael Holthaus, Patricia Kruzel, Doreen Ebensteiner, Orville Meemkin, Carol Bacon, Arthur Lahr, **Dolores Phillipp and Mary Sieben.** 

St. Anthony's: Charles Schoen, Dorothy Brixius, Loretta Stenger, Mary Stenger, Patricia Strohmeier, Carol Lou Fuchs, Jane Vossen, Rev. Richard Gross and Austin Nistler.

#### St. Anthony Parish News

#### **Mass Intentions**

Tuesday, November 22: 9:30 AM Mass: Special Intention Thursday, November 24: 9:00 AM Mass: † Robert Donnay Sunday, November 27: 10:00 AM Mass: † Roger Kramer

#### **Mass Ministries**

#### Thursday, November 24, 9AM:

Lectors: Alan Bear & Andy Hesse **Extraordinary Minister of Holy** Communion: Emily Piccerillo Mass Servers: Anna & Isaac Kramer Rosary Leader: Rich & Mary Ann Hesse Hospitality: Emily Piccerillo & Jessie Teicher

#### Sunday, November 27, 10AM:

Lectors: Mary Ann Hesse & Tammy Winter **Extraordinary Minister of Holy** Communion: Lori Unterberger Mass Servers: Aiden Meierhofer &

Andrew Henneman Children's Liturgy: Heidi & Erin Rosary Leader: Betty Donnay

Hospitality: Eric & Kaila Schmitt Coffee & Rolls: The Louwagie Family

#### **Financial Blessings**

#### **November 6, 2022**

Adult Env 1911.00 Loose 236.00 Youth 6.00 Votive 53.30 Wklv Auto 720.00 **Total** \$2926,30

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#### **Church Cleaners**

November 20-December 3: Mark & Lisa Stommes, Robert & Jeanie Stommes, Tim Stommes & Adam & Jessie Teicher and families.

Call Theresia at 764-7251 to unlock.

## 🔓 Please Welcome

The Church of St. Anthony is happy to welcome new members to our parish family! Please join us in welcoming Mike & Diane **Rosenow** to the parish!

## REST IN PEACE

Our heartfelt condolences go out to the family and friends of: † Lloyd Ley, 81, who passed away on October 24th. A graveside service was held on November 8th at the St. Anthony's Cemetery. Please remember Lloyd and his family and friends in your prayers during this time.

Soup & Bouja Sunday On November 20th the Catholic Order of Foresters will be selling their delicious homemade chicken noodle soup and Bouja. Soup: \$16; Bouja: \$17. Your extra ice cream pails would also be appreciated! You can drop them off at church. Thank you!

**Adoration Announcement** Adoration will be closed this week on Thanksgiving day. There will be no adoration this week.

Pro-Works Christmas Gifts We will be collecting gifts for the Pro-Works from Litchfield this year. If you are unable to bring them to our Christmas party there will be a box in the new addition of church for you to place your gifts. They are looking for personal hygiene items, easy puzzles, games and word searches, notebooks and pens. What they really appreciate are gift cards or certificates to the local businesses so the clients can choose what they like or need. (No clothing, food or blankets.) All gifts should be in a gift bag. If you want to make a cash donation or give a gift certificate, put it in the collection basket and mark the envelope: Pro-Works. The last day to drop off gifts will be December 14. Thank you for your generosity! -CCW officers

**Additional Ushers Needed!** The Church of St. Anthony is looking to grow it's usher ministry! If you are interested in helping serve the parish in this way contact Chad Huberty at 290-1131 or let the office know.

**CCW Meetings** Due to low attendance at our meetings, we have decided to meet only in Sept., Dec., Feb. and May. Our new Shepherd of the Fields is retired, Fr. Harry Behan. His address is Cainhill Nursing Home Herbert Road, Bray County Wicklow, Ireland A98 VF88. His birthday is March 8 and ordination date is June 17, 1973. -Kathy Erpelding Co-president

#### **Thank You For Your Cooperation!**



We are grateful to those who joined us the past two weekends for 20-minutes after Mass. Your cooperation enabled us to share the important information about our prioritized capital campaign projects and eliminated the need to personally contact you in the weeks ahead. Please take time this week to review your personalized folder, reflect on your blessings and capacity to respond, prayerfully determine your financial Church of St. Anthony commitment, and then return your decision to Fr. Yesterday - Today - For Elevally Aaron in the confidential envelope. Thank you!

#### **Church Renovation Campaign Cabinet**

• Alan Bear • Rose Condon • Kevin Donnay • Deacon Phillip Henneman • Andy Hesse • Rich Hesse, Trustee • Bill Lorentz • Fr. Aaron Nett, Pastor • Jessica Teicher



**God's Girls** The next God's Girls is Sunday, November 20th at Assumption Church from 2-3:30 p.m. God's Girls is for any girl grades 7th-12th. We will meet downstairs for games, then read

a bible story. Please bring your favorite snack to share with the group for a mini-potluck.

**Youth Nights** The next Sr. High night is Dec. 7th at St. Anthony and the next Jr. High night is Dec. 14th at Assumption. Confirmation students may help out at JH nights to obtain service hours. If any adult or parent would like found out how they can help with these nights you can contact Sam at evwyouthministry@gmail.com.

#### **Mission Trip Opportunity to Puerto Rico!**

Mission trip to Puerto Rico from July 23rd-28th. The

estimated cost around \$1500 per person. This trip is for current 8th graders to adults. You can register with a down deposit of \$500 or a \$1000 down deposit for families with two or more people going. There will be many opportunities for fundraising. There is still time to



register for our Senior High Puerto Rico Mission Trip! The deadline has extended to Dec. 1st. After this deadline passes, we will look to fill the rest of the spots with youth from surrounding parishes. If you have a child who is in 8th grade or above who is interested, please contact Sam at evwyouthministry@gmail.com or 320-630-7590.

# JOIN US EACH SUNDAY THIS ADVENT! FAITH TALKS WITH "UNCLE FRED"

### "NO FINER TIME TO BE A FAITHFUL CATHOLIC"

Sunday, November 27th at Assumption, 2:00 - 3:30pm
Topic: Prayer: The Key that Opens the Heart of God
Sunday, December 4th at St. Anthony's, 2:00 - 3:30pm
Topic: Eschatology: The Study of the End Times and the Last
Things: Death, Judgement, Heaven and Hell

Sunday, December 11th at Assumption, 2:00 - 3:30pm Topic: Habits of Holiness: Spiritual Armor for Spiritual Warfare

Sunday, December 18th at St. Anthony's, 2:00 - 3:30pm Topic: Understanding the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and Praying it with the Faith, Love and Fervor of the Saints.

#### Sacraments

**Marriage-** Couples should contact the parish at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

**Baptism-** Baptism classes are for parents and expecting parents who are seeking baptism that haven't already taken a class. The next class will be November 27th after the 8 AM Mass. Contact the parish office to sign up.

**Confession-** times on cover & by appointment **Anointing of the Sick -** contact the parish office when anointing is needed.

**RCIA-** The length of time will be suitable to have a significant experience of the parish community and to have a greater knowledge and love of the Catholic faith. Contact the parish office to sign up.

Bulletin Deadline Bulletin announcements are due on Tuesdays by noon.

**Women's Group:** Women's group meets on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays each month. We will next meet on November 26th at 8:00-9:30 AM at St. Anthony's. Join us anytime, you don't need to attend every meeting to join in!

Community Rosary Night/Potluck: Friday, December 2nd at 6:00PM at St. Anthony's. We will start with the rosary in church with the potluck to follow! We will also have an Advent craft for anyone who wants to take part! Assumption Knights of Columbus: The 3rd Wednesday of each month at 8PM at the Assumption Church.

**Men's Group:** Saturdays, 7:30 AM Rosary, 8-9 AM meeting, at Assumption.

**Christian Mothers' Prayers:** Christian Mothers' prayers on the 1st Saturday & Sunday of each month after Mass.



Jackie Boulton Family, Ron Welle, Joyce Manske, the Ley Family, Ellen Libbesmeier, Carol Huberty and Jennifer Gruenes.

#### <u>Christ our Hope ACC</u> Weekend Mass Schedule

#### **Saturdays:**

5:00PM St. Margaret, Lake Henry (confessions @ 4:00-4:30)

#### **Sundays:**

8:00AM St. Agnes, Roscoe 9:30AM St. Louis, Paynesville

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