

ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



*“My soul proclaims the greatness
of the Lord; my spirit rejoices
in God my savior.”*

Luke 1:46-47

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| Pastor | Fr. Tim Hays | 326-0144 |
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| Religious Ed | Jane Weigelt | 326-0144 |
| Maintenance | Kevin Ford | |

Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00pm
Sunday 8:00am & 10:30am
Weekdays 8:00am Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri
Wednesday School Mass at 8:45am
Rosary before Daily Mass
Holy Days announced in bulletin
Confession Saturday 3:30-4:30pm;
Wednesday 4:30-5:30pm
(or by appointment)
Adoration Wednesday 9:30am-5:30pm

Assumption Parish School

Principal—TJ Romano 328-1115

Pre-School—Kindergarten—Grades 1-8

www.assumptioncatholic.org

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for with God you are never alone”*

Sacraments

Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, First Eucharist — Contact the Parish Office

Anointing of the Sick — Contact the Parish Office

Marriage — Contact the Parish Office.

(Diocesan requirements include at least 6 months of marriage preparation)

Parish Council

Christine Anderson Carolyn McCanna
Sally Piepel Bob Pringle
Colleen Spangler Will Terpening
Bill Watson

Finance Council

Bill Arnold Greg Hicks
Judy Hagan (chair) Carol Normandeau
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| SUNDAY | DECEMBER 03 |
| 8:00am | Mass + Coffee & Donuts |
| 10:30am | Mass + Coffee & Donuts |
| 4:00pm | Family Advent Night |
| MONDAY | DECEMBER 04 |
| 8:00am | Mass |
| TUESDAY | DECEMBER 05 |
| 8:00am | Mass |
| 9:00am | Ladies Bible Study |
| 6:30pm | JR High Youth |
| 7:00pm | SR High Youth |
| WEDNESDAY | DECEMBER 06 |
| 8:45am | Mass |
| 9:30am | Senior Continental Breakfast |
| 9:30am | Adoration |
| 4:30pm | Confessions |
| 5:30pm | Benediction |
| 6:30pm | RCIA |
| THURSDAY | DECEMBER 07 |
| 8:00am | Mass |
| 6:30pm | Women's Bible Study |
| FRIDAY | DECEMBER 08 |
| FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION | |
| 8:45am | Mass |
| 7:00pm | Mass |
| SATURDAY | DECEMBER 09 |
| 7:00am | Men's Bible Study |
| 3:30pm | Confessions |
| 5:00pm | Mass |
| SUNDAY | DECEMBER 10 |
| 8:00am | Mass |
| 10:30am | Mass |
| 11:30am | St. Nick's Festival |

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| 12/03 | Sunday | 8:00am | People of Assumption Parish |
| | | 10:30am | Douglas Amsbury + |
| 12/04 | Monday | | Joseph Geraghty |
| 12/05 | Tuesday | | Kyle Erwin + |
| 12/06 | Wednesday | | TJ Romano |
| 12/07 | Thursday | | Fr. Patrick Baraza |
| 12/08 | Friday | | Kathryn Aguilar |
| 12/09 | Saturday | | Al & Irene Dalsky + |
| 12/10 | Sunday | | Andrew Baum |
| | | | Terry McMahon + |

SENIOR'S CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
 On Wed, Dec 6 at 9:30am in the gym—open to all seniors of the parish and friends to stop in, have a light breakfast and good company. We hope to see you there.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception
 Please note that daily Mass on Friday, Dec 8th will be at 8:45am so we may celebrate this feast day with our school community. There will also be Mass at 7:00pm that evening as well.



Please pray for: Clara Fischer, Fr. Sean Raftis, Joan Richards, Lyn O'Hare, Fr. Ty Schaff, John Hernandez, Helen Black, Stacey Hastings, Mike Schauble, Gerrine Njenga, Jamie, Susan, Peg Walsh, Sean, Dick Henrichs, Anita Brennan, and all who are sick or recovering from surgery. If you have a prayer request for the bulletin, please call Barbara Rice (327-8124) or Kathryn Overland (328-8523).



November 26, 2017: \$ 13,295.00 Needy: \$45.00
 "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Pt 4:10)



DECEMBER 3, 2017 1st Sunday of Advent



December is now upon us, and there are many upcoming events and activities that are upcoming.



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| December 8, Friday | Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass: 8:45am and 7:00pm |
| December 10, Sunday | St. Nick's Festival 11:30am—1:30pm |
| December 13, Wednesday | Parish Penance Service 7:00pm |
| December 14, Thursday | School Christmas Program 1:30pm & 6:30pm |
| December 24, Sunday | 4th Sunday of Advent Mass—9:00am |
| December 24, Sunday | Christmas Eve Mass—4:30pm, 7:00pm and Midnight The Men's Choir will sing Christmas carols before Midnight Mass. |
| December 25, Monday | Christmas Day Mass—10:00am |



The Catholic Charities Collection raises essential funds that allow us to answer Christ's call to help the poor and vulnerable. Together with you, we **Respond to Crisis, Stabilize Lives, and Advocate in Hope** by serving over 70,000 individuals in Eastern Washington each year. Make a secure donation online at www.CatholicCharitiesSpokane.org or mail to PO Box 2253 Spokane, WA 99210-2253.

Your gift saves lives. Have a blessed Advent season!

We will have a speaker here from Catholic Charities this weekend to talk about the Christmas collection. (There is also a link to Catholic Charities on our website.)



"There can be no strong Catholic Charities without a strong Diocese and strong parishes first!"

Rob McCann, President & CEO

FAITH—FAMILY—FUN

In celebration of our liturgical season of Advent, (which begins this Sunday, Dec 3), we would like to invite all families with children of any age, to a family potluck and an evening of faith enrichment.



Please join us at **4:00pm on Sunday, Dec 3** in the gym with a dish to share.

- Our purpose and hope is to develop peer support within our community; as families seek ideas and suggestions to help pass on our rich tradition of Catholic faith.
- Additional gatherings will be planned according to our liturgical seasons.
- Any questions? - please call the Parish Office.

TREE OF SHARING

We are supporting the following agencies with our Tree of Sharing:

Caritas - Holiday Heat, helping clients with utility assistance throughout the winter months

Our Place Community Ministries is located in the West Central neighborhood of Spokane.

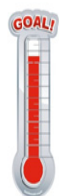
**Any items for Our Place, please have them in by Monday, Dec 11,
as the last day they are open is Dec 12.**

CAPA (Childbirth and Parenting Assistance) Creating hope, strengthening families and transforming generations.

House of Charity provides emergency services including meals, clothing, shelter, and case management to an underserved population of homeless, transient, and poor men and women in the Spokane area while ensuring preservation of individual dignity.

Transitions—Our mission is to work to end poverty and homelessness for women and children in Spokane.

Items do **not** need to be wrapped — you may bring them to church or drop off at the Parish Office by **Monday, Dec 18th** so we may get them to the agencies before Christmas.



ACA UPDATE Our Annual Catholic Appeal goal is \$95,612. As of Wed, Nov 22, we have **\$82,894** pledged - 86% of our goal. Thank you to everyone who has contributed thus far. If you have not given, envelopes are available in the foyer of the church and Parish Office. Donations are still accepted online at www.dioceseofspokane.org and click on the “Annual Catholic Appeal” logo.

There is a link to the diocese on our website as well.



ASSUMPTION PARISH SCHOOL

TJ Romano, Principal

St. Nick's
Festival



"Be Strong, Be Brave, Be Fearless, for with God you are never alone" (Joshua 1:9)

ST. NICK'S FESTIVAL will be held next Sun, Dec 10th in the gym, 11:30am-1:30pm. We will have a Country Store, a Santa Express for children to shop, a delicious breakfast and lots of holiday cheer! Please join us—we look forward to seeing you there.

CARITAS OUTREACH MINISTRIES

Items needed: White, pinto, navy and great northern beans, syrup, peanut butter, canned fruit, canned tuna or chicken, canned peas.

Necessities: Kleenex, toilet paper.

Volunteers are always needed. Please call 326-2249 for information or to volunteer.



PARISH LIBRARY

Apologetics without apology: Fr. Avery Dulles illuminates the key elements of Catholic faith in

The New World of Faith.

Shelved under **Church**

See the parish website under

Faith Formation

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What are the key first steps to enter into Advent?

We can all slow down. We can all breathe more deeply. We can all begin to trust that this will be a blessed time. Then, when we let ourselves be who we are, and hear the Scriptures, we can begin to quietly pray, "Come, Lord, Jesus." We might expand that prayer, in quiet moments of our days ahead, "Come into my life. I trust you don't mind if it is still messy. I believe you love me, because I need your love. I don't fear you can't find the way to my heart. Come and fill me with peace and the love only you can give." Some of us will want to open our hands on our laps or hold up our arms in the privacy of our rooms and say out loud, "Come, Lord, Jesus, come into this house, into my family, into our struggles. Come and heal us, and give us joy again. Come and unite us and let us experience, each in our own way, a bit of the joy you are offering me now." And, before a single decoration goes up, we have prepared for Christmas' message with the foundation of faith, with the mystery of Advent's gift. God wants to be with us. Advent is letting God's will be done in our hearts and in our everyday lives

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