

# Assumption Catholic Church

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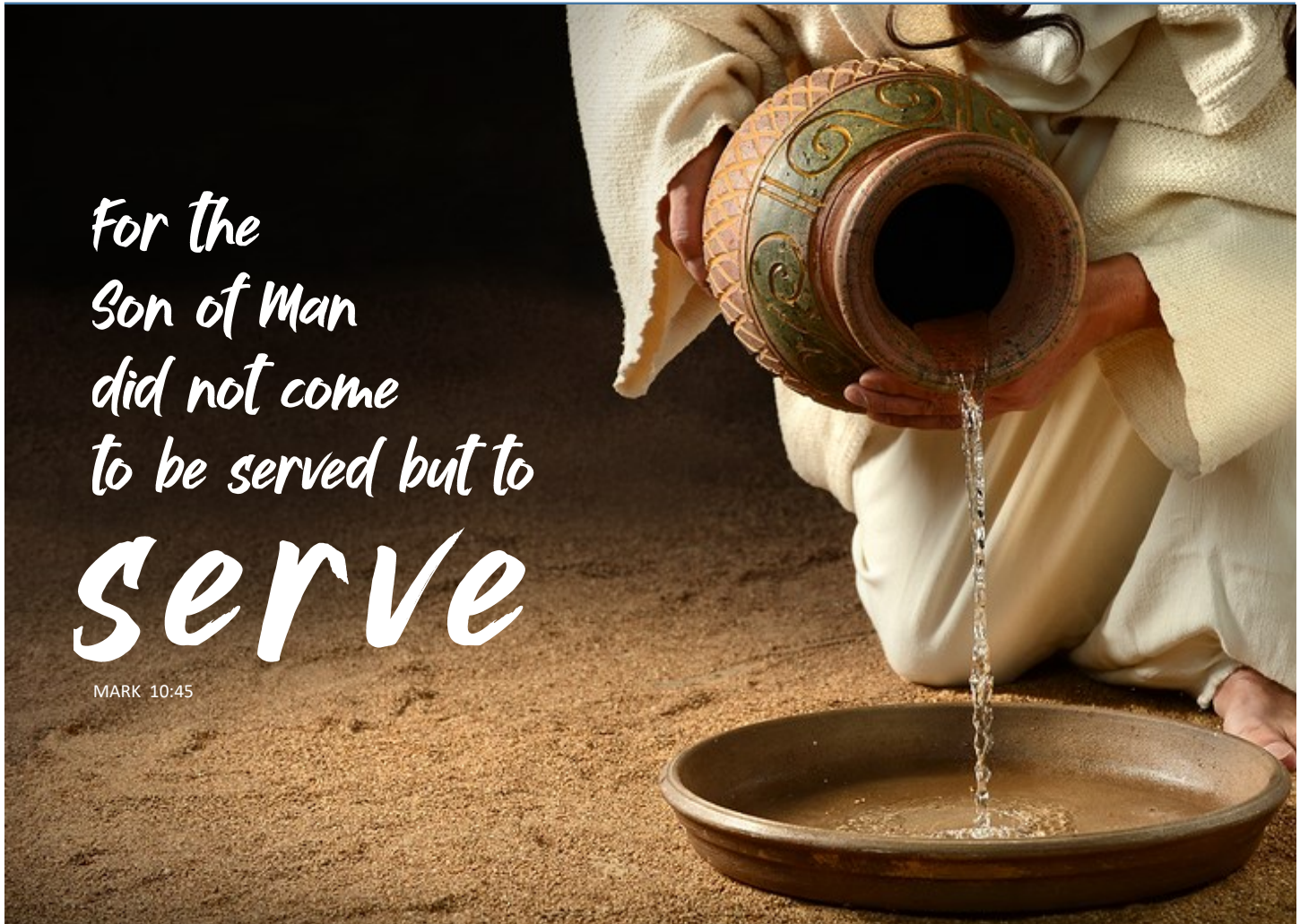
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*Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*October 17, 2021*



*For the  
Son of Man  
did not come  
to be served but to  
serve*

MARK 10:45

***May You Find Christ Here...May You Bring Christ to the World!***

**Mass Schedule:**

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday, 8:30 a.m.  
Wednesday, 6:00 p.m.  
Thursday, 12 noon  
Friday, 9:00 a.m.

**Confessions:**

Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m.  
Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass

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**Office Hours:**

Monday - Thursday  
9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Bulletin Deadline:**

Wednesday, 12 noon

## Sunday Reflection – Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Who doesn't want to be first, and to be esteemed and honored by others? We seem to have an unquenchable thirst for recognition and fame, power and authority to rule our own lives as we please as well as the lives of others. Should we be surprised to see the disciples of Jesus thirsting for power, position, and authority? James and John, the sons of Zebedee, urged their mother to strike a deal with Jesus, their Master. They wanted the distinction of being first and most important in position, next to Jesus, of course! When Jesus called the twelve apostles to be his inner circle of disciples who would teach and exercise spiritual authority on his behalf, he did the unthinkable! Jesus taught contrary to the world's understanding of power, authority, and position, by reversing the order of master and servant, lord and subject, first and last! Jesus wedded authority with love, position with sacrifice, and service with humility.

Those who wish to serve with the Lord Jesus and to exercise authority in God's kingdom must be prepared to sacrifice - not just some of their time, money, and resources - but their whole lives and all that they possess! Jesus used stark language to explain what kind of sacrifice he had in mind. His disciples must drink his cup if they expect to reign with him in his kingdom. The cup he had in mind was a bitter one involving crucifixion. What kind of cup does the Lord have in mind for us? For some disciples such a cup entails physical suffering and the painful struggle of martyrdom. But for many, it entails the long routine of the Christian life, with all its daily sacrifices, disappointments, set-backs, struggles, and temptations. Let us pray today: Lord Jesus, make me a servant of love for your kingdom, that I may seek to serve rather than be served.

Readings for Sunday,  
October 24, 2021  
Jeremiah 31:7-9  
Hebrews 5:1-6  
Mark 10:46-52

*Lord Jesus, make me a servant of love for your kingdom, that I may seek to serve rather than be served.*



### Saint of the Week ... St. Jean de Brebeuf

St. Jean de Brebeuf was a Jesuit missionary to New France who became the patron saint of Canada. Large and handsome, his presence commanded attention. He was a brilliant student and gifted linguist.

Born in Normandy, France in 1593, Jean entered the Society of Jesus in 1617, was ordained a priest in 1623, and arrived in New France in 1625. Even though he was weakened by tuberculosis, he evangelized the Hurons for a quarter of a century. He lived with them, embraced their customs, and mastered their language.

In 1647, peace was made between the French and the Iroquois, who were competitors with the Hurons in the fur trade and their bitter enemies. The Iroquois, determined to destroy the Huron confederacy, destroyed all villages and missions. They seized St. Jean de Brebeuf and his companions, and tortured them to death. They endured stoning, slashing with knives, a collar of hot tomahawks, a baptism of scalding water, and burning at the stake. Because Jean showed no signs of pain, his heart was eaten by the Iroquois.

St. Jean de Brebeuf was canonized in 1930, along with seven other Jesuit martyrs of North America.



Feast Day:  
October 19



### The Prayer of the Synod

*We stand before You, Holy Spirit,  
as we gather together in Your name.  
With You alone to guide us,  
make Yourself at home in our hearts;  
Teach us the way we must go  
and how we are to pursue it.  
We are weak and sinful;  
do not let us promote disorder.  
Do not let ignorance lead us  
down the wrong path  
nor partiality influence our actions.  
Let us find in You our unity  
so that we may journey together to  
eternal life and not stray  
from the way of truth and what is right.  
All this we ask of You,  
who are at work in every place and time,  
in the communion of the Father and the Son,  
forever and ever. Amen*



Our parish will celebrate All Souls Day with a Memorial Mass on Monday, November 1 at 6 p.m. Please see the insert in today's bulletin to list those family members and friends whom you want to be remembered at that Mass. Completed lists can be dropped in the offertory baskets.

**UPDATE:** We will be accepting photos of deceased loved ones to be displayed in front of the altar (not just those who passed during the pandemic). Photos can be submitted to the Parish Office or dropped in the offertory basket through next Sunday, October 24. Please be sure to identify your pictures.

Also, if you would like to purchase a memorial candle which will be lit in your loved ones' names, please fill out an envelope which can be found in the vestibule. Cost per candle is \$5. You will receive the candle after the Memorial Mass.

A reception is planned following the November 1 Mass, so please register if you plan to attend by calling or emailing the Parish Office, or online at the parish website.

### Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, October 16	4:00 p.m.	The Barrick & Travis Families.....	Howard & Karen Barrick
Sunday, October 17	8:30 a.m.	Soul of Ron Chiccehitto.....	Sue Harber
Monday, October 18	No Mass		
Tuesday, October 19	No Mass		
Wednesday, October 20	6:00 p.m.	Intentions of Elizabeth & Triston Marshall....	Kathleen Gibson
Thursday, October 21	12 noon	Soul of Maureene Lupis .....	Bill Lupis
Friday, October 22	9:00 a.m.	Souls of James DeMasi & Paul Shannon .....	Mary Shannon
Saturday, October 23	4:00 p.m.	Deceased Members of the Harber Family.....	The Harber Family
		Soul of Marianna Daskal .....	Jim Daskal
Sunday, October 24	8:30 a.m.	Soul of Mildred Willis.....	Mary Balassone
		Soul of Michael Pezzanite .....	Kenn & Judy Dolechek

### Parish Prayer List

Please pray for: Patricia Ansel, Jennifer Boling, Bobby Dorsey, Barbara Gratto, Beth Grayson, Sue Greco, Barbara Grubbs\*, Eddie Halterman, Larry Hinkle\*, Helen Holder\*, Pam Launi, Paul Miller, Kyeran Leigh Nelson, Esther Shockey, Sue Spotts, Bill Stine, and Maleigha Taylor.

\*resident of Stonerise Keyser (135 Southern Drive, Keyser WV 26726)



## Rosary Congress on October 29

On Friday, October 29, our parish will gather to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary, the beautiful patroness of our parish, with a 10-hour Rosary congress.

The day will begin at 8:30 a.m. with Holy Mass, followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Adoration will continue throughout the day with the Rosary being prayed aloud at the start of each hour, led by volunteers. The day will conclude with a closing Mass at 6:30 p.m.

If you would like to volunteer to lead the Rosary one of the hours, please sign up in the vestibule of the church.

During this month of the Holy Rosary and year of St. Joseph, we will pray through the intercession of our Mother Mary and her spouse Joseph for the protection of all human life, for the health of our parish family, for relief from the pandemic, and for peace around the world.

Come join us in the Masses and one or more of the Rosary hours. If you are not able to present, please pray the Rosary at least once during the day, uniting our entire Assumption family in prayer that glorious day!

### Collections & Attendance October 9-10, 2021

#### Offertory

Offertory Envelopes.....	\$2,655
Loose Donations.....	1,445
Votives.....	147
Poor Box.....	\$172
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$4,419</b>

#### Attendance

Saturday 10/9.....	66
Sunday 10/10.....	62
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>128</b>

#### September Balance Sheet

September Income.....	\$15,441
September Expenses.....	\$26,544
<b>Balance.....</b>	<b>-\$11,103</b>

#### Diocesan Collection Next Weekend

A Diocesan collection is scheduled next weekend for World Mission Sunday. A separate basket will be available for this appeal.

## REMINDER! CCD Classes Begin Next Sunday, October 24!

We are looking for two volunteers to serve as teacher aids for the upcoming religious education year. If you would like to share your faith with our youth, please contact the Parish Office.

### Substitute Church Cleaners Needed

We are in need of several cleaners who would clean the church when a member of one of the cleaning teams is not available. If you would like to participate in this parish ministry, please contact the Parish Office.

### Liturgical Minister Schedule

#### Saturday, October 23

Lector: Celia Cole  
Servers: James Maybury & Evelyn Cole  
EM: Meredythe Barrick  
Cantor: Julie Alt  
Greeters: Sue & Jean Harber

#### Sunday, October 24

Lector: Mike Landis  
Servers: Abby & Libby DelSignore  
EM: Pam Williams  
Cantor: Patrick George  
Greeters: Denny Dolechek & Marvin Whetzel

#### Saturday, October 30

Lector: Kenny Brant  
Servers: Celia & Evelyn Cole  
EM: Kathy Finnell  
Cantor: Anita Tetreault  
Greeters: Mike & Robin McDowell

#### Sunday, October 31

Lector: Alan Taylor  
Servers: Jane Placka, Beverley Iser, Pippa Dolechek  
EM: Kelley Kuhn  
Cantor: Julie Alt  
Greeters: Jeff & Kelley Kuhn

