

# Assumption Catholic Church

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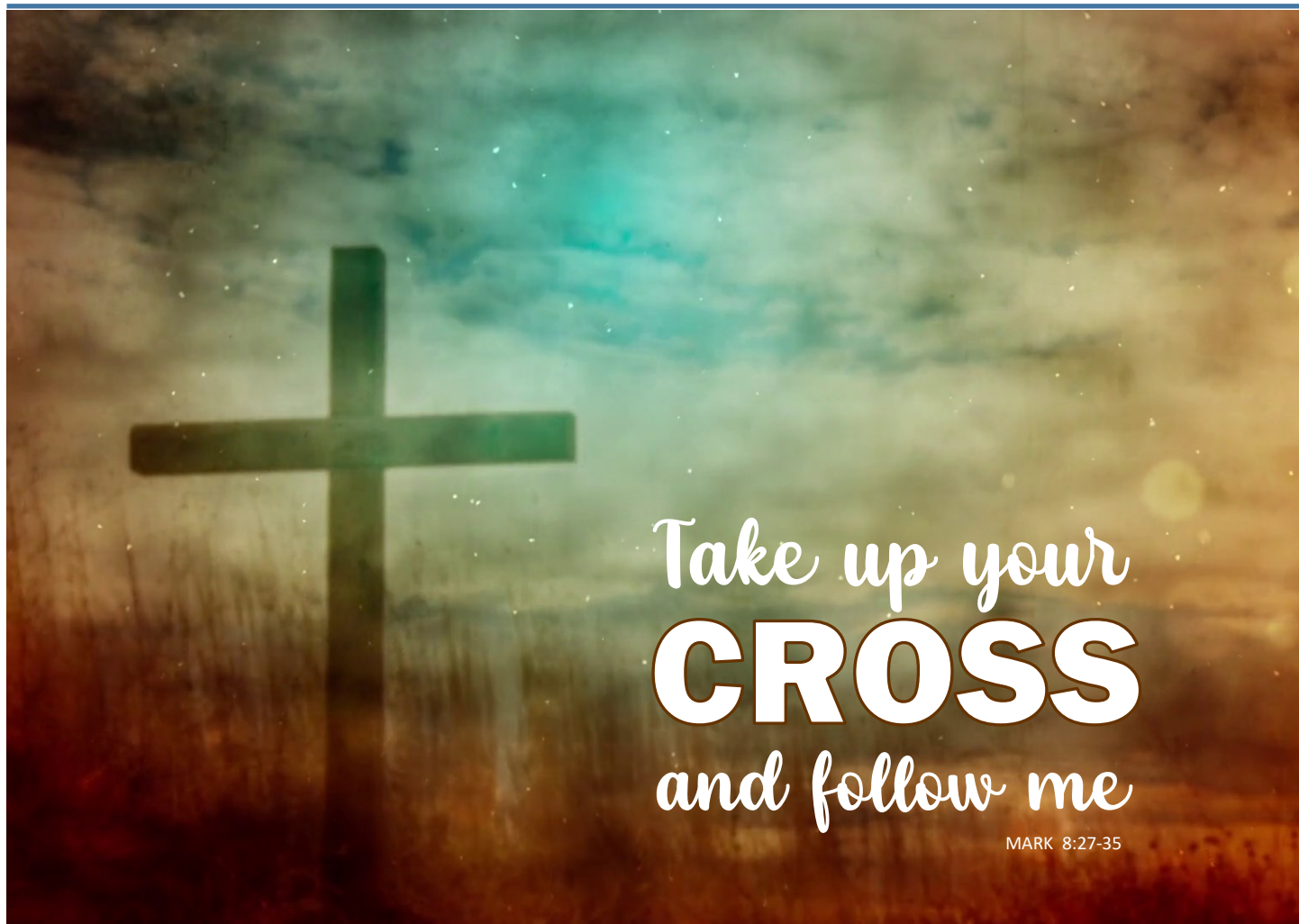
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*Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

*September 12, 2021*



***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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**Angela Bowers and Patrick George, Organists**

**Office Hours:**

Monday - Thursday

9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

**Bulletin Deadline:**

Wednesday, 12 noon

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

Who is Jesus for you, and what difference does he make in your life? Many in Israel recognized Jesus as a mighty man of God, even comparing him with the greatest of the prophets. Peter, always quick to respond whenever Jesus spoke, professed that Jesus was truly the "Christ of God; the Son of the living God." No mortal being could have revealed this to Peter, but only God. Through the "eyes of faith" Peter discovered who Jesus truly was. Peter recognized that Jesus was much more than a great teacher, prophet, and miracle worker. Peter was the first apostle to publicly declare that Jesus was the Anointed One. The word for "Christ" in Greek is a translation of the Hebrew word for "Messiah;" both words literally mean the Anointed One.

Jesus told his disciples that it was necessary for the Messiah to suffer and die in order that God's work of redemption might be accomplished. How startled the disciples were when they heard this word. How different are God's thoughts and ways from our thoughts and ways! It was through humiliation, suffering, and death on the cross that Jesus broke the powers of sin and death and won for us eternal life and freedom from the slavery of sin and from the oppression of our enemy, Satan. If we want to share in the victory of the Lord Jesus, then we must also take up our cross and follow where he leads us. What is the "cross" that we must take up each day? When my will crosses with God's will, then His will must be done!

**Readings for Sunday,  
September 19, 2021**  
Wisdom 2:12, 17-20  
James 3:16-4:3  
Mark 9:30-37



### Saint of the Week ... St. John Chrysostom

John was born in 347 in Antioch, Syria, to a high-ranking military officer and was raised as a Christian by his widowed mother. Although he studied law under the distinguished rhetorician Libanius, he gave up his profession to study theology, ultimately becoming an ascetic hermit-monk.

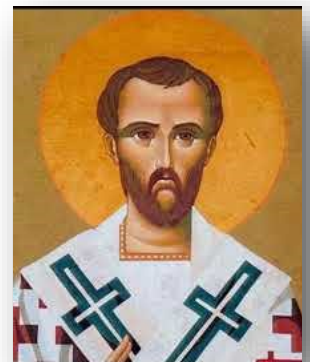
When his health began to suffer, he returned to Antioch and was ordained a deacon in 381 and a priest in 386. Over the next 12 years he established himself as a great preacher. The zeal and clarity of his homilies were so appealing, especially to the common people, that he was given the Greek surname "Chrysostom," meaning "golden mouthed."

John was concerned for the spiritual and temporal welfare of the needy and oppressed and spoke out against the abuse of wealth. In his eloquent, moving and repeated insistence on almsgiving, he taught that what was superfluous to one's reasonable needs should be given away.

In 398 John was called to Constantinople to be its archbishop, much against his will. He gained a large following among the people, but his teachings on the misuse of riches angered the wealthy and influential. He was banished from the city in 403 and was kept in confinement in Armenia.

Even in exile, he found it possible to continue corresponding with his supporters, thus maintaining some influence over them. For this he was to be moved to an even more remote place at the eastern end of the Black Sea, but he did not survive the exhausting journey and died in 407 at the age of 60.

St. John Chrysostom is the patron saint of orators, preachers and speakers.



Feast Day: September 13

## Special Presentation by Fr. Thomas

Fr. Thomas will give a talk and PowerPoint presentation about his home country India and its cultures on Thursday, September 16, at 1 p.m. (following the noon Mass) at St. Mary's Hall. Everyone is invited to attend and bring a lunch!



### Voices Needed!

We are planning to bring back our choir in time for the Advent season and will begin practicing as soon as it is safe to do so.

But we need your voice! If you would like to serve God and our parish through this music ministry, please contact the Parish Office by phone or email. Thank you!

### Pastoral Needs Survey Continues

The diocesan-wide Pastoral Needs Survey will remain available through next Sunday.

To complete it electronically, visit the website below or look for the link on our parish website ([assumptionkeyserwv.org](http://assumptionkeyserwv.org)).

**[dwc.org/pastoral-needs-survey](http://dwc.org/pastoral-needs-survey)**

To complete the survey manually, pick up a paper copy at the doors of the church as you leave. The completed survey can be returned in the offertory baskets next weekend.

### Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, September 11	4:00 p.m.	Soul of Herman Wise .....	Jean Harber
Sunday, September 12	8:30 a.m.	Souls of Joseph & Catherine Blundon .....	Assumption Parish
Monday, September 13	No Mass		
Tuesday, September 14	No Mass		
Wednesday, September 15	6:00 p.m.	Souls of Paul Shannon & James DeMasi .....	Mary Shannon
Thursday, September 16	12 noon	Soul of Tom Melody and Deceased Members of the Melody Family .....	Sharon Melody
Friday, September 17	9:00 a.m.	Soul of Ehtel Ann (Guy) Pooler .....	Pam Williams
Saturday, September 18	4:00 p.m.	Soul of Joseph Willis .....	Mary Balassone
Sunday, September 19	8:30 a.m.	Souls of John & Hazel Coffman .....	Cindy & Jim Alt



### 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\*, Aaron Martin, Paul Miller, Kyeran Leigh Nelson, Esther Shockey, Sue Spotts, Bill Stine, and Maleigha Taylor.

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



**Assumption Parish**

\$0	\$13,250 (84%) as of today	\$15,835 PARISH GOAL
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*Thank you to all those who have already contributed! Remember, since we are past the 50% mark, all dollars now received come back to our parish!*

[www.csa.dwcministries.org/donate](http://www.csa.dwcministries.org/donate)

## Collections & Attendance September 4-5, 2021

### Offertory

Offertory Envelopes.....	\$2,955
Loose Donations.....	\$1,431
Repairs & Maintenance.....	\$435
Votive Candles.....	\$110
Poor Box.....	\$152
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$5,083</b>

**Emergency Relief for Haiti.....\$1,462**

### Attendance

Saturday 9/4.....	.51
Sunday 9/5.....	.68
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>119</b>

### Diocesan Collection

A Diocesan collection is being taken today for the Diocesan Scholarship Association Membership Drive. A separate basket is available for this appeal.

## The Great Controversy Book

Some of you may have received a copy of the book, "The Great Controversy" by Ellen G. White, in the mail. It appears that the independent publisher of the book has done multiple mass mailings in recent years, the latest one evidently occurring in our area. Please know that this book is not provided by the Church or endorsed by it, and be assured that neither the Parish or the Diocese shares any mailing information with unauthorized outside vendors.

## Volunteers Needed to Clean St. Mary's Hall

We will be cleaning St. Mary's Hall next Sunday, September 19, following the 8:30 a.m. Mass to prepare for CCD classes which will begin the following Sunday. If you have an hour or so to spare, your help will be very much appreciated!

## K of C 300 Club Raffle Winners

*Drawing held September 2, 2021*

### \$100 Winners    \$50 Winners    \$25 Winners

Ken Brant	Doug Placka	Makayla Whelan
Roger Eversole	Opie Pratt	Carol Durst
		Linda Davis-Kyle

*Next drawing: September 16, 2021*

## Liturgical Minister Schedule

### Saturday, September 18

Lector: Sue Harber  
Servers: Mike & Rosie Landis  
EM: Meredythe Barrick  
Cantor: Anita Tetreault  
Greeters: Mike & Robin McDowell

### Sunday, September 19

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

### Saturday, September 25

Lector: Doug Minnich  
Servers: Sommer & Micah Alt  
EM: Kathy Finnell  
Cantor: Linda Marsh  
Greeters: Bob & Karen Yowler

### Sunday, September 26

Lector: Kelley Kuhn  
Servers: Mike Landis, Rudy & Pippa Dolechek  
EM: Kelley Kuhn  
Cantor: Julie Alt  
Greeters: Mike & Sonja Stanislawczyk

*Please note that all liturgical ministers serving on the altar (Lectors, Altar Servers and Eucharistic Ministers) must wear a mask in accordance with Bishop Brennan's request. Thank you for your cooperation in this act of Christian charity!*