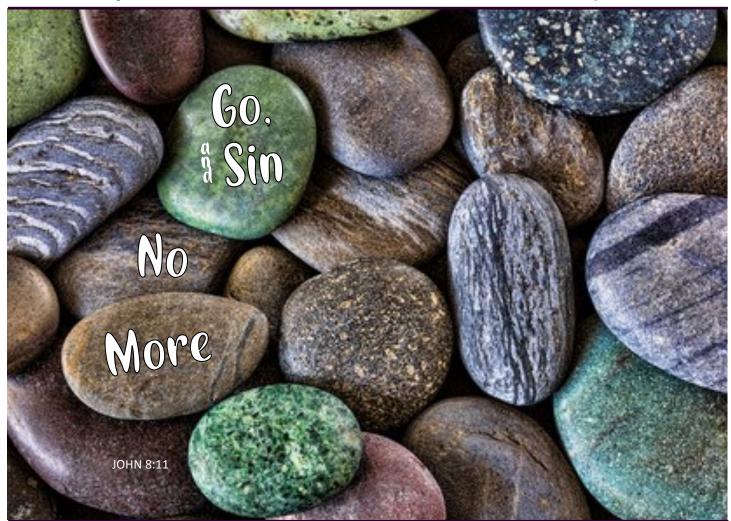
# **Assumption Catholic Church**

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Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 3, 2022



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, 5:00 p.m. Thursday, 12 noon Friday, 6:00 p.m.

**Confessions:** Saturdays, 3:00-3:45 p.m. Weekdays, 30 mins. prior to Mass Fr. Thomas A. Sebastian, Administrator tanatharackal@gmail.com, 681.404.2521

Rev. Larry Hammel, Deacon lawrencevhammel@gmail.com

Kelli Wittman, Office Manager Kelley Kuhn, Director of Religious Education Linda Davis-Kyle, Music Director & Organist Patrick George and Angela Bowers, Organists **Office Hours:** Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday, 12 noon

## Sunday Reflection: Fifth Sunday of Lent

The Gospel accounts frequently describe how Jesus had to face unjust accusations made by the Scribes and the Pharisees. They were upset with Jesus' teaching and they wanted to discredit him in any way they could. They wanted to not only silence him, but to get rid of him because of his claim to speak with God's authority. When a moral dilemma or difficult legal question arose, it was typical for the Jews to take the matter to a Rabbi for a decision. The Scribes and

the Pharisees brought to Jesus a woman who had been caught in the act of adultery. John writes that they wanted to "test" Jesus on the issue of retribution so "they might have some charge to bring against him" (John 8:6). Jewish law treated adultery as a serious crime since it violated God's ordinance and wreaked havoc on the stability of marriage and family life. If Jesus said the woman must be pardoned, he would be accused of breaking the law of Moses. If he said the woman must be stoned, he would lose his reputation for being the merciful friend of sinners.

Jesus now turns the challenge towards his accusers. In effect he says: Go ahead and stone her! But let the man who is without sin be the first to cast a stone. The Lord leaves the matter to their own consciences. When the adulterous woman is left alone with Jesus, he both expresses mercy, and he strongly exhorts her to not sin again. The scribes wished to condemn, Jesus wished to forgive and to restore the sinner to health. Jesus gave her pardon and a new start on life. God's grace enables us to confront our sin and to turn back to God with a repentant heart and a thankful spirit for God's mercy and forgiveness.

## Saint of the Week: St. Vincent Ferrer

Vincent Ferrer, the most gifted preacher of his time, often gave his sermons outdoors because no church could hold the huge crowds that came to hear him speak about God's love and forgiveness.

Vincent was born in Spain around 1357. He joined the Dominican Order when he was 19. It was a difficult time for the Church because of a dispute about who the true pope was. Vincent tried his best to heal the differences between the two groups, but his work was unsuccessful. Vincent prayed that God would give him the direction he needed in his life. Following an illness that nearly took his life, Vincent felt that God was calling him to spread the Gospel, just as Jesus had asked his Apostles to do.

him to spread the Gospel, just as Jesus had asked his Apostles to do. Vincent had found his true calling. He became a famous missionary. For 20 years he preached all over Europe. Some people called him a modern St. John the Baptist because he told people to repent and to prepare for the coming of the kingdom by following the teachings of Jesus and his Church. Vincent's powerful sermons inspired many Catholics to renew their faith. His words also touched the hearts of people who responded to his message by deciding to be baptized.

He died in 1419 in France and was canonized in 1455. St. Vincent Ferrer is the patron saint of builders because of his fame for "building up" and strengthening the Church. He is also the patron of brickmakers, construction workers, plumbers and tile makers.

Source: saintsresource.com



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Readings for Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022 Isaiah 50:4-7 Philippians 2:6-11 Luke 22:14-23:56



Feast Day: April 5



## **Reconciliation for CCD Students**

Fr. Thomas will hear the confessions of CCD students on Saturday, April 9, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon. The church will be open.



Volunteers are needed for washing of feet at Holy Thursday Mass. If you are able to participate in this symbolic service (men, women or children), please contact the Parish Office by April 7. Thank you!

## **Mass Schedule and Intentions**



Congratulations to Deacon Stanislawczyk who received his First Holy Communion recently! Deacon is shown here with Fr. Thomas, his parents Jeff and Allison, and brother Jack.



Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, April 2	4:00 p.m.	Soul of Bobby Dorsey	Linda Marsh
Sunday, April 3	8:30 a.m.	Souls of Marge & Carl Simpson and Joanna Schoppert	Rene Trezise
Monday, April 4	No Mass		
Tuesday, April 5	No Mass		
Wednesday, April 6	6:00 p.m.	Lenten Penance Service	
Thursday, April 7	12 noon	Soul of Diane Thompson	Jennifer Pratt
		Soul of Tom Harman	Kelley & Jeff Kuhn
Friday, April 8	6:00 p.m.	Soul of James DeMasi	Mary Shannon
		Soul of Tom Melody and Deceased Members of the Melody Family	Sharon Melody
Saturday, April 9	4:00 p.m.	Soul of Jerry Marsh	Linda Marsh
		Members of the Harber Family	Sue Harber
Sunday, April 10	8:30 a.m.	Soul of James Thompson	Georgia Thompson
Note: Mass on Frida	ys during Lent	is held at 6 p.m., followed by the Stations of	the Cross.



This First Aid kit is now available in our church! It is located outside the bathroom and includes Band-Aids with Neosporin, butterfly bandages, sting relief swabs,

alcohol cleansing pads, disposable cold packs, and disposable gloves.

## Parish Council Nominations

Nominations are now being accepted for three (3) new members of the Parish Council. All registered and active members of the parish are eligible to be nominated. Nominations can be submitted to the Parish Office by phone, email, or by dropping a note in the offertory basket through April 28.

#### **Collections & Attendance** March 26-27, 2022

#### Offertory

Total \$	2,558
Easter Flowers	
Loose Donations	
Offertory Envelopes	

#### Attendance

Saturday 3/26	82
Sunday 3/27	62
Total	144

#### **Register for Easter Mass!**

Online https://signup.com/go/LNZufWb Email acckwv@gmail.com Phone

304-788-2488

Vigil: 8:00 p.m. Easter Sunday: 7:00 a.m. and 8:30 a.m.

lost A single key on a WV keyring with a Hampshire and Wellness Center tag was found outside St. Mary's found Hall this week. It can be claimed at the Parish Office.



## Spread the word to your friends and family!

**KEYSER MIDDLE SCHOOL SUNDAY**, FRONT BASKETBALL COURT

**APRIL 10, 2 PM** 

#### This free event is open to the community!

Sponsored by the combined Youth Group of Assumption Catholic Church and Grace United Methodist Church. RAIN DATE: FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 4:30 PM

### **Easter Flower Offerings**

Honor your loved ones this Easter with an offering for the lilies which will decorate our beautiful church. To contribute, drop an envelope in the offertory basket and include a note with your intentions. All names will appear in our Easter bulletin.

## **Liturgical Minister Schedule**

#### Saturday, April 9

Lector:	Doug Minnich
Servers:	James & Tess Maybury
EM:	Jean Harber
Cantor:	Linda Marsh
Greeters:	Sue & Jean Harber

#### Sunday, April 10

Derek Stephen
Abby & Libby DelSignore
Kelley Kuhn
Nancy Starcher
Kelley & Katie Kuhn



To report an incidence of suspected child sexual abuse, please contact your local law enforcement agency, or you may confidentially contact WV Child Protective Services at 800.352.6513. In addition to civil authorities, to report suspected cases of sexual abuse by personnel of the Diocese of Wheeling-Charleston to the Diocese, please contact the Diocese at 888.434.6237 or 304.233.0880. Please visit www.dwc.org under "Accountability" for additional information and reporting methods.