



Assumption Catholic Church

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Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 15, 2024



Who do you say that I am?

MARK 8:27-35

May you find Christ here...may you take 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, 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-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, consecrated by the Father and sent into the world to redeem a fallen human race enslaved to sin and cut off from eternal life with God. 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 you and I must take up each day? When my will crosses with God's will, then His will must be done. The Holy Spirit gives us faith to know the Lord Jesus personally as our Redeemer, and the power to live the Gospel faithfully, and the courage to witness to others the joy, truth, and freedom of the Gospel. Who do you say that Jesus is?

**Readings for Next Sunday,
September 22, 2024**
Wisdom 2:12-20
James 3:16-4:3
Mark 9:30-27

Saint of the Week... St. Matthew the Apostle

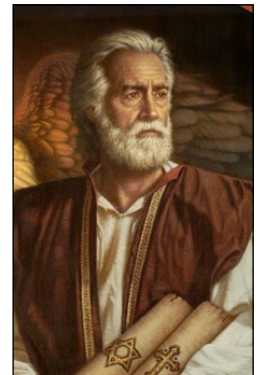
Saint Matthew is the first-century tax collector turned apostle who chronicled the life and ministry of Christ in his Gospel. Although relatively little is known about the life of St. Matthew, the account he wrote of Christ's ministry - traditionally considered to be the first of the four Gospels - is of immeasurable value, particularly in its verification of Jesus as the Messiah.

The Gospel accounts of Mark and Luke, like Matthew's own, describe the encounter between Jesus and Matthew under the surprising circumstances of Matthew's tax-collecting duties. Jewish publicans, who collected taxes on behalf of the Roman rulers of first-century Judea, were objects of scorn and even hatred among their own communities, since they worked on behalf of the occupying power and often earned their living by collecting more than the state's due.

Jesus most likely first encountered Matthew near the house of Peter, in Capernaum near the Sea of Galilee. The meeting of the two was dramatic, as Matthew's third-person account in his Gospel captured: "As Jesus passed on, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the customs post. He said to him, 'Follow me'. And he got up and followed him."

St. Matthew is thought to have died near present day Egypt as a martyr while preaching the Gospel. He is the patron saint of bankers.

Source: catholicnewsagency.com



Feast Day: Sept. 21

 Tina Blank, Jennifer Boling, Leslie Bosley, Angela Bowers, Steve Brill, Mickey Brooks, Darlene "Bitsy" Brown, Sue Burns, Raymond Clark, Linda Davis-Kyle, Palma Devic, Debbie Kelley Evans, Bill Fazzalore*, Scott Furey, Barbara Gratto, Sue Greco, Donna Hanlin, Shawn Hartman, Kathy Jenkins, Sarah Jones, Margie Keister, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Wanda Kinnie, Joanne Knott*, Jeffrey Labonte, Jim Lambert, Pam Launi, Lance Lupis, Betty McAvoy, Paul & Connie Murray, Randy Nairn, Debbie Pappas, Crystal Pollet, Susie Radcliffe, Charles Ravenscroft, Katherine Revell, Carla Riggelman, Jeff Roth, Margie Roy, Helen Shallis, Sparrow Shannon, Esther Shockey, Fran Sommers, Barbara Stanislawczyk, Melissa Stanislawczyk, John Stephen Jr., Bill Stine, Patsy Summers, Stefanie Swanger, Jeremy Taylor, Maleigha Taylor, Doris Tetrick, Courtney Whiteman.

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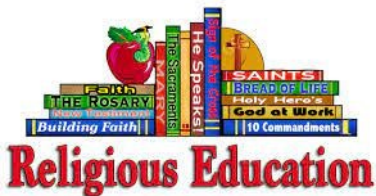


Assumption Parish



Please help us reach our goal before September 20 when our parish officially turns 150! You can return the pledge card you received in the mail or visit the CSA website listed below. Checks can also be accepted at the Parish Office.

www.csa.dwcministries.org/donate



Parent Meeting This Sunday; Classes Begin Next Sunday!

We are very excited to begin a new year of religious education in our parish! There are currently 53 students registered.

A parent meeting will be held this Sunday, September 15 at 9:30 in St. Mary's Hall. The first semester schedule will be distributed at that time. Students are welcome to attend with their parents, but it is not required.

Classes will begin next Sunday, September 22. Grades Pre-K through 8 will meet in St. Mary's Hall; the high school class will meet in the Knight's Hall.

As a reminder, classes are held on Sundays from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

TRAIN UP a CHILD
 in THE WAY he SHOULD GO;
 →
 even when HE IS OLD
 he WILL NOT DEPART from it.
PROVERBS 22:6

Today across the country we celebrate Catechetical Sunday. This day gives us an opportunity to reflect on the role we each play in passing on our faith and to thank those who have answered the call of sharing God's word with the children of our parish:

Director of Religious Education

Kelley Kuhn

Pre-K and Kindergarten

Rebekah Rhodes

Grades 1 and 2

Jean Harber & Rosie Landis

Grades 3 and 4

Sally Maybury

Grades 5 and 6

Marie Del Signore, Julie Alt & Jane Placka

Grades 7 and 8

Kelley Kuhn and Joe Maybury

Grades 9-12

Jeff Kuhn

Youth Group Coordinator

Jill Blacka

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Date	Time	Intention	Offered by
Saturday, September 14	4:00 pm	Soul of Rosalee Freeman.....	Barbara Tenney
		The Harber Family.....	Jean Harber
Sunday, September 15	8:30 am	Deceased Members of the Ilario Fazzalore Family	The Fazzalore Family
		Soul of Clodagh (Quinn) Phelan.....	Marg Quinn
Monday, September 16	No Mass		
Tuesday, September 17	No Mass		
Wednesday, September 18	No Mass		
Thursday, September 19	No Mass		
Friday, September 20	9:00 am	Souls of James & Inez Dorsey.....	Marion Dorsey
Saturday, September 21	4:00 pm	Souls of John & Hazel Coffman.....	Cindy & Jim Alt
		Souls of Gwen & Gina DeMasi.....	Their Loving Family
Sunday, September 22	8:30 am	Soul of Ron Chiccehitto	Jan Chiccehitto
		Souls of Joseph & Catherine Blundon	Assumption Parish

Note: There will be no Masses on Wednesday and Thursday while Fr. Thomas is away.

Join us to pray the Rosary 30 minutes prior to each weekday Mass.



Congratulations to Liam Dupuis who made his debut as an Altar Server last Sunday! He is shown here with Fr. Thomas.

Liam is a 7th grade student in our religious education program.

Jubilee Anniversary Book

The anniversary book for our jubilee year will be completed very soon to be sent to the printer. Here are some ways you can help:



St. Frances School Photos

We are in need of a few photos of St. Frances School students or activities from the 1980s until it closed. We could also use a photo of the marching unit from the early 1970s if anyone has one.

Directory Photos

If you have not had your individual/family photo taken but would like to be included in the directory, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible. Other options are to submit a photo you already have, or have someone take one of you and submit it.

All photos can be sent by email to acckwv@gmail.com or by text to 304-813-1065.

Memorial Ads

All those who placed an ad in our anniversary book should have received a copy of their ad this week for review, either by email or text. Others will have an envelope today in the Vestibule. If you want to make any changes, or if you placed an ad but have not received yours for review, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

Your Faithful Stewardship

September 7-8, 2024

Offertory

Offertory Envelopes	\$3,120
Loose Donations	\$651
Repairs & Maintenance	\$170
Total.....	\$3,941

Attendance

Saturday, September 7	85
Sunday, September 8	91
Total.....	176



Next Sunday = Donut Sunday!

Please join us after Mass next Sunday (September 22) at St. Mary's Hall for donuts, coffee and fellowship! Thank you to the Parish Council for hosting this month's event.

NEWS FROM

Assumption Ladies Guild

The Ladies Guild will meet on Tuesday, September 24 at 1 p.m. in St. Mary's Hall. All ladies of the parish are welcome! Bring a friend and a snack to share.



Ordination Anniversary Party for Fr. Giles

Today is the last day to sign up to attend the 40th Ordination Anniversary party for Fr. Giles which will be held Sunday, October 6 at 12:30 the South Branch Inn in Romney. A sign up sheet is in the Vestibule.

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Saturday, September 21

Lector: Cathy Pardee
Servers: Martin & Micah Alt
EMs: Bill Lupis, Eric Hatfield (c) & Karen Yowler (c)
Cantor: Julie Alt
Greeters: Kelli & Kerri Wittman

Sunday, September 22

Lector: Michael Stanislawczyk
Servers: James & Tess Maybury
EMs: Kelley Kuhn, Tina Stephen (c), Nancy Starcher (c)
Cantor: Patrick George
Greeters: Tony & Marie Del Signore

Saturday, September 28

Lector: Kerri Wittman
Servers: Sue Harber, Alan Taylor & Morgan Gustafson
EMs: Cathy Pardee, Jean Harber (c), Sue Harber (c)
Cantor: Linda Marsh
Greeters: Jean Harber & Diana Myers

Sunday, September 29 (Youth Mass)

Lector: CCD Students
Servers: CCD Students
EMs: Pam Williams, Jane Placka (c), Beverley Iser (c)
Cantor: Linda Marsh
Greeters: CCD Students

Keyser Healthcare Center EM

September 19 Pam Williams
September 26 Joanne Stickley