



# Assumption Catholic Church

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**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**May 11, 2025**



Happy  
Mother's  
Day

*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, 10 a.m.

## Sunday Reflection: Mother's Day

On this special Mother's Day 2025, we honor and celebrate the incredible gift that mothers are in our lives. Whether by birth, adoption, or the deep spiritual bonds they create, mothers are the heart and soul of the family. They are the first to offer comfort, the first to sacrifice, and the first to love without measure. Their strength, patience, and tenderness shape us in ways that words cannot fully capture. Mothers are not only caregivers but also our greatest teachers, guiding us with wisdom, offering encouragement, and showing us what it means to give of oneself freely. Their love teaches us how to be kind, compassionate, and resilient, often in the face of hardships that go unnoticed by others. The influence of a mother's love stretches far beyond the home, creating ripples that touch every part of our lives.

Today, we thank God for the gift of mothers—those who have nurtured, guided, and shown us the true meaning of unconditional love. We also remember and pray for mothers who are no longer with us, but whose love continues to inspire us every day. May this day be filled with the love and gratitude that mothers deserve. May God bless all mothers with peace, joy, and strength, and may He continue to guide them as they lead their families with grace and love. Happy Mother's Day!

Readings for Next Sunday,  
May 18, 2025  
Acts 14:21-27  
Revelation 21:1-5a  
John 13:31-35

## Saint of the Week... St. Matthias

According to the Acts of the Apostles, during the days after the Ascension Peter stood up in the midst of the brothers—about 120 of Jesus' followers. Now that Judas had betrayed his ministry, it was necessary, Peter said, to fulfill the scriptural recommendation that another should take his office. They nominated two men: Joseph Barsabbas and Matthias. They prayed and drew lots; the choice fell to Matthias.

St. Matthias was present with the other Apostles at Pentecost. Aside from this, little is known of the rest of Matthias' life. According to one tradition, he preached for a time in Jerusalem and eventually he was stoned and beheaded (he is often portrayed holding an axe, the instrument of his death). Another tradition claims he preached the Gospel to the barbarians and cannibals in the interior of Ethiopia and was crucified.

His feast was originally celebrated on February 24 but in 1969 it was moved to May 14 to be celebrated outside of Lent. St. Matthias is the patron of carpenters, tailors, and in prayers for perseverance and for hope.

Sources: [franciscanmedia.org](http://franciscanmedia.org) and [saintmatthias.org](http://saintmatthias.org)



Feast Day: May 14



Brian Alt, Chuck\* & Jan Biser, Tina Blank, Jennifer Boling, Leslie Bosley, Angela Bowers, Mickey Brooks, Darlene "Bitsy" Brown, Sue Burns, Raymond Clark, Hailey Claire, Linda Davis-Kyle, Gloria DeMasi, Palma Devic, Marion Dorsey, Cam Duncan, Dave & Jean Dunn, Scott Furey, Marilyn George, Barbara Gratto, Sue Greco, Donna Hanlin, Shawn Harbaugh, Shawn Hartman, Kathy Jenkins, Sarah Jones, Margie Keister, Sueann Keller-Schwille, Joanne Knott\*, Jeffrey Labonte, Pam Launi, Bill Lupis, Lance Lupis, Angelo Luvara, Betty McAvoy, Steve Miner, Paul & Connie Murray, Wanda & Randy Nairn, Debbie Pappas, Cathy Pardee, Crystal Pollet, Susie Radcliffe, Katherine Revell, Carole Rhodes, Carla Riggelman, Jeff Roth, Margie Roy, Helen Shallis, Sparrow Shannon, Esther Shockey, Cheryl Smith, Fran Sommers, Barbara Stanislawczyk, Melissa Stanislawczyk, John Stephen Jr., Patsy Summers, Stefanie Swanger, Maleigha Taylor, Courtney Whiteman.

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ASSUMPTION PARISH  
COMPLIANCE STATUS:  
41%

If you volunteer in **ANY** role in our parish but haven't completed Safe Environment training in the past year, you are most likely not in compliance. To access the training, visit [virtusonline.org](http://virtusonline.org). Please contact the Parish Office if you have questions or need access to a computer.

[www.virtusonline.org](http://www.virtusonline.org)



**Assumption Parish**  
**2025 First Holy Communion Candidates**

Beckley Rose Cameron  
 Cecelia Caroline Delilo  
 Isla Kimberly Delilo  
 Sadie Mangold  
 Harper Paige Newlin  
 Kennedy Mae Stephen

**Congratulations!**

HAPPY  
*Mother's*  
 DAY

*Strength and dignity are her clothing,  
 and she laughs at the time to come.  
 She opens her mouth with wisdom,  
 and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.*

PROVERBS 31:25-26



*Congratulations to John Gustafson, our newest adult Altar Server! John served for the first time last Saturday. He is shown here with Fr. Thomas.*

**Mass Schedule and Intentions**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Intention</b>	<b>Offered by</b>
Saturday, May 10	4:00 pm	Soul of Fred Selders .....	The House & Trezise families
		Intentions of Peggy Dyer .....	Linda Marsh
		Intentions of Sue & Jean Harber .....	Margaret McGee
Sunday, May 11	8:30 am	All Mothers .....	Assumption Parish
Monday, May 12	No Mass		
Tuesday, May 13	No Mass		
Wednesday, May 14	No Mass		
Thursday, May 15	12:00 pm	The Wise & Calemene families .....	Jean Harber
Friday, May 16	9:00 am	Souls of Anna & Wilbur Myers .....	The Collins family
Saturday, May 17	4:00 pm	Soul of Mary B. Dorsey .....	Mary Lambert
		Soul of Jim Lambert .....	Linda Marsh
		The Harber Family.....	Sue & Jean Harber
Sunday, May 18	8:30 am	Our CCD Graduates.....	Assumption Parish

*Note: There will be no Mass on Wednesday, May 14 while Fr. Thomas is at the LARCUM Conference.*

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



## Knights in Our Community



Members of the Knights of Columbus Assumption Council #10545 picked up litter along Harley O. Staggers Drive last Saturday as part of West Virginia's Adopt-A-Highway program. Shown here are (l-r) Alan Taylor, Geoff Newlin, Tucker Newlin, Mike Bonner and Bill Smith IV. Not shown are John Oglesbee and Paul Bogdan (the coordinator of the service project).



Lutheran — Anglican — Roman Catholic — United Methodist Tetralogue

## Bishop Brennan and Fr. Thomas Co-Presenters at LARCUM WV Conference

For the second consecutive year, Bishop Brennan has invited Fr. Thomas to join him in co-presenting the Roman Catholic point of view of the conference theme, "Nicaea at 1700."

LARCUM WV is a four-partner conference held in West Virginia. The partners are Lutheran, Anglican, Roman Catholic, and United Methodist, with presenters from each of the four traditions.

The annual conference, which began more than 40 years ago, will be held May 12-14 at the St. John XXIII Pastoral Center in Charleston. To learn more about the conference, visit [wv-wmd.org/LARCUM](http://wv-wmd.org/LARCUM).

## Your Faithful Stewardship

May 3-4, 2025

### Offertory

Offertory Envelopes .....	\$3,920
Loose Donations .....	\$789
Repairs & Maintenance .....	700
Votive Candles .....	\$219
Poor Box .....	\$204
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$5,832</b>

### Attendance

Saturday, 5/3 .....	81
Sunday, 5/4 .....	107
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>188</b>

### April Balance Sheet

Income .....	\$22,476
Expenses .....	\$20,442
<b>Balance.....</b>	<b>\$2,034</b>

## Liturgical Minister Schedule

### Saturday, May 17

Lector:	Sue Harber
Servers:	Tucker Newlin & Jude Barrick
EMs:	Eric Hatfield, Alan Taylor (c), Janet Corley (c)
Cantor:	Anita Tetreault & Linda Marsh
Greeters:	Larry & Tammy Dale

### Sunday, May 18

Lector:	Kerri Wittman & Libby DelSignore
Servers:	Celia & Evelyn Cole
EMs:	Pam Williams, Rosie Landis (c), Tina Stephen (c)
Cantor:	Julie Alt
Greeters:	Kenny & Karen Brant

### Saturday, May 24

Lector:	Logan Stanislawczyk
Servers:	Sue Harber, Paul Bogdan & John Gustafson
EMs:	Kathy Finnell, Karen Yowler (c), Cathy Pardee (c)
Cantor:	TBD
Greeters:	Dena Turner & Mary Shannon

### Sunday, May 25

Lector:	Kelley Kuhn
Servers:	Mike & Rosie Landis, Nick McKenzie, Lucas Dupuis
EMs:	Kelley Kuhn, Beverley Iser (c), Charlotte Delilo (c)
Cantor:	TBD
Greeters:	Tina Stephen & Melissa Stanislawczyk

### Keyser Healthcare Center EM

May 15	Jean Harber
May 22	Joanne Stickley



We are his people,  
the sheep of his flock.

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