

**JANUARY 8, 2017
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday (January 8) The Epiphany of the Lord

- 8:00 Frank Garzione
Requested by: The Pascetta Family
- 10:00 Paul Palmina Ascenzo
Requested by: The Tino DeRico Family
- 12:00 Diogo L. Fernandes
Requested by: Natalia and Family
- 7:00 Spanish Mass

Monday (January 9) The Baptism of the Lord

- 7:00 Nancy Blake
Requested by: Robert and Jean Daley
- 9:00 Francine Mathey
Requested by: Olivier Mathey

Tuesday (January 10)

- 7:00 Marcos, Anthony and Mario Remedios
Requested by: Carlos and Dorina Lopes
- 9:00 Rose Franceschini
Requested by: June Ramos and Family

Wednesday (January 11)

- 7:00 Christopher Gracias
Requested by: Carlos and Dorina Lopes
- 9:00 Caroline Caza
Requested by: Joan Brown

Thursday (January 12) Saint Marguerite Bourgeays

- 7:00 Kathleen Marrone
Requested by: Emmett Marrone
- 9:00 Pauline Pullano
Requested by: Mary Ann and David Miller

Friday (January 13) Saint Hilary, Bishop and Doctor

- 7:00 Tom Fitzgerald
Requested by: Ann and Joe Brady
- 9:00 Maria DeLuca
Requested by: Family

Saturday (January 14)

- 9:00 Constancio Clemente
Requested by: The Fonseca Family
- 5:00 Catherine Hrdlicka
Requested by: Henry and Nancy Hrdlicka

Sunday (January 15) Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 8:00 Pro Populo
- 10:00 Frank Garzione
Requested by: The Regina DeRico Family
- 12:00 Loretta Donohue
Requested by: Husband and Children
- 7:00 Spanish Mass

Please notify an usher if you would like to bring up the gifts during a Mass for your loved one.

MEMORIALIZATIONS

SANCTUARY LAMPS

In Memory of the Carey & Eible Families
Requested by: Family

ALTAR BREAD AND WINE

Richard (Ricky) Knizeski
Requested by: Henry and Nancy Hrdlicka

WE DID IT!



Assumption's parishioners are to be highly congratulated and heartily thanked for putting us over our goal of \$1,115,500 in the Renew + Rebuild capital campaign. At the time of this bulletin's printing, over \$1,125,000 has been pledged from more than 300 families and individuals.

We are especially grateful to our Campaign Committee: Chris Polao (Chair), Deacon Carlos Campoverde, Louisa Bell, Maria Burrett, Ron Chimew, Danny DeLuca, Lina Espinoza, Jenny Plaza, Elizabeth Recinos, Beatriz Tenezaca and Luis Urrutia for all their assistance and guidance.

If you are considering making a pledge, please be aware it is not too late – from this point onward, now that we've surpassed our goal, a higher percentage (84%) of what is raised remains in our parish. And, should we reach 120% of goal – i.e., \$1,338,600 – 100% of funds received after that point will remain with us. (As every homeowner knows, there are always "surprises" one failed to budget for; having a reserve to draw on at such times is a blessing.) If you would like to contribute, please contact the Rectory at (914) 737-2071.

Our hope is to begin work on initial projects this month. The exact order of work to be undertaken will be determined by the availability of funds and the urgency of each project.

Please pray for the success of all our renovations, and join us in thanking God for the wonderfully generous people of our Assumption family. God bless you one and all!

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR SCHEDULE



January 8	3 pm	Assumption Church
January 15	3 pm	Assumption Church
January 22	3 pm	Assumption Church
January 29	3 pm	Assumption Church



Wedding Banns

First Time: Christopher W. Brogan & Raaquel S. Thomas

ASSISTANT COOK NEEDED AT CONVENT

The Franciscan Sisters in Peekskill are in need of an Assistant Cook at their Convent on South Street. If interested, please telephone Floyd at (914) 737-5655.

TITHING REPORT

January 1, 2017.....\$14,267.60
(includes Parish Pay amount of \$608.60)
January 3, 2016.....\$14,756.88
(includes Parish Pay amount of \$672.88)

If you would like to enroll in Parish Pay, please go to www.parishpay.com OR call the Rectory

RESPECT LIFE



Life: An "Epiphany" of God. The words of Saint John Paul II in his encyclical *Evangelium Vitae* (The Gospel of Life) (n.34): "Life is always a good... Why is life a good? This question is found everywhere in the Bible, and from the very first pages, it receives a powerful and amazing answer. The life which God gives man is quite different from the life of all other living creatures, inasmuch as man, although formed from the dust of the earth (cf. Genesis 2:7, 3:19; Job 34:15; Psalm 103:14; Psalm 104:29) is a manifestation of God in the world, a sign of his presence, a trace of his glory (cf. Genesis 1:26-27; Psalm 8:6). This is what Saint Irenaeus of Lyons wanted to emphasize in his celebrated definition: 'Man, living man, is the glory of God.' Man has been given a sublime dignity, based on the intimate bond which unites him to his Creator: in man there shines forth a reflection of God himself."

The next Respect Life Holy Hour is Friday, January 27 at 7:00 pm.

BAPTISMAL CLASS CHANGE

Please note that, beginning this month, our baptismal class schedule is changing: the mandatory (for parents, not godparents) one-time instructional class is now to be held on the **second Thursday** of each month (but still at 7:30 pm). The first class on this new schedule is this **Thursday, January 12**. Pre-registration is required; please call the Rectory at (914) 737-2071 before the monthly class you plan to attend.

THE BLESSING OF HOMES ON EPIPHANY



The feast of manifestation, or Epiphany, is traditionally celebrated on the twelfth day after Christmas (January 6), commemorating the arrival of the Three Kings (the Magi) in Bethlehem, bearing gifts to worship the Christ Child. The blessing of homes on Epiphany derives from a German custom whereby each house is painted with the inscription "xx+C+M+B+xx" for the Latin phrase *Christus Mansionem Benedicat* (Christ bless this house), with xx representing the four digits of the new year – e.g., this year will be "20+C+M+B+17." These letters are, coincidentally, the first initials of the names of the Magi: Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. At the Masses this weekend, a card with chalk will be distributed with instructions on how to perform this blessing at your home. May the gifts of the Magi bring you peace and contentment throughout the New Year!

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL



Gladys Latimer, Catherine Chesser, Janet Fortier, Linda McGarr, Andrew Muller, George Strumke, Cecilia Murphy, Mario Garziona, James Brian Dolman, Suzi Jo Bondra, Sheila Fleitz, Tony DeMilio, Margaret Kang and Carli Hermina.

PRAY ALSO FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED

Edwin I. Ziegler
Miguel Angel Pugo Pintado
Thomas G. Christmas

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace."

MARCH FOR LIFE 2017

The pilgrimage to Washington, DC for the annual March for Life takes place on **Friday, January 27**. Forty-four years ago, the Supreme Court handed down its decision in *Roe v. Wade*, legalizing abortion and leading to the deaths of 60 million babies in the USA. Please join hundreds of thousands from around the nation as we march to stop abortion. The cost is \$40 per person. In addition, Assumption is once again sponsoring an overnight youth trip to Washington (**Thursday, January 26 into Friday, January 27**) so young people (Grades 8 and above) can attend the Vigil Mass and a "Life is Very Good" evening prayer on Thursday, then participate in the Youth Rally and the March on Friday. The cost of the youth trip is \$70 per person, and sponsors for the cost of that trip are very welcome! Tickets are available by calling the Rectory at (914) 737-2071 or calling Juliet Juarez at (914) 382-3185 for the day trip or Blanca Zhungo at (914) 774-4011 for the overnight trip. Come witness to life as a disciple of Christ!

DISCOVERING CHRIST 2017

"Whoever drinks the water I shall give will never thirst."
(John 4:14)

Come and quench your thirst! Please join us on Monday evenings for "Discovering Christ," a seven-week series at Assumption beginning **Monday, January 23, 2017** and continuing through March 6 (with a life-changing retreat on Saturday, February 25). Share a meal, listen to a dynamic teaching and explore answers to questions about God and the meaning of life. As the group of participants is limited in size, reservations are required, and you must be at least 18 years of age. To reserve your place, please go to www.dcassumption.eventbrite.com OR you can e-mail discoveringchrist.assumption@gmail.com OR telephone (914) 402-4439.

FAMED PREACHER COMING TO ASSUMPTION

Assumption is pleased to announce that Saulo Hidalgo – renowned lay Catholic preacher and minister of healing – will be coming to our Church on **Friday, February 10** and **Saturday, February 11** for a Healing Mass and a pre-Lenten Retreat. Mr. Hidalgo, born in the Dominican Republic and residing in Texas, will preach at both the Healing Mass (February 10) and during the day of retreat (February 11). More details to follow in upcoming bulletins.

BEHIND THE SCENES AT ASSUMPTION

It takes many people to see to it that a parish runs smoothly. In our continuing series highlighting parish employees and volunteers, we focus this week on Bill Clark, Groundsman at Assumption Cemetery.



"Hi, my name is Bill Clark, and I've been an employee of Assumption Church for the past 12 years. I was born and raised in Peekskill and, when I was younger, I attended Assumption's religious education program.

I graduated from Peekskill High School in 2002. After high school, I joined the Peekskill Fire Department, becoming a Captain out of the Columbian Engine Company. (I'm currently an ex-Captain, but plan on being with the Fire Department for the rest of my life!)

I am blessed in life to have an amazing fiancée – Nicole – and a happy and healthy baby boy, Austin Joseph.

Cemetery work can sometimes be difficult, but when you can give a little bit of peace to a family going through one of the hardest parts of life, it makes it all worthwhile.

It has been a privilege to have been here at Assumption for the last dozen years and to be part of one of the best parishes around!"

LET'S BRING ON THE HEAT!

Come enjoy a delicious Spaghetti Dinner this **Thursday, January 12** and, in the process, help the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart in Peekskill raise funds for crucial repairs. Their 150-year-old Mount St. Francis Convent on South Street is in dire need of four new boilers and major heating repairs in both the Chapel and Records & Archives Room. The feasting will take place at the Peekskill Elks Club (1038 Brown Street) from 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm, and the fun will include a 50/50 raffle and prizes. The cost is \$25 per person. To purchase tickets, to volunteer or donate, or for more information, please contact Leslie Lawler at (914) 260-5973 or at jl801@optonline.net.

FEEDING OUR NEIGHBORS 2017

"We need to feed the hungry in the name of Jesus, and that is a high honor and call. We need to make sure none of our neighbors are ever turned away when they look to the Church for help." – Timothy Cardinal Dolan

During the week of **Sunday, January 29 – Sunday, February 5**, Cardinal Dolan is calling on Catholics and non-Catholics alike to feed our neighbors by replenishing food pantries and soup kitchens that so many families rely on to survive. Assumption, in conjunction with Fred's Food Pantry, already does a great deal toward meeting the needs of the hungry in Peekskill, but we still wish to heed the Cardinal's call to join in this Archdiocesan-wide effort. So, on the weekends of **January 28 and 29** and/or **February 4 and 5**, if your means allow, consider bringing a bag of non-perishable food when you come to Mass. Our volunteers will thus be able to restock our own Food Pantry and bring anything extra to Fred's Food Pantry.

NOTES FROM THE LOFT

Feasts of the Christmas Season:
Epiphany of the Lord (January 8)

This coming week the Church enters Ordinary Time. However, this weekend we are still in the Christmas season, celebrating the Twelfth Day, the Epiphany – or Manifestation – of the Lord to the Gentiles. So let's enjoy the last of the Christian Christmas music!

WE THREE KINGS (#110) owes its lyric and song to Reverend John Henry Hopkins, music teacher and rector of Christ Episcopal Church in Williamsport, PA, who composed this "modern" carol – the first to originate in the United States – for a Christmas pageant in New York City in 1857. Its mood shifts from the melancholic to the merry, typical of music of the Middle Ages and the Middle East.

WHAT STAR IS THIS? (#103) dates from 15th Century Trier, Germany. In 1609, Michael Praetorius (born Michael Schultze) set it to the melody we know today. His "popular" name is the Latinized version of "schultze" (mayor), a "praetor" being a Roman official. In the effort to bridge Catholic and Lutheran congregations, this son of a Lutheran minister is also known for the harmony of LO, HOW A ROSE E'ER BLOOMING. Praetorius reportedly died on his 50th birthday and is buried in a vault below the organ in the Marienkirche (Mary's Church) in Wolfenbuttel.

WHAT CHILD IS THIS? (#105) takes its tune from "Greensleeves," an old English folk ballad, with Italian and Andalusian overtones. The lyric derives from the poem "The Manger Song." Like WE THREE KINGS, it also shifts from somber to celebratory. It is the work of Scotsman William Chatterton Dix, who devoted himself to Scripture during an extended illness.

LULLY, LULLAY, THOU LITTLE TINY CHILD is a mournful lament for the children slain as a result of King Herod's jealousy over the birth of a new king. Also known as "The Coventry Carol," it derives from a medieval guild play of 15th Century Coventry, England, with "modern" words authored by Robert Croo in 1583.

PERSONENT HODIE has a very exotic genealogy: dating from the 12th Century, it was first published in the Finnish songbook "Piae Cantiones," a collection of medieval songs with Latin texts from a seminary in Prague – compiled by a Swedish Lutheran pastor!

Enjoy the Choir's last presentation of this delightful music and ... JOIN IN!

SEÑOR DE ESQUIPULAS



The ebony-colored statue of Christ of Esquipulas – the "Cristo Negro" – is an image of Jesus crucified and is revered by millions of the faithful in Central America. The original 400-year-old image is housed in the Basilica of Esquipulas in the town of that same name in eastern Guatemala. When Saint John Paul II visited the Basilica in 1996, he stated that this crucifix is "a most perfect and complete image" of Christ on the Cross. The patronal feast day of the Cristo Negro is January 15. A replica of the original image will be on display in Assumption Church this coming weekend, with a celebratory Mass at 7:00 pm on **Saturday, January 14**.

ANUNCIOS EN ESPAÑOL



LO HEMOS LOGRADO!!!

Agradecemos de todo corazón a los parroquianos de la Asunción por alcanzar y sobrepasar la meta de la Campaña Renovar + Reconstruir. A la impresión de este boletín, hemos recaudado más de \$1,125,000 de más de 300 compromisos individuales y familiares.

Agradecemos especialmente al Comité de la Campaña: Chris Polao (Presidenta), Deacon Carlos Campoverde, Louisa Bell, Maria Burrett, Ron Chimew, Danny DeLuca, Lina Espinoza, Jenny Plaza, Elizabeth Recinos, Beatriz Tenezaca y Luis Urrutia por toda su asistencia y guía.

Si usted está considerando hacer un compromiso, por favor sepa que no es muy tarde - a partir de este punto, en el que hemos alcanzado la meta, un porcentaje más alto (84%) de lo que se recaude se quedará en la parroquia. Si alcanzáramos el 120% de la meta - recibiríamos el 100% de lo que se recaude después de eso. (Como todo dueño de casa sabe siempre hay sorpresas que no se han presupuestado, tener una reserva es una bendición.) Si desea contribuir, por favor contacte a la Rectoría al número de teléfono (914) 737-2071, o personalmente.

Nuestra esperanza es comenzar con proyectos iniciales este mes. El orden y prioridad lo determinara la disponibilidad de fondos y la urgencia de cada proyecto.

Por favor oremos por el éxito de nuestras renovaciones y únase a nosotros en agradecerle a Dios por la maravillosa generosidad de la familia de la Iglesia de la Asunción. Dios bendiga a todos y cada uno de ustedes.



HORA SANTA POR LOS MATRIMONIOS

El Grupo Matrimonial "Jesús, María y José" invitan para este día jueves 12 de Enero a la Hora Santa de Adoración al Santísimo, desde las 7 de la noche.



FIESTA EN HONOR AL MILAGROSO SEÑOR DE ESQUIPULAS GUATEMALA XVII CELEBRACION

Celebrante: Padre Juan Pablo Lobos

Programa

Sábado 14 de enero del 2017

5:00 am Despertar mañanero con Mariachis.

6:00 am Celebración Eucarística

7:00 am Desayuno Chapín

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8:30 pm Procesión al Salón Padre Wilson y compartir!

VIRGEN DE LA ALTAGRACIA



La Comunidad Dominicana invita a las fiestas en honor a la Virgen de la Altagracia, protectora espiritual de la Republica Dominicana, la Celebración Eucarística será el día Sábado 21 de Enero a las 7 de la noche, iniciaremos con la novena el jueves 12 de Enero. Mayores detalles con los servidores.

CENA ROMÁNTICA, Y CONFERENCIA

día Internacional del Matrimonio

"LA FAMILIA QUE YO QUIERO TENER"

Invitado: Saulo Hidalgo

Sábado, Febrero 11 del 2017

7:00 pm Santa Eucaristía y Renovación de Votos Matrimoniales

8:30 pm Cena, conferencia y baile

Costo: \$90 por pareja* / Únicamente parejas

Local: Auditorio Padre Wilson

Nota: Nos reservamos estrictamente el derecho de admisión, por los que sugerimos vestir traje formal.

Informes y detalles:

Oficina del Ministerio Hispano, Dcn. Carlos Campoverde



DOMINGO 12 DE FEBRERO DEL 2017 - HORA: 2:30PM

AUDITORIO PADRE WILSON

PRIMERA ASAMBLEA DE ORACION, EVANGELIZACION Y SANACION

"LEVANTANDO LOS MUROS CAIDOS"

INVITADOS: HNO. SAULO HIDALGO

MUSICA: VOCES MISIONERAS

COSTO \$ 10 POR PERSONA INCLUYE REFRIGERIO

AUSPICIA: MINISTERIO HISPANO DE LA ASUNCION Y

EL GRUPO APOSTOLICO LEGION DE MARIA

Esta asamblea es abierta para todos, ofreceremos cuidado de niños



VIII EDICION DE BAUTISMOS COMUNITARIOS

SABADO 22 DE ABRIL DEL 2017

7:00 PM

¿Por qué bautizar a los niños pequeños?

El bautismo es la puerta del encuentro con

Cristo, el fundamento de toda la vida cristiana y la

incorporación al pueblo de Dios, la Iglesia

Fuente: Catholic.net

El Bautismo es una gracia Inestimable

El Bautismo nos hace hijos de Dios. Gálatas 4, 5-7

El Bautismo es la fuente de la vida nueva en Cristo.

Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica (CIC) 1253

El Bautismo nos lava el pecado. Hechos 2, 38

El Bautismo nos incorpora a Cristo, Romanos 8, 29. CIC

1272 y a la comunidad de salvación. CIC1273

El Bautismo nos imprime el "sello del Señor" con que el

Espíritu Santo nos ha marcado para el día de la

redención. Efesios 4, 30

Los padres privarían al niño de la gracia inestimable de ser hijo de Dios si no le administraran el Bautismo.

Informes en la Casa Parroquial o en la Sacristía después de nuestras Misas en Español y con las

Catequistas: Sras. Elizabeth Recinos, Helen Salazar, Judith López, Antonia Yunga y Ana Hidalgo.