

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Parish

Pastor: Fr. Ramon Jose Oncog JCL



Confession Schedule:

Saturday (4:00 – 4:45 PM) & Sunday (5:00 – 5:45 PM) or call for appointment

PARISH UPDATE 08/11/2024

August 15, Thursday, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. From the booklet, Living With Christ, we read: “The Assumption of the Virgin Mary celebrates her being assumed – taken up body and soul – into heaven at the end of her earthly life. It began as a feast day in the Eastern Church after the Council of Ephesus (431) proclaimed Mary Mother of God. By the 6th century, the feast celebrated Mary’s Dormition, her ‘falling asleep,’ meaning her death; there are several icons of the Dormition. The Western Church began to celebrate this feast circa 650.” I would just like to add that while the celebration of the feast of the Assumption of Our Lady is relatively recent in the history of the Church, the belief that she was assumed into heaven dates back to the beginning of the Church..... On Thursday, the Mass here at **St. John will be at 10:00 A.M.** as I will be celebrating another Mass at **St. Patrick in Manitou at 6:00 P.M.**, after which I will attend the Catholic Men’s Night there which is held every evening of the third Thursday of the month..... I’ve just read Pope Francis’ Letter “On the Role of Literature in Formation” which was issued on July 17. In this age of easy access to social media through gadgets, he presents reading – especially reading of novels and poetry – as something counter cultural. The Holy Father first intended his letter for future priests, but knowing the importance of reading, he is addressing it also to all Christians. He said that reading helps us to engage culture and thus become effective evangelizers. He cited the example of St. Paul who quoted the works of the Greek authors Epimenides and Aratus of Soli in his preaching at the Areopagus as recorded in Acts 17:16-34. The Holy Father also mentioned the practical benefits of reading saying, “[T]he habit of reading has numerous positive effects on people’s lives, helping them to acquire a wider vocabulary and thus develop broader intellectual abilities. It also stimulates their imagination and creativity, enabling them to learn to tell their stories in richer and more expressive ways. It also improves their ability to concentrate, reduces levels of cognitive decline, and calms stress and anxiety. Even more, reading prepares us to understand and thus deal with various situations that arise in life. In reading, we immerse ourselves in the thoughts, concerns, tragedies, dangers and fears of characters who in the end overcome life’s challenges. Perhaps too, in following a story to the end, we gain insights that will later prove helpful in our own lives.” Do find the entire papal letter online, and may it motivate you to be counter cultural – i.e., reading more rather than wasting time through social media.

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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY*

Aug 10 // 5PM- Spiritual protection & guidance of 2024 Confirmandi – req. Irene Oliviero

SUNDAY

Aug 11// 11AM- For the intentions of all parishioners

Aug 11 // No Mass*

MONDAY

Aug 12 // No Mass

TUESDAY

Aug 13 // 7PM- Spiritual guidance & protection of Kendrick Espinal – Barry & Fabiola Titchkosky

WEDNESDAY

Aug 14 // 7PM- Spiritual protection & guidance of 2024 Confirmandi – req. Irene Oliviero

THURSDAY*

Aug 15 // 10AM- Wedding anniversary thanksgiving & intentions – req. Barry & Fabiola Titchkosky

FRIDAY*

Aug 16 // 10AM- Eternal repose of Trinidad Pardo Dela Cruz – req. Celerina Ignacio

SATURDAY*

Aug 17 // 5PM- Eternal repose of Restituto & Analie Gomez – req. Arlene Cobben

SUNDAY

Aug 18 // 11AM- Eternal repose of Junil Palacios – req. Jewel White

Aug 18 // No Mass*

UPCOMING EVENTS*

- ◆ Christian Life Program of Couples for Christ Morden- Aug10th,17th,31st & Sept7th Winkler- Aug31st, Sept7th,14th & 21st
- ◆ Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary- August 15th//10AM
- ◆ Children's Choir Practice-August 16th//7PM
- ◆ Corn and Apple Booth- August 23rd to 25th
- ◆ Registration deadline for Catechist Program 2024-2025- August 26th
- ◆ Children's Rosary and Mass- September 7th//4:30PM
- ◆ Annual Mass Wedding- October 19th

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ Ushers and Lectors wanted- Please contact Carole at caroleshof@gmail.com. Indicate your full name and service you would like to serve. (Saturday 5PM/Sunday 11AM)
- ◆ From July to September- No Mass on Sunday at 6PM.

◆ Weekly Bible Quiz

1. It took ____ days and night for Elijah on the way to Horeb the mountain of God (1 Kings 19.4-8)
2. I am the living ____ that came down from heaven, whoever eats of this bread will ____ forever. (John 6.41-51)

ASSUMPTION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



Answers of 08/04/2024

1. St. John Vianney 2. Curé of Ars

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