

# ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CHURCH



## PARISH INFORMATION

**Rev. Msgr. Thomas Koons**, Pastor  
**Mrs. Karen Glose**, Director of Music  
**Mrs. Mary LaBianca**, Adult Choir Director  
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**Mrs. Susan Parker**, Director of Religious Education  
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### Masses

Saturday 4:00 p.m.  
 Sunday 8:00, 10:30 a.m.  
 Weekdays 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days 7:00 p.m. [Vigil]  
 8:00 a.m.

### Confessions

Saturday 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.  
 or by request

### Baptism

Every Weekend after Mass on request. Baptismal preparation classes are the first Saturday of every month at 10:00 a.m. in the classrooms above the church. Please call the rectory in advance to schedule class attendance and Baptism.

### Sponsors

Parishioners need to meet with Msgr. Koons to determine whether they are eligible to serve as a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation. Please call the rectory.

### Marriage

Please call the rectory at least one year in advance to schedule a wedding. Attendance at diocesan Marriage Preparation Classes is required six months prior to the wedding date, as well as three or four sessions with the priest. Current Baptism and Confirmation certificates are needed for the Catholic parties. In the case of previously existing marriages, a death certificate or declaration of nullity is necessary before another marriage can be considered.

### Parish Registration

New parishioners living in the parish boundaries are asked to register at the rectory. Please notify the rectory if you change your address or phone number or move out of the parish.

### Communion to the Sick

Communion is taken to the sick after the Sunday Masses and on First Fridays. The Anointing of the Sick is celebrated with individual homebound parishioners on First Fridays several times a year. Please call the rectory to request being included on the homebound Communion list.

**Please call the rectory when parishioners are admitted to a local hospital.**

## Parish Activities/Contacts

Adult Education	Msgr. Koons.....	610-262-2559	Lectors	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559
Adult Prayer Group	Vincent Santucci.....	610-262-8428	Ministry to the Sick	Msgr. Koons.....	610-262-2559
Altar Servers	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559	Music Ministry/Choir	Karen Glose.....	610-691-0525
Baptismal Prep Classes	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559	Nthmp Area Food Bank	Bella Skweir.....	610-262-2673
Blood Drive	Deborah Heckenberger...	610-760-9491	Parish Family Picnic	Msgr. Koons.....	610-262-2559
Chi-Rho Volunteers	Jane Spengler.....	610-262-8138	Persons w/Disabilities Rep.	Susan Parker.....	610-262-7343
Church Cleaning Teams	Barbara Pengitore.....	610-262-3193	Prayer Chain	Priscilla Koch.....	610-428-9053
CYO	Tim Gribb .....	610-762-9072	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Mary LaBianca.....	610-502-0160
Eucharistic Ministers	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559	Pro-Life Activities	Msgr. Koons.....	610-262-2559
Finance Committee	Drew Maron.....	610-393-9126	Religious Education	Susan Parker.....	610-262-7343
Fund Raising	Barbara Pengitore.....	610-262-3193	RENEW Group	Charlie Walsh.....	610-837-0376
Grocery Certificates	GSCS Office.....	610-262-9171	RCIA	Msgr. Koons.....	610-262-2559
Greeters	Joanne Manning.....	610-262-2559	Ushers	Michael Sommer.....	610-262-7904
Grief Support	Rosemarie Pengitore.....	484-226-0188	Young at Heart	Anna Hudock.....	610-262-3478
Hospitality Committee	Jane Spengler.....	610-262-8138	Youth Activities	Deborah Heckenberger...	610-760-9491
Knights of Columbus Council #4050.....		484-540-5090			

**Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish  
The Most Holy Trinity – June 16, 2019**

**Daily Masses**

June 17, Monday	8:00 a.m.	†Ferne Pletchan	Sister, Nancy Jane Birosik & Family
June 18, Tuesday	8:00 a.m.	†Hilda Bendekovits	Assumption B.V.M. Young-at-Heart
June 19, Wednesday	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	†Edward Bankos	Daughter, Ann
June 20, Thursday	8:00 a.m.	†Elaine Hunsinger	Tim and Angela Livengood & Family
June 21, Friday	8:00 a.m.	†Rev. Francis Straka	M/M Peter Bereta
June 22, Saturday	4:00 p.m.	†Thomas Marakovits	Wife, Ruth
June 23, Sunday	8:00 a.m.	†Michael James Janis	Family
	10:30 a.m.	Living and deceased members of our Parish	

**Next Week's Schedule:**

	<b>Lector:</b>	<b>Euch. Min.:</b>	<b>Altar Servers:</b>	<b>Greeters:</b>
June 22, Sat. 4:00 p.m.	A. Molchany	F. Cerino	A. Niderostek	S. Bankos/L. Stefaniak
June 23, Sun. 8:00 a.m.	T. Kovalchik	C. Marth	K. Cuchran	G. Farkas/L. Gehringer
10:30 a.m.	K. Stayt	D. Maron	G. Miletics/J. Bobko	A. Fry/L. Shaak

**Sanctuary Lights** are burning this week in loving memory and for the pious intention of Edward Bankos requested by daughter, Ann.

**Please pray** for God's blessings and the gift of good health for the sick people of our parish. Also remember in your prayers Rosemarie Meiley who died recently.

# Good News!

June 16, 2019  
Most Holy Trinity (C)  
Prv 8:22–31; Rom 5:1–5; Jn 16:12–15

The Trinity at first appears as the most abstract belief in Christianity. It touches the mystery of God's nature, how he exists, and how he acts. So, yes, it is mysterious. But as with all foundational truths, they have far-reaching effects. It is essential to grasp the basics because, if not, everything you build with them will be faulty. Thus it is vital for Christians to understand and believe in the Trinity. This is a basic building block of all we believe. "The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life" (*Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 234).

The pope and one of the earliest councils of bishops confronted just this question of the Trinity. At the Council of Nicaea in the year 325, the bishops discussed what Jesus revealed to us about the Trinity. The fruit of their meetings nearly 1,700 years ago is the Nicene Creed that we still pray today.

The three divine persons are one and the same in their divine nature, but distinct in their relations. God the Father Almighty is the Creator of heaven and earth. Jesus Christ is the Word through whom the Father created all things and the Savior he sent into the world. The Holy Spirit is the love of the Father and Son who is sent to sanctify humanity by leading people in the truth revealed by the Father and Son. God is the Creator, Jesus the Savior, and the Holy Spirit is Sanctifier and Teacher. Three divine persons acting together with a common mission, but one God.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

## Calendar:

- Monday – June 17**  
*Weekday*  
2 Cor 6:1–10 / Mt 5:38–42
- Tuesday – June 18**  
*Weekday*  
2 Cor 8:1–9 / Mt 5:43–48
- Wednesday – June 19**  
*Weekday*  
2 Cor 9:6–11  
Mt 6:1–6, 16–18
- Thursday – June 20**  
*Weekday*  
2 Cor 1:1–10  
Mt 6:7–15
- Friday – June 21**  
*St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious*  
2 Cor 11:18, 21–30  
Mt 6:19–23
- Saturday – June 22**  
*Weekday*  
2 Cor 12:1–10  
Mt 6:24–34
- Sunday – June 23**  
*Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*  
Gn 14:18–20  
1 Cor 11:23–26  
Lk 9:11b–17

**Giving Sunday** : Sunday, July 14  
**Picnic Pierogie Making** : Fri., Aug. 2 & Sat., Aug. 3  
**BVM Night – Iron Pigs** : Thursday, August 22, 2019  
**Church Picnic** : Sunday, September 8  
**Breakfast** : Sunday, September 22  
**Confirmation** : Thursday, March 5, 4:30 p.m.



**Bishop's Annual Appeal:** As of June 13, our parishioners have raised \$26,605.00 from 116 parishioners. We need the support of all of our parish families to reach our financial goal and to reach the 100% participation goal. Assumption B.V.M.'s goal is \$42,290.65. If you have not made your pledge of support, you may return your pledge form to the parish office or make your gift online. We need the support of all of our parish families to reach our goal. Remember, every gift counts, no gift is too small. Every dollar helps those in need. If you have any questions or would like to make a gift, please call the parish office or visit the Appeal website at FaithHopeCharityGives.org.

**Rectory Summer Hours** are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 7:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. or call for an appointment. **Rectory office is closed on Wednesdays.**



**Memorial Flowers:** The flowers by the altar this week are in memory of William Molchany and Robert Lakatos. They were donated by Anthony and Diane Molchany and family.

**Memorial Fund:** Gratefully the parish acknowledges the following memorial contributions **in memory of Rosemarie Meiley:** \$25 Hurban Family; \$25 Snyder Family; \$50 Rich and Rita Spanitz; \$25 Cecilia Emerick; \$20 Virginia Haldeman; \$25 Lori Achey; \$25 Barbara Budnik; \$100 Martin and Joyce Spanitz; \$25 Julia Barna and family; \$25 Cecilia Wechsler and family; \$25 James and Betty Proctor and family; \$50 James and Donna Yellen; \$20 M/M Alvin Schloffler; \$25 Mary Ann Liskanich; \$40 Sue Medes and Joe Budnik; \$15 Joseph Sodl and family; \$40 Helen and Lawrence Gutleber.

**PICNIC PLANNING MEETING:** There will be a picnic planning meeting this **Monday, June 17 at 10:00 a.m.** at the church rectory. Anyone interested in helping to plan the Annual Church Picnic is invited to attend.

**MISSIONARY CO-OP APPEAL 2019:** Next weekend, June 22/23, Sr. Regina Gadikota will conduct mission appeals at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church on behalf of her congregation, Sisters of Christ the Light. The Sisters are from South India. Their works in India and abroad include evangelization, education, pastoral and prison ministry, care of the child laborers, school dropouts, the hearing and speech impaired, the elderly, the mentally challenged, the AIDS patients and other empowerment programs for women and children. Please be generous in supporting their mission work with your prayers and donations. God bless you.



**Pierogie Making for the Church Picnic: MARK YOUR CALENDARS.** We will be making pierogies for the church picnic on **Friday, August 2 after the 8:00 a.m. Mass and Saturday, August 3 starting at 7:00 a.m.** Friday we will be peeling and cooking potatoes. Saturday we will be making, cooking and packing the pierogies. Please come and help. The more help we have, the faster we get done. **We need both Men and Women. Please come and join us. We do have fun.**

**Men's Retreat at Malvern:** The Men's Retreat at Malvern will take place the weekend of August 23, 24 and 25. Mark your calendar and give either Jack Harhart 610-262-8123 or Richard Cuth 610-262-8045 to reserve your place and to obtain a reservation form. Hope to see you there. Reservation forms will be available in the church lobby soon.

**Night at the Ball Game:** Come and enjoy an Iron Pigs baseball game on **Thursday, August 22** on the Party Porch, 1<sup>st</sup> base line, at Coca-Cola Park, 1050 Ironpigs Way, Allentown hosted by B.V.M. Choir. Food will be available from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Game starts at 7:05 p.m. Cost is \$37 per person and is due at time of reservation. **Deadline for reservations is Sunday, July 1.** For more information call Jane Spengler at 610-262-8138. You can place your payment in the church collection basket to hold your tickets (reservations). Please make checks payable to the church.



**Registration** is now open for the 2019-2020 school year for Pre-K through Grade 8 at Good Shepherd Catholic School, 1300 Newport Avenue, Northampton. Please call our Advancement Director, Mrs. Victoria Frystack, at 610-262-9171 for a school tour or for more information.

**St. Mary's Church,** 2nd & Union Streets, Catasauqua will be holding their Annual Block Party on Thursday, June 20, Friday, June 21 and Saturday, June 22 from 6:00 to 10:00 PM all nights. There will be fabulous homemade foods, Bingo (in our air conditioned hall), Bake Sale, Basket and Money Raffle, Games for adults and children. Come by Friday night and enjoy our Children's lip Sync Contest and Saturday night for a chance to play our hourly game of "Minute to Win it". DJ entertainment by D.H. Production. For more information please email kim.stmarys122@gmail.com or call the Parish Office at 610-264-0332. All are welcome to attend!

**Assumption B.V.M. Church Annual Parish Picnic**  
**Sunday, September 8, 2019**  
**EGYPT MEMORIAL PARK**  
**begins with a Mass at 11:00 a.m.**  
**continues with music, games and food until 7:00 p.m.**  
**Featuring the music of "The Large Flowerheads"**  
**4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**

**Queenship of Mary Parish Festival,** Northampton, will have its parish festival on Sunday, June 23, on the church grounds from 12 noon-8 p.m. There will be plenty of food, a bake sale, children's games, face painting, a cash raffle, basket raffle and bingo. All are welcome to attend! Music by MountainXpress Polka Band from 11:30 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. and Flirtin' With The Mob from 4:00 p.m. to 7:46 p.m. See flyer in vestibule for more information.

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