



From the Pastor's Desk

Christmas 2015 Greetings!

With today's observance of the Fourth Sunday of Advent and looking forward to this Friday's celebration of Christ's birth, I extend a joyous greeting on behalf of Fr. Cross, Deacons Rick and Bob and all on parish staff as we enter the holy

season of Christmas. May the season of the celebration of the birth of our Savior and the great feasts of the Holy Family, Mary, Mother of God, the Epiphany and the Baptism of the Lord be occasions of new hope for us. May the message of God's mercy and its light radiate in the words and deeds of all who believe in Jesus as God and Savior. A merry and blessed Christmas everyone!

Retirement Fund for Religious Collection 2015,

Religious give thanks. "We cannot begin to repay all who contribute," writes a Catholic sister. "So we pray to God, who is never outdone in generosity, to reward you." Heartfelt thanks for your donation to last week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. May God bless you for your goodness!

Christmas & New Year Mass Schedule for the Pastoral Region.:

❖ Dec. 24/25 Christmas Masses: at Assumption Church

on Christmas Eve at 4:00 p.m. & 11:00 p.m.
on Christmas Day at 10:00 a.m.

at St. Margaret Mary Church:

on Christmas Eve at 4:30 p.m.
on Christmas Day at 10:00 a.m.

*There are no scheduled times for confessions
on Dec. 24 or Dec. 31 at both churches.*

❖ Dec. 31/Jan. 1 New Years Masses at Assumption Church

on New Year's Eve: 4:00 p.m.
on New Year's Day 10:00 a.m.

at St. Margaret Mary Church:

on New Year's Eve at 4:30 p.m.
on New Year's Day at 10:00 a.m.

Parish Office Holiday Hours

There will be limited office hours beginning December 21st. The office will be closed on Thursday, December 24th, Christmas Eve, Friday, December 25th, Christmas Day, Thursday, December 31st, New Year's Eve and Friday, January 1st, New Year's Day. Phone messages will be checked and returned as soon as possible. If it is an **emergency**, please call St. Margaret Mary @ 521-7387. Thank you.

Christmas Eve Mass

Christmas Eve Mass at night will be Thursday night at 11:00 P.M. A Christmas carol program will begin at 10:30 P.M. with familiar and traditional carols being sung by the choir and congregation. Additionally, there will be professional musicians and instrumentalists joining us for the program and for this Mass to make for a beautiful celebration of Christmas for you and your family and friends. Come here our new organ and our choir, and come sing and pray and celebrate this beautiful feast at Assumption.



OUR LADY OF GRACE
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

School will be closed until

Monday, January 4th.

Have a safe and Merry Christmas!

New Students for 2016-2017

If you have a child who will be attending Our Lady of Grace next year for the first time, please call the parish office. Thank you.

Collections

Sunday, December 13th ...\$ 8,151.35
Religious Retirement.....\$ 2,168.00

5200 Club

Week #12: Winner: Bob Lachmann
Seller: Same
Ticket: 2700

This Week in the Parish

Monday	12/21 Ladies Sodality	9:00 A.M.
	Prayer Group	12:30 P.M.
	Pastoral Council	7:00 P.M.
Tuesday	12/22 Adult Basketball	6:00 P.M.

Bulletin Deadlines

Following the schedule below will assure your items for the bulletin will get into the correct issue. Thank you. For January 3rd – by noon Monday, December 21st.

Mass Intentions

Monday 8:30 A.M.	December 21 Henrietta Fay
Tuesday 8:30 A.M.	December 22 Anita Wright
Wednesday 8:30 A.M.	December 23 Communion Service
Thursday 4:00 P.M. 11:00 P.M.	December 24 Christmas Eve Charles Riedy For the Parish
Friday 10:00 A.M.	December 25 Christmas Day Joyce Rhoads
Saturday 4:00 P.M.	December 26 Dolores Sass
Sunday 9:00 A.M. 11:00 A.M.	December 27 Victoria Mitchell For the Parish

Yearly Tax Statements

If you would like a yearly statement for income tax purposes, please call or e-mail the parish office and we will mail you your statement. We are only sending statements out to those who request them. Thank you.

St. Vincent de Paul

Next weekend is pantry restock weekend. Please leave items in the bin in the school hallway. The pantry needs canned food items, soap, toilet paper, shampoo, toothbrush and toothpaste and laundry detergent. All donations are appreciated.

And they're off!

Mark your calendars for January 16th, 2016. Our Lady of Grace Athletic Association presents Night at the Races. Doors open at 7:00 P.M. Admission tickets are now on sale and are \$15.00 per person. NO admission without a ticket. Tickets sell fast.

From Adam Couch Pastoral Associate for Faith Formation

Sacraments Class Schedule (9:50 – 10:50 AM)

	NO CLASS	Jan. 10
2 nd Grade	Dec. 27 &	CLASS
7 th Grade	Jan. 3	CLASS

Contact me at faithformation.assumption@gmail.com with questions/comments.

Santa Breakfast Thanks

Assumption Santa Breakfast was a complete success again this year. It is a wonderful annual tradition here at Assumption that everyone seems to enjoy. The “team” would like to take the time to thank everyone that helped us this year, from the long time helpers to all the new ones that joined in the festivities this year, and hopefully next. We really appreciate everyone’s hard work, starting with the cookie baking and icing helpers, the set-up and tear-down helpers, the workers that dished out and served each meal, to all the kids that helped with the characters and their chaperone, to our wonderful chicken fryers that made such scrumptious chicken, our fantastic boutique and bakery workers, our ticket selling table, our raffle table ticket seller, and our wonderful kitchen crew....we couldn’t have done this without you! Thank you, thank you, THANK YOU from the bottom of our hearts, we thank you! Please keep us in mind for 2016 and our 40th year celebration which will be on December 3 & 4th. The Santa Breakfast team would like to wish everyone a Blessed Christmas and a Happy New Year! Teri, Suzanne, Jennifer, Shelly and Joni.

SPONSOR OF THE WEEK

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1432 Compton Road
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