

NEW MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 5 PM
Sunday: 7 AM, 8:30 AM and 10 AM
Weekdays: 8 AM
Saturday: 9 AM
Holy Days: 7 PM Vigil, 8 AM and 12:05 PM

SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: Sat. 3:30 PM – 4:30 PM,
or by appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration: Tues. 7 PM – 8 PM

Baptism: 1st & 3rd Sunday each Month.

Pre-Jordan class is required and held on the 3rd Monday of every month. Please call the Parish Office to schedule.

Marriage: Engaged couples must meet with the Pastor at least six months prior to the Wedding.

Anointing of the Sick: Holy Communion for the homebound or Sacrament of the Sick upon request. Anointing in preparation for surgery after Masses.

PASTOR:

Rev. Gerald P. Carey

IN RESIDENCE:

Rev. Augustin Kassa, SMA

PERMANENT DEACON:

Deacon John Rose

MUSIC MINISTRY:

Rick West

OFFICE MANAGER/ PARISH SECRETARY:

RoseAnn Westerfer

BUSINESS MANAGER:

Nicole Giacche

OFFICE PHONE: 610-688-1178

WEBSITE: olastrafford.org

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon. - Fri.: 8:30 AM - 4 PM

Emergencies

Call the Parish Office and press 1.

ASSUMPTION ACADEMY

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL:

Patricia Welsh 610-688-5277

PREP OFFICE

Sr. Rita Marian Angelilli, IHM
610-688-6590

OLA CONVENT – IHM SISTERS

Phone: 610-688-7889



Our Lady of the Assumption

Roman Catholic Church

35 Old Eagle School Road, Strafford, PA

November 8, 2020

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

MY OLA † MY FAMILY OF FAITH

**GOD HAS NOT OVERLOOKED YOU.
HE HAS SOMETHING AND SOMEONE
AMAZING IN STORE FOR YOU.
REMEMBER, HIS TIMING.**

SPIRITUAL INSPIRATION

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday - November 7 2020

First Saturday

- 9 AM Deceased Members of Jacob & Stella Miller Family by Richard & Barbara Merman
- 5 PM Giacomo Trosini
by Wife, Genoeffa & Daughter, Tina



Sunday, November 8, 2020

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7 AM Nick & Mary D'Antonio
by Son, Pasquale D'Antonio
& For the People of the Parish
- 8:30 Jessie Sarmento Jacot
by Sandy D'Ignazio & Family
- 10 AM Genoeffa Trosini by OLA Choir

Monday - November 9, 2020

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

- 8:00 Barbara & Fred Domenick
by Sister, Kathy Walker

Tuesday - November 10, 2020

St. Leo the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church

- 8:00 Holy Souls of Priests In Purgatory
by Richard & Rosemary Ise

Wednesday - November 11, 2020

St. Martin of Tours, Bishop

- 8:00 Louis C. Piombino, Sr. by Son, Lou

Thursday - November 12, 2020

St. Josaphat, Bishop & Martyr

- 8:00 Michael J. Grob, 3rd Anniv.
by Wife, Jan & Family

Friday - November 13, 2020

St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

- 8:00 Eleanora Rose by Giulio Odorisio

Saturday - November 14, 2020

- 9 AM Erma & Americo Italiano
by Their Children & Grandchildren
- 5 PM Ida Marcil by Chris & Joanne Bouvier

Sunday, November 15, 2020

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7 AM Thuong & Ngan Nguyen by Their Children
- 8:30 Genoeffa Trosini
by Anthony & Yolanda Falcone
- 10 AM Kathryn Domenick by OLA Choir

SANCTUARY LAMP IS BURNING

For: Gilda Bruno
From: Nov. 6, 2020 to Nov. 12, 2020
By: Tina DiMarcantonio

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please pray for the sick and disabled members of our parish family:

Nicole LaMonaca, Ed Drill, Anthony Ciarlone, Elsa Marsili, Josephine Sorrentino, Logan Schweiter, Margaret Cox, Victor Newton, William Vallejo, Msgr. McDonough, Carole Pullo, Gloria Biondi, Taylor Boileau, Dan, Angie, Nick & Kelly Sciaratta, Barbara Pupek, Charlotte Krutsick, Catherine Harmer, Eileen Piombino, John Becker, Janet Fleming, Holly Weaver, Agatha & Carol Annino, Bob Iatesta, Louise Fehn, Gabe Yervelli, Msgr. Marino, Milena Trosini, Alison Colodonato, Sean Mahoney, Baby Flynn, Yolanda Price, Zaira Silveri, Dottie Cappelli, Russell Demanczyk, Dominic Toscani, Fran Neary, William Vare, Jessica Rineer, Veronica Kelly, Carolyn Weber, Arthur Mattmiller, Nello DeFlaviis, Joseph Carver, Gina Pine, Fr. Woodeshick, Ed Rofi, Gina Falcone, Anita Moscia, Maria DiGiacomo, Rick West, Msgr. Malone, Kaitlyn Dorris, Marcella Canfarotta, Anita Koltay, Jim Batalise, Lynette Donnelly, Giulio Odorisio, Jennifer Emmi Fiorini, Meghan Pitts and Philomena Mozanni.

Please pray for our parishioners serving in the Military:

Lauren A. Seedor, Rebecca Robbins, Luke Scilovati & Matthew Wilson.

OLA OUTREACH OPEN DURING CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC

Outreach is helping those in need in the OLA community during this pandemic. Donations can continue to be made to the Giving Room. **Diapers (Size 5 & 6 especially) & wipes are dearly in demand.** We kindly ask that furniture not be left on the church grounds or parking lot. Please call to check to see if your donation is acceptable.

If you find yourself in need, or conversely, would like to offer assistance, you can reach a member of the Outreach Team by calling the **Parish Office at 610-688-1178**, emailing parishoffice@olastrafford.org, or calling **Vince Caprio at 610-644-3482**. A member of the Outreach Team will contact you. **Thank you and God bless you!**

**OLA POOR BOXES**

The money collected from our Poor Boxes located in the Candle Room & in the Vestibule is used for our Outreach Ministry. Thank you for your support!

BROTHER'S HOUSE

Assisting homeless men in Norristown is in desperate need of **clean new socks & boxer shorts (XL & XXL & XXXL)**. Please drop off in the Giving Room.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What can I do this week to make myself a little more ready for the coming of the Lord?

PREP

Thank you to all the Confirmation students who have returned their information sheets by the deadline. We are very grateful for your cooperation. A reminder that the Saints Name Report and Sponsor Report are due by Nov. 14. Please send to the Parish Office or email as soon as possible. The livestream information session will be available on the Parish Facebook page as of Sat., Nov. 14. You can access this page by searching: **Our Lady of Assumption Strafford Facebook.** Confirmation robes can be picked up from the Parish Office on Monday, Nov. 16 from 9 AM until 4 PM and Monday evening from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM from the Sacred Heart Chapel. Please hang in a safe place until the ceremony.

Contact Sister Rita Marian with any questions or concerns at rmangelilli@olastrafford.org or 610-688-6590.

PARISH REGISTRATION:

To receive the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist or Matrimony, to have access to Letters of Eligibility to stand as a Godparent at Baptism or as a Sponsor at Confirmation, or to receive a tuition discount at Assumption Academy, you must be registered in the Parish.

To register please call the Parish Office at 610-688-1178. *Thank you!*

STEWARDSHIP

SUNDAY & OTHER COLLECTIONS**

(does not include Electronic Parish Giving)

On 10/25/2020: \$ 3,649 10/27/2019: \$ 4,250

** OTHER COLLECTIONS INCLUDE: HOLY DAYS, CHRISTMAS and EASTER FLOWERS

Electronic Parish Giving Deposited on
10/28/2020: \$ 2,507.50

CUM FISCAL YTD TOTALS AS OF
including Electronic Parish Giving

10/28/2020: \$ 128,599 10/30/2019: \$ 140,722

Note: 2020-2021 fiscal YTD offerings are
- 8.6 % less than 2019-2020.

IMPROVEMENT FUND

YTD TOTALS AS OF

including Electronic Parish Giving

10/28/2020: \$ 12,907 10/30/2019: \$ 9,543

Note: 2020-2021 fiscal YTD offerings are
+ 35.3 % more than 2019-2020.

We thank you for your generosity!

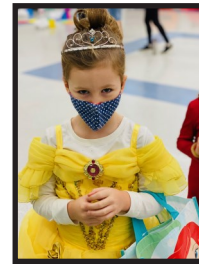
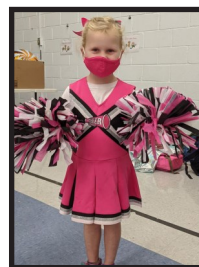


ASSUMPTION ACADEMY 2020 News



October ended with a fantastic socially distant , indoor trunk or treat..

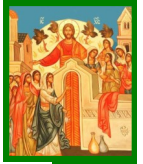
So much fun!



If you would like more information about Assumption Academy or joining our weekly Mommy and Me group, please call 610-688-5277. There is more information about this great school here:
www.assumptionacademy.weebly.com.



PASTOR'S CORNER



PASTOR'S CORNER

Dear Friends,

This weekend, we celebrate the *32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*. In this week's Gospel, Jesus talks about what it means to be prepared to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. This week's Gospel reading follows a series of warnings and predictions by Jesus about the coming of the Son of Man. Jesus wants his disciples to understand that the exact day and time cannot be predicted. He teaches the disciples that they must remain vigilant so that they will not be caught unprepared.

When thinking about the parable of the wise and foolish virgins, it is important to consider the first-century wedding traditions of Palestine. Scholars tell us that it was the custom of the day for young maidens - friends and family members of the bride - to meet the bridegroom when he came to bring his bride to her new home.

In the chapter preceding this parable, Jesus warns about the destruction of Jerusalem, the tribulation of the end times, and the coming of the Son of Man. When read in this context, today's parable is a warning to the Christian community to remain vigilant and prepared to receive Jesus, the Son of Man who will return at the end of time. This interpretation is supported by the reference to the delay of the bridegroom. The Christian community for whom Matthew wrote this Gospel was coming to terms with the realization that the promise of Jesus' return would not be fulfilled within their lifetimes. The question remains for us to ask ourselves: "Are we ready to receive Jesus? Will we be prepared to receive him?"

Last weekend, we began the month of November, often referred to as the month of All Souls. As customary here at OLA we celebrated that first weekend with Masses of Remembrance for all of our beloved parishioners who have died within the past year. All of our families who lost someone were invited to come, to bring a picture of their loved one to place near the font, and to take home with them a personally inscribed candle that burned throughout the Mass at our Lady's altar. We also read the names of all the deceased during the Prayers of the Faithful so that the entire parish community could pray for them and their families during this holy month. Many people thanked me for having this Mass and I know that this simple gesture brought consolation to many. Let us continue then to pray for them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

This weekend we want to extend our sincerest thanks and gratitude to all of our Ladies of Our Lady of the Assumption (LOLA) for sponsoring our annual Christmas Bazaar. As you know, this year has been especially difficult, in light of the pandemic, to have any of our usual gatherings and/or fundraisers. Many of them had to be cancelled like our Night at the Races, Designer Hand-bag Bingo, etc.... I commend them, at this time, for finding a creative and safe way to allow us to once again gather together as a parish community, to share conversation and good food, but ultimately to simply be together "in person" as we prepare for the wonderful season of Christmas. This event was not just another fundraiser but a "fun" raiser! So, my thanks and gratitude go out to LOLA for giving us such a great celebration. Thank you!

Once again, I call your attention to the recent guidelines that were issued by the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in light of the pandemic and in preparation for the seasons of Advent and Christmas. If you are interested in reading these updated guidelines you may access them on their website simply by clicking on the "Arise" icon on the home page. We continue to pray for an end to this virus and all those who have been affected by it in some way.

Once again, I do want to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued spiritual and financial support during these most difficult times – it is greatly appreciated. May God continue to bless all of you and your families and our wonderful parish of Our Lady of the Assumption. Have a great week!

Love and prayers, Fr. Carey