

# Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



We are the  
Heart and  
Hands  
of Jesus!

December 13, 2015  
3rd Sunday of Advent

*God's love for us is self-giving and unconditional,  
surpassing human love.*

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### Year of Mercy:

The Year of Mercy has begun! Have you thought about how you are going to participate? There are many things you can do. If you still have your December monthly insert, we gave you eight suggestions.

One of the suggestions was to go to confession, even if it has been a long time since your last confession. If you missed our parish penance service last Thursday, it is not too late. We have confession here at our church every Saturday at 4:00pm, or you can call any parish to see when their regular confessions are.

When calling for the Year of Mercy, Pope Francis wrote that it is his desire that "this moment be linked, first and foremost, to the Sacrament of Reconciliation."

Trust in the forgiveness and mercy of God!

### Parish Mission Statement:

*We are a Catholic Community guided by the Holy Spirit, striving to live the Gospel message of Jesus Christ through teaching, worship and service.*

*As a family of faith, we are called to celebrate the Lord's presence among us by loving acceptance of all people.*



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## Ministries for December 19th & December 20th

Ministry	5:00pm	9:00am	11:00am
<b>Lector</b>	Lee Maes	Adolph Cordova	Norma Frank
<b>Bread</b>	Vic Palizzini	Helen Rotello Jenn Anderson Mike DelHiero	Michael Fontaine John Jiron Sandy Howard
<b>Cup</b>	Tina Little LeRoy Armstrong	Bernie Humphreys Denise Welham Ty Anderson Sheila Ontis	Cathy Dunn Judy Rosenbach Lorraine Crespini Patches Lucero
<b>Altar Server</b>	Lacey Wilkison	Ellie Hull Joseph Rupinen Kirby Federocko Connor Federocko	Giacomo Frank Rebecca Howard Richard Perez



### Mass Intentions

<b>Tuesday</b> 8:30 am	<b>December 15</b> † Joe Pardo
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:30 am	<b>December 16</b> † Peter Thong
<b>Thursday</b> 8:30 am	<b>December 17</b> † Wanda Compton
<b>Friday</b> 8:30 am	<b>December 18</b> † Jim Beren
<b>Saturday:</b> 5:00 pm	<b>December 19</b> † James Morrow
<b>Sunday</b> 9:00 am 11:00 am	<b>December 20</b> † Eva Kopf People of Assumption

### St. Louis Catholic School

Sadly, St. Louis Catholic School in Englewood will close its doors at the end of this school year. The school was opened in 1929 and has served countless students over the years.

Please keep the St. Louis school and parish community in your prayers during this very difficult time.

### School News:

Thank you to all our school families and parishioners that attended the St. Nick's Dinner on 12/5. It was a great success! We are appreciative of the support of our school and parish.

Please keep the 8th graders in your prayers as they apply to high school. They will find out in January and February if they have been accepted to a Catholic High School in the area.

- Mrs. Grey

## Ministries for December 24th & December 25th

Ministry	4:00pm (24th)	10:00pm (24th)	9:00am (25th)
<b>Lector</b>	Children	Francine Garcia	Irene Brandt
<b>Bread</b>	Jenn Anderson Sandy Howard Laura Ellen Meskill	Michael Fontaine Cathy Markoff Lorraine Crespini	Mike DelHiero
<b>Cup</b>	Ty Anderson Byron Fanning Geri Romero Judy Rosenbach	LeRoy Armstrong Joyce Gallagher Charlene Theis Vic Palizzini	Erma Grise Tracy Hull
<b>Altar Server</b>	Jamison Horan Joseph Rupinen	Kirby Federocko Connor Federocko	Ellie Hull

## Upcoming Community

### Events:

**Faith Sharing**  
December 14th 1:00pm

**Bingo**  
December 15th 12:00 pm  
December 16th 7:30 pm  
Turn II Bingo Hall at 72nd and Pecos

**Knights of Columbus Meeting**  
December 14th 6:00pm

**Adult Christmas Choir Practice**  
December 16th 7:00pm

**Youth Group**  
December 16th 5:45pm

**Assumption School Christmas Program**  
Thursday December 17th 6:30pm

**Visiting Priest**  
December 19th Fr. James Revello

**Assumption School Christmas Break**  
December 21st—January 1st

## ***Stewardship of Tithing December 6, 2015***

Saturday 5 pm Mass	\$2,825.05
Sunday 9 am Mass	\$2,066.63
Sunday 11am Mass	\$2,116.00
Children's Collection	\$76.01
Capital Improvement	\$310
School	\$161
Outreach	\$75
Parish Hall/Gymnasium	\$440
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$8069.69</b>
Campaign for Human Development	\$132.49
Retired and Infirm Priests	\$161.40

*Thank you for giving generously!  
Please continue to contribute to our Renovation and to the future needs of our school and parish.  
Our total amount raised is \$ 99,631.20!  
<https://membership.faithdirect.net>*

**Remember, our goal is \$100,000 by Christmas!**



### **Everyday Stewardship:**

"I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals." So said John the Baptist in reference to Jesus. Tax collectors, soldiers, and countless other people gathered to hear John preach. There was an excitement in the air as they were all "filled with expectation." For generations upon generations they had been waiting for the

coming of the promised Messiah--the Christ. And now, John the Baptist had appeared with such a striking message and such a powerful presence that "all were asking in their hearts whether John might be the Christ."

But he wasn't. John's mission was to prepare the way for Jesus Christ. In the process, however, people began to think that John was the main attraction. He set the record straight though, when he emphasized that "one mightier than I is coming." And then he made the remark about not being worthy to do even the most humble act of service--loosening sandal straps--for the Lord.

Imagine what the people must have been thinking. They all found John to be such a remarkable man, and yet he declared that he wasn't worthy? If this great prophet was so humble, how much more should they humble themselves in preparation for the coming of the Messiah? And shouldn't we do the same?

As we meditate upon the coming of Christ this Advent season, we would do well to make our approach towards Christmas with humble hearts. What have we done to deserve this incredible gift of a Savior? Are we worthy of his incarnation and his saving death? The fact is that nothing we could ever do would possibly earn our redemption. May we be humble enough to acknowledge that our salvation is the greatest gift we could ever receive.

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### **PARISH HOURS**

Monday **12:00pm-3:30pm**  
Tue – Thu 8:00am-3:30pm  
Friday 8:00am-**12:00pm**

### **DAILY MASS**

Tuesday-Friday 8:30am  
Saturday 5:00pm  
Sunday 9:00am, 11:00am

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## **Readings for the Week of December 13, 2015**

**Sunday:** Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-6/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

**Monday:** Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-9/Mt 21:23-27

**Tuesday:** Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-19, 23/Mt 21:28-32

**Wednesday:** Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25/Ps 85:9-14/Lk 7:18b-23

**Thursday:** Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-4, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17

**Friday:** Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25

**Saturday:** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-6, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25



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