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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2026

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Parish Information

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Coal City
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Sacraments

Anointing of the Sick
Please call the parish office.

Baptisms
Baptisms are usually scheduled on the second and fourth Sundays of each month after 11:30 a.m. Mass.
Parents are required to attend a baptismal preparation meeting.
Please contact the parish secretary to register.

Funerals
Funeral liturgies are usually celebrated at 10:00 a.m.
The funeral director will contact the parish office regarding arrangements.

Marriage
Weddings are scheduled at least six months in advance.
Completion of marriage preparation classes is required.
Please contact the parish office before making wedding arrangements.

Mass Times

Regular Weekend Mass Times

Assumption
Saturday - 4:00 p.m.*
**First Saturday Each Month/Extra Mass at 8:30 a.m.*
Sunday - 7:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

Sacred Heart, Kinsman
Sunday - 9:00 a.m.

Regular Weekday Mass Times

Assumption
Tuesday - 6:30 p.m.*
**First Tuesday of the Month Mass is followed by St. Peregrine Devotions and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.*
Thursday & Friday - 8:30 a.m.

Sacred Heart, Kinsman
Wednesday - 8:30 a.m.

Rosary at Assumption
Tuesday - 6:00 p.m.
Thursday & Friday - 8:00 a.m.

Confession Times*

Assumption
Tuesday - 6:00 p.m. to 6:20 p.m.
Thursday & Friday - 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.
Saturday - 3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.
First Saturday Only - 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.

Sacred Heart, Kinsman
Wednesday - After 8:30 a.m. Mass
Sunday - After 9:00 a.m. Mass

**Different on Holy Days & Holidays*

Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

Open Daily

5:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.

Location: Across from Assumption Church

Mass Intentions, Prayers, & Weekly Events

Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 10

4:00 p.m. Mass
†Noma Fehr *(Kenneth & Susan)*
†Lucille Plese De Gulie *(Don & Pat Bianchetta)*

Sunday, October 11
Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Mass
People of the Parish
Living Members of Antenore Quartaroli Family *(Peter & Carm Collins)*
†Noma Fehr *(John & Teri Jo Boylan)*
†Lucille De Gulie *(Denise Orf & Terry Bouvier)*

9:00 a.m. Mass *(Sacred Heart)*
†Jim Phelan *(Ed & Jean Condon)*

11:30 a.m. Mass
†Theresa Kirn *(Keith & Janet Mahlfeldt)*
†Don Matteson *(Curtis & Cindi Grove)*
†Lucille De Gulie *(Marilyn)*

Tuesday, October 13

6:30 p.m. Mass
†Shirley Boero *(Kathleen Lestina)*

Wednesday, October 14

8:30 a.m. Mass *(Sacred Heart)*
†Loisanne O'Connell *(Joseph & Teresa Fruland)*

Thursday, October 15

8:30 a.m. Mass
†Barbara Farrero *(John & Teri Jo Boylan)*

Friday, October 16

8:30 a.m. Mass
†Geno & Mary Quartaroli *(Peter & Carm Collins)*

Saturday, October 17

4:00 p.m. Mass
People of the Parish
†Sherri Himelsbach-Lesch *(O'Keefe & Hook Families)*
†Barbara Farrero *(Bill & Nancy Endrst)*
†Betty Watson *(Bob & Suzanne Hamilton)*
†Gerry Heavens *(Family)*

Sunday, October 18
Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Mass
†Rev. Robert Noesen *(Peter & Carm Collins)*
†Al Kwiatkowski *(Ron & Dianne Marketti)*

9:00 a.m. Mass *(Sacred Heart)*
†Pat Bartman *(Mary Lou & Ed Knauss)*

11:30 a.m. Mass
†Lucille De Gulie *(Joyce Ferrari)*
†Don Matteson *(Cathy & Alaina Glover)*
†Megan Riley *(Riley Family)*
†Wendell Easton *(Riley Family)*

This Week's Events

Sunday, October 11
9:45 am - High School Youth Group Mtg. - Madonna Rm.
12:30 pm - Baptism - Assumption Church
6:30 pm - Evening Adult Bible Study - Madonna Room

Monday, October 12
(Columbus Day/Parish Office Closed)
4:30 pm - St. Vincent Meals - Fr. White Hall - Braidwood

Tuesday, October 13
No Events

Wednesday, October 14
No Events

Thursday, October 15
9:30 am - Bible Study - Madonna Room
Coal City Food Pantry Open - 815-216-3288

Friday, October 16
No Events

Saturday, October 17
2:45 pm - Children's Handbell Choir - Madonna Rm.

Sunday, October 18
9:00 am - Collectibles Show - Berst Hall
6:30 pm - Evening Adult Bible Study - Madonna Room

Although Mass intentions are commonly requested for the souls of the departed, we also accept Mass intentions for the living. If you are requesting a Mass intention for the living, and it is related to a birthday or anniversary, please let us know so this can be noted alongside the intention.
The stipend for each intention is $10.

Please pray for the sick:
Sharee Beeler, Mike Beshoar Family, Tracy Bianchi, Stacey Brown, Ryan Collins, Lilly Fleming, Ben Holman, Doug Letterly, Mark Lotzer, Shannon Male, Tom McFarland, Sr., John "Jack" Micetich, Santo & Betty Messina, Donna Meyer, Gail Mirsky, Chasity Olson, Frank Peters, Patty Provance, Larry Ried, Celia Schimandle, Jeff Stepanek, Vance Stewart, Helen Talty, James Togliatti, Glenn VanDrie, Liz Veronda
Names will remain on the prayer list for six months.
If you would like your name to remain on the list, please contact us.



Please pray for those serving our country:

Kaylee Brennan
Gabriel Davis
Sebastian Gasienica
Rhys Lyman
Brady O'Donnell
Zander Posey
Logan Teodoro

Weekly Scripture



Virtues, *Explained!*

If the question were posed: "Who is God?" a variety of answers could be given, and more than one could be correct.

The most succinct, however, would be this: God is truth.

"I am the Way, the Truth and the Life," Jesus tells his disciples (John 14:6). The pursuit of truth, he further instructs, will set them free (John 8:32) from the original untruth uttered and embraced in Eden.

If God is truth, he is honored by truthfulness. Untruthfulness, not surprisingly, is synonymous with disorder and broken relationships among mankind — Eden's everlasting legacy. The virtue of honesty, writes St. Thomas Aquinas, is "a kind of spiritual beauty" which measures the degree to which we honor one another in how we live truthfully (Sum. II:II, 145, Art 1-4).

Honesty is something that must be known interiorly in order to be visible exteriorly: "Teach me your way, O Lord, that I may walk in your Truth" (Psalm 86:11).

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

The Lord GOD will wipe away
the tears from every face. (Is 25:8)

Psalm

I shall live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life. (Ps 23)

Second Reading

I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry,
of living in abundance and of being in need.
I can do all things in him who strengthens me.
(Phil 4:12-13)

Gospel

"Go out, therefore, into the main roads
and invite to the feast whomever you find."
(Mt 22:9)

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Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

When God extends an invitation, we don't always respond promptly. So, what's the hold-up? Let's examine our lives for anything that delays our RSVP. This is one party we can't afford to miss.

Worship & Observances

Blessing for Our Common Home

God, bless and protect this beautiful earth You have created, the place we call home.
Grow Your compassion in us, as we share our lives in this world, together.
Amen.

Readings for the Week of October 11, 2026

Sunday

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/ Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Monday

Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1/Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7/ Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday

Gal 5:1-6/Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48/Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday

Gal 5:18-25/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 11:42-46

Thursday

Eph 1:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6/Lk 11:47-54

Friday

Eph 1:11-14/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13/Lk 12:1-7

Saturday

Eph 1:15-23/Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 12:8-12

Next Sunday

Is 45:1, 4-6/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10/1 Thes 1:1-5b/ Mt 22:15-21



Observances for the Week of October 11, 2026

Sunday

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday

Columbus Day; Indigenous Peoples' Day

Wednesday

St. Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

Thursday

St. Teresa of Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church

Friday

St. Hedwig, Religious;
St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

Saturday

St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop and Martyr

Next Sunday

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
World Mission Sunday

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Gospel Meditation



Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Matthew 22:1-14

Some friends invited me to one of the most famous and expensive restaurants in the country. I was grateful and eager to go. One invited friend even flew from another state for the experience. Every bite and sip was truly memorable and delicious. But my friends' teenage children spent much of the time on their phones, complained about the food, and generally ignored the once-in-a-lifetime experience. I wanted to yell, "C'mon, you guys! Look what you're missing!"

In today's parable, Jesus describes people invited to an amazing wedding feast who respond with inexplicable indifference. He says, **"Some ignored the invitation and went away, one to his farm, another to his business" (Matthew 22:5)**. The problem is not that they choose evil but that they allow other desires to distract them from an amazing opportunity. The feast is prepared, but their hearts are elsewhere. In Christ Jesus, God offers each of us a wildly extravagant offer: a place at the wedding banquet between heaven and earth.

What are your current excuses for the delay in engaging with Jesus? How are you postponing a deepening of your relationship with him under the guise of responsibility? The good news is that the feast is ready. His invitation remains. Hear the Lord say to us, "C'mon, guys! Look what you're missing!" Then respond with concrete action.

— Father John R. Muir

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

In this Sunday's Gospel reading, Jesus shares the Parable of the Wedding Feast, which tells of God's abundant generosity in opening salvation to all those who will accept it.

The King of Rejected Meals

"She was the Queen of Rejected Meals."

That's what I want it to say on my tombstone. Etched in marble, deeply, so the wind and rain of a thousand years can never erase it.

Humor, you see, masks my despair. I'm sure many of you know the feeling of sweating over a hot stove for an hour to create a dish that a small, picky eater will push away, lips curled with disgust.

We've all made a feast no one wanted to come to.

It strikes me that "King of Rejected Meals" is an epithet which could likewise be scrawled on the empty tomb. Don't mistake me — I'm not comparing myself to Christ! (And I'm definitely not comparing my sub-par beef-and-zucchini casserole to the Eucharist, the food of life.)

I'm just saying that a lot of evenings, when I'm clearing plates from the table, I wonder why I even bother. I wonder why I don't just give in and let the kids eat potato chips and KitKats for every meal like they want.

Why don't I? Well, mom guilt, for starters. But it's more than that, really. It's the certainty I have, underneath the resentment, that my efforts aren't in vain, despite all evidence to the contrary.

Hope springs eternal, you see. How can we Christians help but be optimistic? We have been welcomed to a feast laid for others. We find our salvation in the ultimate rejected meal, in recognizing what true nourishment looks and feels and tastes like, even — especially! — when the rest of the world does not.

Maybe one day my kids will eat grilled chicken willingly. Who knows? Miracles happen every day.

-Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



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Parish Events

Braidwood Knights of Columbus
Council 1574
Tootsie Roll Drive
This Weekend - October 10 & 11

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Tootsie Rolls after all Masses this weekend. We will be at all the entrances to the Church. The donations are for people with intellectual disabilities as we donate the proceeds back to the local schools for the special education classes.

We thank you for your support!



Bill Pohl

815-671-7665









Ministry Schedule, Stewardship, & More

Ministry Schedule - October 17 & 18

Saturday, Oct. 17 - 4:00 p.m.
Extraordinary Ministers - ***Two volunteers needed***
Lector - Laura Marizza
Servers- ***Volunteers needed***
Ushers - Ron Henke, Bob Jacovec, Doug Letterly, Bob Schmitt, Fred Hejna

Sunday, Oct. 18 - 7:30 a.m.
Extraordinary Ministers - ***Two volunteers needed***
Lector - Jaiden Leman
Servers - Pete Collins, Ron Marketti

Sunday, Oct. 18 - 9:00 a.m. *(Sacred Heart, Kinsman)*
Extraordinary Minister - Kathy Vint
Lector - Lee Miller
Servers - Emma & June McDonald

Sunday, Oct. 18 - 11:30 a.m.
Extraordinary Ministers - Hannah Krull, ***volunteer needed***
Lector - Volunteer needed
Servers- ***Volunteers needed***

If you are interested in assisting us at our weekend Masses, please sign up through the volunteer link on our website, which contains the most up-to-date schedule, or contact Laura at the parish office. Thank you for sharing your time and talents with us!



Assumption Weekly Offering + E-Giving

Annual Offering Budget (7/1/2026 - 6/30/2027)	$329,644
YTD Offering Budget	$88,746
YTD Actual Offering	**$115,577**
Last Week's Mass Offering	$8,434
Last Week's E-Giving Offering	$1,718
Last Week's Total Offering	$10,152
Weekly Goal	**$6,339**

Assumption Building Loan Balance

Loan Amount	$620,123
Current Loan Balance Through July, 2026	$567,219

Sacred Heart, Kinsman Weekly Offering

9/27/26 Sunday Collection	$1,605

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2026 CMAA Report as of October 4, 2026
Goal: $34,200 Pledged: $40,467 Paid $38,142 Donors: 174

We will once again be offering lighted memorial luminarias and personalized memorial candles for our All Soul's Day Mass at Assumption on Monday, November 2 @ 6 p.m. A $5 donation is suggested per luminaria bag or memorial candle, and each should be designed to memorialize one person or one couple per memorial. These memorials may be purchased after weekend Masses at Assumption's narthex table, where they should be returned by Sunday, November 1, after personalization.

Questions? Contact Teri Jo Boylan at (815) 326-0254.



Kids Corner

Sharing the Gospel

Imagine your father invited 200 children and adults to your birthday party. He sent a limousine to pick them up, but they would not come. They tore up the car and beat up the driver. So your father sent a bus to the nearest children's home and homeless shelter. The bus took everyone to the party. Each person had a great time. How we act on earth gets us ready to go to God's party in heaven.

Now color the picture!

Prayer

Holy Spirit, help me to be ready for the big party in heaven.

Mission for the Week

Every day I will say, "Here I am, Lord. How may I help you?"



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