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SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 2025

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish, Coal City

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Mass and Confession Times**REGULAR WEEKEND MASS TIMES****Assumption** - Saturday - 4:00 p.m. (*First Saturday of the Month - Additional 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 & Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.)
Thursday & Friday - 8:30 a.m.**Sacred Heart, Kinsman** - Wednesday - 8:30 a.m.**ROSARY****Assumption** - Tuesday - 6:00 p.m., Thursday & Friday - 8:00 a.m.**CONFESSION TIMES (Different on Holy Days & Holidays)****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 Sat. 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.**Eucharistic Adoration Chapel****Assumption** - The Adoration Chapel is open daily from 5:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m.**Sacraments****ANOIDTING OF THE SICK**

Please call the parish office.

BAPTISMS

Parents are required to attend a baptismal preparation meeting prior to the baptism. Please contact the parish secretary to register.

Assumption - Baptisms are ordinarily scheduled for the second and fourth Sundays of the month after 11:30 a.m. Mass.**FUNERALS**

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

MARRIAGE

Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Marriage preparation classes are required to be completed before the Sacrament of Marriage can be celebrated. Please contact the parish office before making wedding arrangements.

Bishop Hicks' August 2025 Column

"We're Going to Sell Out!" Encountering Jesus at Our Youth Conference

"We are going to sell out all the tickets instantly!" That was my spontaneous reaction when I first heard the news: Father Mike Schmitz had agreed to be our keynote speaker for our 2025 Youth Conference in the Diocese of Joliet.

If you do not know who Father Mike Schmitz is, it likely means you do not spend much time online or listening to Catholic podcasts. A priest of the Diocese of Duluth, Minnesota, Father Schmitz has become one of the most recognizable Catholic voices in the digital world. His Bible in a Year and Catechism in a Year podcasts have touched millions of lives. With a rare mix of clarity, humor, and conviction, he brings the Faith alive to all generations.

And that is exactly why we were elated when he was chosen as one of the speakers for our inaugural Steubenville Joliet Youth Conference. Yet long before a speaker was booked or ticket sales opened there was a dream to bring a Youth Conference to our diocese. For years, teens from the Diocese of Joliet had been traveling long distances to experience dynamic Catholic conferences hosted by Franciscan University of Steubenville, Ohio. The fruit was undeniable: renewed faith, deep conversions, and young people stepping into lives of discipleship. We began to ask, what if we brought that encounter home? What if we did not just send our teens away to find Christ, but invited Christ into our own backyard?

So, we did it. With prayer, planning, and no shortage of volunteers, collaborators, and donors, the Steubenville-Joliet Youth Conference took place on the weekend of June 27 - 29, 2025, at Benedictine University in Lisle, Illinois. The response was overwhelming.

Nearly 2,000 teens, plus chaperones and youth ministers, filled the campus. More than 1,700 confessions were heard. Parishes that had never connected before were praying side by side. There were moments of joyful chaos with laughter, dancing, and games, and moments of reverent silence that moved even the most skeptical hearts. One youth minister told me, "It felt like this conference had been running in our diocese for ten years." And in a way, it had, only in prayer and in the longing of many hearts.

From Friday evening to Sunday afternoon, our young people were immersed in an experience centered around Christ. There was music and praise, compelling keynote talks, breakout sessions for young men and women, and powerful times of small group reflection. But it was Saturday night's Eucharistic Adoration that left the deepest mark. I watched as Jesus in the monstrance was processed through the crowd. Two thousand voices quieted. Two thousand hearts opened. Christ was truly present—not only in the Eucharist, but also in their lives.

The weekend concluded with the Sunday closing Mass, which I had the privilege of celebrating. After the final prayer, Father Mike Schmitz stepped forward and invited anyone who was not yet baptized, but who had felt stirred by the Lord over the weekend, to come forward to receive a special blessing. He then invited any young people who were considering a vocation to the priesthood or religious life to do the same. Slowly, and then more confidently, over 100 teens stood and came forward. Some were weeping, and others were smiling with unapologetic joy. As I extended my hands in blessing over each group, the entire crowd prayed for them too.

Sometimes, I worry that if a young person loves God and wants to participate in the sacramental and communal life of our Church, they can feel like an anomaly or like they are the only ones with this desire. And that can be isolating and discouraging for them. Yet, at this Youth Conference, Christ was working in their hearts, and emboldened their steps toward faith, hope, and the future with the Church. Looking out at the participants, I saw joy, renewal, and courage. These teens were not just attending a Church-sponsored youth conference. They were meeting the Lord and being sent out as disciples.

I thank the many partners who made this possible, such as our parishes, our Department of Catechesis & Evangelization, Franciscan University of Steubenville, and of course Partnership For Youth who organized the logistics of the conference. Together, apostolates, higher education, and the local church can work together to build the Kingdom of God.

We are committed to building something sustainable and Spirit-filled for the youth of our Church. I am pleased to announce that the 2026 dates for our next Youth Conference are already set: June 26 - 28, 2026, again at Benedictine University. Praise be to God, it is that popular! So, stay alert for when those tickets go on sale, because if this year was any indication, they will not last long.

Mass Intentions

SATURDAY August 16

4:00 PM Mass (A)

†Jim Testa (Riley Family)

†Brian Quinn Reader (Family - Donna, Charles, & Eugene)

SUNDAY August 17

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Mass (A)

Special Intention for Helen Talty (Noma Fehr)

†Lew Leopold (Kelly & Bill)

†Kenneth Bono (Kenna & Ray)

†Joe De Gulie (Lucille)

†Wally Neumann (Family)

9:00 AM Mass (SH)

†Evan Vint (John & Jodi Walsh & Family)

11:30 AM Mass (A)

†Megan Riley (Riley Family)

†Larry Ferrari (John & Teri Jo Boylan)

TUESDAY August 19 - Teaching Mass

6:30 PM Mass (A)

Parishioners of the Parish

WEDNESDAY August 20

8:30 AM Mass (SH)

†Paula Sheedy (Friends)

†Pat Bartman (Mary and Jim Baudino)

THURSDAY August 21

8:30 AM Mass (A)

†Bill Wharrie (Family)

FRIDAY August 22

8:30 AM Mass (A)

†Karen Sisk (Peter & Carm Collins)

SATURDAY August 23

4:00 PM Mass (A)

†Mary Lou Halliday (John & Sharon Gilchrist)

†Mark Wharrie (Mom)

†Rev. Robert Noesen (Hamilton Family)

†Shirley Marsaglia (Bob & Suzanne Hamilton)

SUNDAY August 24

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Mass (A)

Living Members of Peter Collins Family

(Peter & Carm Collins)

†Nancy Jacobek (Beverly Luck)

†Dawn Neumann (Family)

9:00 AM Mass (SH)

†Don Bartman (Kevin Phelan)

11:30 AM Mass (A)

†Francis & Theresa Reano (Family)

†Norm Hook (Family)

†Rev. Robert Noesen (Mark Matteson Family)

†Sue & A. J. Manietta (Family)

†George Schmidberger (Harold & Georgette)

†Larry Ferrari (Wife, Joyce)

Weekly Confession Times

TUESDAY (A) - 6:00 p.m. to 6:20 p.m.

WEDNESDAY (SH) - Following the 8:30 a.m. Mass

THURSDAY & FRIDAY (A) - 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.

SATURDAY (A) - 3:15 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

(First Saturday only - 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.)

SUNDAY (SH) - Following the 9:00 a.m. Mass

(Different on Holy Days & Holidays)



This Week's Events

A: Assumption

SH: Sacred Heart

Sunday, August 17

4:30 pm - Pie & Ice Cream Social - Berst Hall

Monday, August 18

4:30 pm - St. Vincent Meal - Immaculate Conception/Braidwood
Coal Food Pantry Open - 815-216-3288

Tuesday, August 19

6:30 pm - Teaching Mass - Assumption Church (Berst Hall)

Wednesday, August 20

6:30 pm - Luminaria Committee Meeting - Madonna Room

Thursday, August 21

9:30 am - Bible Study - Madonna Room
Coal Food Pantry Open - 815-216-3288

Friday, August 22

No Events

Saturday, August 23

No Events

Sunday, August 24

10:00 pm - Baptism - Sacred Heart, Kinsman
12:30 pm - Baptism - Berst Hall

**Our bible study group will be meeting regularly on
Thursdays EXCEPT for the following date: August 28.**

In your charity, please pray for the sick:

Sharee Beeler, Paula Beshoar, Tom Buban, Denise Chally,
Ryan Collins, Charlotte Curtis, Jan Dunn, Scott Favero,
Kay Francisco, Mark Francisco, Doris Giordano, Russ Harding,
Jim Jacobek, Mary Jo Maland, Gloria Markl, Sharon McCarthy,
Donna Meyer, Steven Miller, Paul Nacey, Sr., Michael Oliphant,
Dan Olson, Jean Peters, Larry Ried, Geri Saltzman,
Cecelia Schimandle, Rosemary Skole, Fred & Wanda Singer,
Jeff & Danita Stepanek, Helen Talty, Glenn VanDrie,
Steve Varsolona, Jake Veronda, Diane Walker, John T. Walsh,
Janet (Molloy) Williams

*Names will remain on the prayer list for six months. If you would like
your name to remain on the list, please contact us.*

**2025 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Update
(as of August 10, 2025)**

Goal: \$32,500

Amount Pledged: \$41,460

Amount Paid: \$34,998

Number of Donors: 164



2025/2026 FAMILY FAITH FORMATION
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church

	Option 1 Sundays 9:45 am – 11:15 am	Option 2 Wednesdays 6:15 pm – 7:45 pm	Topic
SEPTEMBER	9/14/25	9/17/25	Revelation
OCTOBER	10/19/25	10/22/25	Holy Trinity
NOVEMBER	11/9/25	11/12/25	Jesus Christ
DECEMBER	12/14/25	12/17/25	Advent
JANUARY	1/11/26	1/14/26	The Church
FEBRUARY Session 1	2/1/26	2/4/26	Morality
FEBRUARY Session 2	2/15/26	2/18/26	Reconciliation
MARCH Session 1	3/1/26	3/4/26	Living the Sacraments
MARCH Session 2	3/1/26	3/18/26	Holy Eucharist
APRIL	4/12/26	4/15/26	Kingdom of God

Other Important Dates

October 15, 2025 @ 7:00 pm – Confirmation (High School Freshmen)

March 21, 2026 @ 10:00 am – First Reconciliation (2nd Grade)

May 2, 2026 @ 4:00 pm – First Holy Communion (2nd Grade) & May Crowning

How the Schedule & Program Work

Parents/Guardians and Children will attend the Family Faith Formation sessions at Assumption Parish's Berst Hall. You may choose the Sunday morning session that runs from 9:45 a.m. until 11:15 a.m. or the Wednesday evening session that runs from 6:15 p.m. until 7:45 p.m. When you register your children for Religious Education, please choose the session that best fits your family schedule. The tuition is \$150 for one student or \$250 for two or more students.

During these Family Faith Formation Sessions, your children will meet with their own grade level catechist(s). The parents/guardians will attend a session with me to discuss topics intended to help them prepare for the teaching they will do with their children during the remainder of that month. Each month will highlight a certain theme or topic about our faith. Your children will be learning about the same topic at their appropriate grade level with you as their guide. The goal is to complete one chapter of the month's theme at the Family Faith Formation Session with the volunteer catechists, and then two additional chapters will be completed at home with the parents before returning to the next monthly Family Faith Formation Session. **It is most important that both the students and the parents attend each of the monthly sessions.**

Students will receive their books on the first day of classes. These books will go home with them in order to complete, with their parents, the three chapters assigned each month. All Chapter Quizzes and Unit Tests should be completed in the books. These books then need to come with them to each session at Berst Hall so that their work can be reviewed and so they can continue to work with their catechist on new chapters.

Please note that the second sessions in February and March have topics not specifically covered in the student textbooks. These sessions do not include homework assignments but instead are designed to help the parents and students develop a deeper understanding of the Sacraments which Christ has given us and that help us to grow in grace.

I am looking forward to a wonderful year of Family Faith Formation. I am deeply indebted to all our catechists, parents, and students who work so hard to grow in our Catholic faith.

In Christ,

Deacon Bill Dunn

Please register on our website or contact
the parish office today!

Hello friends and fellow parishioners,

This is Deacon Bill, and I'm excited to share a special opportunity to support our Family Faith Formation (FFF) program at Assumption!

We're holding a Pampered Chef fundraiser—a trusted company that's been offering high-quality kitchen tools for over 45 years.

August is Double Donation Month, which means FFF will receive 20–30% of all sales! Every order helps us continue nurturing faith and community in our parish families.



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Please consider sharing this link with family, friends, and fellow parishioners who may want to support our cause.

Or you can scan the QR Code



Thank you for your generosity and continued support of Assumption's Family Faith Program!

In Christ,
Deacon Bill

Pie & Ice Cream Social
Sunday, August 17
4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Berst Hall

The Marthas invite you to their annual pie and ice cream social. There is no charge; a free will offering is optional.

We hope to meet many of our new Sacred Heart, Kinsman parishioners and enjoy their fellowship as well!

The Marthas also welcome anyone wishing to contribute a pie (no cream pies or nut ingredients) for this event. Drop off times will be from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. and from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. on that day.

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Orders will be distributed
 the weekend of Aug 30/31st.



Curious about the Mass?

Come to our teaching Mass, where Father Josh will break down and explain the Mass as it happens. Please join us on Tuesday, August 19 at 6:30 p.m. at Assumption Church.



Religious Education Scholarship Application 2025

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NAMES/AGES OF KIDS ATTENDING RE:

ESTIMATED COST OF RE:

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE

*Please return completed applications to John at johnquistat@gmail.com or to your parish office

WELCOME,
NEW MEMBERS!

Welcome to
Assumption Church!

Richard & Ryker Roderick

We're so glad you're here!

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Then the king ordered Ebed-melech the Cushite to take three men along with him, and draw the prophet Jeremiah out of the cistern before he should die. (Jer 38:10)

Psalm:

Lord, come to my aid! (Ps 40)

Second Reading:

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us rid ourselves of every burden and sin that clings to us and persevere in running the race that lies before us. (Heb 12:1)

Gospel:

Jesus said to his disciples:

"I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing!" (Lk 12:49)

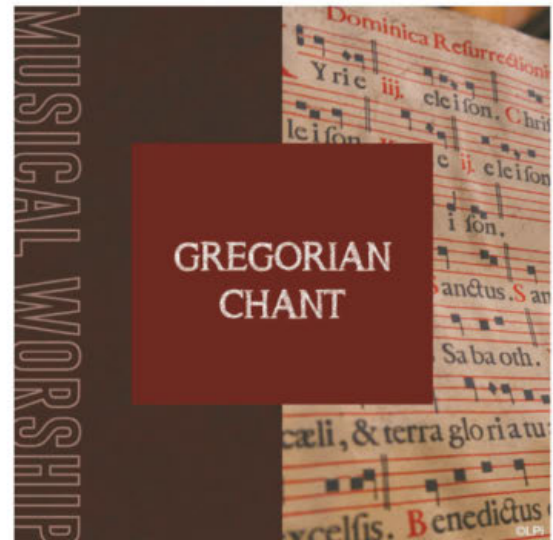
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

Jesus tells us that he has come to set fire to the earth. What can we give him as kindling? Let us look into our souls and see where the fire of Christ can be ignited, and pray that our souls may be consumed by its life-giving flames.

Observances for the week of August 17, 2025

Sunday:	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Tuesday:	St. John Eudes, Priest
Wednesday:	St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
Thursday:	St. Pius X, Pope
Friday:	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday:	St. Rose of Lima, Virgin
Next Sunday:	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



Devotions, Explained!

Defined by a monophonic (meaning a single melody without harmony or chords), unaccompanied song, Gregorian chant is a form of sacred music used in liturgical settings and prayer. It has been synonymous with Catholic musical worship since the first millennium.

Prayer for Bravery

Dear God,
In the moments when my faith is met with others' disdain or ridicule, give me the grace to be grounded in You. Remind me that Your mission matters, and that You alone bring comfort, healing, and salvation.
Amen.

Worship & Meditation

Readings for the week of August 17, 2025

Sunday:

Jer 38:4-6, 8-10/Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18 (14b)/
Heb 12:1-4/Lk 12:49-53

Monday:

Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40,
43ab and 44/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday:

Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14/
Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday:

Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 20:1-16

Thursday:

Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/
Mt 22:1-14

Friday:

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7,
8-9a, 9bc-10/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday:

Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/
Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday:

Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2 (Mk 16:15)/
Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30



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Demanding Love



Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

During my baseball career, my best coach often said, "You shouldn't be worried if I yell at you. Be worried if I don't. If I stop pushing you, it means I don't think you have any more potential." He demanded a lot, and I knew it meant he saw that I could be something special on the baseball field.

Jesus says some demanding words to us this week. **"Do you think I have come to establish peace on the earth?" he asks, "No, tell you, but rather division" (Luke 12:51).** He wants you and me—in fact, all the earth—to participate in the luminous glory of God. That's why he speaks of himself as a divine arsonist. Divine fire is like a good coach: it demands the removal of all that obstructs the achievement of the lofty goal.

How is your life demanding right now? That inconvenient family situation, the unfair boss at work, the kids who reject their parents' wishes, the nagging health issue? Maybe things would be more peaceful devoid of these seemingly arbitrary difficulties. But for us who believe in the one who comes to set the earth of fire, we should be much more worried if he stops demanding so much from us. In fact, let's thank him for it. He sees how glorious we can become.

— Father John Muir



Ministry Schedule

August 23 - 24



If you are interested in assisting us at our weekend Masses, please sign up through the volunteer link on our web-site, which contains the most up-to-date schedule, or call or email Laura at the parish office. Confirmed volunteers for our upcoming services are below:

Saturday, August 23 - 4:00 p.m.

Extraordinary Ministers - **Two volunteers needed**

Greeter - Teri Jo Boylan

Lector - Charlotte Wharrie

Server - John Boylan

Ushers - Ron Henke, Bob Jacovec, Doug Letterly, Bob Schmitt, Fran Schmitt

Sunday, August 24 - 7:30 a.m.

Extraordinary Ministers - **Two volunteers needed**

Greeter - Teri Jo Boylan

Lector - Jaiden Leman

Servers - Pete Collins, Ron Marketti

Sunday, August 24 - 9:00 a.m. (Sacred Heart, Kinsman)

Extraordinary Ministers - Scott Wilkinson

Lector - Lee Miller

Servers - Kenley Kruger & Emma McDonald

Sunday, August 24 - 11:30 a.m.

Extraordinary Ministers - Hannah Krull, **volunteer needed**

Lector - **Volunteer needed**

Server - **Volunteer needed**

Thank you for sharing your time and talents with us!

Children's Choir Leader Still Needed (Singing and Handbells)

Volunteer position begins this September in preparation for Christmas Eve Mass. Leader must have "Protecting All God's Children" certification. We do have a seasoned Children's Choir parent who is willing to assist the lead person. This assistant will also be certified.

For more information on this opportunity, please contact Marla O'Keefe at (815) 634-9261, or email her at tdoakleaf@hotmail.com.



The Stewardship Committee is still selling Bears squares to raise money for a new roof for our school. Each square is \$100, and new numbers will be drawn each week for the squares. Payouts are \$50 for the first, second, and third quarters, and \$200 for the final. Please contact Drew Benson at (815) 791-6148 or email him at andrew.benson0206@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: In what form did the Holy Spirit appear to the Apostles during Pentecost?

Answer: Tongues of fire.

Assumption Weekly Offering + E-Giving

Annual Offering Budget (7/1/2025 - 6/30/2026)	\$326,141
YTD Offering Budget	\$37,632
YTD Actual Offering	\$49,452
Last Week's Mass Offering	\$5,716
Last Week's E-Giving Offering	\$1,473
Last Week's Total Offering	\$7,189
Weekly Goal	\$6,272

Sacred Heart, Kinsman Weekly Offering

8/3/25 Sunday Collection	\$4,799
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Assumption Church Building Loan Balance through July, 2025

Loan Amount	\$620,123
Current Loan Balance	\$593,466

Help Wanted

Notre Dame Catholic Church in Clarendon Hills is seeking a Campus Engineer responsible for the upkeep of the buildings and grounds of all parish and school property, including performing building maintenance and repairs, room set-ups, and overseeing of outside contractors responsible for equipment repairs, snow removal, and landscaping. This is an exempt position and requires a working presence on site of 40 hours per week, Monday through Friday. Additional time may be required after office hours. As an exempt employee, overtime, compensation time, or other non-exempt components are not included as part of this position. A minimum of high school degree or GED and 5 to 7 years' experience in general maintenance is required. Knowledge of plumbing, electrical, carpentry, painting, and HVAC is required. General knowledge of building systems, ability to lift objects up to 50 pounds, climb, stoop, and bend. Must be proactive and supportive of the parish and school's purposes, goals, policies, and programs. Desire to serve and empower the church. Committed to the mission, vision, and values of Notre Dame Parish and the Diocese of Joliet. If interested in this amazing opportunity, please send a cover letter and resume to cjoin@notredameparish.org.

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church in Naperville is seeking a full-time Director of High School & Young Adult Ministry. Director of overall Faith Formation responsibilities for youth in grades 9th through 12th as well as Young Adult ministry. Directs, coordinates, researches, and develops along with the Faith Formation team, Youth Ministry (YM) team, Young Adult (YA) team, parents, and additional input, programming that is aligned with current professional standards in ministry, parish goals, pastor's vision, and parental input. Directs immediate reports and maintains a healthy, professional environment. Requirements include Theology or Pastoral Ministry degree or relevant experience. 3-5 years of Youth Ministry experience, preferably at a parish larger than 1,000 families. Comfortable and experienced in having healthy relationships with minors and parents. A strong and active faith life in a Catholic-Christian community is required, preferably as a parishioner at St. Thomas. Microsoft Excel, Word, PowerPoint proficiency. Technical experience with sound equipment and lighting a plus. Experience in playing or leading music is a plus. To apply for this position, please send resume and cover letter to dgrantham@stapostle.org. Please reference Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministry in subject line of email.

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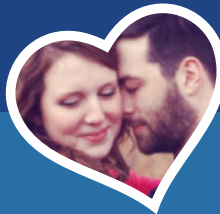
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