



Our Lady of the Assumption

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday
9:00 am - 1:00 pm—Walk-in
1:00 pm– 2:00 pm—Lunch
2:00-4:00 pm—By appointment

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 4:00 pm - Lucernemines
Saturday 6:00 pm - Coral
Sunday 9:00 am - Coral
Sunday 11:00 am - Lucernemines

Schedule for daily Masses, Holy Days, & other services can be found inside.

October 29 to November 12
Sanctuary Candle burns in
honor of St. Joseph

By
Rosalie Adamson
&

In memory of
Kathy Pedaci Kemp

By
Bernadette Palchesko

Host is in honor of
Vilcek Family
(Coral)

Altar-Rosary Society Christian Mothers Christmas Party 2021

The Altar-Rosary Society & Christian Mothers will hold their 2021 Christian Mothers annual Christmas Party on Sunday, December 5, 2021, 12:30 to 3:30 pm, Rustic Lodge, La Prima Room, Indiana, PA. Cost is \$18 per person and guests are welcome. Forms can be found in each church. Reservations are due by Sunday November 14th. Envelopes are provided at both churches and the parish office for reservation drop-off.

Fundraising New Year's Cash Ticket

Our parish will be selling a New Year's Cash ticket for \$5.00 each. Each of 5 winners will receive \$500.00 the week of January 3 through the 7th. These make wonderful stocking stuffers for Christmas. We will be selling them after some of our Masses and at our November 2nd Italian dinner. We also need individuals to take 10 or more tickets to sell. Contact the office if you are able to sell some tickets for our parish.



Coffee & Donuts

Please join us for coffee and donuts after

the 9 am Mass, Coral Hall and the 11 am Mass, Lucerne Church Hall on November 7, 2021.

Altar-Rosary Society Meeting

Altar Rosary Society will be holding their final meeting of 2021 on Wednesday, November 3 at 6:45 p.m. in Podowski Hall. Please consider attending. This meeting will include the installation of new officers. New members are always welcome. Hope to see you there!!



Remembering, Honoring, Loving our Departed

Dear Parishioners,

As we worship the Lord at Masses this weekend, **Halloween looms large**. Did you know that Halloween is the **second most popular "holiday" in the United States** after Christmas? Lawns and homes are festooned with orange lights, jack-o-lanterns, cobwebs, skeletons, and gory looking characters, designed to scare, maybe even terrorize, young and old alike. With all of the gore and fake blood, an ancient connection of Halloween with a solemn Christian feast day acknowledging sanctity at work in human persons seems obscure. Halloween, after all is a **contraction of All Hallows' Eve** observed on October 31, the evening before All Saints' (or All Hallows') Day. The celebration marking the day before All Saints, initiates *All-hallows-tide*, which lasts three days and concludes with All Souls' Day.

A little research, however, reveals a **pre-Christian source** for Halloween in a Celtic festival named *Samhain* kept in ancient Britain and Ireland. That festival had much to do with vague, fearful notions of an after-life. During the *Samhain* festival, the souls of those who had died were believed to return to visit their homes, and those who had died during the year were believed to journey to the under-world. People set bonfires on hilltops for relighting their hearth fires for the winter, and to frighten away evil spirits, and they sometimes wore masks and other disguises to avoid recognition by the ghosts thought to be present. In those ways, beings such as witches, hobgoblins, fairies, and demons came to be associated with the day. To complicate the matters further in Britain, when the Romans conquered the Celts in the 1st century AD/CE, they added their own festivals of *Feralia*, commemorating the passing of the dead, and of Pomona, the goddess of the harvest. In the 7th century Pope Boniface IV established All Saints' Day, perhaps in an effort to supplant the pagan holiday with a Christian observance. The evening before All Saints' Day became a holy, or hallowed, eve and thus Halloween.

Perhaps your children or grandchildren watched **Disney's animation, Coco**, inspired by the Mexican holiday *Day of the Dead*. The story, innocent and charming enough, although largely fantasy-driven, is about a young person embarking on an extraordinary journey to unlock the real story behind his family history.

A similar **Mexican animated film, Day of the Dead, issued in 2019, while popularizing Halloween themes**, may further confuse the cultural observances, which deal with a celebration of All Souls' Day. The Mexican film tells the story of Salma, a young woman determined to meet her parents. In search of her roots and her identity, the young woman decides to go out on *Día de Muertos* and find her family. The subtitle of the movie reads a *celebration of two worlds*.

In short, All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day are inextricably intertwined for contemporary people. Aside from where contemporary American culture takes Halloween, we should observe the solemnity of All Saints as a day of great hope as we honor people like ourselves who accepted God, lived faith, and are judged friends of God. We also honor the myriad of saints now with the Lord in Jesus. Observe All Souls' Day as a moment to recall our dead. But do so with a clear awareness, as the *Catholic Catechism* puts it, that "all who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven."

FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER/NOVEMBER

All sessions will take place in Podowski Hall at the Lucernemines worship site.

Grades PreK-5 will meet from 9:45-10:45am.

Grades 6-8 and additional Youth Group (grades 9-12) will meet from 5:30-7pm.

October 31st
Grades PreK-5

November 7th
Grades PreK-5
Grades 6-8 and additional Youth Group (grades 9-12)

November 14th
Grades PreK-5

November 21st
Grades PreK-5
Grades 6 and 7 plus additional Youth Group (grades 9-12)

Note: 8th grade will have Confirmation practice at 2pm at Sts. Simon and Jude Parish

November 28th
No sessions: Have a blessed Thanksgiving!

Adult Bible Study: *Living in the Power of the Holy Spirit*

Adult Bible Study sessions will continue to be held on the following Thursdays: 11/4, and 11/18.

Identical sessions will be held at 9am in the Coral Social Hall, and 7pm in Podowski Hall in Lucernemines.

It's a WRAP!

This weekend, white ribbons are being distributed to promote public awareness of the harm done by exposure to pornography. Flyers and ribbons are available at all entrances to both workshop sites. Thanks to Christian Mothers for supplying the ribbon for this very timely and important campaign.

Fall Festival Fun

Thanks to everyone who participated in our annual Fall Festival for Youth Group members and guests on Sunday, October 24th.

The weather did not dampen the spirits of those in attendance!

A very special thanks to Terri Tedeschi for helping to coordinate the festivities!



Parish Office Closed

The parish office will be closed on Monday, November 1, 2021 in observance of All Saints Day. We will reopen on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 9 am.

St. Vincent de Paul

This week at the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in the BiLo Plaza on N. 4th Street in Indiana, in honor of election day all red, white, or blue clothing is just \$1.00 (excludes white tag items). Store hours are Monday thru Saturday 10AM-2PM. Donations are accepted Monday thru Saturday 10AM-1PM.

Drive-Thru Turkey Dinner

Church of the Good Shepherd will hold a drive-thru Turkey Dinner on Sunday, November 7, 12 noon to 2:30 pm, or until all dinners are served. Menu includes, Roast turkey & stuffing, whipped potatoes & gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, sweet potatoes, roll, and complimentary dessert. Full-sized dinner, \$13; half-sized dinner \$7. Home-made frozen potato-cheese pierogi may be purchased for \$13 for two dozen at the drive-thru or by calling the parish office at 724-479-3881.

2022 Mass Schedule

The 2022 Mass schedule is open and forms are available at both churches. Please read all instructions carefully. To avoid errors, no Masses will be taken over the phone, you may call and request a form. Once we receive the form and payment, we will schedule the Mass. If the requested Mass is not available, a Mass closest to it will be scheduled. **We will not call to confirm Masses. Thank you for your cooperation.**

OCTOBER 23/24, 2021	OFFERTORY
Adult Offertory	\$5,626.00
Loose Offertory	\$128.00
Children's Offertory	\$3.00
Votive Candles	\$121.00
Maintenance	\$163.00
World Mission	\$570.00
Retired Religious	\$100.00
All Saints	\$40.00
Thanksgiving	\$20.00
Cemetery Collection	\$111.00

MASS INTENTIONS



For October 30 to November 7, 2021

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30 -

3:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
Anticipated Mass—Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 pm - Living & Deceased of the Altar-Rosary
(Lucernemines) Society
6:00 pm Mass- Pro Populo
(Coral)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-

8:30 am- Sacrament of Reconciliation
9:00 am - +Teresa Yancy (Bob & Eva Yancy) (Coral)
11:00 am-+Anthony Borzcik (Family)
(Lucernemines)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

All Saints

8:00 am Pro populo (Coral)
7:00 pm +Joe Gonda (Tim & Theresa Mitasky)
(Lucernemines)
Parish Office Closed

TUESDAY , NOVEMBER 2- Coral

All Souls' Day

8:00 am +Living & Deceased of the Mlinarich Family
(Coral)
12:00 pm+ Living & Deceased of the Parish
(Coral)
7:00 pm +Helen Bender (Chuck & Debbie Roser)
(Lucernemines)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3— Coral

Saint Martin de Porres, Religious

8:00 am+David S. Kanouff (Wife)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4- Coral

Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop

8:00 am+Pete & Margaret Golba (Brian Short & Family)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5 - Coral

8:00 am+Gary Bradley & Rudy Stossel (Therese Griffith
& Dave Stossel)

Adoration until 12 pm

11:30 am Confessions

12:00 pm Benediction

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6-

8:00 am+Dorothy Morrow (Niece, Diana & Ron Kabo)
(Lucernemines)

3:00 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation

Anticipated Mass—Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 pm+Zolton A. Bodnar (Family) (Lucernemines)

6:00 pm Mass- Pro populo (Coral)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7-

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 am- Sacrament of Reconciliation

9:00 am - Deceased of the Rudolph & Clara Rura
Family (Monica Rura)

(Coral)

11:00 am- +Jim Rankin (Brandi Rankin)

(Lucernemines)