



Youth Group Car Wash this Saturday at 10am!

St. Cecilia Youth Group is starting the new year off with a car wash fundraiser! This money will go to support the youth activities for the year, which include bible study, hosting a regional youth group event, snacks at meetings, and attending the youth conference in February.

\$10 per vehicle or any amount donation!

Monthly Calendar of Events

August 21 Saturday Youth Group Car Wash

September 12th PSR Meeting for First Communion and Confirmation parents (Grades 2 and 6-8, as well as anyone older who desires Confirmation)

Delta Fair Note: We need water and soda donations! Please drop these items off before or after mass from now until September 27th. The Delta Fair is scheduled for **September 28 to October 2**. Thank you all and God bless you.



Youth Group Fun Night this past Saturday! Prayer, games, pizza, and fun! Thank you, benefactors!

Collection Information

Adult Collection: \$1784
Loose: \$173

Saints This Week

St. Bernard, August 20
St. Pius X, Pope August 21



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The Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary

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Weekly Schedule

Sunday Masses: 10:30am Mass in English

(10:05am Rosary; Divine Mercy Chaplet the first Sunday of the month)

1pm Mass in Spanish

Monday: Adoration 5:30-6:30

Wednesday: Adoration at 5; mass at 6

Fr. David is available for the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** during Adoration or by appointment.

If you would like to receive the Holy Eucharist and are unable to attend mass, please contact Fr. David at his number above.

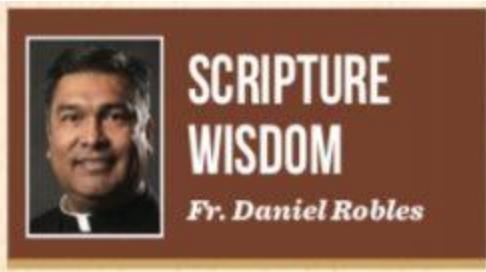
Please pray for /Oramos para:

+Mary Gurley, Deanne Cole, Sandy DeLisle, Greg Bradley, Bob and Sharon Hines, Vera Gleuck, Kathy Larsen. Especially let us remember the deceased, our clergy and bishop, Covid quarantined parishioners, our chronically ill, and our homebound.

Fr. David's Parish Office Hours:

Kennett Monday and Wednesday 10-4, Tuesday off, Thursday and Friday in Portageville 10-4

We mirror the life of Mary when we do good things for others



On November 1, 1950, Bl. Pope Pius XII defined the dogma of the Assumption of Mary. Our Church, which is Mother and Teacher, waited for 20 centuries to declare this beautiful reality and truth about the Blessed Virgin Mary. However, the Assumption of Mary into heaven, body and

soul, is not a new belief. Since the early centuries, the Doctors of the Church and the early Church Fathers, wrote about the logic of the privilege of our Blessed Mother's Assumption into Heaven.

Among the many writings considered to serve as proofs in this dogma, include Mary's Immaculate Conception. She is free from sin. Mary is the Mother of God and she has perpetual virginity. The doctrine of the Assumption says that at the end of her life on earth Mary was assumed, body and soul, into heaven by the power of her son, Jesus. This teaching makes sense with our Christian Catholic beliefs, because if death was the consequence of sin (Rom 6:23), the one who was conceived without sin, should not taste death. The early Church Fathers taught that she was assumed into heaven just as Enoch (Gn 5:24 and Heb 11:5), Elijah (2 Kgs 2:11), and some others who had been before her. The Holy Scripture also explained the power of God of taking us into heaven in body and soul (1 Thes 4:17 and 1 Cor 15:52). Many non-Catholics incorrectly think that we Catholics believe that Mary "ascended" into heaven by her own power! But no, Catholics know that, only Christ, by his own power, ascended into heaven. Mary was taken up into heaven by God. She did not do it under her own power. It happened by the power of God. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* (CCC) instructs us:

Finally the Immaculate Virgin, preserved free from all stain of original sin, when the course of her earthly life was finished, was taken up body and soul into heavenly glory, and exalted by the Lord as Queen over all things, so that

she might be the more fully conformed to her Son, the Lord of lords and conqueror of sin and death. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's Resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians (CCC 966).

What can we learn for our practical life about this dogma of the glorious Assumption of our Blessed Mother? Here, we have some practical applications that will help us to follow the Lord Jesus Christ more faithfully, as His mother did:

1. Mary's Assumption gives us hope in the resurrection of our own bodies.
2. Mary is our heavenly mother and she always intercedes for us with Jesus, her son.
3. Mary loves us as her own children and she shows us how to trust.
4. Her humility provides us with a perfect example for living:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior for God has looked with favor on His lowly servant" (Lk 1:46-48).

Remember: When we say "yes" to God, we are being like Mary. When we do good things for others in life, we are acting like Mary. When we love life and work to preserve it on earth, we are mirroring the life of Mary.

Mary, Our Lady of the Assumption and our Queen of Peace, pray for us!

