

# Ministry

ASSUMPTION

CATHOLIC CHURCH

# Guide

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As each one has received a gift, use it  
to serve one another as good stewards  
of God's varied grace.

1 PETER 4:10

Dear Friends,

Our parish is blessed with over 30 active ministries, each enriching the life of our Church in a unique way. This booklet includes each ministry's mission and contact information. I encourage you to explore these opportunities, reach out, and consider getting involved. Many have found joy, fellowship, and lasting friendships through ministry. May the Holy Spirit guide you as you discern how God is calling you to serve.

With love,  
Fr. Jason

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# Parish Ministries

## Adult Faith Formation

**Email:** [AFF@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:AFF@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)

Our Catholic Faith is so rich. No matter where we are at in our walk with Christ, we can always learn more and grow in the depth of our relationship with God. The goal of this ministry is to do that. We will discuss a variety of topics including: the Catholic perspective on modern issues, methods of prayer, how to read the Bible and Catechism more effectively, and so much more. Everyone is invited!

## Altar Rosary Society

**Email:** [ARS@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:ARS@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)

This ministry is open to all women of our parish. Our mission is to support the parish in prayer by regular recitation of the rosary and support the parish in service by maintaining the cleanliness and decoration of the altar and Adoration Chapel, including linens and plants/flowers.

## Altar Servers

**Email:** [altarserver@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:altarserver@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)

Altar Servers assist the deacons and priest with the celebration of the Holy Mass, Stations of the Cross, and funerals and are an integral part of the liturgy. A server must actively the Catholic faith and should have an ardent love for God and his Church. We accept altar servers who are currently in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade or higher.

## Assumption Charity Outreach

**Email:** [outreach@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:outreach@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)

The Assumption Charity Outreach provides love to each person we meet, by offering guidance to maintain self-sufficiency and restoring hope to anyone struggling or in need. We respond to all callers, with the same gentle care that Christ provides. Our team members assist families always protecting dignity and providing solutions to improve day to day life. We seek to solve the root cause and assist with information providing solutions for food, clothing, electricity, shelter, and financial aid. Our priority is to achieve the prevention of homelessness by maintaining employment and self-sufficiency.

## Assumption Ladies Book Club

**Email:** [droyalsmiles@gmail.com](mailto:droyalsmiles@gmail.com)

Join our friendly group of Assumption ladies as we deepen our faith and broaden our horizons by reading books that explore a variety of topics. From classic works of literature to contemporary popular novels, we meet periodically during the year to discuss the books we have read and decide upon our next book. All ladies are welcome!

## Assumption Women's Club

**Email:** [AWC@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:AWC@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)

The mission of the Assumption Women's Club shall be to develop spiritual and social life among the parishioners and to render service to the parish. Assumption women's club is comprised of several "circles" of women. Each circle may focus on one or more project. We were established assist the Pastor in whatever is requested. The AWC strives to practice the Spiritual & Corporal works of mercy within the parish & beyond.

## Burmese

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To serve God and the people of God through personal sanctity and devoted service to everyone.

### **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

**Email: [cliturgy@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:cliturgy@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)**

Children's Liturgy of the Word serves all Assumption parish children from kindergarten through 4th grade during the 10:00 am Mass on Sundays during the school year. Through this ministry the children better understand the readings of the Mass and how they can apply them on a basic level. Any parishioner can serve as a Catechist to help instruct the children.

### **Divine Mercy**

**Email: [divinemercy@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:divinemercy@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)**

The Divine Mercy message is simply remembering ABC. A: Ask for God's Mercy, B: Be Merciful, and C: Completely Trust in Jesus. You are invited to pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy along with our Assumption Divine Mercy Group.

### **Evangelization**

**Email: [mschmidt@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:mschmidt@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)**

Our purpose is to fulfill the words of Christ to make disciples of all nations (Matthew 28:20) and lead others into or back to the Catholic Church through dialogue, outreach, and speaking the truth in love. All are invited to join this ministry.

### **Gift Shop**

**Email: [asissine@hotmail.com](mailto:asissine@hotmail.com)**

The mission of Assumption's Catholic Gift Shop is to provide all age levels of our parish community with spiritual, functional, and beautiful religious articles. We are open before and after the weekend mass times and are always looking to add volunteers to join our team. Volunteers earn school service hours for their time!

Do you have a crafty talent? If you have the gift of Catholic crafting of any kind and love making unique Catholic items, become a vendor for the shop! We are looking to offer more unique Catholic items right from our very own parish.

### **Grief Share Ministry**

**Email: [griefshare@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:griefshare@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)**

The Grief Share Ministry's mission is to help those individuals who have recently lost a spouse, parent, or child through death. The Ministry uses healing Scripture passages and videos that will encourage attendees to identify and share their feelings.

### **Health and Wellness Ministry**

**Email: [health@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:health@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)**

Our mission is to promote awareness, education, and resources that support the physical, mental, and spiritual well-being of those we serve. If you work in the health care field and would like to get involved or assist in any way, we would love to hear from you!

### **Hospital Ministry**

**Email: [hospital@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:hospital@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)**

The Hospital Ministry visits the Catholic patients at the downtown Baptist Hospital. We offer prayers for them, give them a Rosary, and bring them the Eucharist if they are a practicing Catholic.

### **Little Flowers Girls' Club**

**Email: [aw333@hotmail.com](mailto:aw333@hotmail.com)**

Little Flowers Girls' Club® is a Catholic program for girls ages 5 and up based on learning Catholic virtues through the lives of Catholic Saints, Scripture, and the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

### **Liturgical Ministry**

**Email:** [LiturgicalMin@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:LiturgicalMin@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)

This ministry serves the Church as sacristans, lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, ushers, and greeters—assisting with preparation, proclamation of Scripture, distribution of the Eucharist, and welcoming the faithful. It is a direct and profound way to serve the Lord through the Holy Mass.

### **Men's Club**

**Email:** [mensclub@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:mensclub@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)

All men of Assumption Catholic Church are eligible to become part of the Men's Club. You do not have to be Catholic. Our mission statement is to, "Do good and have fun". We serve the Lord by serving our families, our Church, our community, and through fellowship with each other. There are no membership fees, and admission is free.

### **Music Ministry**

**Email:** [music@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:music@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)

The primordial song of the Liturgy is the canticle of victory over death." Our goal is to encourage active participation in song whether in the pew or as a participant in a choir or musical group. Music ministry is open to people of all ages to lead the gathered Faithful through music.

### **Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration**

**Email:** [adoration@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:adoration@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)

The Assumption Adoration Chapel is where heaven meets earth—a place to encounter Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and find peace and joy in His presence. Open daily to cardholders, the chapel offers a sacred space for prayer, whether for an hour or just a few minutes. Countless graces and miracles flow from time spent with the Lord. To sign up for an adoration card and/or a holy hour please call the Church Office at 904-398-1963.

### **OCIA**

**Email:** [mschmidt@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:mschmidt@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)

The Order of Christian Initiation (OCIA) is a program for non-Catholics to enter the Catholic Church. Through teaching, prayer, and personal witness the RCIA team seeks to help all those who are not Catholic to learn more about the Church and enable them to become a full member our faith community.

### **Religious Education**

**Email:** [sistersshm@assumptionjax.org](mailto:sistersshm@assumptionjax.org)

The Servant Sisters came to the Assumption parish and school in 2006 to answer a need for religious sisters in Catholic schools. Here we help supplement religious education in the classrooms, plan school-wide retreat days and activities, and teach CCD classes. Outside of the school we also put on summer camps, retreats, pilgrimages, mission trips and other activities.

### **Respect Life**

**Email:** [respectlife@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:respectlife@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)

Every life is made in the image and likeness of God and has intrinsic value, regardless of stage or condition. We uphold the dignity of life from conception to natural death, focusing on the unborn, post-abortion healing, special needs, end-of-life issues, and capital punishment. Our ministry participates in the annual March for Life and regularly prays near abortion facilities while holding pro-life signs.

### **Scouts**

**Email:** [scouts@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:scouts@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)

The mission of the Scouts is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Boy Scout Oath and Law.

### **Senior Luncheon**

**Email: [SR@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:SR@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)**

Each month our ministry offers a free lunch to all seniors at the Parish that are at least 62 years old. The luncheon is held in Kohls Hall and the Pastor usually comes by to greet everyone and pray with us before the meal. Please check the bulletin or call the Church Office for the date. We look forward to seeing you!

### **Seven Sisters Apostolate**

**Email: [ssa@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:ssa@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)**

The Mission of The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the pastor for his deeper conformity to Christ.

### **Sisters of the Home of the Mother**

**Email: [sistersshm@assumptionjax.org](mailto:sistersshm@assumptionjax.org)**

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### **Walking with Purpose**

**Email: [WWP@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:WWP@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)**

Walking with Purpose at Assumption is an official local Parish program of the national organization which provides Bible Studies for women with the aim of helping every Catholic woman in America encounter Christ through the study of scripture. WWP at Assumption offers Bible studies for women to encounter Christ through Scripture, grow in faith and fellowship, and serve our local community through annual projects and donations.

### **Welcome (CRHP 2.0)**

**Email: [welcome@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:welcome@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)**

Our mission is to deepen faith, foster lasting connections, and renew our parish community through annual men's and women's weekend retreats. Whether you've been a parishioner for decades or just joined, this is a great way to grow in your personal relationship with God and build lasting friendships with others in the parish.

### **Yarning for Jesus**

**Email: [yarning@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:yarning@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)**

Our ministry handcrafts blankets, scarves, baptismal bibs, and rosaries to serve our parish, local schools, and those in need. Current projects support the Women's Help Center and a local homeless shelter. We welcome parishioners to join us and gratefully accept yarn and supply donations.

### **Young Adult Ministry**

**Email: [yam@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:yam@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)**

Our young adult ministry seeks to cultivate authentic community, deepen our relationship with Christ and His Church, and empower men and women age 21 and up to live out their faith boldly in the world through prayer, formation, and fellowship.

### **Youth Ministry**

**Email: [jkollasch@assumptioncatholicchurch.org](mailto:jkollasch@assumptioncatholicchurch.org)**

Assumption Youth Ministry (AYM): Edge & Life Teen has a mission to provide Eucharistic driven youth ministry to 6th through 12th grade teens, inviting them to encounter Christ and empowering them to share their faith with others, through multifaceted experiences laden with Gospel messages. Our vision is for the AYM: Edge & Life Teen teens to be the driving force of growth within the parish community as they bring the Eucharistic message home and to their schools.

## School Ministries

### **Assumption Catholic School**

**Email:** [mjimenez@assumptionjax.org](mailto:mjimenez@assumptionjax.org)

The Assumption Catholic community, united in the Eucharist, provides a challenging academic education where living a Christ-centered life comes first.

### **Assumption Early Childhood Learning Center**

**Email:** [tlittle@assumptionjax.org](mailto:tlittle@assumptionjax.org)

At the Assumption Early Learning Center, we are dedicated to nurturing the spiritual, academic, and emotional development of young children in a safe, loving, and Christ-centered environment. United in the Eucharist, we strive to instill the values of compassion, kindness, and respect, while fostering a love for learning. Through personalized attention and a challenging curriculum, we aim to lay the foundation for lifelong growth, grounded in faith, love, and the teachings of Christ.

### **Home and School Association**

**Email:** [HSA@assumptionjax.org](mailto:HSA@assumptionjax.org)

Parental support and participation are key components to any school's success. While Assumption Catholic School has some of the best educators in Jacksonville, it is the combined efforts of teachers and parents/guardians that afford our students the quality education they deserve! The goal of the Home and School Association is to make Assumption School a phenomenal experience for students and parents.

## Diocesan Ministries

### **Catholics in Recovery**

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### **Cursillo**

**Carl Ludwig:** [cl2465@att.net](mailto:cl2465@att.net)

### **Knights of Columbus**

**TJ Hughes:** [tj1001@hotmail.com](mailto:tj1001@hotmail.com)

### **Red Bird Ministries**

**Ann O'Keeffe Rodgers:** [okeefferodgers@gmail.com](mailto:okeefferodgers@gmail.com)

### **Teams of Our Lady**

**Ally Wilson:** [allyson.mechling@gmail.com](mailto:allyson.mechling@gmail.com)

Teams of Our Lady is a movement focused on married spirituality. Connect with other couples and experience spiritual growth with Christ at the center of your marriage. Attend an Informational Meeting to learn about Teams of Our Lady.

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