



The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and said,  
"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world."  
JOHN 1:29

## Proud Servants of God

**"My servant" is an identification a lot of people will shy away from.** A servant seeks to accomplish someone else's goals, and the adjective "my" suggests belonging to another. Yet all of today's readings describe individuals who are proud to be servants—servants of God. What makes this kind of servant something to which all of us can aspire?

As a servant of God, Isaiah became "a light to the nations that [God's] salvation may reach to the ends of the earth" (Isaiah 49:6). As a servant of God, Paul became "an apostle of Christ Jesus," proclaiming the good news of God's love "to the church of God that is in Corinth." As a servant of God, John the Baptist prepared the way so that Jesus "might be made known to Israel" (John 1:31). These servants sought to accomplish God's goals for the fulfillment of others. It is in such commitment to others that we ourselves are

fulfilled. Ask any parent, lover, or good friend if this is not the case.

We might not want to be the servant of another, but what a privilege it is to be called to be a servant of God, a light to others, to proclaim God's love and make Jesus known. By our baptism, we have all been so called. We enlighten others by the way we live with integrity. The unselfishness of our lives proclaims the good news of Christ Jesus. Authentic Christian living makes him known to the world. That's what it means to be a servant of God.

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

### FOR Reflection

- ★ How does your life in the home, workplace, or community manifest the love of God for others?
- ★ How do you personally benefit by serving others?

# Assumption of Our Lady



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**January 19, 2020**

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year A

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 10:30 am

### Weekday Masses

Mon. Tues. & Wed. 12:10 pm

Thurs. & Fri. 5:30 pm

Reconciliation time: Saturday from 4:15 to 4:45pm; Sunday, 9:45-10:15am or by appointment. Please contact Fr. Innocent for any other sacraments or funerals



## Hay River, NT

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Sunday Mass 1:30 PM

Date	Readers	Collection	Gift Bearers	Eucharistic Ministers	Coffee & Snacks
Jan.05	Sancie Gostick Doris Caudron	Tony Whittle Andrew Cassidy	Ramirez Family	Doug Swallow Marie van-Kopp E. Theresa Swallow	TBP
Jan.12	Andrew Cassidy Marie Kopp-van E	Darm Crook Gerry Engen	Liz Buckley and Family	Bea Lepine Tony Whittle Doris Caudron	TBP
Jan.19	Dee dee Lepine Bea Lepine	Doug Swallow Andrew Cassidy	Swallow Family	Susan Bouchard Shirley Gutierrez Marie van-Kopp E.	TBP
Jan.26	Youth-Led Participation Mass	Youth-Led Participation Mass	Youth-Led Participation Mass	Doug Swallow Andrew Cassidy Dee dee Lepine	TBP

## The Announcements for January 19th, 2020

----- We are always delighted to welcome each and everyone who has come to worship with us here at Assumption parish. If you're a new member, please take time to introduce yourself to the pastor and fill out a registration form found at the bulletin board at the entrance of the church.

Since Father Joe Daley is not always at the parish house when needed, Father Joe can be reached on his cell phone at 1-867-688-1590.

The next First Communion class will be on February 5th. Sister Maggie is out of town until January 31st.

### H.O.P.E. Helping Our People Eat

We are continuing our gift of giving to the hungry in our community. You are invited to contribute either non-perishable food or money. This gift helps with the hamper program. A list of food items is available on the back table. Last year we donated \$700.00 in cash and many items of food. Thank you for your generosity. "When I was hungry, you gave me to eat...."

The Soup kitchen can also use clean plastic containers and egg cartons.

----- Rosary resumes Tuesdays at 11:45 followed by [Mass at 12:10](#)

----- YOUTH CLUB 2020! For youth ages 7-12, from 6:30pm-8pm, every second Friday in the church basement. It is a faith based program with crafts, games, music and friendship. It's starting up this month and here are the dates, mark them in your calendar! For more information contact Brigitte @ 306-714-7530 or Diana @ 867-875-2855. [January 17,31](#); [February 14,28](#); [March 6,13](#); [April 3,24](#); [May 8,22](#).

-----Renewing of Wedding vows for Valentines on Sunday February 16<sup>th</sup> at the 10:30 mass. For couples who are celebrating their wedding anniversaries years ending with 5 or 0 this year. Please sign up on the sign up sheet or call Brigitte @306-714-7530

----- Communion to the sick and home bound: Do you know of anyone who is sick and/or home bound and would like to be visited and given communion by the church, please let us know.

### Rachel's Corner

"I had no idea, when we made the decision, that it would affect me in the way it has. I thought it was all about her, and it wound up being all about all of us. Rachel's Vineyard helped me acknowledge my child, and now I carry him in my heart. Now I know I am forgiven, and I have a son." -Male Testimonial

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: <b>Weekly Revenue</b>	
\$1,230.95	Collection-Jan.12
\$1,230.95	Revenue Total
\$1,831.00	Expenses Total
<b>-\$600.05</b>	
Expenses are based on 2018 Q1	

## Dear Padre,

### A religious community invited me to become a lay associate. What kind of commitment is needed?

**W**hen laypeople and ordained ministers are attracted to the *charism* of a religious order (its distinctive ministry, mission, and spirituality), they're often invited by its vowed members to participate as "associates" in their prayer life, community dynamics, and apostolic works. After a period of formation, associates may make degrees of commitment, with varying expectations on those who profess a formal commitment. Associates may



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also be given a distinctive sign of their membership to wear during prayer and ministry.

While associates like the Third Order (tertiaries) have partnered with Franciscans, Dominicans, and Carmelites for centuries, other congregations are only now nurturing new forms of collaboration. Usually, this partnership is mutually transformative for the associates and for those in consecrated life: "The participation of the laity often brings unexpected and rich insights into certain aspects of the charism, leading to a more spiritual interpretation of it and helping to draw from it directions for new activities in the apostolate" (Apostolic Exhortation on Consecrated Life [*Vita Consecrata*], 55).

Partnerships between religious communities and their associates are growing in number, based not on utility or diminished numbers of religious today, but on shared faith and responsibility to our universal baptismal call. May the Holy Spirit guide you as you discern this special invitation to holiness!

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR  
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### A WORD FROM Pope Francis

"What about you?" It is significant that these words of the elderly Pope [Leo XIII] were also addressed to a laywoman [Katharine Drexel]. We know that the future of the Church in a rapidly changing society will call, and even now calls, for a much more active engagement on the part of the laity.

—MASS WITH BISHOPS, CLERGY, AND RELIGIOUS OF PENNSYLVANIA, SEPTEMBER 26, 2015

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### Calendar

**Monday**  
JANUARY 20  
*Weekday*  
1 Sm 15:16–23  
Mk 2:18–22

**Tuesday**  
JANUARY 21  
*St. Agnes,  
Virgin and Martyr*  
1 Sm 16:1–13  
Mk 2:23–28

**Wednesday**  
JANUARY 22  
*Day of Prayer for the  
Legal Protection of  
Unborn Children*  
1 Sm 17:32–33, 37,  
40–51, Mk 3:1–6

**Thursday**  
JANUARY 23  
*Weekday*  
1 Sm 18:6–9; 19:1–7  
Mk 3:7–12

**Friday**  
JANUARY 24  
*St. Francis de Sales,  
Bishop and  
Doctor of the Church*  
1 Sm 24:3–21  
Mk 3:13–19

**Saturday**  
JANUARY 25  
*Conversion of  
St. Paul, Apostle*  
Acts 22:3–16 or  
Acts 9:1–22  
Mk 16:15–18

**Sunday**  
JANUARY 26  
*Third Sunday in  
Ordinary Time*  
Is 8:23–9:3  
1 Cor 1:10–13, 17  
Mt 4:12–23  
or 4:12–17

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