

## 19th Sunday of the Year

**Entrance Antiphon:** Lord, be true to your covenant, forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Rise up, O God, and defend your cause; do not ignore the shouts of your enemies.

**First Reading:** 1 Kings 19: 4-8

**Psalms 33 Response:** Taste and see that the Lord is good.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips. In the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. (R)
2. Glorify the Lord with me. Together let us praise his name. I sought the Lord and he answered me; from all my terrors he set me free.. (R)
3. Look towards him and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed. This poor man called; the Lord heard him and rescued him from all his distress. (R)
4. The angel of the Lord is encamped around those who revere him, to rescue them. Taste and see that the Lord is good. He is happy who seeks refuge in him. (R)

**2nd Reading:** Ephesians 4: 30-5.2

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** John 6: 41-51

**Communion Antiphon:** Praise the Lord, Jerusalem; he feeds you with the finest wheat.

A little reminder that our **website**, which is so valuable and is regularly accessed by enquirers, needs to be kept up to date or it will disappear ! We'd be grateful for updates about groups, news items, what's on, articles etc. Etc Thank you

## FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION (August 15th)

We pronounce, declare and define it to be a divinely revealed dogma: that the Immaculate Mother of God, the ever Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory.

*(Pope Pius XII, proclaiming the dogma in 1950)*

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin is a singular participation in her Son's resurrection and an anticipation of the resurrection of other Christians.



“In giving birth you kept your virginity; in your Dormition (falling asleep) you did not leave the world, O Mother of God, but were joined to the source of Life. You conceived the living God and, by your prayers, will deliver our souls from death.”  
*(No. 966 of Catechism of Catholic Church)*

The **Annual Service of Healing** will be held on Thursday, 20th September at 3.00 pm with afternoon tea to follow.

Fathers Roger Dawson and Dermot O'Connor will be present with Father Charles.

Should you require transport please contact Sheila Johnson on 354311 who will arrange.



## Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church

119 WELLINGTON ROAD, RHYL  
DENBIGHSHIRE

**19th Sunday of the Year**  
Sunday 12th August  
(reading cycle B, year of Mark's gospel)

### Mass time

### Mass Intention

SUNDAY	10.00 am - Mass for the People
MONDAY	<b>11.00 am Funeral service for John Joseph Higgins</b>
TUESDAY	<b>6.30 pm - Vigil Mass for the Feast of the Assumption</b> Maria Cerefica RIP
WEDNESDAY	<b>Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> 9.30 am - Marie McMonnies RIP
THURSDAY	9.30 am - Susan McCarney RIP
FRIDAY	9.30 am - Maurice Fagan RIP
SATURDAY	- <b>No Holy Hour</b> -
SUNDAY	10.00 am - Mass for the People

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** After Mass daily and also Saturdays 10.30am-11.15am and on call  
**Open Office Day** Thursdays 9.00am - 4.00pm

For all enquiries or sacraments see as below

For **Baptism** tel 01745 354311

Please let Fr Charles know of anyone who is ill or housebound who would like to receive Holy Communion at home or the **Anointing of the Sick** for healing

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**Diocese of Wrexham** Reg Charity No. 700426

**Parish Finances:** The church collection for Sunday 5th August amounted to £530.79p of which £306.39p was 'loose' and £224.40p was Gift Aid.

**Hospital Chaplains on call:**

Glan Clwyd: Mrs. Sheila Johnson, 01745 354311 /07717182557 Llandudno Hospital: Fr Moses Amune 01492 877353 Ysby Gwynedd; Bay Hospital: Fr Frank 01492 532670

**Gluten Free Hosts** Anybody subject to a Celiac health condition please note that we have Special gluten-free hosts available at St Mary's, which can be accessed by request. (Please see Fr Charles if you need advice on this, or a minister of communion to obtain access.) It will always help if you can notify the priest, preferably before Mass if possible. An alternative for Celiac sufferers is to receive communion under the form of wine, from a chalice.

**Saint Maximilian Maria Kolbe** (Feast Day this Tuesday) was a Polish Franciscan friar. 76 years ago, he died as a martyr in Auschwitz. He was well known for his passionate devotion to Our Lady and his love for missionary work. During the war, his monastery was a hiding place for 2,000 Jews. The monastery also housed a printing press, which produced anti-Nazi newspapers as well as radio broadcasts.

On February 17, 1941, Father Kolbe was arrested and sent to the Auschwitz concentration camp. He was beaten and treated poorly due to his status as a Catholic priest. One night, three prisoners escaped the camp. After forcing the prisoners to stand outside, the guards began to select ten men who would be put in a bunker to starve to death. One man who was selected was a father and husband. As he was being led away, he cried, "My wife! My children!" Father Kolbe volunteered to take his place. He led the other nine in singing hymns and was himself last to die.

**St Mary's Presbytery**

There will be **meetings open to everybody** after Mass on Sunday 12th August and on Tuesday evening, 14th August at 7.15pm with members of parish and finance teams to discuss the issues around the future of the presbytery, the priest's home. If it is decided to sell the presbytery, (and for both parish and finance teams the facts seem to inevitably point this way) we also need to explore where various groups would meet and where the parish office would be situated, should the parish decide to sell the current presbytery. Many parishioners have fed back stating that we need to sell the very large, expensive house, that we've been talking about it for too long and should get on with it. Several express regret, given historic memories and associations. One group wishes to further explore retaining the house as an asset. Others have argued that the priest needs to live further from the church, for his own well-being.



**JOKE** An elderly man was on the operating table, about to be operated on by his son, a famous surgeon. Just before they put him under, he asked to speak to his son:

"Don't be nervous, boy, just do your best and just remember, if it doesn't go well, if something happens to me... your mother is going to come and live with you and your family."

**Weekly Guide to Daily Prayer**

Finding intimacy with our God is not limited to people who can go away on a retreat. We can all be contemplatives in action, if only we can focus on our relationship with the Lord in the background, every day; This week we can feed on the words of life which Jesus gives us. And, we can ask for the graces we need in the midst of our busy life.

Throughout this week, we can wake up and go through our morning routine asking for the grace that God's mercy might flow through us this day. One day I might take notice of those in my life who need my forgiveness. I might pay attention to the one who frustrates me or has hurt me or has hurt those I love - real people I know (living or dead) or the anonymous people who represent the systems, institutions and structures that seem unjust or sinful. There are people who benefit from war, the poverty or slavery of others, the sacrilege against the dignity of life itself, the drug trade and the destruction of the environment. I can actually take the grace filled moments of brief intimacy with Jesus this week to forgive! This week of mercy can be a powerful blessing for our whole lives.

This can be a wonderful week for us to remember how many times we are called to forgive. And we might want to take a few extra moments to reinforce this by re-reading the parable of the servant who has been forgiven himself but refuses to forgive. If we are really stuck in our struggle to forgive, we can find times to beg for the grace: "Dear Lord, you keep forgiving me, please let me experience the intimacy of forgiving as you have forgiven me".

Jesus tells us we should "become like children", innocent, loving, trusting, humble. Throughout this week, we'll be embracing little children and other little ones

because we will be delighting in being one with Him and His being one with us. And we'll give thanks and praise.

*Let us pray:*

*Almighty and ever-living God, Whom, taught by the Holy Spirit, we dare to call our Father, bring we pray to perfection in our hearts, the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters, that we may merit to enter into the inheritance which you have promised. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

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There are 2 **job vacancies at the St. Vincent de Paul Society** nationally.

The SVP is seeking to recruit a Young Vincentians Programme Manager, and a Mini Vinnies Officer as part of the expansion of our youth programme.

1. Young Vincentians Programme Manager: £30k pa; full time permanent contract. Closing date: 15:00 on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2018. Interviews: Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2018. Start date: ASAP.
2. Mini Vinnies Officer: £23k pro rata; 2 days/wk; one year contract. Closing date: 10:00 Monday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2018. Interviews: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August. Start date: ASAP.

Both roles based at national office. For more details & application pack, please visit the vacancies section of the SVP website: <https://www.svp.org.uk/>.