




**Opening Prayer at Mass**

Almighty, ever-living God, who assumed the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the Mother of Your Son, body and soul into heavenly glory, grant, we pray, that, always attentive to the things that are above, we may merit to be sharers of her glory.

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, August 15



Greetings!

### From the Pastor's Desk

Thank you for helping and supporting our Nordeast Fun Fest Summer Jam last weekend. We were blessed by another great year for our parish festival. I was impressed with all of the hard-working volunteers. Visitors to our parish campus were pleased with the welcoming atmosphere we extended to them. Mark your calendar for August 3-5, 2018 for next year's Nordeast Summer Jam Fun Fest!

God Bless You,  
Father John Mitchell



### Bible Study with a Facebook Group

Are you interested in joining a Facebook group where we discuss weekly questions from the *Lectio: Peter* Bible study available on FORMED.org? If yes, please email me at [jmitchell@immac-church.org](mailto:jmitchell@immac-church.org)

**How would it work?**

I would establish a Facebook group of 5-10 people who are on Facebook and wish to participate in this Bible study. It would be a closed group on Facebook so only the group members can see the comments that are posted on the Facebook group page.

**How many members will be in the group?** The group will have 5-10 members in order to make discussion easier. If more than 10 people want to join, then I can set up a 2nd group, 3rd group, etc.

**What would we discuss on the group page?** I will post 3-4 questions per week for 10 weeks (there are 10 sessions for this Bible Study) on the group page. The questions will come from the participant study guide that accompanies the *Lectio: Peter* study. Group members will type their answers to the questions on the group page. Group members can comment on each other's responses and read what other group members are thinking. You choose the day and time when you can respond to the questions on the group page.

**How long would this Bible Study last?** 10 weeks.

**When will this begin?** Late September.

**How is the teaching done in this Bible Study?** There are 10 sessions for *Lectio: Peter*. You log into the FORMED website using your email and password. (To subscribe to FORMED, go to [FORMED.org](http://FORMED.org) and enter our parish code **VKQPF9** to register. Your subscription has already been paid for.) Then access the participant workbook by clicking on the video for Session 1 (or Session 2, etc.) from *Lectio: Peter* and read the introduction for the session. Then watch a 45-minute video that accompanies the session. After you watch the video, go to the Facebook group page and respond to the questions that I will post for the group.

**Is there any more material to read for each session?** Yes, there are 5-6 discussion questions for each session, but I will select only 3-4 questions to post on the Facebook group page each week. The study guide also includes a COMMIT section which has five daily reflections that will help you more deeply explore the main topics of each session. You choose to read the five daily reflections if you wish.

**Will this Bible study also meet at church?** Yes. Starting in late September, we will host on-campus Bible study sessions in Fellowship Hall on Monday evening and Wednesday afternoon. Registrations will start soon. People who cannot attend the on-campus sessions have the option of joining a Facebook group to do this Bible study.

**Is this free?** Yes.

**Have you done this before?** No. It is my first attempt at Bible study group discussion on-line.

**Questions?** Send me an email at [@immac-church.org](mailto:@immac-church.org).

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## FORMED Pick of the Week



On August 15 we will celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, so I invite you to watch the movie *Mary of Nazareth* which portrays the life of Mary from her childhood through the Resurrection of Jesus. Shot in high definition, it was filmed in Europe with outstanding cinematography, a strong cast, and a majestic music score. The film captures the essence of Mary's profound trust in God amidst the great mysteries that she lived with as the mother of the Messiah and her special role in God's plan for our redemption. To watch this movie, sign up for FREE at [FORMED.org](http://FORMED.org) where you can access a wide variety of movies, books and audios. Your subscription has already been paid for - use the parish code **VKQPF9** to register.

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## I.C. Men's Group

### Saint Paul Saints Tailgating & Baseball Game, August 29

All men are invited to join us for tailgating and the St. Paul Saints game at CHS Field on Tuesday, August. 29. Our group's bar-b-q starts at 5:30 pm in the Saints Tailgating Lot at the corner of Kellogg Boulevard. and Lafayette Street. The game starts at 7:05 pm. Please RSVP soon so that we can order group tickets. We can add more tickets the day of the game, if needed. Please send RSVP to Mike Bridgeman (612-770-1169, [bridgeman@bonabros.com](mailto:bridgeman@bonabros.com)) or Patrick McVary (612-803-3020, [patrick@mcvarylaw.com](mailto:patrick@mcvarylaw.com)).



## Trivia Question of the Week

In what year did Pope Pius XII dogmatically define that "The Virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was assumed body and soul into heavenly glory"?

- a) 1947
- b) 1948
- c) 1949
- d) 1950

See the bottom of this newsletter for the answer.

## Video of the Week

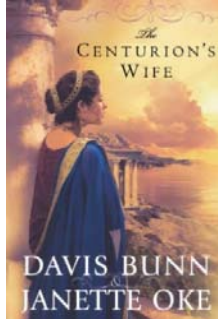
**"Scott Hahn on the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary"**



## Books I Am Reading

**"Catholicism: A Journey to the Heart of the Faith"**, by Father Robert Barron  
(Image Books, 2014).

**"The Centurion's Wife, (Acts of Faith, Book 1)"**, by Davis Bunn and Janette Oke



**Book description:** Leah is a young Jew whose family's economic disgrace has forced her into servitude in the household of Pontius Pilate. A Roman centurion named Alban, whose young servant was miraculously healed by Jesus, seeks advancement in the Roman government of occupied Judea and wants to arrange a marriage with Leah. Alban has been assigned by Pontius Pilate to ferret out the truth behind Jesus' execution. Pilate's wife secretly commissions Leah also to discover what really has become of Jesus whose death and missing body is causing such furor.

**For a free checkout of "The Centurion's Wife" on one of our Kindle e-readers,** contact Mary Beth Pfeifer, Director of Discipleship and Advancement, at the Parish Office (763-788-9062, x 203, mbpfeifer@immac-church.org). (*Kindle, is a trademark of Amazon.com, Inc.*)

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## Books I Have Read This Year

"My Sisters the Saints" by Colleen Carroll Campbell

"7 Secrets of the Eucharist" by Vinny Flynn

"Joan of Arc" by Mark Twain

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## Will You Pray for a Priest Each Day?

Prayer Suggestion: Dear Jesus, hear my prayer on behalf of your priest, Father [N]. Give him a deep faith, a bright and a firm hope. Be his comfort, his joy, and his strength. Amen.

August 12 – Rev. Sean Magnuson  
August 13 – Rev. Richard Mahoney  
August 14 – Rev. Michael Malain  
August 15 – Rev. John Malone  
August 16 – Rev. Kevin Manthey  
August 17 – Rev. Tom Margevicius  
August 18 – Rev. Sharbel Maroun

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## Answer to the Trivia Question of the Week

**d) 1950**



God Bless You,

Father John Mitchell

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