MINISTERS OF CARE: Bring Communion to the sick, hospitalized, and shut-ins, upon completion of a training program. visitthesick@assumption-chgo.org

**REFUGEE ASSISTANCE GROUP:** Works with local agencies and volunteer groups to provide basic services to recently arrived immigrants and refugees. *refugee@assumption-chgo.org* 

**SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE:** Advocates for positive social change in society, according to Catholic principles. *socialjustice@assumption-chgo.org* 

#### **AFFILIATED GROUPS**

**CHICAGO HELP INITIATIVE (CHI):** A volunteer organization that provides a meal and other services every Wednesday afternoon to the needy and homeless at the facilities of Catholic Charities. *www.chicagohelpinitiative.org* 

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** The nation's oldest Catholic fraternal organization enhances the life of the parish, the church, and the larger community through charity, service, and Christian witness. *knights@assumption-chgo.org* 

**SERVITE SECULAR ORDER:** A community of lay men and women who seek to grow spiritually by following the example of the Seven Holy Founders of the Order of Friar Servants of Mary. *sso@assumption-chgo.org* 

# ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH

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# Opportunities to SERVE

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Serving the People of River North and Chicago Since 1881 To serve in any of these ministries, use the email address provided.

#### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

ADORERS OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Keep Jesus company, praying for personal intentions and for the intentions of the parish. Third Monday of the month from 5:00 to 7:00pm. adoration@assumption-chgo.org

ALTAR SERVERS: Assist at the altar at Sunday Mass and at special liturgies. servers@assumption-chgo.org

**ART & ENVIRONMENT GROUP:** Prepares the Church for special seasons and celebrations. *art@assumption-chgo.org* 

**GREETERS:** Welcome parishioners and visitors at weekend Masses and provide Welcome Packets to those interested in joining Assumption. *greeters@assumption-chgo.org* 

**LECTORS:** Proclaim the Word of God at weekend and weekday liturgies. *proclaimers@assumption-chgo.org* 

MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST: Help with the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass. *eme@assumption-chgo.org* 

**MUSIC MINISTERS:** Lend your talents to our Choir or our contemporary music program on Sunday evening. Singers and instrumentalists are needed. *music@assumption-chgo.org* 

**ROSARY GROUP:** Prays the Rosary of the Seven Sorrows of Mary on the first and third Sundays at 11:40. Rosaries provided.

rosary@assumption-chgo.org

**USHERS:** Collect and secure church offerings, arrange for gift bearers at Mass, and find seats for worshippers when the church is crowded. *ushers@assumption-chgo.org* 

**WEDDING COORDINATORS:** Direct or facilitate the wedding rehearsal, especially when visiting clergy officiate, and serve as the wedding greeter at the ceremony.

wedcoord @assumption-chgo.org

**WEDDING GREETERS:** Assist at weddings by welcoming guests, directing vendors, guiding the wedding party, and removing materials left after the wedding. *wedgreet@assumption-chgo.org* 

#### LEADERSHIP MINISTRIES

**ADULT FAITH BOARD:** Plans and implements adult faith programming and activities, including the Lenten Evenings of Faith, Scripture Studies, parish retreats, and the Advent Calendar. *adultfaith@assumption-chgo.org* 

**COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE:** Oversees our electronic and print communications and publicizes parish events. *communication@assumption-chgo.org* 

**FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Advises the pastor in financial planning and oversight and in the maintenance and improvement of parish facilities. Individuals willing to serve should express their interest to the pastor.

#### finance@assumption-chgo.org

**PASTORAL COUNCIL:** Assists the pastor by investigating pastoral matters, considering them thoughtfully, and proposing practical solutions. Consists of nine members, who are discerned to serve three-year terms. *ppc@assumption-chgo.org* 

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

ADULT CATECHISM GROUP: Meets every other week to study and discuss the United States Catholic Catechism for Adults. catechism@assumption-chgo.org

**ALPHA:** Attend or host a series of weekly gatherings that focuses on the fundamentals of Christianity in a welcoming, non-judgmental way. *alpha@assumption-chgo.org* 

**BIBLE STUDY:** Participate in guided discussions of the Books of the Bible and seasonal Scriptures. Sessions are offered in the evening and during the day. *bible@assumption-chgo.org* 

#### **OCIA (The Order of Christian Initiation for**

Adults): Formerly called RCIA, OCIA prepares adults for the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation. A program for young people ages 8 to 17 is also offered. Sponsors and leaders are needed. *ocia@assumption-chgo.org* 

#### **OTHER MINISTRIES**

**ASSUMPTION YOUNG ADULTS:** Participate in various spiritual, social, and service activities. AYA is for those in their twenties or thirties--married, single, or coupled. **assumptionaya@gmail.com** 

**CHILD CARE:** Provides parents with safe, reliable child care for children 18 months—4 years during Sunday Mass. *childcare@assumption-chgo.org* 

GARDEN CLUB: Prepares, arranges, and maintains the green space located just west of the church. gardenclub@assumption-chgo.org

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE: Organizes various social functions during the year, including the monthly Hospitality Sunday. hospitality@assumption-chgo.org

**MEN'S GROUP:** Provides an opportunity for men of all ages to meet for inspiration, fellowship, service to the community, and to enhance their spirituality. *mensgroup@assumption-chgo.org* 

**SPECIAL EVENTS TEAM:** Plans and executes various events that build community and raise funds for the church. *events@assumption-chgo.org* 

#### **OUTREACH GROUPS**

**AMBASSADORS:** Distribute flyers about Masses and special liturgies to area hotels approximately six times a year.

ambassadors@assumption-chgo.org

**ASSUMPTION SHARES:** Pass out food vouchers to the needy on the first Wednesday of the month. *shares@assumption-chgo.org* 

**CREATION CARE COMMITTEE:** Alerts us to practical ways to save our common home and calls our attention to climate crisis legislation. *commonhome@assumption-chgo.org* 

**EVANGELIZATION TEAM:** Coordinates outreach to the unchurched and helps church members become missionary disciples. *evang@assumption-chgo.org*