

# ASSUMPTION CULTURAL CENTER

# Summer/Fall '25

Assumption Cultural Center | 21800 Marter Road | St. Clair Shores, MI | 48080 | [www.assumptionculturalcenter.org](http://www.assumptionculturalcenter.org)

## ASSUMPTION HAPPENINGS | (586) 779-6111

**COME BE GREEK FOR A DAY!  
ENJOY THE POPULAR  
GREEK FOOD YOU'VE  
COME TO LOVE!**

**GREEKFEST  
RETURNS**

**2025**  
**AUGUST 15, 16, 17**

Popular Greek food and pastries, entertainment with bands, dancers and area music groups. Taverna, Frappes, Baklava ice cream sundaes. Three days of kids' rides, games for all ages, magic shows, hair braiding and tattoos! Inflatables, stilt walkers, balloon man, puppet shows, face painting and more! Tour Church Iconography by artist Vlas Tsotsonis, visit "The History of Greektown" exhibit provided by Hellenic Museum of Michigan. Shop the Marketplace for unique items and gifts from the USA and Greece: Icons, art, photography, jewelry, oil paintings, handmade crafts, home accessories, imported women's clothing and more!

**NEW! 3 Days, Rain or Shine!**

Friday, August 15, 12pm-11pm • Saturday, August 16, 11am-11pm

Sunday, August 17, 11am-7pm

**Grand Opening Ceremony on Friday, August 15, at Noon**

**Guest MC - Charlie Langton, Fox TV2 Anchor**

**Meet Devin Scillian and Arizona Son Performing Saturday, 1:30-3pm**

**DRIVE-THRU CARRY-OUT OPEN DAILY**

Carry-out hours: Friday, 12pm-8pm; Saturday, 11am-8pm; Sunday 12pm-6pm

Call ahead to order at (586) 596-6326 or (586) 779-8071.

View menu and order online at [www.assumptionfestival.com](http://www.assumptionfestival.com).

**GREEKFEST GRAND RAFFLE! BUY YOUR WINNING TICKET NOW!**

1st Prize: \$10,000 • 2nd Prize: .75-carat Diamond Solitaire Pendant valued at \$3,000, donated by Ahee Jewelers • 3rd Prize: \$500 • 4th, 5th & 6th Prizes: \$200

Drawing on August 17 at 6pm • Tickets: \$10 each

**To purchase tickets and for more information,  
visit [www.assumptionfestival.com](http://www.assumptionfestival.com) or call (586) 779-6111.**

### GREEKFEST FUN FACTS!

There are **thousands** of reasons to attend Assumption's GreekFest!

250 volunteers make... **10,000** grape leaves (dolmades) • **5,000** spinach pies (spanakopita) • **5,000** shish kebabs (souvlaki) • **2,000** cheese pies (tiropita) • **2,000** custard rolls (galaktoboureko) • **1,200** lamb shanks...

All savored by more than **10,000** visitors from throughout the Metro Detroit area who attend our annual GreekFest!

**ADMIT ONE  
FREE**

**GREEKFEST 2025 ASSUMPTION FESTIVAL  
ADMISSION \$3 WITHOUT COUPON  
CHILDREN UNDER 12 FREE**

**AUGUST 15, 16, 17**

**Enjoy This Great Senior  
Experience!**

**ANNUAL SENIOR EXPO  
Celebrate 30th Anniversary!**

**Tribute to the History of Detroit  
Special Guests!**

A day for Senior health, wellness, recreation and resource information. Helping older adults and caregivers maintain healthy, active and secure lifestyles.

More than 50 Exhibitors

Workshops and Health Screenings

**Valuable Resource Guide  
for each guest!**

**Thursday, October 16th**

**8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

**By popular demand,  
DEVIN SCILLIAN,  
RETIRED WDIV-TV NEWS ANCHOR,  
PERFORMING WITH HIS BAND,  
ARIZONA SON!**

**Lunch by  
NATIONAL CONEY ISLAND  
Celebrating 60 Years**

Raffles, Giveaways and More!

No reservations required.

Free Shuttle for convenient parking at  
Grosse Pointe Woods Lakefront Park

For corporate sponsorship and exhibit  
information, call (586) 779-6111

**Presented by  
Assumption Cultural Center and  
Senior Expo Committee:**

American House Lakeshore  
Assumption Cultural Center  
Cranberry Park/Shorepointe Village  
Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce  
Harper Chiropractic Center  
Henry Ford Health  
The Helm  
Hope Senior Home Care  
Macomb County Chamber of Commerce



Affordable, Proven and Fun! Approved by physiologists and physicians as safe and effective, KALOSOMATICS® is a compilation of words meaning, "a state of well being through body movement." Tailored to all ages and skill levels and guided by certified instructors. KALOSOMATICS® employs traditional Yoga and Pilates-like mat work. Emphasis on cardiovascular development. Run, Walk, Stretch, Step, Kickbox, Circuit Training.

REGISTER FOR CLASSES ONLINE AT [www.assumptionculturalcenter.org](http://www.assumptionculturalcenter.org), stop by the office to sign up ahead of time or sign up on-site on your first day of class.

**FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE:** Alternate class days and times to fit your personal schedule.

**REASONABLE PRICES:** Only \$4 per class, or \$3 for seniors, *when you register for the entire session*. Drop-in fee: \$5 per class for all ages.

#### **FALL SESSION (16 weeks)**

Sept 2 – Dec 19

(No classes Oct 16; Nov 27 & 28)

\$128 – Two classes per week

\$192 – Three classes per week

Senior Rate (60 and over):

\$96 – Two classes per week

\$144 – Three classes per week

#### **WOMEN'S KALOSOMATICS®**

Mat work followed by cardio: Aerobics, calisthenics, step, kickboxing, circuit and strength training, dance, yoga. Sign up for 2-5 classes per week and attend whichever classes fit your schedule each week.

Mon/Tues/Wed/Thurs/Fri, 9:15-10:15am

\*Available on Zoom.

#### **CO-ED KALOSOMATICS® INTERVAL & CROSS TRAINING**

Mat work followed by Interval and Cross Training. Bursts of high-intensity cardio alternating with lower intensity cardio moves and upper and lower body strength training.

High-intensity moves may be modified for those desiring a less strenuous workout. Tues/Thurs, 7-8pm \*Available on Zoom.

#### **CO-ED KALO MODERATION/STRETCH & STROLL CHAIR AEROBICS**

Less strenuous form with chair exercises and hand weights, followed by low impact cardio that includes walking and standing moves. Tues/Thurs, 10:30-11:30am

*\*Attend in-person or via Zoom (or a combination of the two.) To attend Zoom classes, an email address must be provided when you register.*

## **PICKLEBALL AT ASSUMPTION**

To register for all programs below, call (586) 779-6111.

**NO ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR PICKLEBALL. No credits or refunds for missed days.**

**All pickleball clinics and lessons are instructed by Peggy Murphy Kurza, certified PPR instructor, and/or Mike Patton, 5.0 player.**

#### **EARLY BIRD PICKLEBALL**

Are you and your friends early birds? Start your day playing pickleball at 7am! Courts are available Monday through Friday, 7-9am. Assumption Center gym

#### **SATURDAY PICKLEBALL**

Saturdays, 9-11am & 11:15am-1:15pm  
Assumption Nursery School gym

#### **BEGINNER PICKLEBALL**

Learn the fundamentals associated with the game. In this clinic you will learn the rules, lingo, and proper serving. Instructor leads with "drill of the day." Paddles are available during the lessons.

Wednesdays, Oct 8 – Dec 10 (11 weeks)  
3-4:30pm, Fee: \$160

#### **SKILLS AND DRILLS WITH A PARTNER!**

To improve your skills in pickleball, a player must focus on drills and exercises that target specific techniques, such as serving, dinking, volleying, and blocking. In this 3-week clinic we will break the game down and drill various strokes, shots and lobs. Register with a partner whose pickleball skill level is similar to yours.

Fridays, October 17, 24 & 31  
12:45-2:15pm

OR

Fridays, November 7, 14 & 21

12:45-2:15pm

Must be able to attend all three Fridays in the session. No substitutions.

Fee: \$90

#### **SMALL GROUP PICKLEBALL LESSONS**

A great way to learn the game, or to improve your skills to take your game to the next level. Days and times vary. To schedule, call Peggy at (313) 670-8780.

Fees:

\$30 per player, 3-5 players, for 90 minutes

\$40 per player, 1-2 players, for 60 minutes

#### **PICKLEBALL MACHINE**

Need practice on certain shots? Cross-court dinking? Third shot drop? We now have a pickleball machine that can help you develop better muscle memory for shot placement and control of the ball.

Register for a 30-minute session with either Mike or Peggy.

Fees: \$20 for 30 minutes, \$40 for 60 minutes

#### **COURT RENTALS**

Reserve a court and bring your own players. Court rentals are two hours in length.

Fee: \$40 per 2-hour session.

Call for days/evenings and times.

## **TAE KWON DO**

#### **TAE KWON DO KARATE**

Gus Panagos and Bob Henry lead with outstanding years of experience in martial arts. Learn the philosophy, discipline and techniques of this traditional form of Karate. Improve your health, mind and spirit. For men and women. Fully accredited from white belt to black belt.

Thursdays, 7:30pm

Session I: Sept – Oct

Session II: Nov – Dec

#### **YOUNG DRAGONS TAE KWON DO**

Teaches fundamentals and practical exercises for ages 4 to 10. Designed for all levels of abilities with emphasis on Courtesy, Integrity, Perseverance, Self-Control and Indomitable Spirit. One of the most popular classes for kids. Uniforms available through instructors.

Thursdays, 6:30pm

Session I: Sept – Oct

Session II: Nov – Dec

For more information on Tae Kwon Do classes, contact Bob Henry at [bobahenry@yahoo.com](mailto:bobahenry@yahoo.com) or call (586) 930-5888.

Classes held two blocks north at Assumption School gym.

## YOGA

### YIN YOGA – Come Breathe with Us!

Let's release stress and increase self-awareness and flexibility together with the help of our breath and a cozy fireplace! The YIN postures gently stretch and rehabilitate the connective tissues that form our joints. When you finish this practice you will feel as though you just had a deep tissue massage! All levels, no experience needed. Bring a mat and wear comfortable clothing. NO SENIOR DISCOUNT. Tuesdays, 6:30-7:30pm, Assumption Center Sept 9 – Dec 16 (15 weeks), Fee: \$105

## MARCHIORI CATERING AT ASSUMPTION

### HOST YOUR NEXT EVENT AT ASSUMPTION CULTURAL CENTER WITH MARCHIORI CATERING

**Celebrating 74 years and four generations of distinction in food and outstanding service make Marchiori the caterer of choice. In partnership with Assumption for more than 30 years.**

**Enjoy a complete Wedding Experience in spacious, beautifully redecorated and recently redesigned ballroom, grand reception area and elegant courtyard.**

**Prestige and personalized service set the tone for conferences, business meetings and organization gatherings.**

Many rooms available to accommodate large and small groups and a variety of special events. Off premise catered events offered. Destination weddings.

Visit Marchiori Catering at the Assumption Cultural Center.

**Open to the entire community!  
Call (586) 771-8600 or visit  
[www.marchioricatering.com](http://www.marchioricatering.com)**

### CARRY-OUT MENUS

Check out our New Daily Carry-Out Trays and Menu online at [www.marchioricatering.com](http://www.marchioricatering.com). To place an order, call (586) 771-8600

### POPULAR SOUPS TO GO!

Freshly prepared soups, sauces and specialty foods  
To Go!

## HELLENIC CULTURAL SERIES

### ASSUMPTION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH ICONOGRAPHY TOURS

Assumption Church is graced with iconography from world-renowned iconographer Vlas Tsotsonis.

Iconography is an ancient art form of central importance to the worship and catechism of early Christians. It flourished in the Byzantine era but has been used throughout the 2,000-year history of the Orthodox Church. Tours are especially enjoyed by those interested in art, history, anthropology or religion.

**Call (586) 779-6111 to schedule a tour.**

### HELLENIC CUISINE

Learn to make 3 favorite recipes of Greece!

#### Loukoumades

The delicious honey balls thousands enjoy at our annual GreekFest!  
Monday, September 29, 6:30pm

#### Moussaka

A meat and eggplant lasagna with potatoes, tomato sauce and bechamel!  
Monday, October 20, 6:30pm

#### Greek Baked Chicken with Potatoes

Monday, November 10, 6:30pm  
Fee per class: \$20

## GREEK LANGUAGE

### ADULT CONVERSATIONAL GREEK LANGUAGE

Learn the language of the basis of Western Culture. An excellent foundation for all language study.

#### BEGINNERS & TEENS:

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30pm  
Beginning Sept 24

#### INTERMEDIATE & ADVANCED BEGINNERS

Mondays, 6:30-7:30pm  
Beginning Sept 22

All classes are 10 weeks  
Fee: \$75 (includes books)  
Call (586) 779-6111

### Assumption Gift Shop & Book Store

Books, Icons, Hellenic cookbooks, many unique gift items from Greece.  
Call office for hours.

## SELF-IMPROVEMENT

### LEARN FRENCH

With the Alliance Française, French classes are offered for children and adults, beginners and advanced. For upper French level classes, contact Alliance Francaise.  
Sept 16 – Nov 20  
(9 wks – no classes Oct 16)

### BEGINNER FRENCH FOR CHILDREN

Ages 8-10 years, (A1.101.0)  
Tuesdays, 5-6pm, Fee: \$220

### ADULTS – VERY BEGINNER

(A1.101.0) – Tuesdays  
6-7:30pm, Fee: \$290

### ADULTS

(A1.102.3) – Thursdays  
5:30-7pm, Fee: \$290

### ADULTS

(A1.102.1) – Thursdays  
7-8:30pm, Fee: \$290

*Early Bird Rate until August 30th (\$205/\$285)*

Register at [www.afdetroit.org/french-classes](http://www.afdetroit.org/french-classes), or call (248) 538-5440.

Visit Alliance Francaise de Grosse Pointe's website at

[www.afdegrossepointe.org/classes/](http://www.afdegrossepointe.org/classes/)

## TRAVEL WITH ASSUMPTION

### Join your neighbors – Affordable & fun!

#### KENTUCKY

Visit a variety of different sites: Bourbon Distilleries, Winery, Churchill Downs, Louisville Bat Factory, Mammoth Caves, and more! Travel is by motorcoach.  
May 2026

#### PORTUGAL AND SPAIN

Watch for details!  
September 2026

### TRAVEL NIGHTS

**Learn about our travel program at Assumption Center:**

- Kentucky, Thurs, Sept 11, 7pm
- Portugal/Spain, Thurs, Nov 13, 7pm

For information and reservations, contact Trip Leader Julie Granger at (313) 770-6047, or call Assumption Center at (586) 779-6111



# NURSERY SCHOOL & TODDLER CENTER



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## **A LIFETIME OF LEARNING BEGINS AT ASSUMPTION!**

**Register NOW for the 2025/2026 School Year**

*Limited Space is Available!*

**2025 Fall Session Begins Tuesday, September 2**

*Dedicated to each child as a total individual socially, emotionally, physically and cognitively in a secure and caring school environment.*

### **Class Offerings:**

Toddlers: 1 to 2 1/2 years • Transition & Young Threes: 2 1/2 to 3 years

Preschool: 3 or 4 years • Young Fives

### **Program Offerings:**

Full or half days, minimum of 2 days per week for toddlers and preschoolers,  
3 days a week for Young 5s.

**Open year-round • Hours: 7 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.**

Preschool Enrichment Classes

### **Developmentally Appropriate Campus:**

Curriculum based on Michigan Early Childhood Standards of Quality for Preschool and Toddlers

Recipient of Governor's Quality Care Award • Learning Centers • Thematic units

Secure Playgrounds • School-sized gym • Individual room HVAC units

Family Events • 12 self-contained classrooms, plus 2 Assumption Center Annex classrooms

Fully Licensed by the State of Michigan

### **Enrichment Classes:**

Science • Art • Cooking • Yoga  
Creative Movement • Foreign Language

### **Inclement Weather Policy**

If both Grosse Pointe and South Lake School Districts are closed, Assumption Nursery School & Toddler Center and the Assumption Cultural Center will be closed.

### **Assumption Activities Fall 2025**

21800 Marter Road, St. Clair Shores, MI 48080 • (586) 779-6111

**Chairpersons:** Tony Lipinski / Roula Tsaprailis

**Advisory Committee:** Roula Lipinski / John Mitropetros / Patty Vasilos / George Verras / Joan DeRonne