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## Mass Times

Please check our website for Mass guidelines, seat reservations, and possible schedule changes.

### Sunday

7:00am English (Ordinary Form)  
9:00am English (Ordinary Form)  
11:00am Latin (Extraordinary Form)  
5:30pm English (Ordinary Form)

### Weekday English Mass

(Ordinary Form)  
6:30am Monday through Friday  
12:10pm Monday, Wednesday & Friday

### Weekday Latin Mass

(Extraordinary Form)  
12:10pm Tuesday & Thursday

### Saturday

8:00am English (Ordinary Form)  
5:30pm Sunday Vigil Mass -  
English (Ordinary Form)

## Livestream Schedule

The following Masses are livestreamed via our Facebook page:

-Sunday 9am and 11am Masses  
-Tuesday through Friday 12:10pm Mass  
-All Saturday Masses

## Vespers

### Second Sunday Vespers

4:00pm

## Reconciliation

-Sundays following 9am Mass until the 11am Mass begins  
-15 minutes before all other Masses

## Anointing of the Sick

Please call the parish office prior to going to hospital.

## Baptism

Please email [info@acctx.org](mailto:info@acctx.org)

## Marriage

Please email [weddings@acctx.org](mailto:weddings@acctx.org)

## The 2nd of January in the Year of Our Lord 2021

### Epiphany of The Lord

(The Holy Name of Jesus, Trad.)

## Welcome to The Church of the Annunciation!

If you are visiting from out of town, consider making Annunciation your parish home when in Houston. Please sign the guest book in our entryways. If you recently moved into the area, our pastor the Reverend Father Paul Felix would like very much to meet you and welcome you personally to The Church of the Annunciation. Please see him after Mass.

## Parish Clergy

Reverend Father Paul Felix, *Pastor*

Reverend Monsignor James Golasinski, *Former Pastor | Retired*

Reverend Father John Ugobueze, *Priest in Residence*

Deacon Kenneth "K.C." Curtis

## Parish Staff

Administrative Assistant to the Pastor: Lillian Kish | [administration@acctx.org](mailto:administration@acctx.org)

Activities Coordinator: Sherri Lindsey | [activities@acctx.org](mailto:activities@acctx.org)

Director of Sacred Music: Catherine Schaefer | [music@acctx.org](mailto:music@acctx.org)

Porter: Joseph Nguyen | [reception@acctx.org](mailto:reception@acctx.org)

Sacramental Preparation Coordinator: Catherine O'Brien | [religioused@acctx.org](mailto:religioused@acctx.org)

Wedding Coordinator: Sandra Villarreal | [weddings@acctx.org](mailto:weddings@acctx.org)

## Parishioner Registration

To become a registered parishioner, please complete a registration form on our website. Please inform the parish office of any changes to your contact information.

## Donations

To make a financial offering, please visit our website or text the word "Giving" to 713-322-5125.

## Parish Apostolates, Outreach & Volunteers

To learn about the many volunteer opportunities, please email [volunteers@annunciationcc.org](mailto:volunteers@annunciationcc.org)

## Please call the Parish Office for:

Funeral Scheduling, Group Tours of Our Historic Church, Mass Intentions, Re-Issued Sacrament Certificates, Sponsoring a Particular Sunday's Altar Flowers (currently \$150), and other inquiries.

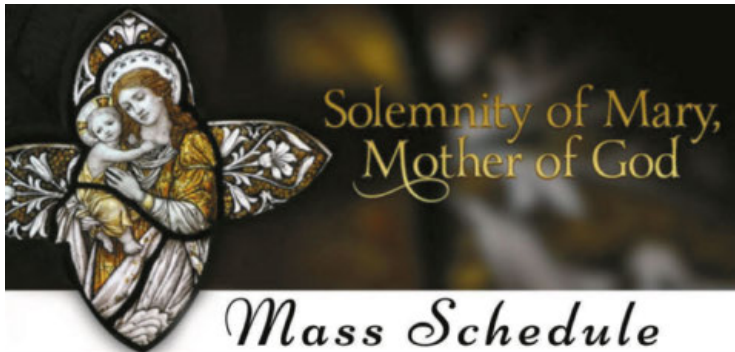
## OFFERTORY REPORT

December 19: Collection \$10,841 ~ Online giving \$2,191  
 December 26 collection totals will be included  
 in next week's bulletin



### Gain a Plenary Indulgence on January 1st

A plenary indulgence is granted to the faithful, who publicly recite the hymn *Veni Creator Spiritus (Come, O Creator Spirit Blest)* on Jan. 1st. Obtaining a plenary indulgence also has the following conditions: Sacramental Confession, Holy Communion, detachment from sin, and prayers for the intentions of the Holy Father. Learn more at: [ourladywarriors.org/indulge/plenary.htm](http://ourladywarriors.org/indulge/plenary.htm)



### Saturday, January 1, 2022

7:00 AM Mass - Ordinary Form  
 9:00 AM Mass - Ordinary Form  
 11:00 AM Extraordinary Form  
 Missa Cantata Mass

#### Clarification on Fulfillment of Mass Obligations

Here at Annunciation, we will not have a Saturday evening Mass on the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, January 1. All Masses on Saturday, January 1, fulfill the obligation to attend Mass for the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God in the Ordinary Form and the Octave of the Nativity of the Lord in the Extraordinary Form. All Masses on Sunday, January 2, fulfill the obligation to attend Mass for the Sunday observance of the Epiphany of the Lord in the Ordinary Form and the Holy Name of Jesus in the Extraordinary Form.

One Mass cannot fulfill two obligations.

Prayers that you and all your loved ones have a joyous celebration of the Sacred Season of Christmas!

## PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR

### Sunday, January 2

7:00am	Ordinary Form Mass (English)
9:00am	Ordinary Form Solemn Mass (English) followed by the Blessing Table
11:00am	Extraordinary Form Solemn Mass (Latin) followed by the Blessing Table; and Exposition and Adoration
5:30pm	Ordinary Form Mass (English)

### Monday, January 3

6:30am	Ordinary Form Mass (English)
12:10pm	Ordinary Form Mass (English)

### Tuesday, January 4

6:30am	Ordinary Form Mass (English)
12:10pm	Extraordinary Form Mass (Latin)

### Weds., January 5

6:30am	Ordinary Form Mass (English)
12:10pm	Ordinary Form Mass (English)
6:30pm	RCIA

### Thursday, January 6

6:30am	Ordinary Form Mass (English)
12:10pm	Extraordinary Form Mass (Latin)

### Friday, January 7

6:30am	Ordinary Form Mass (English)
12:10pm	Ordinary Form Mass (English)

### Saturday, January 8

8:00am	Ordinary Form Mass (English)
5:30pm	Ordinary Form Vigil Mass (English)

### Sunday, January 9

7:00am	Ordinary Form Mass (English)
9:00am	Ordinary Form Solemn Mass (English)
11:00am	Extraordinary Form Solemn Mass (Latin) followed by Exposition and Adoration
4:00pm	Second Sunday Solemn Vespers
5:30pm	Ordinary Form Mass (English)



### The Blessing Table Sunday, January 2

On the first Sunday of each month, bring your beloved devotional items, such as rosaries, crucifixes, medals, and statues to be blessed after the 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM Masses!

Leave your items (bagged is okay) on the Blessing Table in the narthex when you arrive.  
 PLEASE DO NOT BRING OIL

**RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION  
FOR ADULTS (RCIA)**

*"I have called you by name, you are mine"*  
Isaiah 43:1

Classes resume this Wednesday, Jan 5, 2022

As the world observes a new year, it is a perfect time to encourage someone to begin the new year by completing their sacraments or coming fully into the Holy Catholic Church.



RCIA is for adults who...

- ♦ have never been baptized and have an expressed interest in becoming part of the Mystical Body of Christ in the Catholic Church.
- ♦ are baptized Catholic, but have not received the Sacrament/s of Confirmation and/or Holy Communion
- ♦ have been baptized in another denomination and are interested in learning about Catholicism and becoming Catholic.

Email [rcia@acctx.org](mailto:rcia@acctx.org). Please include a full name and mobile number

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**



Registration forms for Sacrament preparation (First Holy Communion and Confirmation) are available in the entry ways to the Church or on the parish website. Submit completed forms and payments to "Religious Education" through the mail, electronic mail (as a .pdf), or to the parish office.

**CATECHISTS NEEDED!**

The call to teach the faith is an important calling and task. If you are called to this apostolate, please contact Religious Education. Questions concerning Religious Education Annunciation can be directed to [religiousED@acctx.org](mailto:religiousED@acctx.org)

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*Sunday Adoration*

**COME TO ME ALL WHO LABOR AND ARE BURDENED AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST**

**Sign up for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on Sundays from 1pm to 5pm**

We are in need of committed adorers to help cover our Sunday Adoration from 1pm or 5pm. Please email Christy, our Adoration Coordinator, with your commitment or for more information at [adoration@acctx.org](mailto:adoration@acctx.org)

*A thousand years of enjoying human glory is not worth even an hour spent in sweetly communing with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. - St. Padre Pio*

*2021 Contributions*

Parishioners wishing to receive a 2021 contribution statement must send an email request to [administration@acctx.org](mailto:administration@acctx.org) or call the parish office at 713-222-2289

**HOLY LEAGUE  
HOLY HOUR  
FOR MEN**

**WEDNESDAY  
JANUARY 12, 2021  
5:30 AM**

**ADORATION  
CONFESSION  
HOLY MASS**

**THE VISITATION CHAPEL IS OPEN**

The Visitation Chapel is open to pray and adore our Lord in the Tabernacle. Please bring a photo ID to the Foley House office during business hours to check in.

## Mass Intentions

### Sun., January 2

7:00am Roberto Rodriguez †  
9:00am Alex Galbraith Family  
11:00am Nicholas † & Katherine Volanski †  
5:30pm Olga Ramirez †

### Mon., January 3

6:30am Ellis E. Milam †  
12:10pm Julie Ashorn †

### Tues., January 4

6:30am Joselito Pile+  
12:10pm Keith and Sherri Lindsey

### Wed., January 5

6:30am Minerva Leyba Peden †  
12:10pm Sam Covernale †

### Thur., January 6

6:30am Holy Souls in Purgatory †  
12:10pm Marilyn James †

### Fri., January 7

6:30am Maria Guadalupe Arriaga †  
12:10pm Suzanne Malnar  
Secondary intention Protection of the Unborn

### Sat., January 8

7:00am Josephine Covernale †  
9:00am People of the Parish

### Sun., January 9

7:00am Maria Victoria Garcia †  
9:00am Nate and Melissa Gumm  
11:00am Keith and Sherri Lindsey  
5:30pm Mireya Garcia †

† Deceased

## Congratulations to the newest members of the Body of Christ



### Lydia Marguerite Miller

who received the Sacrament of Baptism on December 18, 2021.

We also congratulate her family and Godparents.

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Sunday, January 23, 2022

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# Texas Rally for Life

Saturday, January 22, 2022  
Austin, TX

Buses depart from  
St. Dominic Center, 9am  
March & Rally in Austin, 1-3pm

Reserve your spot today!  
<https://event.me/kkXL2Z>



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## VOCATION DISCERNMENT

Are you discerning a call to the priesthood or religious life? Do you know about the Houston Vocations office? Please contact the staff there to discuss God's plan of service for you in His Church.

Visit [houstonvocations.com](http://houstonvocations.com)

## THE CHALKING OF THE DOORS: AN EPIPHANY TRADITION EXPLAINED

Source: *OnePeterFive.com*

If you don't know what the chalk is all about, don't be ashamed. You're certainly not alone.

Epiphany (also known as Twelfth Night, *Theophany*, or Three Kings Day) marks the occasion of a time-honored Christian tradition of "chalking the doors." The formula for the ritual — adapted for 2020 — is simple: take chalk of any color and write the following above the entrance of your home: **20 + C + M + B + 22**.

The letters have two meanings. First, they represent the initials of the Magi — Caspar, Malchior, and Balthazar — who came to visit Jesus in His first home. They also abbreviate the Latin phrase, *Christus mansionem benedicat*: "May Christ bless the house." The "+" signs represent the cross, and the "20" at the beginning and the "22" at the end mark the year. Taken together, this inscription is performed as a request for Christ to bless those homes so marked and that He stay with those who dwell therein throughout the entire year.

The chalking of the doors is a centuries-old practice throughout the world, though it appears to be somewhat less well-known in the United States. It is, however, an easy tradition to adopt, and a great practice whereby we dedicate our year to God from its very outset, asking His blessing on our homes and on all who live, work, or visit them there.

The timing for the chalking of the doors varies somewhat in practice. In some places, it is done on New Year's Day. More commonly, it is performed on the traditional Feast of the Epiphany — the Twelfth Day of Christmas. Most often the chalking takes place after Epiphany Mass, and can be done at any church, home, or dwelling. Traditionally the blessing is done by either a priest or the father of the family. This blessing can be performed simply by just writing the inscription and offering a short prayer, or more elaborately, including songs, prayers, processions, the burning of incense, and the sprinkling of holy water.

After many Epiphany Masses, satchels of blessed chalk, incense, and containers of Epiphany water (holy water blessed with special blessings for Epiphany) are distributed. These can then be brought home and used to perform the ritual. Another common practice is to save a few grains of the Epiphany incense until Easter, so that it can be burned along with the Easter candle.

Practicing traditions like the chalking of the doors helps us to live our Faith more concretely and serve as an outward sign of our dedication to Our Lord. Our homes are also the place where many of us will make the greatest strides in our spiritual growth, through observance of daily prayer, spiritual reading, and work offered as an oblation to God.

The chalking of the doors of a home encourages Christians to dedicate their life at home to God and to others. Seeing the symbols over our doors can help to remind us, while passing in and out on our daily routines, that our homes and all those who dwell there belong to Christ. It also serves as a reminder of welcoming the Magi gave to Jesus. We should strive to be as welcoming to all who come to our homes to visit us!



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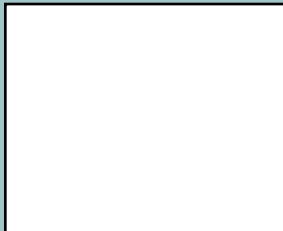
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