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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@acchtx.org

Marriage

Please email weddings@acchtx.org

The 9th of January in the Year of Our Lord 2022

The Baptism of The Lord

(The Holy Family, 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@acchtx.org
Activities Coordinator: Sherri Lindsey | activities@acchtx.org
Director of Sacred Music: Catherine Schaefer | music@acchtx.org
Porter: Joseph Nguyen | reception@acchtx.org

Sacramental Preparation Coordinator: Catherine O'Brien | religioused@acchtx.org Wedding Coordinator: Sandra Villarreal | weddings@acchtx.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

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

CHRISTMAS: \$10,983

DECEMBER 26: Collection \$8,030 ~ Online giving \$3,270 January 2nd collection info will be included in next week's bulletin.



Thank You!

On behalf of Msgr. Golasinski, Fr. John Ugobueze & myself, I want to express gratitude for all the warm greetings & Christmas gifts.

May God reward you for your goodness!

Fr. Paul Felix Pastor Annunciation Catholic Church Houston, Texas







7:00am

9:00am

11:00am

5:30pm

The 2022 Houston Marathon, Half Marathon, and 5K will be on January 15 - 16 with significant impact on downtown traffic and parking. Please go to https://tinyurl.com/2022marathon for a printable Annunciation parking pass, maps & info.





PARISH WEEKLY CALENDAR Sunday, January 9 7:00am Ordinary Form Mass (English) 9:00am Ordinary Form Solemn Mass (English) Extraordinary Form Solemn Mass (Latin) 11:00am followed by Exposition and Adoration 4:00pm Second Sunday Solemn Vespers 5:30pm Ordinary Form Mass (English) Monday, January 10 6:30am Ordinary Form Mass (English) 12:10pm Ordinary Form Mass (English) Tuesday, January 11 6:30am Ordinary Form Mass (English) Extraordinary Form Mass (Latin) 12:10pm Weds.. Ianuary 12 Holy League Holy Hour for Men 5:30am 6:30am Ordinary Form Mass (English) 12:10pm Ordinary Form Mass (English) 6:30pm RCIA Thursday, January 13 6:30am Ordinary Form Mass (English) Extraordinary Form Mass (Latin) 12:10pm Friday, January 14 6:30am Ordinary Form Mass (English) 12:10pm Ordinary Form Mass (English) Saturday, January 15 8:00am Ordinary Form Mass (English) Ordinary Form Vigil Mass (English) 5:30pm Sunday, January 16



Ordinary Form Mass (English)

Ordinary Form Mass (English)

Ordinary Form Solemn Mass (English)
Extraordinary Form Solemn Mass (Latin)

followed by Exposition and Adoration

Thank You!

THE ALTAR SOCIETY WISHES TO THANK
EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE
CHRISTMAS FLOWERS FUND! YOUR AMAZING
GENEROSITY ALLOWED US TO BEAUTIFULLY
ADORN THE CHURCH TO CELEBRATE THE
BIRTH OF OUR LORD!

Poinsettias in the narthex of the church are available to take home after Masses on January 8 & 9.



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITITATION FOR ADULTS (RCIA)

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

"To fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek Him the greatest adventure; to find Him the greatest human achievement."

- St Augustine

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@acchtx.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@acchtx.org

Women's Apostolate Holy Hour Women of all ages are invited to come adore our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament Thursday, February 3rd @ 6:30pm in the church. Confession will be available Social to follow at the Foley House Email families@acchtx.arg for more info

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Annunciation Families Apostolate Rosary & Breakfast Potluck



Join us on Saturday, Jan. 22 the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn to pray the rosary after the 8 am Mass.

Following the rosary will be a potluck breakfast in the Foley House. All are invited to come and bring a dish to share.

For more info, email families@acchtx.org



Mass Intentions

Sun., January 9

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

5:30pm Mireya Garcia †

Mon., January 10

6:30am Stella Scanlan † 12:10pm Sterling Reckling †

Tues., January 11

6:30am Charlotte †

12:10pm Cynthia and Ty Concepcion Wedding Anniversary

Wed., January 12

6:30am John Pinedo †

12:10pm Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thur., January 13

6:30am Ellis E. Milam † 12:10pm Marilyn James †

Fri., January 14

6:30am Julie Ashorn † 12:10pm Isidra Vargas †

Secondary intention Protection of the Unborn

Sat., January 15

8:00am Reynaldo Gallias † 5:30Pm Patrick Laffey †

Sun., January 16

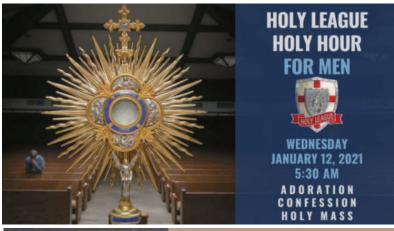
7:00am Andres Garcia †

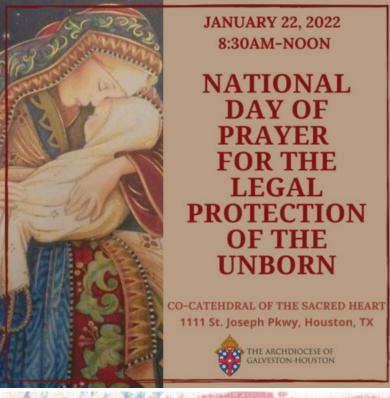
9:00am Joe and Patricia Warfield11:00am People of the Parish5:30pm Lawrence Poleski

† Deceased

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Saturday, January 22, 2022
Austin, TX

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

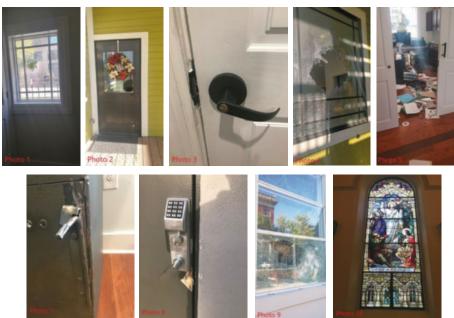
Reserve your spot today! https://cvent.me/kkXL2Z



My Dear People,

On the early morning of December 23rd, 2021, at around 1 am, an individual jumped our fence, broke into the Foley House, and vandalized the Foley House and our beloved Church of the Annunciation.

I suspect the guy may have first thrown something through the first floor window (see photo #1 below) that faces Texas Street as a test to see if an alarm would go off. He then broke into the Foley House through the window of the reception door (#2), broke the receptionist control door handle (#3) and got into the receptionist's area. He broke the receptionist exterior window (#4), ransacked the receptionist office (#5) and some other parts of the first floor, throwing the printer, computer equipment, emptying drawers and cabinets' contents on the floor. He found some tools that were stored in a lateral file cabinet and attempted to break into the drop safe, drilling into the keyholes and attempting to cut out the hinges with an electric grinder (#7). He took the drill and attempted to break into the church by drilling into the keyhole on the keypad security lock (#8) we installed on the round-topped door leading from the plaza into the Visitation Chapel. The door hardware and the door were damaged, but he couldn't break in. He took a hammer and attempted to break through the Resurrection stained glass window (#9) but was unable to penetrate the impact-resistant glass that we had installed earlier this year. (#10)



After attempting to break into Fr. John's car, and his failed attempt to get into the church, he stole some items and left. He was on campus for around 45 minutes.

The good news is that our protective impact-resistant glass did what it was supposed to and protected our stained glass window of the Resurrection from being damaged. Thanks to all of you who contributed to paying to have that protective measure done for our beautiful stained glass windows! Your contributions paid off in a big way! The protective glass will have to be replaced but that is a small price to pay compared to the cost of repairing or replacing the stained glass window. The special keypad security lock we installed on the round-topped door leading into the Visitation Chapel was damaged along with the door, but the perpetrator did not get in. It is horrible to think what harm could have been done if the guy had gotten into our church. He could have done severe damage and theft, but incomparably worse -- he could have desecrated the Blessed Sacrament! Thankfully, our security measures prevented that from happening. Our new video security system captured this intrusion, and we hope to glean a good image that will provide a clear recognizable image of the perpetrator.

The security measures we have taken over recent years worked to prevent or minimize the damage that could have been done to people and property. However, this event opened our eyes to some things that we still need to do and that can help minimize our vulnerability. There are some additional video security cameras we need to install. Technology provides the means for setting electronic "no-go" zones so that, within predetermined timeframes, the cameras can detect movement in those zones and can send out notifications to a predetermined list of people who can respond and call the police, if appropriate. We will need to install better hardware on the entry doors along with more impact-resistant glass for areas vulnerable to break-in attempts.

Our insurance has a \$5000 deductible per incident claim. We will need to replace broken and stolen office equipment. We will have to repair all the other damages. And, beyond the scope of what insurance will cover, we will need to take additional security measures to do all that we can to ensure the safety of our Eucharistic Lord, our people, our church and all of our other facilities and equipment.

We have all heard the expression "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure." Your past support has made a huge difference in preventing the harm of this incident from being worse than it was.

Please help us to repair these damages and take additional measures for prevention of theft and vandalism by going online to https://tinyurl.com/donate-ACC and selecting the "Building Fund" from the drop-down menu.

May God bless you and all your loved ones this Christmas Season and may you experience grateful joy throughout the New Year!

Fr. Paul Felix Pastor The Church of the Annunciation

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