Church of the Annunciation
Catholic Church

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Mass:
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Mass:
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.

Holy Day:
Special schedule, as announced

Confessions:
Saturday: 4:00 p.m. & by appointment

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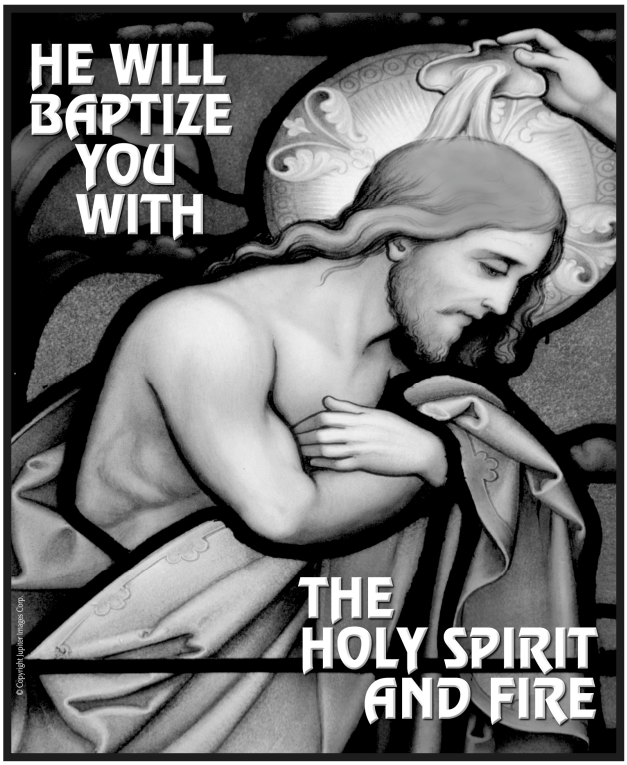
January 13, 2019
The Baptism of the Lord



Our Mission

We, the Church of Annunciation, rooted in our belief in the Eucharist, accept the call of God to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with our parish community and beyond. We strive to be witnesses to our faith through our responsible stewardship and by welcoming and caring for others as Jesus taught us.

New Parishioners

Please call the parish office for information on registering as a member of the parish. Pre-registration forms are also available on a table in the church narthex. Someone will be happy to help you with registration and information about the parish.

Baptism

Contact the parish office during pregnancy to register for a parent preparation session and to schedule the baptism of your children. Baptisms are normally celebrated during or after one of the Sunday Masses or Saturday Vigil Mass.

Marriage

Begin preparation at least nine months in advance. Call the office to register for the marriage preparation program. Date can be set only after preparation has begun.

Welcome to Church of the Annunciation

I was remiss in last week's bulletin to share about National Migration Week, when we as a Church are asked to remember in prayer the refugees and migrants throughout the world. The Church has chosen this past week as National Migration Week because it follows the feast of the Epiphany, when the Holy Family - Jesus, Mary and Joseph, became refugees due to Herod's threat. After Joseph was warned in a dream he took his wife, Mary and their child, Jesus, to Egypt until Herod's death. It is difficult to even broach this subject of migration and refugees because people tend to make the situation a political issue due to the fear of illegal immigration that seems to be receiving all the headlines in the political arena. Prayer for migrants should have no boundaries because it is a global problem with persecutions, violence, poverty, diseases, to name a few problems, people face throughout the world. We who feel safe and secure because we have the protection we need, are called upon to pray and care for those who are threatened in any way, like Joseph, Mary and Jesus were, It is our Christian duty to care for one another.

The last sentence of the previous paragraph segues right into the next topic I want to address. The week of January 18 - 25, is the Week of Prayer of Christian Unity. In 1908 the dates for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity were suggested because it included the feasts of the Chair of St. Peter and the Conversion of St. Paul. The theme for this year's prayer for Christian Unity is "Justice only Justice you shall pursue." There are many Christians who have become refugees and migrants merely because they are Christians. The Church asks us to take a week to pray for one another, supporting each other in faith. It is an injustice when Christians refuse to accept each other's faith experiences. Fr. Orians SA, Associate director of the Graymoor Ecumenical and interreligious institute shares: "every year Christians across the world gather in prayer for growth in unity. We do this in a world where corruption, greed and injustice bring about inequality and divisions. We are called together to form a united witness for justice and for Christian unity that becomes a means of Christ's healing grace for brokenness of the world. Only by heeding Jesus' prayer "that they all may be one" can we witness to living unity in diversity." We really need to pray for one another as Christians in order to unite and bring healing to a world that seems to thrive on inequality and division. That may be acceptable in a political world, but it cannot be condoned in a world where we call ourselves followers of Christ. Take some time during the week of January 18-25 to pray for unity among Christians and also look for ways to be supportive to our Christian brothers and sisters: "That we may all be one!"

Fr. Al Ebach, C.P.S.

DATE/INTENTIONS	READINGS	PARISH ACTIVITIES
Monday, January 14	Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20	9:00am: Bible Study 7:00pm: Guitar practice (S)
Tuesday, January 15 8:00am: † Rose Conrick	Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28	9:30am: Staff meeting
Wednesday, January 16 6:00pm: Kathy Keary	Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39	4:00pm: PSR 7:00pm: Youth Group
Thursday, January 17 *St. Anthony* 8:00am: E. Dian Kunce	Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45	
Friday, January 18 8:00am: † John Anderson	Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12	
Saturday, January 19 *2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time -Vigil* 5:00pm: Chaston Family	Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17	
Sunday, January 20 *2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time* 8:00am: † Jim Martin 10:30am: Parish	Is 62:1-5; Ps 96:1-3, 7-10; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11	

(A) - Ascension (ACC) - Annunciation Community Center (C) - Coronation (N) - Nativity (PC) - Table & chair area (P) - Presentation (S) - Sanctuary (V) - Visitation

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 19 5:00pm

S - **B. Owen**
AS - **A. Smith; G. James**
U - **A. James; P. James**
L - **M. Chaston; B. Owen**
EM - **B. Owen; P. James; M. Kane; P. Waddell; L. Page**

Sunday, January 20 8:00am

S - **Mary Ann Seymour**
AS - **M. Herndon; E. Herndon**
U - **J. Wilson; C. Burgess**
L - **R. Herndon; M. Holloway**
EM - **S. Burgess; J. Sondag; S. Sondag; B. Burkemper; R. Brown**

Sunday, January 20 10:30am

S - **Hank & Eileen Lagermann**
AS - **J. Schmitz; S. Robertson**
U - **Irsik Family**
L - **P. Peugh; J. Meacham**
EM - **M. Masters; B. Dolan; J. Thomas; J. Thomas; M. Thomas**

If you are unable to minister, please call a substitute
S - Sacristan, *AS* - Alter Server, *U* - Usher, *L* - Lector, *EM* - Eucharistic Minister

Remember in Your Prayers

Parishioners**: Rose Conrick,** repose of soul**; Loretta Conrick; Karen Perkins; Dan Smith,** husband of Rose Smith; **Carolyn Knipp; E Dian Kunce; Martha Hayes; Rachel Adcock; Trisha Greenwood,** daughter of John & Mary Greenwood**; Roy Harmon, Art Barrette; Josefina & Lee Prewitt; Tyler Sumption,** son of Donna Sumption; **Chuck Sohm; Jim & Dorothy Self; Suzy Amberg.**

Family & friends of parishioners: **Tim Bednarek**, uncle of Jamie Haas; **Angela McCarthy**; **Ruth Moyer**, mother of Patty Pagel; **Art Sanchez,** son of Tony Sanchez; **Don Pittier**, son of Cecilia Roberts.

Gospel of Mark Bible Study
-beginning on Monday mornings!

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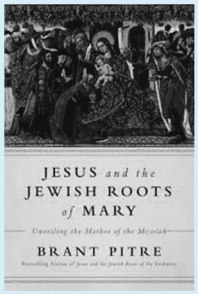
A beautiful 232 page study guide includes insights, questions, daily reflections, and additional resources. Begins Monday, January 14 at 9:00am in the Coronation Room, Parish Center. Register on the bulletin board in the narthex or by contacting Mary Baehr: 628-4671 or maryclareb22@gmail.com.

Book Study
Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary



What does the Old Testament have to say about the role of Mary? How do women in the Old Testament prefigure Mary? Dr. Brant Pitre, in his easy-to-read style, helps us see Mary with Jewish eyes. Beginning **Thursday, January 24 at 6:45 p.m. in the Parish Center**, we read and discuss one chapter each week for **8 weeks.**

Curious? Here is what Dr. Scott Hahn has to say: "A joy to read, this is the best biblical study of Mary I have ever read. A true masterpiece."

Sign up in the narthex or contact Mary Baehr: 628-4671, maryclareb22@gmail.com

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest
Where: Kearney High School
When: January 13, 2019
Doors open @11:30 pm ~ Competition starts @ 12:30 pm
Girls and boys between the ages of 9-14 may participate.
For information contact: Jeff Vanfossan @ 816-500-0834

January
16th: 4:00pm: PSR
7:00pm: Youth Group

Piccadilly

Our Annual Piccadilly Auction is on February 2nd and we would love for you to attend. The cost is $13 a ticket and we are asking everyone to wear their favorite sports-themed outfit! Tickets will be for sale January 18/19 and 26/27 after Masses. Individual tickets are available or if you would like to buy a table of 8 or 10, please purchase those all together at one time.

If you have any amazing items that you would like to donate, please email emadeo.coa@gmail.com by January 13th with a description and value and deliver all items by January 19th.

Any youth from 6 - 12th grade that would like to go on Mission Trips or to the National Catholic Youth Conference need to attend a meeting with one parent at 6:00pm on January 15th. Spots WILL fill up and cannot be guaranteed after the 15th. Please bring a $150 deposit (scholarships available) and a Piccadilly basket to the meeting.

The Respect Life Group will be handing out Spiritual Adoption prayer cards after masses to ask parishioners to name and pray for a baby so that their parents will choose life for their little one for the next 9 months. In October we will honor these babies with a baby shower, once again asking for baby gifts that will be donated to Mother's Refuge.

The Respect Life Group also invites anyone who would like to join us Friday, January 18th after the 8:00am Mass to carpool to KC for the Kansas City March for Life. We will be stopping at Big Biscuit in Liberty for breakfast and then meet downtown at the Catholic Center between 11:00am & 11:15am. We will pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 11:15am and walk up the hill to the Federal Courthouse (400 E. 9th Street) at 11:30am. The prayer vigil and speakers will start at noon in conjunction with the March for Life in Washington D.C. Please join us and be a visible witness to life.

SAVE THE DATE! May 3/4, 2019
Annunciation Annual Garage Sale
Start setting your treasures aside! More details to follow...

Have you ever been interested in being a foster parent? Missouri Baptist Children's Home will be hosting a training to become a licensed foster parent this spring for members of the Kearney Ministerial Alliance. There will be an informational night January 20th at 6pm at Kearney FBC in room 104. Come learn more about being a foster parent. For questions or to sign up to have childcare email Christina Blanton by Jan. 18th blanton.christina@gmail.com

The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combating sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or suspect* sexual abuse:

1.) Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2.) Contact your local laws enforcement agency or call 911, and
3.) After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Victim Advocate, Kathleen Chastain, at 816.392.0011 or chastain@diocesekcsj.org for more info.

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