



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 27, 2019 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

Every week I write an article for the bulletin, wondering if anyone ever reads it, and wonder what people think about the topics I choose. Sometimes I choose topics that are about parish business, and other times I make them spiritual in nature. I tend to keep the subject rather safe, making sure that no one is offended. Rarely do I share about a controversial subject that may elicits an email or a phone call, criticizing what I may have written, or contacting the bishop about it. I seldom get any response anymore because people have gotten used to me, or maybe feel that they do not want to upset me. Not that I write anything that is too controversial, but I have also learned which topics to avoid; two subjects definitely being politics and ecclesiology (a person's approach to what he or she understands about the meaning of Church). My experience is that these two topics are taboo at any gathering.

I share all this because I think that as a parish we have gotten too comfortable with our approach to faith- life. We have gotten comfortable with what is offered on the parish level and we stay away from anything that may be too challenging. We seem to have our own ways that we like to worship, meaning we like what is offered in liturgy, which includes music used, the planning of services, preaching style, environment, liturgical practices, etc. Some people who do not like what is offered may choose a neighboring parish. Also, very few questions are asked regarding activities presented on the parish level, which may include, bible studies, fund raisers, classes for youth and adults, etc. Again, as long as it does not threaten what I want and with what I feel comfortable, it is the ideal parish for me. I want to share a few questions, which certainly are not exhaustive but what I observe: how can we look outside ourselves and widen our horizons? Yes, many things about Annunciation Parish are wonderful, however, what still needs to happen to invite people to grow in faith? How can we be more inviting and inclusive? Why do only half of our registered members come to worship at Mass? How can we be more supportive of activities in which people are involved, and how can we be more inclusive with all age groups? How can we support people even if they have different approaches to Church and politics? How can we be more socially minded, serving those less fortunate than we? How can we make our worship services more inviting and inclusive? How can we improve our stewardship to the parish? These are just a few observations I have, I would love to hear what you think. Again, I think we get so comfortable and just stay in our like-minded groups or to ourselves, not wanting to change too much. The question for discussion: as we move forward, how can we challenge ourselves and our fellow-parishioners in faith?

Fr. Al Ebach, C.P.P.S.

DATE/INTENTIONS	READINGS	PARISH ACTIVITIES
Monday, January 28 <i>St. Thomas Aquinas</i>	Heb 9:15, 24-28; Ps 98:1-6; Mk 3:22-30	9:00am: Bible Study 4:00pm: Guitar practice 7:00pm: Pastoral Council
Tuesday, January 29 8:00am: † Leona Wolf	Heb 10:1-10; Ps 40:2, 4ab, 7-8a, 10, 11; Mk 3:31-35	9:30am: Staff meeting
Wednesday, January 30 6:00pm: † Michael Waddell	Heb 10:11-18; Ps 110:1-4; Mk 4:1-20	4:00pm: PSR 7:00pm: Youth Group
Thursday, January 31 <i>St. John Bosco</i> 8:00am: † Rose Conrick	Heb 10:19-25; Ps 24:1-6; Mk 4:21-25	
Friday, February 1 8:00am: Lelia Preston	Heb 10:32-39; Ps 37:3-6, 23-24, 39-40; Mk 4:26-34	
Saturday, February 2 <i>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> <i>-Vigil</i> 5:00pm: † Georgean & Carroll Gardiner	Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18; Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]	6:00pm: Piccadilly (ACC)
Sunday, February 3 <i>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> 8:00am: † Charles Wolf 10:30am: Parish	Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30	

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

MINISTRY SCHEDULE	
Saturday, February 2	5:00pm
S -	J. Keim
AS -	K. Ernzen; J. Ernzen
U -	J. Coxon; L. Coxon
L -	B. Beasley; L. Mussman
EM -	B. Owen; R. James; C. James; J. Keim; J. Hayes
Sunday, February 3	8:00am
S -	S. Morehouse
AS -	S. Adcock; C. Burgess
U -	S. Vajdic; G. Irsik
L -	V. Fort; R. Herndon
EM -	S. Burgess; F. Vajdic; S. Irsik; J. Sondag; S. Sondag
Sunday, February 3	10:30am
S -	S. Warfield
AS -	C. Bartig; C. Heusi
U -	Seeley Family
L -	A. Bartig; J. Meacham
EM -	S. Warfield; B. Mueller; S. Hayes; D. Barrow; B. Dolan
If you are unable to minister, please call a substitute	
S - Sacristan, AS - Alter Server, U - Usher, L - Lector, EM - Eucharistic Minister	

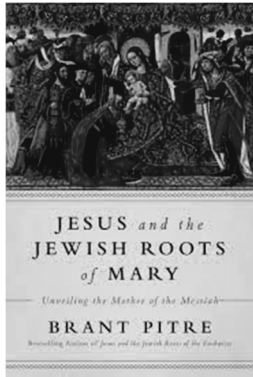
Remember in Your Prayers

Parishioners: **Loretta Conrick; Karen Perkins; Dan Smith**, husband of Rose Smith; **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.

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



Several of our parishioners braved the cold to attend the KC March for Life on January 18, 2019.

Back Row L - R: Jamie Bunck, Fr. Al, Dave Faltys, Frank Conrick, Lance Page

Front Row L - R: Deb Faltys, Maureen Fitzgerald, Julie Keim, Pam Conrick, Dianna Page



January

30th: 4:00pm: PSR

7:00pm: Youth Group

Piccadilly

Get your tickets now!

Our Annual Piccadilly Auction is on February 2nd and we would love for you to attend. The cost is \$14 a ticket and we are asking everyone to wear their favorite sports-themed outfit! Tickets will be for sale January 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.

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest has been rescheduled for February 3rd!

Where: Kearney High School
When: Sunday, February 3, 2019
 Doors open at 11:30am
 Competition starts at 12:30pm



Girls and boys that are between the ages of 9 - 14 are able to participate.

For more information contact:
 Jeff Vanfossan 816-500-0834

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

You are invited to a 2-hour lesson!
Line Dancing Class
Saturday, February 9, 2019
Annunciation Community Center
\$15.00 per person (please have correct change)
 Choose from two sessions:
 Session 1: 2:00pm - 4:00pm
 Session 2: 6:30pm - 8:30pm
 Sign-up sheet on bulletin board in narthex!

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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