



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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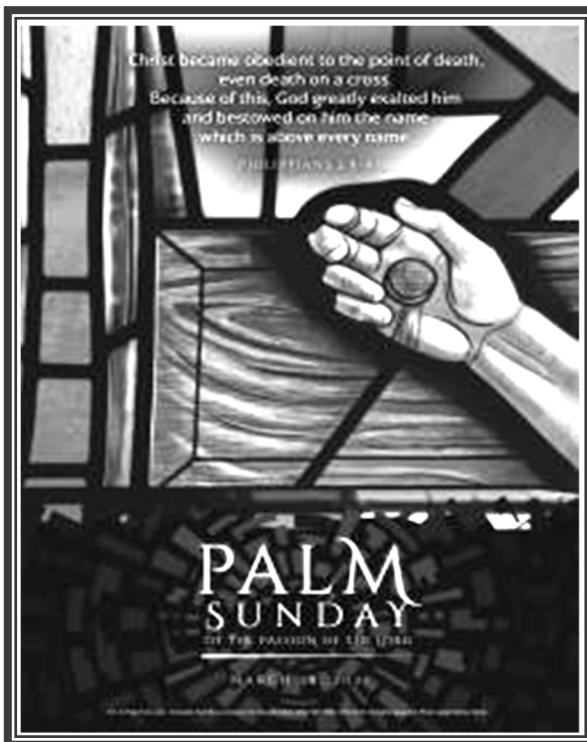
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March 28, 2021
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

**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.

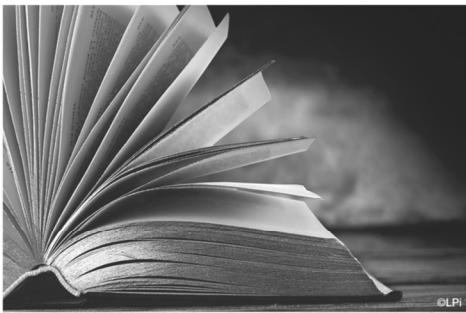
Baptism

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



WORSHIP & MEDITATION

FIRST READING

The Lord GOD is my help,
therefore I am not disgraced;
I have set my face like flint,
knowing that I shall not be put to shame. (Is 50:7)



PSALM

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?
(Ps 22)



SECOND READING

Rather, he emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
coming in human likeness; (Phil 2:7)



GOSPEL

They clothed him in purple and,
weaving a crown of thorns, placed it on him.
They began to salute him with,
“Hail, King of the Jews!”
and kept striking his head with a reed and
spitting upon him. (Mk 15:17-19)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Many struggle with Jesus. Some who consider themselves faithful hail him in their churches but still struggle to figure out what to do with him on our streets. The message is somehow more palatable when it echoes pious renderings and sentiments and involves singing hosannas during worship. It becomes a bit trickier when it gets to the part about changing the way we conduct the business of our lives, becoming more sensitive to the disadvantaged, poor, and marginalized, and living as servants of our Loving Creator. Ultimately, it is a struggle between wanting to be God ourselves and letting God be God as God is. That's why it's so easy to become hypocritical. We, like those who hailed Christ as he arrived in Jerusalem and sent Christ to the cross to die, also talk out of both sides of our mouths. We entertain what suits us at the time and walk away from the rest.

Many neglect God's beautiful creation because they prefer what humans have made instead. Progress isn't seen in preserving and enhancing what God has made but replacing it with something we believe is better and more useful. The earth, flowers, and animals are all expendable if they stand in the way of the "more" we want to achieve. We seek to remove as many obstacles and hurdles as possible in search of the easiest, quickest, and most efficient path we can find. We have created drugs and laws that preserve our free choice, even though it may mean setting aside God's vision and example. Why suffer when we can easily be put to rest? Why endure insult or injury when we can retaliate, eliminate or subdue? Why accept life when it is acceptable to choose otherwise? We want to be God and resist accepting the fact that our real Creator has already given us the blueprints for the life we need to live in the Beatitudes and in the example of his Passion. We don't like being stewards and managers and really want the power to do as we wish and desire. We want to create our own way.

Where has the true, effective Christian voice been through all of the wars and violence, prejudice and unjust conquests, abuse of human beings and attempted extinctions of nationalities, the establishments of procedures and protocols that serve only a few and not the many and all of the injustices and exploitations that are a part of our human history? A few courageous prophets have stood up and out throughout all of the comings and goings of our human journey with many receiving the same fate as the Crucified One we hail this week. Some still walk among us as shining stars showing us how it really can be. How would Jesus' journey have ended if he lived life as we do? Unless we encounter the good with the bad, the just with the unjust, the grace with the sin, the glory with the cross, the death with the life we most certainly risk rendering God obsolete. After all, haven't we already convinced ourselves that we can do better?

Remember in Your Prayers

Parishioners: **Pat Kreidler; Elaine Jenkins; Diane Allyn, Karen Perkins; Jim & 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 Self.**

Family & friends of parishioners: **Danielle Crouse** & newborn **Estella**, daughter & granddaughter of Rose Smith; **Wyatt Maurer**, grandson of Rich Maurer; **Ruth Moyer**, mother of Patty Pagel;

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 3

8:00pm - TBD

Sunday, April 4

8:00am - TBD

10:30am - TBD

Please contact Ellen Schmitz with any questions!



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DATE/INTENTIONS	READINGS
Monday, March 29 <i>Monday of Holy Week</i>	Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday, March 30 <i>Tuesday of Holy Week</i> 8:00am: † Gene Patton	Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday, March 31 <i>Wednesday of Holy Week</i> 6:00pm: † Jack Wolters	Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday, April 1 <i>Holy Thursday</i> 7:00pm: Peggy Waddell & family	Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday, April 2 <i>Good Friday</i> 7:00pm	Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
Saturday, April 3 <i>Easter Vigil</i> 8:00pm: Easter Flower Memorials	a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7
Sunday, April 4 <i>Easter Sunday</i> 8:00am: Pro Populo 10:30am: Easter Flower Memorials	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9

Easter Mass Signup

We are asking you to signup for the Easter Mass you would like to attend. Please use the following address to reserve your spot or you may call the office and we will do it for you!

<https://signup.com/go/pZOQhkS>

Are you willing to help seat people for the Easter Masses? Please contact Ellen! We promise to make sure that a seat is available for you and your family as a thank you.

Holy Week

Holy Thursday - 1st April

7:00pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday - 2nd April

3:00pm: Stations of the Cross

7:00pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday - 3rd April

8:00pm: Vigil of Easter

Easter Sunday - 4th April

8:00am & 10:30am: Mass



FASTING & ABSTINENCE

When do I...?

Fast and Abstain: Ash Wednesday & Good Friday

Abstain: All Fridays during Lent

What is...?

Fasting: eating one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

Abstinence: refraining from eating meat.

Who has to...?

Fast: For members of the Latin Rite, fasting is obligatory from age 18 through 59.

Abstain: Persons age 14 onwards.



Note: persons exempt from fasting include the physically or mentally ill, individuals with chronic illness, and pregnant or nursing women.

The Capital Campaign ended in 2019 and any further contributions made to the Capital Campaign will be allocated to the parish's General Fund. Please contact the office if you have any questions!

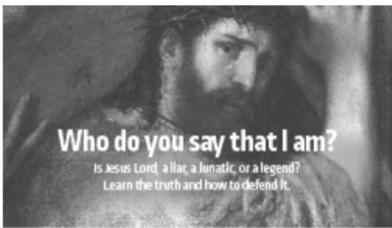
The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

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 law 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, Joe Crayon, at 816.812.2500 or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org, 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 the Victim Advocate at 816.392.0011 or victimadvocate@diocesekcsj.org for more information.



**NEW
Bible Study
beginning
Thursday evenings!**

THE CASE FOR JESUS

There is a lot of skepticism about Jesus out there! Perhaps you know someone who has questioned the historical truth of the Gospels:

- * Did Jesus really claim to be God?
- * Were the 4 Gospels anonymous? Aren't they just folklore?
- * Did Jesus really claim to be God?
- * What is the evidence for the resurrection?

As *The Case for Jesus* will show, recent discoveries in New Testament scholarship, as well as neglected evidence from ancient manuscripts and the early church fathers, together have the potential to pull the rug out from under a century of skepticism toward the traditional Gospels. In this nine session video study, Dr. Pitre shows how the divine claims of Jesus can only be understood by putting them in their ancient Jewish context. So, if you've ever been interested in "*the Jewish roots of Jesus' divinity*," then this is the Bible study for you!

WHEN AND WHERE: Monday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in the Narthex beginning March 29. (No class on April 5) Videos free on FORMED.org! Beautiful workbook \$9, optional. To order a workbook or to join, sign up in the narthex or contact Mary Baehr: mcbaehr.coa@gmail.com 816-308-3450

Can you give to **KMO Kanteen**, which reaches kids/teens in the Kearney School District in great need of our support? At this time, they are short on the following items: deodorant, razors, shampoo, body wash, feminine products, and healthy snacks. Please drop these items off in the narthex or in Ellen's office. Thank you!!

Pray-Fast-GIVE Lenten verse:

"If we are rich and see others in need, yet close our hearts against them, how can we claim that we love God? My children, our love should not be just words and talk; it must be true love, which shows itself in action." I John 3:17-18

We are still seeking a part-time Finance Coordinator. This is an important way for someone to contribute, in a very direct way, to the mission of the Church. Please go to the website <https://recruiting.paylocity.com/Recruiting/Jobs/Details/446089> for more information.

LENTEN Soup Suppers

**to
GO!**

Wednesdays during Lent

February 24 - March 31

The pandemic is keeping us from our food & fellowship tradition of Wednesday night soup suppers, but you can still stop by the Narthex after the 6:00 PM Mass and pick up your cup of soup to go!

Each week, a variety of soups will be served in extra-large coffee cups with lids for you to take home and enjoy.

Donations and volunteers will be needed. Watch your email for sign-ups or contact Elizabeth if you would like to help out.

See you soon!



Want to help the homeless in our community?
Volunteers are needed for **Uplift**.

Monday, March 29th
Meet in the church parking lot around 4:00pm to carpool.
Signup sheet is available in the Narthex.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**6:00 PM
EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT**

3:00 PM ON GOOD FRIDAY





Easter Flower Memorials

Donations are being accepted for flowers this Easter Season. You may make a donation in memory of someone special or simply to the flower and environment fund. Please complete the form below and place it with your donation in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket or in the parish office. Thank you for your generosity.



This Easter Season, please remember:

Your name(s):

Amount of gift: _____



Our Serra Club is conducting the semi-annual Vocations Support Raffle. Only 300 tickets will be sold across all Northland parishes.

Tickets cost \$100 each.

The winner will be drawn on April 20th.

1st prize is \$10,000; 2nd prize \$1,000; Third \$500.

Raffle proceeds will support seminarians, priests and consecrated religious in the Kansas City - St. Joseph Diocese and Northland parish activities for that purpose.

Need not be present to win. To buy tickets or have questions answered, contact Dennis Dolan: d_e_dolan@hotmail.com (816) 628-6426 and Lyle Mussman: lfmkmo@aol.com (816) 918-3850

Rachel's Vineyard-Kansas City
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Are you or a loved one suffering from abortion? Find hope and allow God to heal your heart by attending a Rachel's Vineyard weekend retreat. The next retreat that will take place in Kansas City will be on April 23-25, 2021.

For more information or to register, please call Teresa O'Donnell at (816) 679-4973 or email rvkemo@gmail.com (please note: you might have to check your Spam folder for the guaranteed email reply) or visit www.rachelsvineyardkc.org.

Rachel's Vineyard

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Don't forget to bring your hymnals with you to Mass!

There is a new scholarship at St. Pius X High School benefiting families in our parish. This scholarship is a \$2,500 renewable scholarship to St. Pius X High School. The deadline to apply is April 6, 2021.

To apply, visit: spxkc.org/northmetro

Calling All Couples,
Please join the Greater Kansas City Community for a virtual Lenten family gathering and Stations of the Cross on Sunday 28, 2021 at 4:00 CT. Here is the link.

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85233126570?
pwd=VmdVOXVMY2p6TmlCYd3YnFqQUE4QT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85233126570?pwd=VmdVOXVMY2p6TmlCYd3YnFqQUE4QT09)

Meeting ID: 852 3312 6570

Passcode: 665031

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Upcoming Weekends

Men:	July 15-18, 2021
Women:	July 22-25, 2021
Location:	Conception Abbey
Contacts:	
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James Newkirk	816.807.7700 james@ultreya.biz

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