

Church of the Annunziata

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ANNUNZIATA PARISH MISSION APRIL 2 - 5, 2022



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COME — PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23RD, 7:00 P.M.
ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE IN TIME OF WAR

Oh Lord our God, powerful and mighty in war, we who are unworthy to call upon You do yet humbly pray: take up the arms of your strength and Your shield of protection and save us. Arise in our defense and raise the sword of Your victory; put to flight those who war against us and persecute us and turn away in shame those who plot evil against us. We pray You hear us quickly and show Your generous mercy.

Oh Lord our God, powerful and mighty in war, it is You alone who have the power to bring to life and put to death. You alone have the power to grant strength and valor to whomever You wish and to grant victory over our enemies in the face of defeat, and to make the vainglorious weak and cowardly. You alone can destroy the vanity of the conceited and turn their hardness and arrogance into the cowardice of retreat.

Grant to Ukraine and the Ukrainian people the lasting peace of just victory and heal their wounds and sorrows. Comfort them in their grief and mourning and protect them wherever they may flee. Grant grace and peace to those who aid them and to those who receive them with open arms. Return them to their homeland and grant to all citizens of Ukraine the strength and wisdom to rebuild their shattered land to Your own lasting praise and glory.

Amen

SUGGESTIONS FOR GETTING AID TO THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

There are several opportunities to support the humanitarian efforts in Ukraine.

You may offer aid through the Ukrainian Catholic Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Checks can be sent directly to them at 810 N. Franklin Street, Philadelphia, PA 19123. Please mark the check "Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine". If you prefer to make an electronic donation to them go to https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=4TBABFG6BBVG84.

Donations can also be sent to Catholic Relief Services/Humanitarian Aid for Ukraine. The address is 228 W. Lexington Street, Baltimore, MD 21201-3443. Donations can also be made through their website at <https://www.crs.org/media-center/current-issues/ukraine-conflict-facts-and-how-help>.



ALL THINGS NEW DID YOU KNOW...?

The Archdiocesan Pastoral Council began planning for ALL THINGS NEW in March, 2021.

Preparatory meetings with Priests, Deacons, Lay Leaders and Principals began in August, 2021.

ALL THINGS NEW launched on January 25, 2022 to inform the entire Archdiocese of the initiative to form a new Strategic Pastoral Plan.

March 3, 2022 the Disciple Maker Index Survey was opened for ALL Catholics in the Archdiocese to participate in the Planning Process.

(The opportunity to participate in the survey ENDS APRIL 4, 2022)

May, 2022 the Pastors and Key Parish Leaders begin the process of analyzing the results of the Disciple Maker Index Survey.

356 Parish Listening Sessions will take place between October 8 and November 19, 2022.

(All Parishioners will be invited to attend this meeting—Date TBA)

Post Listening evaluations will be completed between October 8 and December 15, 2022.

January through March, 2023 the Model for the ALL THINGS NEW Strategic Plan will be reviewed by Clergy and Lay Leaders.

April and May, 2023 Discernment for implementation will take place.

On PENTICOST SUNDAY, May 28, 2023, the New Archdiocesan Structure will be announced throughout the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

***BEGIN YOUR PARTICIPATION NOW BY COMPLETING
THE DISCIPLE MAKER INDEX SURVEY NOW***

Go to [Annunziata.org](https://annunziata.org) to complete the Survey online or pick up a paper survey in church or at the rectory and return it in the boxes provided!


Catholic Charities of St. Louis serve people in need throughout the archdiocese.

Numbers Speak Volumes... Last year alone, over 98,000 people benefitted from our services. 53.4% of those we served live below the federal poverty line (\$25,750 for family of four).

- 683,317 meals were served--over 62% were for the elderly.
- 13,623 children were served directly through foster care, residential placements, counseling, after-school programs and other services.
- 6,152 older adults were housed, fed, counseled, or received some services.
- 1,072 veterans received legal, counseling, housing, and other supportive services.
- 23,012 individuals received interpretation or translation services.
- 4,000 volunteers shared their time and talent.

Would you like to help make a difference in people's lives? If so, please contact one of your Catholic Charities Parish Ambassadors: Trow Meier and Lyn Grace





*Please pray
for all who have served or are
serving in the U.S. Military,
First Responders, Health Care Workers
and everyone impacted by the coronavirus.*

<p>Cadet William Boldt ,USMA, West Point Captain Winston Boldt, U.S. Army Lt. Col Michael Butler, Chaplain U.S. Army Lt. Col. Eric Carlson, U.S. Army Major Courtney Collins, U.S. Army LCDR Michael Collins, U.S. Navy Captain Molly Collins, U.S. Army 2nd LT Norman Benedict (Buddy) Conley IV, U.S. Army Major Patrick M. Cronin, U.S. Army William Donovan, U.S. Airforce Martin Drakes, U.S. Marine Corps John R. Driscoll, U.S. Navy Soosan Good, U.S. Army Lt. Charles Horn, M.D., U.S. Navy</p>	<p>Clare Lane, U.S. Airforce 1Lt. Robert Mandel, U.S. Army Col. John M. Oberkirsch, U.S. Army James Peterson, <i>retired</i> U.S. Marine Corps GSgt. Ryan Rittenhouse, U.S. Marine Corps Master Sgt. Patricia Roddy, U.S. Marine Corps Maj. Rommel L. Romero, U.S. Air Force Chelsea Schaffer, U.S. Army Frankie Schaffer, U.S. Army Sgt. Eric Secrease, U.S. Army SSgt. Anthony J. Smith, U.S. Army PFC. Nicholas Spangler, U.S. Army Captain August B. Valentine, U.S. Marine Corps Sgt. Michael White, U.S. Army Rangers Cpl. Robert Wigginton, U.S. Marine Corps</p>
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Please let us know if there has been a change of rank or active military service, so we can keep this prayer list up-to-date. Please call the rectory to add the name of a loved one who is serving in the military.

Finding Freedom in Forgiveness



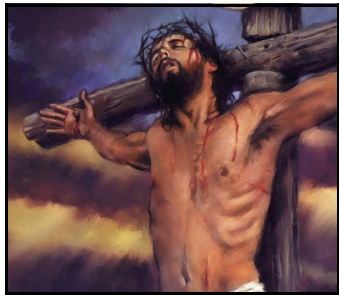
I come to work straight from dropping off my youngest at school, which means I'm pulling in just as the very last of the 7:00 a.m. Mass attendees are leaving. It's always the same two people; they're sisters. As I park my car, they're wrapping up their post-Mass sister visit. What a beautiful gift! Seeing them brings me such joy and makes me think of my sister.

This morning when I pulled in and saw my favorite Annunziata sisters visiting, I thought of my sister, as I always do. Then, as I entered church, God put a more sobering sibling relationship on my heart. I remembered one of my close friends who has not spoken to her sister for almost ten years. She won't even utter her sister's name. I

often think of her elderly parents and how they cannot be together as a big, extended family, because their daughters refuse to be together in the same room. Interestingly, my friend's father had a falling out with his brother, so that at the time of her uncle's death, the brothers hadn't spoken for some 30 years. It crosses my mind, if my girlfriend's kids should ever anger one another as adults, what are the chances that this pattern might repeat itself?

It's heartbreaking, obviously, but there's more to it than that. I worry for us when we do not have the capacity to show mercy towards each other. In holding on to anger, in not forgiving

because of pride or "principle," we only enslave ourselves and the loved ones around us, in the case of my friend: her parents, nieces, nephews, cousins, etc.



Jesus taught us forgiveness by forgiving. Over and over he healed. He taught mercy. In the Lord's Prayer he told us to say, "forgive us our trespasses, as forgive those who trespass against us." I think of all the beautiful principles Jesus taught us. "Love one another as I have loved you..."

When we close our eyes and visualize the crucifix in perfect silence, we witness the greatest act of love and mercy that was or ever will be. There is Jesus, tortured to death: our forgiveness won for all eternity. If Jesus paid this price for our salvation, and we don't follow his example by forgiving others, what are we saying to the Father?

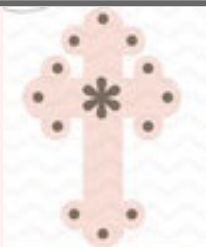
We don't all have family situations like my dear friend, but we all have our own version of chronic angst with someone or something. Lent is the perfect time to place it at the foot of the cross where we can take a step back and contemplate it in prayer, ask for healing and a change of heart. Indeed, ask for patience and the capacity to have mercy.

When we receive God's mercy in reconciliation, we are freed from the burden of sin. Similarly, when we forgive, we free ourselves and others from the burden of bitterness and grief.

Enjoy Spring Break

Sundays, March 20th and 27th
Classes Resume, April 3rd

Laura Gyawali
PSR Principal



Kylie Marie Church

Daughter of

Kyle & Helen Church

Baptized on 3/13/22

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Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday (Vigil Mass) 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 7:00, 9:00, and 11:00 a.m.
Monday - Saturday 7:00 a.m.

**All Masses are streamed at
www.Annunziata.org**

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m.

Holy Communion for Homebound Parishioners

Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Baptism

By appointment, usually on Sunday at 12:15 p.m.
Please call the Rectory for more information.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call the Rectory for information.

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OUR WARM WELCOME TO ALL!

We welcome all who come and worship with us. If you wish to join our parish faith family, or have a change in your contact information, kindly complete this form. You can return it to the Rectory, place it in the collection, or give it to a Priest or Deacon.

Name _____ Cell/Phone Number _____

Address/Zip _____ Email _____

Please make the above changes to my parish record. I would like our Church Family to pray for:

I wish to find out more about the Catholic faith.

I would like to speak with a Priest/Deacon

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab; Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4;
Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43;
Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9;
Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9;
Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20;
Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9;
Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11;
Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6; Ps 51:3-4, 18-21ab;
Lk 18:9-14

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12; Ps 34:2-7;
2 Cor 5:17-21; Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 19

7:00 a.m. Ann Bowen
5:00 p.m. Behan and Smith Families
Living and Deceased

Sunday, March 20

7:00 a.m. Steve Palmer
9:00 a.m. People of the Parish
11:00 a.m. Celebrant's Intention

Monday, March 21

7:00 a.m. Collette Overman

Tuesday, March 22

7:00 a.m. Sr. Paula Marie Reiter, O.C.D.

Wednesday, March 23

7:00 a.m. Marilyn Morrison

Thursday, March 24

7:00 a.m. Rosie McDowell

Friday, March 25

ANNUNZIATION OF THE LORD

7:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Saturday, March 26

7:00 a.m. Leo Thomas Stein
5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

Sunday, March 27

7:00 a.m. Webe Naunheim, Jr.
9:00 a.m. Jim Barnes
11:00 a.m. Celebrant's Intention

From Death to New Life 

Bill Leber	March 20, 2014
Edward V. Longinotti	March 20, 1984
Ruth Peterman	March 20, 2014
Robert J. Yewell	March 20, 1986
Mary Eicher Cole	March 21, 2009
Richard Walsh Thornhill	March 23, 2012
L. Rumsey Ewing	March 24, 2008
Rosalie "Rosie" McDowell	March 24, 2012
Charles Stephen Ryan	March 24, 2019



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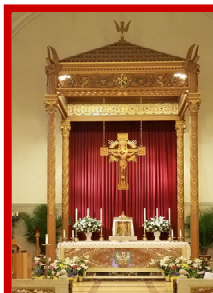
Everyone is invited!

*Join the children of Annunziata Learning Center
at 2:20 p.m. Fridays during Lent.*



Pray the Rosary

Monday through Saturday
Immediately after the
7:00 a.m. Mass



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Livestreams All Masses
go to
ANNUNZIATA.ORG

One click to connect to current
Mass to view past Masses