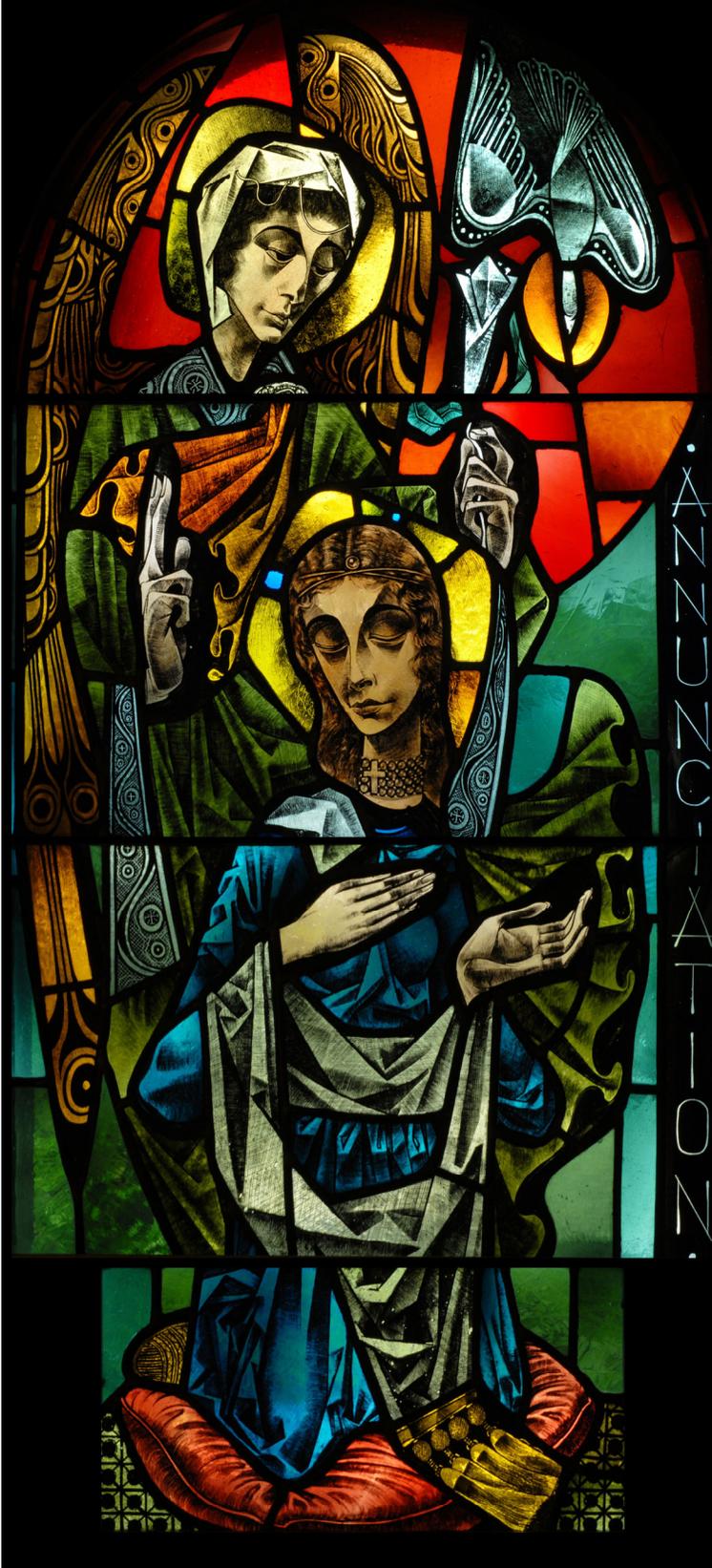


# Church of the Annunziata



**Rev. Msgr. John Leykam, Pastor**

**Deacon Thomas J. Gottlieb**

*Celebration of the Eucharist*  
Sunday 7:00, 9:00, and 11:00 a.m.  
Monday - Friday 7:00 a.m.  
Saturday 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

*Holy Day Eve 5:00 p.m. (Vigil Mass) \**  
*Holy Days 7:00 a.m. \**  
*Holidays 7:00 a.m. \**  
*\* Times subject to change*

*Sacrament of Reconciliation*  
Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m.  
Last Sunday of the month after all Masses  
or anytime by calling one of your priests.

*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*  
*Only registered, active members of our*  
*parish and their children may celebrate*  
*their weddings at Annunziata, with a six-*  
*month preparation period.*

*The church is open for private prayer*  
*Monday through Saturday*  
*7:30 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.*

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*Our warm WELCOME to all!*

*If you wish to join our Parish Family, please contact the Parish Office.*

## FROM OUR PASTOR .....



# VALENTINE'S DAY: THE SACRAMENT OF GOD'S LOVING FORGIVENESS (part 2)



Jesus teaches through His Church that there is a close link between holiness and the Sacrament of God's loving forgiveness. Many times because of fear, shame, or influences of the world telling us that we don't need this Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession), we miss or underrate the importance of this Sacrament that is meant to be a Gift from God and fills us with God's Mercy. We can so easily forget that the Sacrament of Confession opens the doors to participate in the feast of the Holy Eucharist and leads us into the holiness and grace that God wants to give us.

Some people say, "I don't feel forgiven when I confess." There is a theological formula in Latin that sounds complicated, but is really simple: the Sacraments act "*ex opere operato*." If you translate it literally, the statement reads: "***the Sacraments act with the work being done.***" Crystal clear, isn't it? In other words, if the Sacrament is performed correctly, it doesn't fail. For the strength of the Sacrament does not derive from the mood or merit of the one doing it (that is, of the priest's holiness or my own). They rely on God's grace. Obviously, the better our inner disposition, the more we will be able to open our lives to that grace. Still, if done in good faith, even if you don't *feel* it, you can be sure that you have been forgiven.

Other people think, "I am a good person. It's not like I have committed murder or stolen anything. There is no need to go to confession." This is often associated with the feeling of self-justification known as pride. If you suffer from this disease, no worries, the antidote is going to confession.

What about those who say, "God isn't going to forgive me. My sins are too great!" It is true that God will not be able to forgive you if you continue to believe that God can't. The Mercy of Jesus knocks on the door of our hearts, time after time, but Christ never forces the door open or knocks it down. God is infinitely merciful and wants to embrace every person with forgiveness. The truth is God never ever tires of forgiving us." The problem is that we ourselves tire—we do not want to ask, we grow weary of asking for forgiveness. God never tires of Forgiving!  
Lent is coming.

PSR



## Pray for Our Confirmandi

As parents, we ask for the gift of baptism for our children so that the Holy Spirit will come upon them, wipe away the stain of original sin, and make possible the reception of God's divinity, direction, and mercy as they grow. Essentially, we prepare them for a life dedicated to Christ and his teachings and foster that life by raising them in the Church. Confirmation is closely linked to baptism as it is the final sacrament of Christian initiation during which we are *transformed* by the Holy Spirit and are called to begin our ministry as adult disciples of Christ.

Please pray for our parish 8th graders as they begin this very important step in their lives as Catholic adults. If you know someone who is preparing for confirmation, please share the faith with them. This can be ANYTHING—tell them about your confirmation saint (or any saint), show them your special rosary, tell them about a little prayer you say, share a memory, let them know you're praying for them, smile at them... Sometimes I think we forget what a difference even the littlest things can make.

### 2nd Grade Families Mark Your Calendars

**Saturday, March 4th:** First Holy Communion retreat 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. in Church.



**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.**

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  
Timothy Fox, Jr. S.O. 2, U.S. Navy  
Soosan Good, U.S. Army  
Lt. Charles Horn, M.D., U.S. Navy

Clare Lane, U.S. Airforce  
1Lt. Robert Mandel, U.S. Army  
Col. John M. Oberkirsch, U.S. Army  
James Peterson, *retired* 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

*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.*



**ALL THINGS NEW**  
STEADFAST IN FAITH • FORWARD IN HOPE

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***All Things New Update (Long Form) – Second Draft Models***  
***To be used for bulletin, Flocknote, and/or pulpit announcement***

From the very beginning of *All Things New* we have been asking the question “Which communities does it make most sense to have come together in light of demographic shifts, evangelization and social outreach efforts, resources, and priest availability?”

Last Fall, the Archdiocese of St. Louis circulated the first draft models of parish structures for your consideration. These were unfinished because we needed your insight and feedback. You have spoken loudly and clearly during this time, and we thank you.

You were prayerful, thoughtful, passionate, and candid. You challenged us to think more creatively, and we took notes. We heard you.

As a result, we have changed all the planning area draft models because of what you shared with us about your parishes and your lived experience of the Catholic faith.

You shared your feedback on what our parishes, ministries, and institutions need to look like to effectively share the faith in a way that is suitable and sustainable for our children, grandchildren, and generations to come.

We gathered feedback about which communities it made sense to bring together under the care of one pastor. In addition to the feedback we received from 70,000 parishioners across the Archdiocese from the Disciple Maker Index (DMI)

Survey, this fall we hosted nearly 350 Listening Sessions at 178 parishes, surveyed 18,000 parish school parents, administrators, teachers, staff, donors, community partners, and volunteers, compiled sacramental, financial and demographic statistics for every parish and school, met with community, civic and business organizations, held focus groups, and had conversations at the deanery and parish levels, both in groups and one on one.

The *All Things New* planning committee, which includes priests, deacons, parish life coordinators, lay leaders and religious from across the Archdiocese, has now reviewed the parish feedback summaries, parish workbooks and financial data of every parish in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. All are currently posted on [all-thingsnew.archstl.org](http://thingsnew.archstl.org). Using that information, the planning committee has refined the first draft models to a second set of draft models, which offer one draft model per planning area. *It is important to note that because of your feedback, of the 42 first draft models initially presented to priests, deacons, religious, parish life coordinators, key archdiocesan advisory bodies, and the lay faithful for consideration, none were adopted in the second draft models.*

The second draft models reflect the input received across the Archdiocese from the priests, deacons, religious, key parish leaders, and the lay faithful. The models show the Archdiocese being reshaped from 178 individual parish pastorates into 88 pastorates in order to best serve the lay faithful. A pastorate is a community that is under the pastoral care of one pastor and pastoral team.

In some cases, an individual parish may remain as its own pastorate, but may have to adapt some of its ministries and Mass times due to priest availability. In other cases, it may be that two or more parishes remain financially independent of each other but will become a new pastorate sharing one pastor and pastoral team. Finally, in some cases it may be that parishes merge their resources together and become a new pastorate under one pastor and pastoral team. Only after we have discerned which communities ought to come together as a new pastorate can we begin the case-by-case examination of which structure is most prudent for each existing parish. No matter the chosen structure, some worship sites may no longer be used in the future.

The planning committee has analyzed each pastorate to ensure each one has the resources to sustain a new territory and model.

The next step is to gather feedback on the second draft models. We have made all the models public on [allthingsnew.archstl.org](http://allthingsnew.archstl.org) as well as an updated section with Frequently Asked Questions. (*Planning Area 6, which includes Annunziata is shown on the back of this page.*)

**This will be the last set of draft models and the final portion of feedback gathered. We strongly encourage your feedback regarding the new structure, which creates a “pastorate” model with one new pastor serving both St. Genevieve du Bois and Church of the Annunziata parishes. This would also include a shared pastoral staff, PSRs and Parish Councils.**

**PLEASE CONTACT EITHER OF YOUR FOLLOWING KEY PARISH LEADER REPRESENTATIVES WITH YOUR COMMENTS BY WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15.**

**YOUR FEEDBACK IS IMPORTANT!**

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This will be the last set of draft models and the final portion of feedback gathered in order to enable Archbishop Rozanski to make a well-informed, discerned decision for the spiritual well-being of the Archdiocese, looking at the extensive feedback of the people and the needs of the Archdiocese. This decision will be announced on May 28, 2023 by Archbishop Rozanski. For additional information, please scan this code to be directed to the *All Things New* website:





February 12, 2023

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# CATHOLIC MEN FOR CHRIST

*"Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."*

- ROMANS 12:2



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# CATHOLIC WOMEN FOR CHRIST



SR. KAROLYN NUNES



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FR. JOHN SCHNEIER



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Vince Meyers  
&  
Lacey Wesloh  
February 25, 2023

**BAPTISMS** 

**Nathaniel Joseph Vatterott**  
Son of Tim & Sarah Vatterott  
**Maeve O’Keefe Mandel**  
Daughter of Zachary & Killian Mandel

*Rest in Peace*  
**Anne Hegeman**



*May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*

Are You Missing Your February Annunziata Church Envelopes

Due to a “supply chain issue” our envelope provider was not able to mail all of our February envelopes. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office.

Annunziata  
New Bulletin Publisher

Annunziata has a new bulletin publisher, and the company has not yet activated our bulletin email list. We plan to resume emailing the bulletin later this month. In the meantime, please pick up the weekly bulletin in church, or to view the bulletin online go to

[Annunziata.org](http://Annunziata.org)



**St Louis 2023 weekend**  
**February 24-26, 2023**

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(Presenters are not marriage counselors, but couples sharing their personal stories of marital struggles and the tools they used to rediscover their love.)

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**For more information or to register, call:**  
**Tom & Kerry Marsh 314.453.0110**

***READINGS FOR THE WEEK***

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25;  
Ps 50:1 and 8, 16bc-17, 20-21;  
Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10;  
Ps 29:1a & 2, 3ac-4, 3b & 9c-10;  
Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22;  
Ps 116:12-13, 14-15, 18-19;  
Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Gn 9:1-13;  
Ps 102:16-18, 19-21, 29 & 22-23;  
Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Gn 11:1-9;  
Ps 33:10-11, 12-13, 14-15;  
Mk 8:34—9:1

Saturday: Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145: 2-3, 4-5, 10-11;  
Mk 9:2-13

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18;  
Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 (8a);  
1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

***MASS INTENTIONS***

Saturday, February 11  
7:00 a.m. Margot Schenk  
5:00 p.m. Janet Torrisi Mokwa

Sunday, February 12  
7:00 a.m. Carol Dubuque  
9:00 a.m. People of the Parish  
11:00 a.m. Celebrant's Intention

Monday, February 13  
7:00 a.m. Timothy Carroll

Tuesday, February 14  
7:00 a.m. Jessica and Ashley

Wednesday, February 15  
7:00 a.m. Nadine Selkirk Donahue

Thursday, February 16  
7:00 a.m. Kenrick Jones

Friday, February 17  
7:00 a.m. Mary Longrais

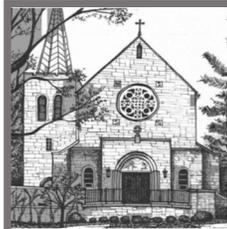
Saturday, February 18  
7:00 a.m. Rosemary Lipic  
5:00 p.m. Don Carmody

Sunday, February 19  
7:00 a.m. John Tines  
9:00 a.m. People of the Parish  
11:00 a.m. Celebrant's Intention

***From Death to New Life***



Edwin L. Blatherwick	February 12, 2007
Duthiel J. Etzkorn	February 12, 1992
Nora C. Bauman	February 13, 1990
Harriet E. Azzouni	February 14, 1993
Irene Moore Bramman	February 14, 1980
Cecilia H. Curran	February 14, 1992
Joseph Lynch	February 14, 1989
Ellis L. Brown	February 15, 1992
Sally O'Fallon Craven	February 16, 1981
Mildred A. Kisling	February 16, 1986
Barbara Barton Corley	February 18, 2012
Martha Woerner	February 18, 2014



***Annunziata***  
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