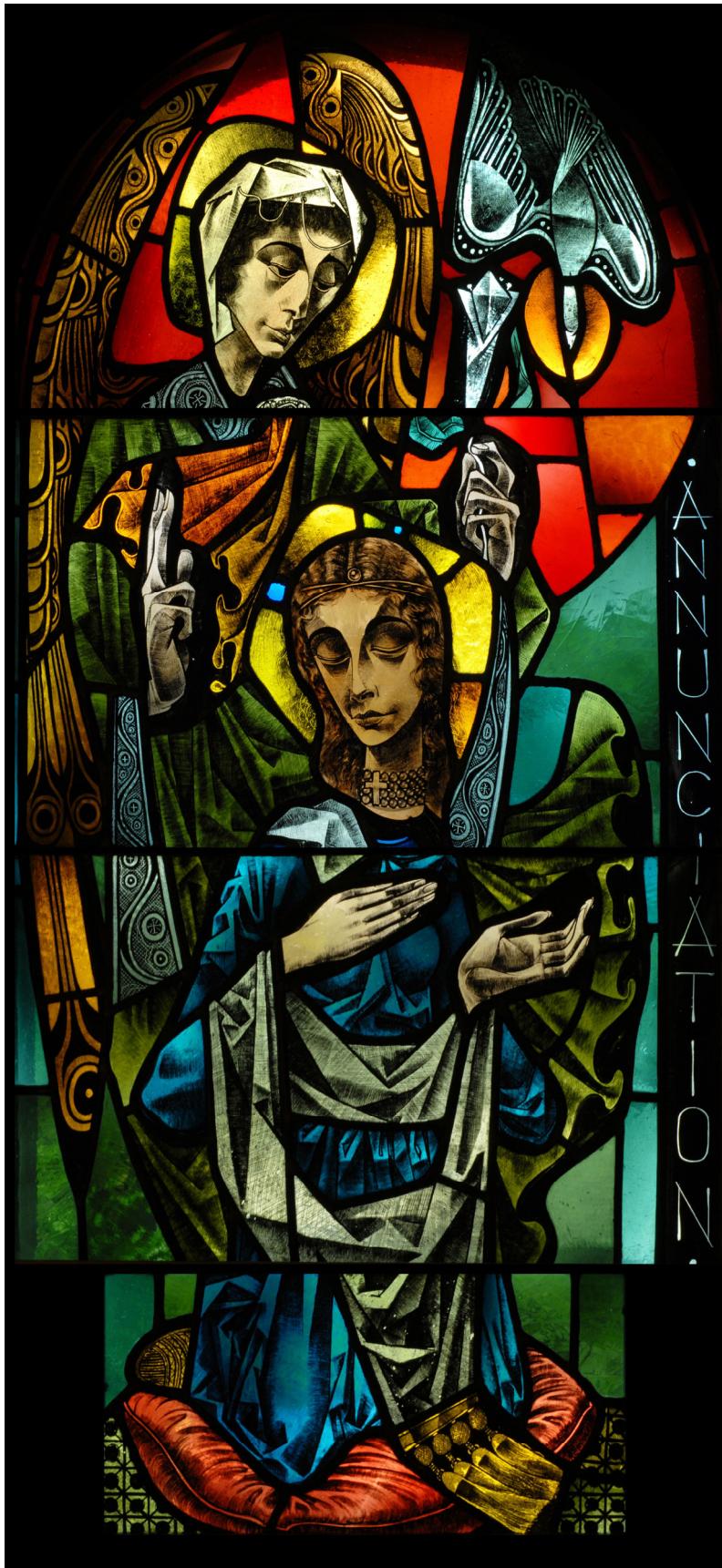


# *Church of the Annunziata*



**Rev. Msgr. John B. Shamleffer**  
Pastor

**Rev. Msgr. John Leykam**  
Pastor Emeritus

**Deacon Thomas J. Gottlieb**

Celebration of the Eucharist  
Sunday 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 noon.  
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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## Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday (Vigil Mass) 5:00 p.m.  
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Monday - Saturday 7:00 a.m.

All Masses are streamed at  
[www.Annunziata.org](http://www.Annunziata.org)

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Our warm

**WELCOME to all!**

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

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# *From Our Pastor . . .*

**Dear Parishioners:**

It has been uplifting to me to see so many parishioners at our weekday masses thanks to all of you for your faith-filled lives. I also want to encourage all to invite others to the faith if you know of anyone interested in joining the church please invite them or contact me and I will get in touch with them.



## **RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS—RCIA**

The Church's RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is the process through which adults enter into the Catholic faith. RCIA is a spiritual journey designed in phases and implemented through various rites. The participants' spiritual growth is encouraged and enhanced through reflection on God's Word and the teachings of Catholic doctrine and traditions.

Becoming a Catholic is one of the most profound and joyous experiences of life. Some are blessed enough to receive this great gift while they are still infants, and over the course of time they grow into a recognition of the enormous grace that has been bestowed upon them, of the dignity and wonder of their identity as Catholics. Others come into the Catholic fold while they are older children or adults. In these cases it is important for people to have a grasp of the joyful process by which one becomes a Catholic.

If you know someone who might be interested in joining the Church, be that family member, fellow worker, or neighbor, please contact the parish office with their name and phone number. Our parishioners are always the best evangelists. Your faith and how you live it will speak volumes to those around you.

Let us pray for those who are contemplating joining the Catholic faith and encourage them through our words, actions and prayers. God bless you for sharing your faith!

*Msgr. John Shamleffer*

***A MESSAGE TO: CHURCH OF THE ANNUNZIATA  
FROM: FR. MANSUETUS SETONGA, DIOCESE OF SAME***

Tanzania is one of the poorest countries in the world, with 80% of the population practicing rural subsistence farming. Tanzania has a population of 57 million people, 15 million of whom live in absolute poverty, earning less than \$1.00 a day. The standard of living of the people in the Diocese of Same is below that of most Tanzanians.

One of the serious problems facing the people is poor health. In Ruvu village, where I have the parish, people walk on foot for more than thirty miles to reach a medical clinic. Due to the lack of clinics in the village, many newborn babies, children, and women, die from Malaria, respiration infections, pregnancy complications, and diarrhea.

One Sunday as I was celebrating Mass, a lady at the back of the church raised her hand up and cried out that her daughter was sick, and she was dying. She wanted me to take her daughter to the hospital. I told her that I would take her daughter to the hospital after mass. That village has no cars, schools, shopping centers, or hospitals. Many children and pregnant women die from complications of pregnancy.

After mass, I put her in the car heading towards her home. After a few miles, I was in the middle of the jungle and there was no road. I asked her, "How can I take your daughter? There is no road." The lady went on foot home to put her daughter on a stretcher so that men could carry her on foot to the place where I was. She left me alone in the jungle. As I was waiting for her; another lady appeared to me and told me that she had come to the jungle in the morning to fetch firewood. She said she was pregnant and her time to deliver a baby had arrived she needed my help. I told her that in the seminary, I was taught how to preach and to celebrate mass not to deliver babies. Fortunately, another lady appeared and helped her to deliver the baby. The lady who helped her told me that the mother and the baby are very weak, I should rush them to the clinic. I rushed her to the hospital and forgot completely about the dying daughter because of the confusion.

In the morning I came to the hospital to see the lady with a new baby. They were doing well.

However, I saw a daughter sleeping next to them. I asked the nurse, "Who is this daughter sleeping next to this mother?" She said: "This is the dying daughter I left her in the jungle yesterday." I asked the nurse, "Who brought her here? She said, "Somebody brought her here on the bicycle at midnight" ...thirty miles. I said, "I am sorry. Yesterday, I was confused. For a priest to be asked to deliver a baby!!!!" Anyway, the daughter was also doing well.

After I told my bishop about this true story, my bishop said, I think God is calling us to purchase an ambulance for these poor people of Ruvu village. Then, my bishop wrote to your archbishop, who gave us this wonderful church of Annunziata to come and ask you for a donation to help us purchase an ambulance to help these women and children who die every day because they don't have access to the hospital. So, I am humbly requesting a donation from you to purchase an ambulance for these poor women and children in the Diocese of Same, Tanzania. Your donations today will make a big difference in the lives of these people. Those who are to die will not die because of you. What a joy!!!

Fr. Mansuetus Setonga  
Coordinator of Mission Appeals  
Diocese of Same

***PLEASE prayerfully consider a contribution to this Mission Appeal.  
Make your check payable to Annunziata and mark MISSION APPEAL on the memo line.***



**JOIN A GREAT ORGANIZATION!**  
Annunziata's St. Vincent de Paul Conference  
is looking for a **new President,**  
**new Treasurer and new Volunteers!**  
**NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!**

*(In fact, it could be one of the greatest experiences of your life!)*

Call us and learn how we interact with other parishes and individuals who need our help. We need new members to join in our mission. You just have to be willing to give a little of your time to help others. Please email or call

**Dave Holton - [davidholton@gmail.com](mailto:davidholton@gmail.com) - 314-724-9523**

*"I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, .... as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me."* Matthew 25:35-40



**Parents and Students  
Come meet the Teachers  
TODAY!**

**go to [ANNUNZIATA.ORG](http://ANNUNZIATA.ORG)  
click the button to REGISTER FOR PSR**

**Classes are held Sundays from 10:00 a.m. until 10:55 a.m.**

**We are looking for people to fill the following paid positions:  
7th Grade Teacher, Teacher Aides, and Substitute Teachers  
Please email [Julie@Annunziata.org](mailto:Julie@Annunziata.org)**



Please pray  
for all who have served or are  
serving in the U.S. Military and  
First Responders.

LTJG Haydn Boldt, U.S. Navy  
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 B. (Buddy) Conley IV, U.S. Army  
Major Patrick M. Cronin, U.S. Army  
William Donovan, U.S. Airforce  
CPL Martin Drakes, U.S. Marine Corps  
William Drakes, U.S. Airforce  
John R. Driscoll, U.S. Navy  
Timothy Fox, Jr. S.O. 2, U.S. Navy  
Master Sgt. Alex Fox, U.S. Army  
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  
Major August B. Valentine, U.S. Marine Corps  
Major Candace R. 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.*

# Baptism

John Patrick Yeager  
son of  
Scott & Kathleen Yeager  
September 2, 2023

Charlotte Elizabeth Daake  
daughter of  
Alexander & Megan Daake,  
September 3, 2023

## Hospitalized Parishioners

Because of the Federal Privacy Act there is no longer a "clergy list" at any of our hospitals. If you are admitted to a hospital, and they ask you if you would like your priest to be notified, **please say: "yes call my parish priest at Annunziata at 314-993-4422."**

If you know ahead of time you will be admitted, please call your priest at the Rectory and he will readily offer you the Sacrament of the Anointing.

**If you know of a parishioner  
who is hospitalized,  
please do not assume we know.  
Please call the  
Parish Office 314-993-4422.**



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Col 1:24—2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9;  
Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday: Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11;  
Lk 6:12-19

Wednesday: Col 3:1-11;  
Ps 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab;  
Lk 6:20-26

Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9;  
Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38;  
Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14;  
Ps 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11;  
Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17;  
Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7;  
Lk 6:43-49

Sunday: Sir 27:30—28:7;  
Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 (8);  
Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

## *From Death to New Life*



Ann Allen Flanigan	September 10, 2010
James L. O'Keefe	September 10, 2007
Mary Pat O'Brien	September 10, 2019
Judy Reidy Bick	September 11, 2009
Joseph Francis Imbs, II	September 11, 2011
Patricia Wallace Maull	September 11, 1999
Ann Wise Averill Miller	September 11, 2012
Rita Irene Barta	September 12, 1996
Elsie Leto	September 12, 1993
Marcella Teresa Sheridan	September 12, 2003
Andrew T. Carver	September 13, 1988
Mildred Fabick Costigan	September 13, 2012
George Vincent Meisel	September 13, 2008
William E. Kaufman	September 14, 1997
Angela A. Eschbacher	September 15, 1988
Margaret Mannion	September 15, 2019
Julia M. Walsh Lamy	September 16, 1987
Gregory J. Nooney	September 16, 1992

## MASS INTENTIONS

### Saturday, September 9

7:00 a.m. Cathy Naunheim  
5:00 p.m. Robert Kraeger

### Sunday, September 10

9:00 a.m. People of the Parish  
11:00 a.m. Mary Beth Chic

### Monday, September 11

7:00 a.m. Nancy Schwarz

### Tuesday, September 12

7:00 a.m. Ann Allen Flanigan

### Wednesday, September 13

7:00 a.m. James A. Corrigan

### Thursday, September 14

7:00 a.m. Charles Henerey

### Friday, September 15

7:00 a.m. Monica Holmes

### Saturday, September 16

7:00 a.m. Lois Jones

5:00 p.m. People of the Parish

### Sunday, September 17

9:00 a.m. Nancy Holton & Rick Holton, Jr.

11:00 a.m. Chris Normile

## *Annunziata*

LIVESTREAMS ALL MASSES

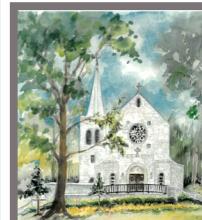
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*One click to connect to the  
current Mass or to view past Masses*



## *Pray the Rosary*

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



*Annunziata  
is open for private prayer  
Monday thru Saturday  
8:00 am — 3:00 pm*