



Holy Virgin of Guadalupe,

***Queen of the Angels and
Mother of the Americas.
We fly to you today
as your beloved children.
We ask you to intercede for us
with your Son,
as you did at the wedding in Cana.***

***Pray for us, loving Mother,
and gain for our nation and world,
and for all our families and loved ones,
the protection of your holy angels,
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.***

***For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain
the grace of healing and deliverance.
Hear the cries of those who are
vulnerable and fearful,
wipe away their tears and help them to trust.***

***In this time of trial and testing,
teach all of us in the Church to love one another
and to be patient and kind.
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus
to our land and to our hearts.***

***We come to you with confidence,
knowing that you truly are
our compassionate mother,
health of the sick and cause of our joy.***

***Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,
keep us in the embrace of your arms,
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.***

Amen.



*You are encouraged to pray this prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe
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FROM OUR PASTOR.....

PUBLIC MASSES

Archbishop Carlson is working with other Missouri Bishops, the Governor of Missouri, Local Government officials, and Medical Doctors to establish guidelines and requirements to assure the safety of all when public Masses begin to be celebrated. This policy will strictly adhere to the guidelines of the Center for Disease Control for religious organizations.

In the meantime, the general dispensation from the Sunday Mass obligation will remain in place for all Catholics of the Archdiocese. Annunziata will remain open for private prayer and devotions on Sundays from 6:45 to Noon, Mondays thru Fridays from 6:45 to 4 p.m. and Saturdays from 6:45 to 5 p.m. The Sacrament of Confession will be offered on all Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m.



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Please remember to check our website for parish information that did not make it into our weekly bulletin or for announcements that cannot wait to be put into the Sunday bulletin.

EASTER POEM

*The following poem was sent to me by a brother priest. It was written by a woman of faith
Kristi Bothur:*

Twas late in '19 when the virus began
Bringing chaos and fear to all people, each land.
People were sick, hospitals full,
Doctors overwhelmed, no one in school.
As winter gave way to the promise of spring,
The virus raged on, touching peasant and king.
People hid in their homes from the enemy unseen.
They YouTubed and Zoomed, social-distanced, and cleaned.
April approached and churches were closed.
"There won't be an Easter," the world supposed.
"There won't be church services, and egg hunts are out.
No reason for new dresses when we can't go about."
Holy Week started, as bleak as the rest.
The world was focused on masks and on tests.
"Easter can't happen this year," it proclaimed.
"Online and at home, it just won't be the same."
Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, the days came and went.
The virus pressed on; it just would not relent.
The world woke Sunday and nothing had changed.
The virus still menaced, the people, estranged.
"Pooh pooh to the saints," the world was grumbling.
"They're finding out now that no Easter is coming.
"They're just waking up! We know just what they'll do!
Their mouths will hang open a minute or two,
And then all the saints will all cry boo-hoo.
"That noise," said the world, "will be something to hear."
So it paused and the world put a hand to its ear.
And it did hear a sound coming through all the skies.
It started down low, then it started to rise.
But the sound wasn't depressed.
Why, this sound was triumphant!
It couldn't be so!
But it grew with abundance!

The world stared around, popping its eyes.
Then it shook! What it saw was a shocking surprise!
Every saint in every nation, the tall and the small,
Was celebrating Jesus in spite of it all!
It hadn't stopped Easter from coming! It came!
Somehow or other, it came just the same!
And the world with its life quite stuck in quarantine
Stood puzzling and puzzling.
"Just how can it be?"
"It came without bonnets, it came without bunnies,
It came without egg hunts, cantatas, or money."
Then the world thought of something it hadn't before.
"Maybe Easter," it thought, "doesn't come from a store.
Maybe Easter, perhaps, means a little bit more."
And what happened then?
Well....the story's not done.
What will YOU do?
Will you share with that one
Or two or more people needing hope in this night?
Will you share the source of your life in this fight?
The churches are empty – but so is the tomb,
And Jesus is victor over death, doom, and gloom.
So this year at Easter, let this be our prayer,
As the virus still rages all around, everywhere.
May the world see hope when it looks at God's people.
May the world see the church is not a building or steeple.
May the world find Faith in Jesus' death and resurrection,
May the world find Joy in a time of dejection.
May 2020 be known as the year of survival,
But not only that –
Let it start a revival.

Thank you for your contributions!

Thank you to everyone who continues to make regular contributions during these difficult times!

(We have had inquiries about online giving; however, Annunziata is not planning to implement online giving. We encourage you to set up regular giving utilizing the security of your own bank, or use the weekly envelopes provided..)

God bless you for your continued support!

LET US PRAY:

for the doctors and nurses and all those working to serve us in this time of crisis and for all first responders and those serving in the Military

- Captain Winston Boldt, U.S. Army
- Lt. Col Michael Butler, Chaplain U.S. Army
- Lt. Col. Eric Carlson, U.S. Army
- LCDR Michael Collins, U.S. Navy
- 2nd LT Norman Benedict (Buddy) Conley IV, U.S. Army
- 1SG Charles DuTart, U.S. Army
- Captain Courtney Fox, U.S. Army
- Soosan Good, U.S. Army
- Lt. Charles Horn, M.D., U.S. Navy
- Captain Kate Lunsford, U.S. Army
- 1Lt. Robert Mandel, U.S. Army
- Col. John M. Oberkirsch, U.S. Army
- SSgt. 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
- James Peterson, *retired* U.S. Marine Corps
- John R. Driscoll, U.S. Navy

(Please call the rectory to add the name of a loved one who is serving in the military.)

LIVE STREAMED MASSES

Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis

Live streams and schedule on their website.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Church of the Annunziata

ANNUNZIATA.org

Archdiocese of St. Louis

ARCHSTL.org

From Death

To New Life



Nancy Josephine Mulvihill	May 3, 2002
Theodore P. Desloge	May 3, 2003
Angela Beljik	May 3, 2006
Lillian Labash Musial	May 3, 2012
Peter Ellis Brown	May 4, 2011
Mary Michael "Mike" Voges	May 4, 2011
Melva S. Hartkopf	May 6, 2005
William F. Kistner, M.D.	May 6, 2013
Frank Joseph Niesen	May 6, 2015

PSR NEWS

His Marvel-ous Gift



Wow, I miss our PSR families! Obviously, we won't be returning to classes for the remainder of the school year, and our sacramental celebrations have been postponed. Hopefully we see each other soon enough at Mass. Won't that be a Mass to remember!

I think often about all of you and keep you in my prayers. Though we share in the parenting challenges of

being stuck at home with our children, navigating (or at least trying) distance learning, regulating screen time, and explaining why we cannot visit others, our experiences vary widely based on the ages of our children. Many of you are home with little ones. I think of you a lot, because for me that would have been tough. I remember those fast paced, exhausting days when I relished a few hours to myself for errands or even just a coffee.

I have two high school students and one in middle school. I have to admit that now, when I look at the pictures from those pre-school days I get teary every time. We've all heard the saying, "the days are long, but the years are short." I've cherished these days at home with my kids, having time to really listen to their interests and get to know them in a different way.

My middle schooler is an expert in all things Marvel (Captain America, Iron Man, The Hulk), so I've seen the movies several times over. My favorite part of every Marvel movie is when she pauses it to give me stereotypical, ultra-fun, tween style commentary,

"Ok, ok, soooo... So, what's happening in this scene is... No, wait... Remember in the last Iron Man when.... Well, actually it goes back to Captain America..." It's the best! I just sit and watch her and record the whole thing in my mind, because I know these days are a gift from the Father and they are to be treasured.

Family Faith Formation

Extra time at home provides us with a unique opportunity to share the faith with our children. Links to grade-level faith enrichment resources are on our website:

<https://annunziata.org/Religious-Education/Parish-School-of-Religion>

Laura Gyawali
PSR Principal

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is open for prayer

Sundays
6:45 to Noon.

Monday thru Friday
6:45 to 4 p.m.

Saturdays
6:45 to 5 p.m.

The Sacrament of Confession
is offered
Saturdays
3:30 to 5:00 p.m.

NOTE: *The Eucharistic Chapel is closed until further notice, but you are welcome to visit church for private prayer.*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 11:1-18; Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4; Jn 10:11-18
Tuesday:	Acts 11:19-26; Ps 87:1b-7; Jn 10:22-30
Wednesday:	Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Jn 12:44-50
Thursday:	Acts 13:13-25; Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25, 27; Jn 13:16-20
Friday:	Acts 13:26-33; Ps 2:6-11ab; Jn 14:1-6
Saturday:	Acts 13:44-52; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 14:7-14
Sunday:	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; 1 Pt 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

MASS INTENTIONS

The intention for each of these Masses will be remembered at the priests' private masses each day.

Saturday, May 2

Mary & Madelyn Maher
Margaret Schenk
Celebrant's Intention

Sunday May 3

Bruce Selkirk, Sr.
People of the Parish
People of the Parish

Monday, May 4

Jimmy Mills
People of the Parish

Tuesday, May 5

Fr. John Ditenhafer
People of the Parish

Wednesday, May 6

Kathlyn Naunheim
Holy Souls

Thursday, May 7

Elizabeth Remment
The Hebron Familt

Friday, May 8

People of the Parish
Clarence Sweets

Saturday, May 9

People of the Parish
Mr. & Mrs. Louis Maginnis
People of the Parish

Sunday May 10

Celebrant's Intention
People of the Parish
People of the Parish

The Archbishop has ordered there be NO PUBLIC MASSES during this time of the Coronavirus.

Church of the Annunziata

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Celebration of the Eucharist

All public Masses are suspended in the Archdiocese of St. Louis in order to help slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community. Preliminary plans to resume Masses after Easter.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m.
(Screen only.)

Holy Communion for Homebound Parishioners

In danger of death,
please call the Rectory.

Sacrament of Baptism

By appointment.
Please call the Rectory
for additional information.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Please call the Rectory.

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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

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