



Come to

Our Lady
Undoer_{of}
Knots

for her help

*L*et the
Blessed
Mother undo
the difficult
knots in your
life.



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.....

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

WHY PLACE A PAINTING OF OUR LADY, UNDOER OF KNOTS on this week's bulletin cover?

In the present world wide crisis due to the Corona virus, we face problems and struggles (knots) for which we do not see any solution. Knots of discord, lack of understanding, disrespect, violence, deep hurts, and the absence of peace and joy. There are knots of anguish because of the deep healing needed for those who have the virus, those who have been exposed and are quarantined, those who are alone and have no one to care for them. How the knots in our life suffocate our spirit and make us suffer!

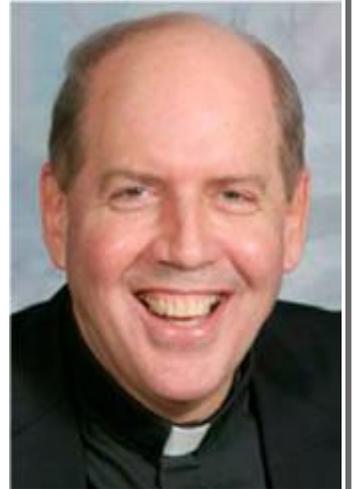
For that reason, Mary who undoes the knots, the Woman who was chosen by God to crush the evil one with her feet, comes to us to reveal herself. Through her intercession, Mary comes to provide jobs, good health, to reconcile families, because she wants to undo the knots which dominate our lives, so that we can receive the promises reserved for us from all eternity. She comes with promises of victory, peace, healing, knowledge, blessings, and reconciliation.

Pope Francis calls on us to pray the rosary each day. If we cannot pray the entire rosary, please pray a decade of the rosary everyday. Pope Francis asked the Lord to stop the pandemic: "Lord, stop it with your hand!"

PARISH WEBSITE: www.annunziata.org

At 4:30 p.m. last Monday, March 16th, I received an e-mail from Archbishop Carlson regarding steps to be taken by the Parishes to stem the spread of the Coronavirus. I put those directives onto our Parish website. I have updated the information on a daily basis.

Since some parishioners do not have ready access to our website, I am repeating those in this bulletin.



Dear Annunziata Parishioners,

Posted on March 16, 2020: COVID Updates

This afternoon, March 16th, at 4:30 I received an e-mail from Archbishop Robert Carlson. The Archbishop states that “in order to help slow the spread of COVID-19 in our community, I am mandating **the suspension of all public Masses in the Archdiocese of St. Louis.** Pending updates and guidance from local and state government and health officials, we have preliminary plans to resume Masses beginning April 6th; however, we will re-evaluate at a later date.”

Please know **our Church will be open for individuals to come for personal prayer and devotions from 6:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. during weekdays, from 6:45 to 5:00 on Saturdays, and from 6:45 to Noon on Sundays. Confessions will be held at the usual time on Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m. Our Eucharistic Chapel, next to Faris Hall, will be closed until Masses resume. Our Lenten Benediction on Wednesday evenings, Stations of the Cross on Fridays, and our Parish Lenten Mission are cancelled.**

Our St. Vincent de Paul Hotline remains in operation to help those in need. The number is 314-993-8133 ext. 225. We will continue to publish a Sunday bulletin which will be online. In addition, please continue to consult this website for updated information concerning our parish.

This is a strange and challenging time, but right now, the most important thing to remember is that we are all in this together. We focus on Christ, our Savior, and pray for an end to this pandemic, through the intercession of Mary, our Blessed Mother, we pray for all who are sick, for our Doctors, Nurses, Health Care Givers, and for wisdom and trust in the power of Almighty God. (The Prayer composed by the Bishops of our Church is included on our website.)

Yes, there is actually a St. Corona whose remains are in Northern Italy. In the ninth century, at the age of 16, St. Corona gave her life to comfort a fellow Christian. Ironically, St. Corona is considered as one of the patron saints of pandemics. Let us pray through her intercession that this pandemic subsides.

God Bless you!

Fr. John Leykam

Dear Annunziata Parishioners,

Posted on March 17, 2020: COVID Updates

With the suspension of all public Masses in the Archdiocese of St. Louis, I encourage you to watch or record and pray with the daily Mass on EWTN. You may google “Word on Fire Daily Mass”. Bishop Robert Barron or his associate, Father Steve Grumow, offer daily Mass from Bishop Barron’s Chapel. You can tune in to that U tube video and pray any time of the day.

I offer a daily private Mass and want to assure you that you and your dear family are remembered at the Altar. This morning, Archbishop Gomez, the President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, offered the following reflection and prayer for our Nation:

“With the worldwide outbreak of the coronavirus, we are confronted once more with the fragility of our lives, and again we are reminded of our common humanity—that the peoples of this world are our brothers and sisters, that we are all one family under God.

God does not abandon us, God goes with us even now in this time of trial and testing. In this moment, it is important for us to anchor our hearts in the hope that we have in Jesus Christ. Now is the time to intensify our prayers and sacrifices for the love of God and the love of our neighbor. Let us draw closer to one another in our love for Christ, and rediscover the things that truly matter in our lives.

United with our Holy Father Pope Francis, let us pray in solidarity for our brothers and sisters here and around the world who are sick. Let us pray for those who have lost loved ones to this virus. May God console them and grant them peace.

We pray also for doctors, nurses, and caregivers, for public health officials and all civic leaders. May God grant them courage and prudence as they seek to respond to this emergency with compassion and in service to the common good.”

May God Bless You and your loved Ones,

Fr. John Leykam

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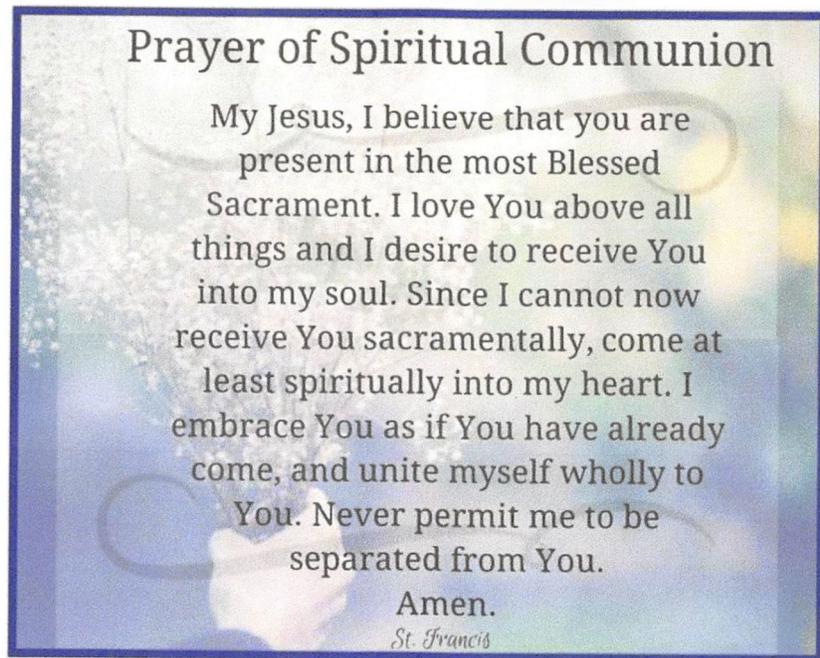
Posted on March 18, 2020: COVID Updates

In celebrating daily private Mass, I want you to know I pray for you, your families, and your special intentions.

Yesterday I suggested watching and praying with the daily Mass on EWTN. Also, there is a daily u tube video of "Mass from Bishop Barron's Chapel". You can pray along with the Mass whenever you plan to watch it on your computer. Simply google, "Word on Fire Daily Mass".

Receiving the Blessed Sacrament in the Eucharist is the source and summit of our Catholic Faith, but during these unprecedented times and to ensure the health and safety of all people, it is not possible to receive the Sacrament during this time. However, there are still opportunities to draw close to Christ and unite with the Church during these difficult times.

The great theologian, St. Thomas Aquinas, teaches that Spiritual Communion is an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the most Holy Sacrament and lovingly embrace Him. Here is a beautiful example:



LIVE STREAMED MASSES

Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis [Live streams and schedule on their website.](#)

St. Joseph Parish - Cottleville [Live streams available every day on their Facebook page.](#)

Mary, Mother of the Church [Live streams and schedule available on their website.](#)

Washington University Catholic Student Center [More information on their YouTube Channel](#)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Church of the Annunziata — [**Annunziata.org**](http://Annunziata.org)

Archdiocese of St. Louie — [**ARCHSTL.org**](http://ARCHSTL.org)

**LET US PRAY FOR 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.)*

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13b;
 Jn 4:43-54
 Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9;
 Jn 5:1-16
 Wednesday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11;
 Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
 Thursday: Ex 32:7-14; Ps 106:19-23;
 Jn 5:31-47
 Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22; Ps 34:17-21, 23;
 Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30
 Saturday: Jer 11:18-20; Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12;
 Jn 7:40-53
 Sunday: Ez 37:12-14; Ps 130:1-8;
 Rom 8:8-11;
 Jn 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]

MASS INTENTIONS

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

Saturday, March 21

Dr. Maurice Lonsway, Jr.
 Daniel Rabbitt
 Celebrant's Intention

Sunday, March 22

Rose Jacobsmeyer
 People of the Parish
 Don C. Musick, Jr. & Family

Monday, March 23

Daniel Ferry
 Rick Thornhill

Tuesday, March 24

Richard Miskell
 Rosie McDowell

Wednesday, March 25

James Dorr
 People of the Parish

Thursday, March 26

Robert Kraeger
 Dr. George T. Hughes

Friday, March 27

Webe Naunheim, Jr.
 Fr. John Ditenhafer

Saturday, March 28

The Hebron Family
 Zoe Buckley
 Celebrant's Intention

Sunday, March 29

Msgr. James Hartnett
 People of the Parish
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***The Archbishop has ordered that
NO PUBLIC MASSES
during this time of the
Caronavirus.***

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 April 6th will be re-evaluated at a later date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

Holy Communion for Homebound Parishioners

Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

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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