

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

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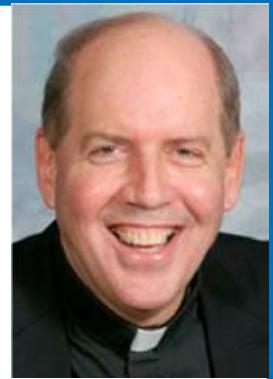
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*Our warm WELCOME to all!
If you wish to join our Parish Family, please contact the Parish Office.*

FROM OUR PASTOR

VALENTINE'S DAY THE SACRAMENT OF GOD'S LOVING FORGIVENESS



With the beginning of this month of February, many people are focused on Valentine's Day—a time to express love, friendship, care, and appreciation for special people in our lives. We may choose to give flowers, a special greeting card, a unique gift, a lovely meal together, a face time call, etc. As with many of you, I have heard people say that everyday should be Valentine's Day, everyday should be a time to show unconditional love, understanding, patience, compassion, forgiveness, and mercy, especially to members of our own family, friends, and community!

As Catholic Christians, we are reminded that God offers us a spiritual Valentine's Day each and every day of our lives. The Sacrament of the Risen Body and Blood of Christ in Holy Communion immediately comes to mind. We have all heard the Saints, such as St. Athanasius, proclaim, "Receive the Body of Christ, that you may be the Body of Christ!"

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.

Many times people say, "I confess directly to God." If you think or say this, please, then go to confession. This Sacrament is the safest way to confess directly to God. If you are not convinced, consider what you mean by "direct" and "indirect." When I want to speak directly with someone, it is just not enough to have an inner and spiritual dialogue. I like going to see the person and talking with him or her face-to-face. I am more like those Greeks who said to Philip: "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." God knows how much we need this concrete and physical certainty. This is why God the Son became flesh and dwelt among us. For this reason, Jesus instituted the Sacraments as visible, concrete, tangible, mediations. These are the real direct ways to let God connect with us!



PSR



Pray for Our Confirmandi

At Sunday's 9:00 a.m. Mass, our 8th grade PSR students will renew their baptismal promises as an official beginning to their journey toward confirmation.

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.

Parent/Student Confirmation Orientation will take place in church immediately following Mass. It is important that at least one parent be represented with each student.

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

Recently, a team of nearly 50 volunteers, including religious orders, Kenrick-Glennon Seminary faculty and staff, associate pastors, permanent deacons and lay people synthesized all the information the Archdiocese of St. Louis has received regarding its 178 parishes during the All Things New pastoral planning initiative. Information gathered included feedback from key parish leaders, parish listening sessions, online surveys, individual letters and emails. The summaries will be another important piece of information as Archbishop Mitchell Rozanski makes a final decision on the future of the parishes.

The volunteers were asked to follow four guidelines: that they offer a fair representation of what people said; include the real contradictions and tensions reflected in the feedback; offer the good ideas and key insights shared; and ensure they are concise. Volunteers were not allowed to synthesize any information for parishes in their own planning area.

The initial draft of the parish feedback summaries have been shared with pastors, who were asked to share the summaries with their Key Parish Leaders and provide feedback. Every parish feedback summary is now public at <https://allthingsnew.archstl.org/>. You should contact your parish office for more information if you do not have access to the internet. All of this is geared toward the Archbishop making a well-informed, discerned decision for the spiritual wellbeing of the Archdiocese, looking at the feedback of the people and the needs of the Archdiocese.

The All Things New planning committee is expected to refine the draft models to one model per planning area. Armed with the feedback summaries, parish workbooks and financial data, the team will analyze each model to ensure each one has the resources to sustain the new structure. Another round of draft model options will be shared with the priests in early February, with a period of feedback. Other factors will come under consideration, including redrawing maps of the archdiocese and priest reassessments.

It is expected that by the end of April, Archbishop Rozanski will have met with Consultors to review final draft models, and then he will have a month to pray and discern before announcing a final decision on May 28, the feast of Pentecost. Implementation of these plans will take effect beginning in fall 2023 through 2026.

Please continue to pray for the gift of true discernment so that we may continue to do the Will of God in all things.

February 5, 2023

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



St Louis 2023 weekend
February 24-26, 2023

Retrouvaille is for Married Couples facing difficult challenges in their relationships, helping couples restore and rebuild their loving marriages.

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Tom & Kerry Marsh 314.453.0110

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



TRANSFORMED

FEATURING: HECTOR MOLINA, MARCEL LEJEUNE, DCN. JAMES KEATING & MORE!



FEBRUARY 18, 2023

8:45 AM - 4:00 PM

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SI COMMONS @ SLUH

REGISTER AT CATHOLICMENFORCHRIST.ORG
OR BY CONTACTING YOUR PARISH CAPTAIN

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Gn 1:1-19;
Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10, 12, 24, 35c;
Mk 6:53-56
- Tuesday: Gn 1:20 — 2:4a; Ps 8:4-9;
Mk 7:1-13
- Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17;
Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30;
Mk 7:14-23
- Thursday: Gn 2:18-25; Ps 128:1-5; Mk 7:24-30
- Friday: Gn 3:1-8; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7;
Mk 7:31-37
- Saturday: Gn 3:9-24; Ps 90:2-6, 12-13;
Mk 8:1-10
- Sunday: Sir 15:15-20;
Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34;
1 Cor 2:6-10;
Mt 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28,
33-34a, 37]

From Death to New Life



Donald E. Lasater	February 5, 2016
Edmund J. Pung	February 5, 2001
Margaret Loretta Vollmer	February 5, 2002
Alexander J. Muckerman	February 6, 1980
Lorene (Laurie) Griesedieck	February 6, 2020
J. John Brouk	February 8, 2004
Herbert Condie, III	February 8, 2020
Matthew Edward Krallman	February 9, 2019
Robert D. Mattis, M.D.	February 9, 1997
Edwin H. Wagner	February 9, 1982
Lee "Punch" Collins	February 10, 2018
Charles F. "Trip" Bates, III	February 11, 2015



Pray the Rosary

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

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, February 4

- 7:00 a.m. Lee Savage
5:00 p.m. Mr. & Mrs. Louis Maginnis

Sunday, February 5

- 7:00 a.m. Rick Winter
9:00 a.m. Celebrant's Intention
11:00 a.m. People of the Parish

Monday, February 6

- 7:00 a.m. Kelly Bick

Tuesday, February 7

- 7:00 a.m. Kelly H. Holton

Wednesday, February 8

- 7:00 a.m. Ann Woods

Thursday, February 9

- 7:00 a.m. Timothy Carroll

Friday, February 10

- 7:00 a.m. Don Carmody Family

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



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