

GRATEFUL & GENEROUS



*“How shall I make a return to the
Lord
for all the good he has done for me?”
(Psalm 116:12)*

Share the **JOY**

Prayer

Participation

Generosity



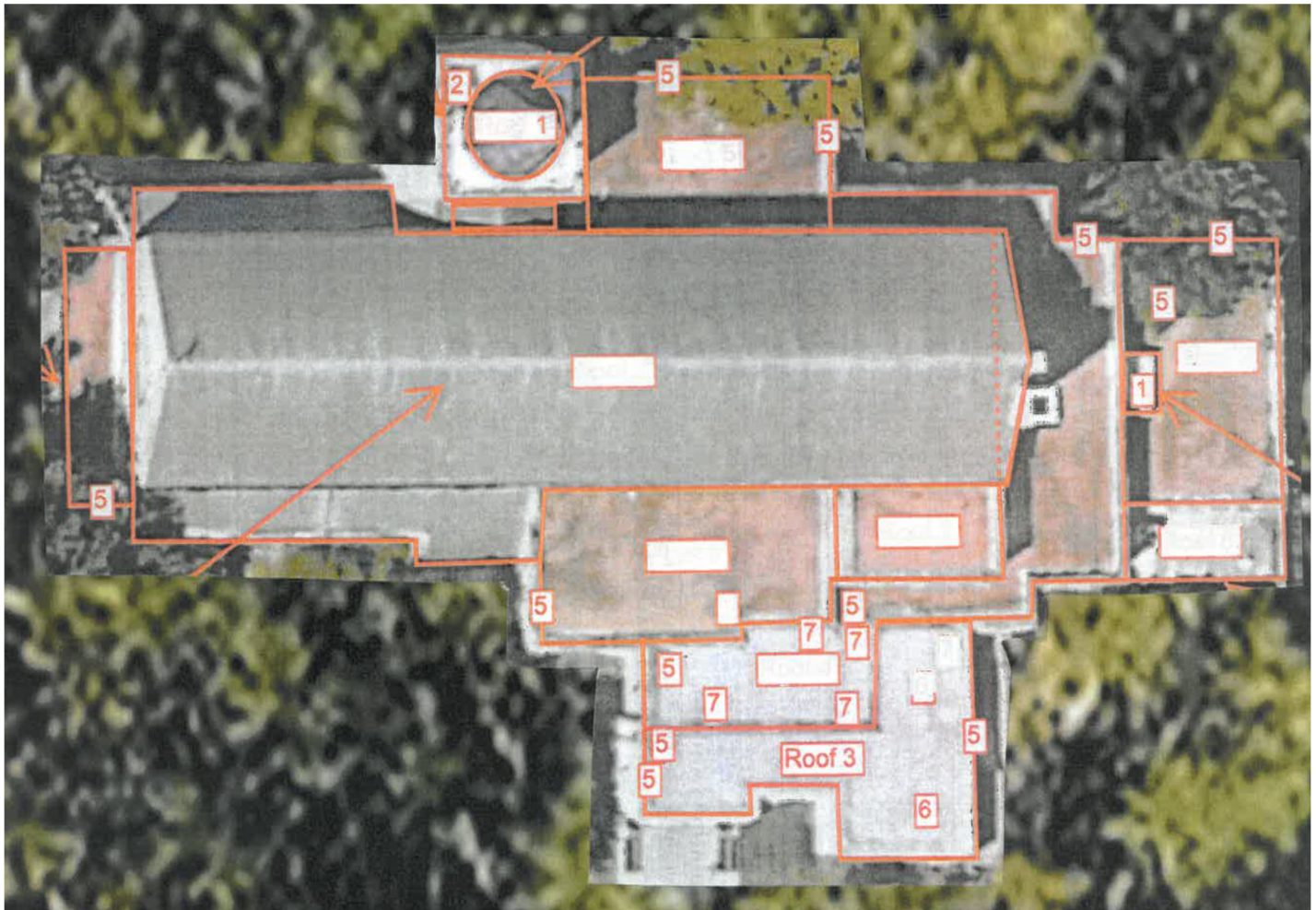
PROGRESS REPORT

This is the fundamental principle of Biblical Stewardship: whether it is our Time, our Talent, or our Treasure, God owns everything; all is a gift from God; we are simply managers or administrators acting on God's behalf.

On this first Sunday of Fall, I wanted to report to you that the cleaning, tuck pointing, and sealing work on our Church is going well as you can see in the picture. (Please see the bulletins of July 18, 2021

and July 25, 2021 for a full explanation of the project and its cost.)

As we look forward to the completion of the tuck pointing, plans are underway to re-roof our flat roofs on our Church. As you can see from this aerial photo, the slate on the roof is in good condition; however, the flat roofs surrounding it need to be replaced. The ten flat roofs will be torn off down to the lightweight concrete deck on the original Church and down to the steel deck on the addition. New roofs, including sheet metal work, will then be installed. The roofing work cost is \$93,591.00 and the sheet metal is \$34,632.



FROM OUR PASTOR.....



Stewardship is:

- Recognizing that everything we have and are is a gift from God.
- Being grateful and generous with our gifts.
- Understanding that we are not owners of anything, but stewards of God's gifts.

The main point of stewardship is:

- Helping each other strengthen our relationship with God.
- Helping each other get to Heaven!
- Understanding that how we use our gifts is our gift back to God.

Living a stewardship lifestyle means:

- Placing our complete trust in God.
 - Sharing all of our gifts, especially the one that means the most to us.
 - Keeping God first in everything and not placing other "gods" before God.
 - Living a more God-centered and less self-centered life.
 - Expecting nothing in return and recognizing that no gift is too small to share.
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Prayer ... the Foundation of Stewardship

*"Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing.
In all circumstances, give thanks..."* (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18)

- In prayer, we listen for God's response, this is best done in silence.
- We open our hearts in gratitude so that they overflow with generosity.
- We ask God how He wants us to use our gifts daily.

Learn from the Saints: Visit - archstl.org/stewardship-saints
to watch a video about St. Rose Philippine Duchesne,
a model of prayer.

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WATCH THÉRÈSE

A pampered child from a middle-class 19th century French family, Therese Martin journeys to Rome to beg Pope Leo XIII for permission to enter the Carmelite monastery at the unheard-of age of 15. Once admitted she experiences the joys and rigors of monastic life, and makes the surprising yet simple discovery that holiness can be achieved by small acts of love and compassion – a spiritual path she calls her “Little Way.”



LEARN ANGELS: BISHOP FULTON SHEEN



In this compilation of three episodes from his classic television program, "Life is Worth Living,"

Bishop Fulton Sheen delivers his thoughts on various elements of the Catholic Faith with his ever-present humor, animated presentation, and captivating mode of speaking. In the first segment, "Angels," Bishop Sheen explicates the nature of angels and the meaningful role they play in our world.

LISTEN

THE CASE FOR JESUS BY DR. BRANT PITRE

Dr. Brant Pitre, Scripture scholar and bestselling author, uses biblical and historical evidence to bolster the "case for Jesus" by exposing the problems with the many false theories that have been introduced over the past hundred years, resulting in widespread skepticism about the reliability of Christian Faith. He tackles head-on questions like: Were the four Gospels written anonymously? Did Jesus claim to be God? Did Jesus fulfill the Jewish prophecies of the Messiah? and many more.

THE CASE FOR JESUS

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When Even Prayer Feels Like Too Much

Our demands are many, and every one of us is fighting our own unique battle. I've heard from so many parents of the social and emotional difficulties their children are suffering as they transition back to school after a year of online learning. Another familiar struggle among our youth relates to stress over friendships and social media platforms. Heavy homework and hectic activity demands are in full swing. When our kids are suffering, it creates a unique kind of stress. In addition, we have aging parents, relatives with cancer, friends going through divorce, the pandemic, and more. There are just so many things weighing us down, so many things for which to pray! Too many! We may think, "I'd never sleep, if I named each intention."

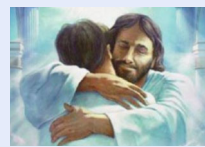
When I get overwhelmed like that I take solace in the perfect prayer Jesus taught us, the *Lord's Prayer*, and what he said before he gave it to us, "...your Father knows what you need before you ask him." *Matthew 6:8*

Obviously, these burdens, stressors, people, etc. are on our hearts and in our minds all of the time. Here's what works for me. When I wake up, I give thanks for the new day and my blessings. In my prayer, I ask the Father to accept all that is in my heart and mind as prayers, too. Then, I say an *Our Father*.

Bishop Barron once said that the Lord is closer to us than we are to ourselves. If that's true, then God knows our hearts and understands our thoughts as prayers. I say the *Lord's Prayer* throughout the day whenever I think of it, the *Hail Mary*, too. It's so easy, and it unites me to the Father in a new way, lightening the load little by little. —*Laura Gyawali*

PSR Principal

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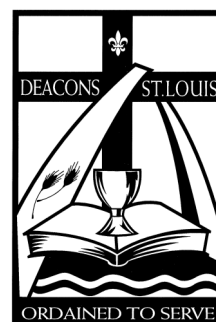


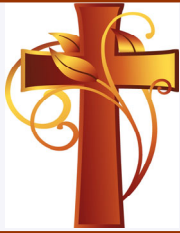
A Note from Deacon Tom...

About the Upcoming Deacon Formation Collection

Since the ordination of the first permanent deacons for the Archdiocese took place over four decades ago, hundreds of deacons in our Archdiocese have volunteered countless hours, actively modeling the Gospel through lives of service. Deacons are ordained into holy orders — ministers who proclaim and preach God's Word and perform various sacramental duties such as baptisms, weddings and funerals. In addition to their parish assignments, many also work within nursing homes, hospitals, hospices, prisons, schools and airport chapels. A few even function as parish co-administrators or Parish Life Coordinators.

Most also have full time jobs in addition to their non-paying deacon assignments. Every other year several dozen men begin the demanding five-year process of formation. The upcoming Deacon Formation Collection on the weekend of October 2-3 is the primary means of funding for this formation program, in addition to the tuition paid by the candidates. Please drop the special envelope from your packet in the collection box at church or mail your contribution directly to the rectory. As always, thank you for your participation in this important effort, which very much depends on your support. —*Deacon Tom*





Please pray for the repose of the soul of
Richard Lee Nix, Sr.

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

REMINDER

St. Patrick's Center Casseroles

should be dropped off at the Rectory

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1ST no later than 10:00 a.m.

(Casseroles should be FROZEN when dropped off!)

Thank you for your generosity!



The Parish Office will be **CLOSED**
Friday October 1st and
Friday October 8th.

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Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday (Vigil Mass) 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 7:00, 9:00, and 11:00 a.m.
Monday - Saturday 7:00 a.m.

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m.

*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

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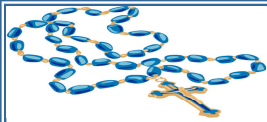
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Please pray for

**Peggy Schmitt Aliaga-Kelly
Betty Omev**

Annunziata is a family that loves & cares for one another. Should you, your family or your friends be in need of special prayers, we would like to add these names to our prayer list so they can be included in all of our prayers.



Please join us!
Pray the Rosary

**Monday through Saturday
as we pray the Rosary together
after the 7:00 a.m. Mass.**

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Zec 8:1-8; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23;
Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Zec 8:20-23; Ps 87:1b-7; Lk 9:51-56

Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;
Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19:8-11;
Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22; Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9;
Lk 10:13-16

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29; Ps 69:33-37;
Mt 18:1-5, 10

Sunday: Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128:1-6; Heb 2:9-11;
Mk 10:2-16 [2-12]

From Death to New Life

Stanley Ciapciak	September 26, 2006
Marie T. Lazarz	September 26, 1993
Jerome Melvin Mertens	September 27, 2010
Edwards L. Thaman	September 27, 2000
Arthur C. Hiemenz, Jr.	September 28, 1982
Ruthe Garman Brouk	September 30, 2003
Kaitlin Elizabeth Howe	September 30, 1989
John Lackey Wehrle	September 30, 2017
Mary Ann Funsch Altvater	October 2, 1996
Genevieve J. Brown	October 2, 2004

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, September 25

7:00 a.m. Sr. Paul Marie Reiter
5:00 p.m. Anita Dreher Adam

Sunday, September 26

7:00 a.m. People of the Parish
9:00 a.m. Celebrant's Intention
11:00 a.m. Dan Ferry

Monday, September 27

7:00 a.m. Edward Thaman

Tuesday, September 28

7:00 a.m. The Hebron Family

Wednesday, September 29

7:00 a.m. Carol Benoist

Thursday, September 30

7:00 a.m. Doug Jones

Friday, October 1

7:00 a.m. Don C. Musick, Jr. and Family

Saturday, October 2

7:00 a.m. Florence Wicevic
5:00 p.m. Mr. & Mrs. John E. Simon, Sr.
and Family, Living & Deceased

Sunday, October 3

7:00 a.m. Peggy Schmitt Aliaga-Kelly
9:00 a.m. Celebrant's Intention
11:00 a.m. People of the Parish



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