



Church of the Annunziata

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Celebration of the Eucharist

Sunday 7:00, 9:00, and 11:00 a.m.
Monday - Friday 7:00 and 7:45 a.m.
Saturday 7:00, 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Holy Day Eve 5:30 p.m. (Vigil Mass)
Holy Days 7:00 and 7:45 a.m.
Holidays 7:00 and 9:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays from 4:00 to 4:45 p.m.
Last Sunday of the month, all the Sundays of
Advent and Lent, or anytime by calling one of
your priests at the rectory.

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.

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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

FROM OUR PASTOR



WORLD DAY OF PEACE 2017

In his Message for the 50th World Day of Peace, celebrated on January 1, 2017, Pope Francis urges families, faith communities, government leaders, and the international community to practice non-violence and work to build a just peace.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

1. **Pray.** Use the Prayer for Peace in Our Communities (below) with your family, school, faith community, or in other settings. **Mary, Queen of Peace, pray for us.**
2. **Learn.** Learn about how faith communities are working for peace around the United States (bit.ly/peaceCCHD) and world (bit.ly/CRSpeace). *How might the Holy Spirit be calling your community to respond?*
3. **Act.** Begin in your own home with patience, kindness, forgiveness, and unconditional love. Advocate for justice by letting your voice be heard at every level of government.

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN OUR COMMUNITIES

Let us pray . . .

O Lord our God, in your mercy and kindness,
no thought of ours is left unnoticed, no desire or concern ignored.

You have proven that blessings abound when we fall on our knees in prayer,
and so we turn to you in our hour of need.

Surrounded by violence and cries for justice,
we hear your voice telling us what is required . . .

“Only to do justice and to love goodness, and to walk humbly with your God” (Mi 6:8).

Fill us with your mercy so that we, in turn, may be merciful to others.

Strip away pride, suspicion, and racism
so that we may seek peace and justice in our communities.

Strengthen our hearts so that they beat only to the rhythm of your holy will.

Flood our path with your light as we walk humbly toward a future
filled with encounter and unity.

Be with us, O Lord, in our efforts,
for only by the prompting of your grace can we progress toward virtue.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



MSGR. LEYKAM,
FATHER JOHN, DEACON TOM,
ELIZABETH GOOD (PASTORAL
ASSOCIATE & PSR PRINCIPAL),
AND ALL YOUR PARISH STAFF
WISH YOU A HAPPY, HEALTHY,
PRAYERFUL, AND PROSPEROUS
2017!

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 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, and call the rectory.**

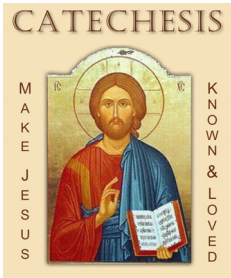


1Lt. Winston Boldt, U.S. Army
Lt. Col. Michael Butler, Chaplain U.S. Army
Captain Kevin Collins, U.S. Army
Lt. Michael Collins, U.S. Navy
1Lt. Patrick Collins, U.S. Army
LCpl. Nathan Forshaw, U.S. Marine Corps
Captain Courtney Fox, U.S. Army
Captain Zachary Fox, U.S. Army
Soosan Good, U.S. Army
1Lt. Douglas Hale, U.S. Army
1Lt. Molly Hale, U.S. Army
Lt. Charles Horn, M.D., U.S. Navy
1Lt. Robert Mandel, U.S. Army
PO Courtney Naunheim, U.S. Navy

Col. John M. Oberkirsch, U.S. Army
Sgt. 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
1Lt. Thomas J. Spearing, IV, U.S. Air Force
2Lt. Augie 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

*Almighty God, Our Father,
We ask that you bless the men and women of our Armed Forces,
Give them courage, hope and strength.
Grant strength and peace of mind to all the veterans who served and sacrificed for our
country. For all those suffering from the physical or spiritual wounds of war,
We pray Lord that you surround them, embrace them, lift them from darkness and despair and
heal them with your Merciful Love.
Be with the military families waiting for the safe return of their loved ones
sustaining them in faith, hope and love.
Hear us Lord as we pray in Jesus' name, Amen.*

***** Please contact the Rectory to add a loved one's name. *****



Upcoming Events

January 8, 2017:

- PSR Classes resume
- 8th graders from Catholic Schools join our PSR Confirmation class.
- Our Annual PSR Christmas Pageant, is rescheduled for 12:00 noon, on January 8th, The Feast of the Epiphany, or “Little Christmas.” Everyone is welcome.

January 15, 2017:

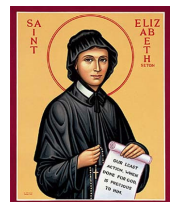
- Confirmation Commitment Ceremony, 9:00 a.m. Mass.
- 8th grade Parent Orientation in Church Hall, immediately following Mass.

January 22, 2017:

- 4th Grade family Mass with Bible Distribution.

Wishing you and your families a Joyous New Year!

*Blessings,
Elizabeth Ann Good,
PSR Principal*



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Everyone is invited to participate in this lively discussion of the Bible, which meets every other Monday from 7:30 - 8:10 a.m. in the Church Hall. For more information, please call Don Carmody at 314-854-8600.

**** NEW DATE ****

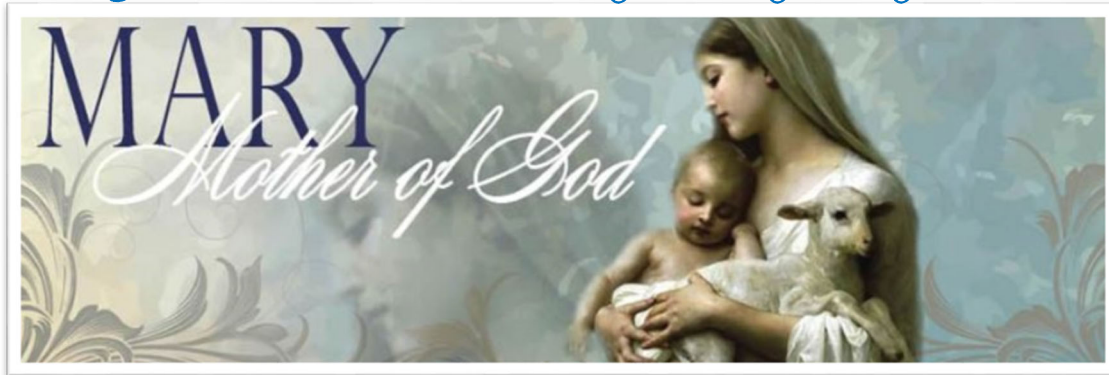
THE NEXT MEETING IS JANUARY 9, 2017.



Pastoral Associate Corner

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Celebrating the Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God



“The feast is a celebration of Mary’s motherhood of Jesus. The title “Mother of God” is a western derivation from the Greek Theotokos, which means “God-bearer”. On this day, we are reminded of the role that the Blessed Virgin played in the plan of our salvation. Through the Holy Spirit, God the Father prepared Mary to be the dwelling place where His Son and His Spirit could dwell among men. Christ’s birth was made possible by Mary’s fiat, or sanctioning of God’s plan with her words, “Be it done to me according to thy word”. Calling Mary “Mother of God” is the highest honor we can give to her. Just as Christmas honors Jesus as the “Prince of Peace”, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God honors Mary as the “Queen of Peace”. New Year’s Day is also designated as the “World Day of Peace”, further acknowledging the role of Mary in our hearts and in our world.”

Source: <http://holfamily.org/the-solemnity-of-mary-mother-of-god-january-1/>

Log onto our website for daily Scripture Readings and meditations for the final **Twelve Days of Christmas** from: Advent and Christmas Wisdom from Henri J.M. Nouwen, Ligouri Publications, 2004.

Day 8, Sunday, January 1, 2017: Colossians 3:16-17 (The discipline of Gratitude)

Day 9, Monday, January 2, 2017: Hebrews 12:1-3 (Mental Hostility)

Day 10, Tuesday, January 3, 2017: Psalm 37:7-9, 16, 21 (The Discipline of Generosity)

Day 11, Wednesday, January 4, 2017: John 6:8-11 (Small Gifts, Big Consequences)

Day 12, Thursday, January 5, 2017: Mark 1:9-11 (The Water of Purity)

Financial Blessings

As of December 16, 2016

Total donations, from Annunziata, for:

- Giving Tree: \$1,105

Total Donations for the month of December:

- Church Building Maintenance: \$1,658

Financial Blessings

December 10 - 11, 2016

Weekly Offertory: \$ 18,606.00

Weekly Budget: \$ 15,238.46

Surplus for the week: \$ 3,367.54

Deficit Year-to-Date: -\$101,803.34

2016 Year-End General

Offertory Donations: \$ 23,500.00

Deficit Year-to-Date: -\$ 78,303.34

*based on fiscal not calendar year.

Financial Blessings

December 3 - 4, 2016

Weekly Offertory: \$ 17,575.05

Weekly Budget: \$ 15,238.46

Surplus for the week: \$ 2,336.59

Deficit Year-to-Date: -\$105,170.88

*based on fiscal not calendar year.

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF
JANUARY 2 - 8, 2017:**

Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Sal 149:1-6a, 9b; Jn 2:1-11

Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

Please note that the Rectory

will be closed on Monday,
January 2, 2017.

Happy New Year

*** * REMINDER * ***

St. Patrick's Center Casseroles

should be dropped off at the Rectory

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, no later than 10:00 a.m.

Thank you!

FROM DEATH TO LIFE

Arthur F. Becker	January 2, 2002
John Dean	January 3, 2010
Carl J. Reis	January 3, 2004
Robert E. Sherrill, Jr.	January 3, 1998
Laura Bernadette Weber	January 4, 1995
Erin O'Reilly Ahearn	January 5, 2016
Julia K. Carr	January 5, 2004
Elias S. Gatch	January 6, 1997
Margaret Rooney Goebel	January 6, 2012
Thomas W. Halloran	January 6, 1984
Thomas O. McNearney	January 6, 2003
Henrietta Osterholt	January 7, 2009
Auguste Chouteau	January 8, 1990
Harry J. Hegeman	January 8, 2010

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 31

7:00 a.m. Loraine Murray
9:00 a.m. John Shields
5:00 p.m. Sue George & Family

Sunday, January 1, 2017

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

Monday, January 2

7:00 a.m. Maureen Hillner
7:45 a.m. Susan Jane Evers

Tuesday, January 3

7:00 a.m. Neil Sellenrick
7:45 a.m. Mr. & Mrs. John Simon,
Sr. & Family (lvg/decd)

Wednesday, January 4

7:00 a.m. Special Intention
(James Hereford)
7:45 a.m. Cotty Benage

Thursday, January 5

7:00 a.m. Erin Ahearn
7:45 a.m. Genevieve Marie Gantner

Friday, January 6

7:00 a.m. Rev. David Hassel, S.J.
7:45 a.m. Good Health (L.F.)

Saturday, January 7

7:00 a.m. David Wilson
9:00 a.m. Clarence Sweets
5:00 p.m. Michael Reifsteck

Sunday, January 8

7:00 a.m. Special Intention
(Kelly Holton)
9:00 a.m. People of the Parish
11:00 a.m. Celebrant's Intention

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, December 31

5:00 p.m.

Lector:

Madeleine Cole

Eucharistic Ministers:

Pat Carmody
Don Carmody

Server:

Ryan Farley
Owen Farley

Sunday, January 1, 2017

7:00 a.m.

Lector:

David Holton

Servers:

Reilly Ahearn
John Forshaw

9:00 a.m.

Lector:

Carol Donelan

Eucharistic Ministers:

Marilyn Morrison
Geoff Morrison

Server:

Sarah Kuhlman

11:00 a.m.

Lector:

Rick Manley

Eucharistic Ministers:

Server:

Saturday, January 7

5:00 p.m.

Lector:

Elizabeth Good

Eucharistic Ministers:

Stella Alexander
Madeleine Cole

Server:

Marissa Ledbetter

Sunday, January 8

7:00 a.m.

Lector:

Mark Holton

Servers:

Reilly Ahearn
John Forshaw

9:00 a.m.

Lector:

Steve Clark

Eucharistic Ministers:

Meg Griesedieck
Chris Griesedieck

Servers:

Katie Donnelly
Lizanne Donnelly

11:00 a.m.

Lector:

Gene Cunningham

Eucharistic Ministers:

Cindy Cunningham
Sally O'Hallaron

Server:

Rebecca Cunningham