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Our Mission Statement:

The Church of the Annunciation, united in faith and guided by the Holy Spirit, is a welcoming community of people, loving, serving, and sharing in the mission of Jesus Christ.

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Rev. Msgr. Richard F. Groncki, In Residence

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Mr. William Joyce, Deacon

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David Pfeiffer and Mary Sherry, Parish Trustees

Schedule of Masses and Devotions

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. (Sunday anticipated)

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., Noon

Monday through Friday: 7:30 a.m. in the Holy Family Chapel at the Parish Center

Saturday: 9:00 a.m., with the Miraculous Medal Novena prayed during the Mass

Holy Days: 7:30 p.m. (vigil), 7:30 a.m., Noon

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Holy Family Chapel during which time the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy are prayed.



Beatification of Father Solanus Casey, OFM, Cap November 18, 2017



Venerable Solanus Casey, an American-born Capuchin priest who died in 1957 was beatified this weekend in Detroit, sixty years after his death with as many as 60,000 people in attendance. Father Casey was known for his great faith, attention to the sick, and ability as a spiritual counselor. He is the second American-born male to be beatified. (Blessed Stanley Rother was beatified in Oklahoma City on September 23, 2017.) In 1958, the year following his death, the Capuchin Minister General called him "an extraordinary example of a true Capuchin and a replica of St. Francis." This tribute confirmed the many reports that began to come in from people everywhere about his outstanding virtues.

Born Bernard Casey on November 25, 1870, he was the sixth child of 16 born to Irish immigrants in Wisconsin. At age 17 he left home to work at various jobs, including as a lumberjack, a hospital orderly, and a prison guard. Re-evaluating his life after witnessing a drunken sailor brutally stab a woman to death, he decided to act on a call he felt to enter the priesthood. Because of his lack of formal education, however, he struggled in the minor seminary and was eventually encouraged to become a priest in a religious order rather than a diocesan priest. So in 1898 he joined the Capuchin Franciscans in Detroit and after struggling through his studies, in 1904 was ordained a *sacerdos simplex* - a priest who can celebrate Mass but without faculties to preach publicly or hear confessions.

Father Solanus was very close to the sick and was highly sought-after throughout his life, in part because of the many physical healings attributed to his blessings and intercession. Many asked for his prayers and those prayers have been answered, often in dramatic ways. Pope St. John Paul II declared him Venerable in 1995. He had faithfully served the people of Detroit, MI, Huntington, IN, New York City and Yonkers, NY by providing soup for the hungry, kind words for the troubled, and a healing touch for the ill. Wherever he served, people would line up for blocks for a moment with him. He also co-founded Detroit's Capuchin Soup Kitchen in 1929. For 21 years he was the *porter* (i.e. doorkeeper) at St. Bonaventure Monastery in Detroit.

Father Solanus was always ready to listen to anyone at any time, day or night, and to encourage everyone to "*thank God ahead of time*"— for the blessings they were yet to receive. His heart also went out to those who have given up the practice of their faith or had no affiliation with any church community. He saw each person as loved by God and called to share in God's life. He is also known for his fondness for playing the violin and singing, although he had a bad singing voice because of a childhood illness which damaged his vocal chords. Even in his 70s, Father Solanus Casey remained very active and would even join the younger religious in a game of tennis or volleyball. He died from erysipelas, a skin disease, on July 31, 1957, at the age of 87.

A miracle attributed to Venerable Solanus Casey's intercession was recognized by Pope Francis on May 4, 2017, and opened the path to beatification. Another approved miracle after beatification will advance his Cause to sainthood.

Archbishop Allen Vigneron of Detroit stated that the beatification of Father Solanus will be a tremendous blessing . . . [and] an opportunity for all of us to experience the love of Jesus Christ.

"It's 'Heaven Begun', for the Grateful on Earth."

— Blessed Solanus Casey

Blessed Solanus Casey, pray for us.

Readings for the Week

- Monday: I Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63;
Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158;
Lk 18:35-43
- Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10
- Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15;
Lk 19:11-28
- Thursday: I Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15;
Lk 19:41-44
Thanksgiving Day, Suggested:
Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; I Cor 1:3-9;
Lk 17:11-19
- Friday: I Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; I Chr 29:10bcd,
11-12; Lk 19:45-48
- Saturday: I Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19;
Lk 20:27-40
- Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6;
I Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46



There is still an opportunity to make someone's Christmas wish come true because the Giving Tree will still be set up next weekend. On November 25 or 26, please take an ornament from the tree and sign it out with a member of the Social Concerns Committee.

All wrapped gifts, with their tags attached, must be returned to the church by Sunday, December 3 at 12:00 p.m. All gifts will be taken to members of Christ the King Church in Jersey City. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Memorials

The sanctuary lamps and altar candles were donated in memory of **Eleanor King** by the 7:30 a.m. Mass group.

The altar bread and altar wine were donated in memory of **Anthony Capricuso, Jr.**, by his family.

for those in need of healing...

Judy Joyce

for the newly baptized...

Sadie Rose Farhat

for those who serve...

All men and women in our military, stationed both here and abroad



Table of Plenty Food Pantry

"...as often as you did it for the least of my brothers you have done it for me."

Matthew 25:40

Last weekend Table of Plenty conducted a Thanksgiving Food Drive outside The Maywood Market Place. We are grateful to the owners, Manny and Costa, for allowing us to do so. Once again by participating in food drives of this nature, it gives us the time to experience the generosity of others. We find people really want to help and we are happy to give them that opportunity to do so.

This weekend we distributed our Thanksgiving Meal Baskets to the recipients of Table of Plenty. Each family received an assortment of non-perishable items, an assortment of frozen food items including a turkey, as well as desserts and cookies. Table of Plenty is grateful to the Saddle Brook Kwanis Club for donating the turkeys to us, Leonard's Novelty Bakery in Moonachie for providing the cookies, and our friends in Wood Ridge, Reddy Raw Wholesale Retailers, for providing the desserts. We also are most grateful to Our Lady of Visitation, St. Athanasios, Kessler Rehabilitation Center, KRA Insurance Agency and Greater Alliance for their food drive donations. And, as always, we appreciate all that our Parish does at the holiday time and throughout the year in providing the non-perishable items for the pantry which are so vital to our outreach mission.

The Volunteers of Table of Plenty Wish
You and Your Families a Happy Thanksgiving Day!



Upcoming Collection

Basilica of the National Shrine
Trinity Dome Collection

December 8

Proceeds from this one-time collection will assist with the completion of the largest and last of the seven domes to adorn the Basilica of the National Shrine's interior.

Completion of the Trinity Dome, expected in time for Christmas 2017, will bring to conclusion the construction of the Great Upper Church which began in 1955, and will prepare the way for the celebration of the One Hundredth Anniversary of the laying of the Shrine's foundation stone in 2020.

More information on the Trinity Dome will appear in a future bulletin. If you wish to contribute to this collection, please make all checks payable to Church of the Annunciation.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Mass Intentions for the Week

Key
 C = Church
 CAF = School Cafeteria
 GS = Gathering Space
 HFC = Holy Family Chapel
 LR = Parish Center Living Room
 MR = Parish Center Meeting Room
 OH = O'Connor Hall
 P = Church Plaza
 PH = Providence Hall
 SC = School Classrooms
 SG = School Gym
 UR = Parish Center Upper Room
 YR = Youth Room

Monday, November 20
 9:00 a.m. Food Pantry Kitchen Teams – PH
 7:00 p.m. Faith Formation, Grades 7 –8 – CAF, SC & SG

Tuesday, November 21
 5:45 p.m. Men's Basketball – SG
 7:45 p.m. Men's Basketball – SG

Wednesday, November 22
 3:30 p.m. Knights of Columbus Columbian Club– PH
 7:00 p.m. Rosary/Divine Mercy Devotional – HFC

Thursday, November 23
 Parish Center closed
 7:00 p.m. AA – OH

Friday, November 24
 Parish Center closed

Saturday, November 25
 8:00 a.m. Food Pantry Kitchen Teams & Distribution – OH
 6:00 p.m. Giving Tree Tag Selection – GS

Sunday, November 26
 Giving Tree Tag Selection after all Masses – GS

Our Thanksgiving Day liturgy will be celebrated in the church at 9:00 a.m. Mass on Friday, November 24, will be celebrated as usual in the Holy Family Chapel at 7:30 a.m.

Saturday, November 18
 5:00 p.m. **Vincenza Raiola** req. Lucy & John Pergolizzi

Sunday, November 19: Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 a.m. **Rita Healy** req. her daughter, Cathy
 10:30 a.m. **Mariano Madamba** req. his wife & family
 12:00 p.m. **MaryAnn Siniscalchi** req. Mike & Jackie Zaccheo

Monday, November 20
 7:30 a.m. **Nick Morin** req. George & Fiorella Matesic

Tuesday, November 21: The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
 7:30 a.m. **Loraine Sherman** req. Harriet Kugler

Wednesday, November 22: Saint Cecilia
 7:30 a.m. **Vincent Saponaro** req. Donna Muscarella

Thursday, November 23: Saint Clement I, Saint Columban, Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro
 9:00 a.m. **Mary & Horace DeHaven** req. Rose & Gordon DeHaven

Friday, November 24: Saint Andrew Dũng-Lac and Companions
 7:30 a.m. **Michael Wyssenski** req. his parents

Saturday, November 25: Saint Catherine of Alexandria
 9:00 a.m. **Frances Carlin** req. her husband, Pat
 5:00 p.m. **Richard Turpin** req. Thelma & Della Mauleon & family

Sunday, November 26: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
 8:00 a.m. **Daniel Fanelli, Sr.** req. Fr. Jim & the Annunciation staff
 10:30 a.m. **Nancy Ambrosino** req. Aida & Rich Aronson
 12:00 p.m. **Deacon Joseph Niland** req. Annunciation's Altar Servers



Come experience everything Catholic under one roof! Hear inspirational speakers, enjoy entertainment, stop by vendor booths, get your Christmas gifts early at the Christmas Bazaar. This event is supported by the Archdiocese of Newark and the theme is "Rebuilding The Church!" Don't miss this special event! Tickets for 2 days are \$50. Visit www.catholiceverythingexpo.com for tickets. For more information call 800-313-6933 or 201-539-0345.

Our Giving

Please remember to fill in the donation amount on your offertory envelope!

November 11-12

Income from 148 envelope users	\$ 5,232.00
Out-of-pocket gifts	\$ 975.00
Electronic giving (weekly average, 64 families)	\$ 2,069.37
Total weekly income	\$ 8,276.37
Mass attendance	608

Annunciation's Parish Center is open Monday to Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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BAPTISM

The sacrament of Baptism is celebrated for infants on the second and fourth weekends of each month, except during the Lenten season. The celebration may take place during the 10:30 a.m. or 12:00 p.m. Mass on Sunday, or at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday. Parents are invited to contact Judy Fanelli, even before your baby is born, so that participation in our preparation program can be arranged and the baptism planned.

RECONCILIATION

The sacrament of Reconciliation is offered in the church on Saturdays between 4:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Personal appointments for other times are available and can be made by contacting Father Jim.

During the Lenten Season, a communal Celebration of Reconciliation is offered in conjunction with Our Lady of the Visitation parish.

VOCATIONS

Are you being called to priesthood or religious life? As you discern God's calling, explore www.rcan.org/vocation.

MINISTRY TO THE ILL AND HOMEBOUND

At times, physical injury, old age, or debilitating disease prevents our parishioners from participating regularly in the celebration of the Eucharist. During such times, contact with the community of faith is needed more than ever before. We can arrange for you to receive the Eucharist, the sacrament of Reconciliation, and/or the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick in your home or hospital room. Please call the Parish Center if you wish to be visited.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

If you are new to the parish, please submit a completed parish census form. Blank forms are available in the Gathering Space and on our website. Families already registered with the parish are encouraged to keep current their membership information.

INITIATION INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

The *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* (RCIA) is a process of formation and initiation for those (age seven and older) who have never been baptized and wish to become members of the Roman Catholic Church.

Formation and initiation opportunities also exist for adults baptized into the Roman Catholic Church as infants, but who have not received the sacraments of Confirmation and/or Eucharist.

Christians baptized in Eastern Orthodox Churches or in communions other than Roman Catholic who wish to enter into the fullness of Catholic communion may also participate in the RCIA formation process.

For more information, please contact Father Jim.

VISITATION ACADEMY

Parents wishing to provide their children with a quality Catholic education are encouraged to consider Visitation Academy, a National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence. Located in Paramus and supported by the Catholic parishes of Paramus and Rochelle Park, Visitation Academy offers classes for Grades pre-K3 through eight. For more information, please visit www.visitationacademyparamus.org or call 201-262-6067.

INTENTION REQUESTS

We can spiritually remember an anniversary of marriage, ordination or death, birthday, or other significant milestone for the living or deceased by dedicating the items we use for worship: the sanctuary lamps which burn constantly before the Blessed Sacrament in the church and Holy Family Chapel, the altar candles which remain lit during each liturgical celebration, the bread and wine consecrated at Mass, the Advent wreath candles, and the Paschal candle. Masses may also be offered for a special intention.

A set donation is requested for each intention, a card is provided, and the intention is printed in the bulletin. To request an intention, please visit the Parish Center.

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