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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.

Pastoral Staff

Rev. James V. Teti, Pastor

Rev. Msgr. Richard F. Groncki, In Residence

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Kimberly Harrigan, Principal, Visitation Academy

Mr. William Joyce, Deacon

James Carlo, Director of Music

Lorraine Rose, Cantor / Leader of Song

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.





A Note from Our Pastor

Dear Parishioners,

This weekend we are hosting our summer mission appeal here in the parish. I trust you will recall that each year, typically during July or August, a different speaker visits our parish, and in fact, all the parishes here in the archdiocese, to share about the work their diocese, community, or organization is conducting throughout the world. This is always an important opportunity for us to learn about missionary work in the Church, and to support it in the ways that we can. This year we are blessed to be visited by representatives from Mary's Meals. You will see below the bulletin information they have shared with us to provide a brief synopsis of their organization and mission. Further details will be filled in through the information provided at Mass, and in the responses to any questions you may ask of the speakers during the time following our Sunday liturgies at which they will be able to greet parishioners. The second collection at Mass this weekend will support their work, and so I am grateful for what you are able to share in this appeal. As always, let us remember in our prayers all those who minister in the missions throughout the world. May God grant to them courage and strength in proclaiming the Gospel in word and deed, and that they might have the necessary support and resources to continue the work in which they bring forth the life of God's Kingdom. I thank you for joining me in these intentions and, in particular, by welcoming Mary's Meals to the Church of the Annunciation this weekend.

Mary's Meals USA is a school-feeding movement whose mission is to provide a daily meal to some of the world's poorest children in their places of education. Mary's Meals provides meals in school to children in 14 countries, and offers both immediate, much needed nourishment as well as increased opportunity for children to attend school and thus gain a long-term path out of poverty. Mary's Meals is a low-cost grass roots charity, and 93% of donations go to charitable purposes; it costs Mary's Meals on average \$19.50 to provide a meal every school day for a child for one year. Mary's Meals is named in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the mother of Jesus, who brought up her own child in poverty. We consist of, respect and reach out to people of all faiths and those of none. With many "small acts of great love" and grass roots support from individuals and groups across the world, Mary's Meals is now feeding 1,230,171 children every school day. More information can be found at www.MarysMealsusa.org.

Yours in Christ,
Fr. Jim Teti

Our Giving



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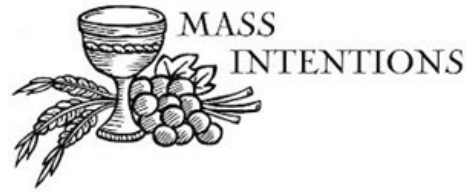
August 12-13

Income from 124 envelope users	\$ 3,367.00
Out-of-pocket gifts	\$ 954.00
Electronic giving (weekly average, 65 families)	\$ 2,103.99
Total weekly income	\$ 6,424.99
Mass attendance	420

Readings for the Week



Monday:	Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22
Tuesday:	Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
Wednesday:	Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16
Thursday:	Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
Friday:	Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40
Saturday:	Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12
Sunday:	Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20



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

Monday, August 21

9:00 a.m. Food Pantry Kitchen Teams – PH

Wednesday, August 23

7:00 p.m. Rosary/Divine Mercy Devotional – HFC

Thursday, August 24

9:00 a.m. Food Pantry Kitchen Teams – PH

7:00 p.m. AA – OH

Friday, August 25

9:00 a.m. Food Pantry Kitchen Teams – PH

7:00 p.m. Charismatic Prayer Group – HFC

Saturday, August 26

8:00 a.m. Food Pantry Kitchen Teams & Distribution – PH

From Grief to Hope
Our Lady of the Visitation Parish
234 Farview Avenue

Starting Thursday, September 7, at 7:30 p.m.

Are you struggling with grief because of the death of a spouse, child, parent, relative or friend. Our Lady of the Visitation Parish Bereavement Ministry will be offering a weekly program to help people understand grief, cope with it, and strengthen their hope.

These sessions are open to all grieving people, their relatives, their friends, and those in the helping professions. The first session, entitled Overview and Feelings, is a good introduction to the program and a way to identify and start to deal with the multitude of feelings occurring during this time of grief.

Sessions are held year round on Thursday evenings in the comfortable surroundings of the parish rectory dining room. Starting at 7:30 p.m., sessions end at approximately 9:00 p.m., after coffee and cake. For further information, do not hesitate to contact Deacon Peter Emr at 201-261-6080.

Memorials

The sanctuary lamps were donated in memory of **Joe Blauvelt** by Chrissy and Jim Tiedemann.

The altar candles were donated in memory of **MaryAnn Siniscalchi** by Dawn and Chip Philibosian.

Saturday, August 19

5:00 p.m. **Donald Morella** req. Tony & Barbara Tedino

Sunday, August 20: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. **Patricia Eileen Barber** req. Mr. & Mrs. Mohn

10:30 a.m. **Jose Correoso & Petra Reyes** req. their daughter, Dora & family

12:00 p.m. **Anthony Solimando** req. Mirtha Van Straten

Monday, August 21: Saint Pius X

7:30 a.m. **Nikolina Matesic** req. Nevio & Joanne Mattessich

Tuesday, August 22: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

7:30 a.m. **For the intention of Brandon Uber** req. the Uber family

Wednesday, August 23: Saint Rose of Lima

7:30 a.m. **Cara McCollum** req. the Antonicello family

Thursday, August 24: Saint Bartholomew

7:30 a.m. **Michael Wyssenski** req. his parents

Friday, August 25: Saint Louis / Saint Joseph Calasanz

7:30 a.m. **Lillian Whalen & Frances Carlin** req. Pat Carlin

Saturday, August 26

9:00 a.m. **Frances & Frankie Carlin** req. Pat Carlin

5:00 p.m. **MaryAnn Siniscalchi** req. Estelle & Ray Walter

Sunday, August 27: Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. **Frankie & Frances Carlin** req. Pat Carlin

10:30 a.m. **Mary Vergano** req. Josephine Cikutovich

12:00 p.m. **MaryAnn Siniscalchi** req. Jeanne Weber



for those in need of healing...
Judy Joyce

for the newly baptized...
Alyssa Ann Piccinich

for those who serve...

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

Grief to Grace Retreat

Healing the Wounds of Abuse
September 10-15

The Grief to Grace Retreat is a psychological and spiritual journey providing safety and support for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional or sexual abuse or neglect. It is appropriate for those who have endured rape, incest, or other forms of traumatic violation in childhood, adolescence or as an adult. It is also suitable for those who have suffered abuse by a member of the clergy. This model of care provides therapy for the soul.

If you have any questions about the Grief to Grace Retreat, please direct them to Cheryl Riley, Associate Director of the Archdiocesan Respect Life office, at 973-497-4350 or rileyche@rcan.org.

Table of Plenty Food Pantry

“We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to His purpose.”

Romans 8:28

Table of Plenty wishes to thank the parishioners for their donation of school supplies last weekend. You have helped us tremendously in providing these school supplies for the children of the families we assist. If you haven't as yet participated, the school supply receptacle will remain in the Gathering Space until the end of August. Thank you again for all your assistance.

Next weekend on August 26, Table of Plenty will be conducting a food drive outside the Shop Rite in Rochelle Park, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This endeavor will help to replenish our food pantry shelves. We find that people really want to help when we make our requests for food known to them and we are happy to be able to give them that opportunity.

Daily Prayer This Week

This week we can be moved by the powerful fidelity of a woman like Ruth, and the familiar gospel stories will guide us through the week most with practical advice and challenging ideas.

It is good to begin by recognizing our own issues with God. For many of us, the graces with which we will be asking God to bless us have to do with our freedom from being so independent. For some of us, it will be to ask to keep our priorities straight this week. It may mean that we let this be a week when we ask what “success” really means for us. It could be a week to try to name more clearly what our purpose, our mission in life is: what the Lord calling us to do with our lives.

The real grace of finding intimacy with God in the midst of our busy everyday lives is that it helps keep us focused. When we get really busy, it can be like being on a tread mill. We begin our day in the morning, go where the day takes us and jump off at night. Our desire here is to live with more choice, more freedom. We want to live each day more reflectively.

So, if I know the gospel is going to ask me to ponder how the lure of having more and more money can become an impediment to my salvation, or how generous and merciful God is, or how my busyness leads me to forget or lose my priorities, then I can choose to let those reflections shape my week. The way I can do that is by beginning each day with focus. What gives focus is recognizing and naming a desire, a grace or gift I ask of God, for that day, conscious of what I will be experiencing, what will challenge me, what opportunities will be offered me. What really makes this effective, is to keep talking with Jesus about those desires in the small, quiet moments that are tucked into each day, the “in between times” of the day.

The effect is that more and more of the details of our lives are interacting with the Word of God and the desires which God is inspiring in our hearts. As we move toward the weekend, we can prepare to hear Jesus ask us who we say he is - who he is for us. Connecting with Jesus in our daily lives allows him to become my Savior and the intimate friend who knows me through and through and is helping me come to know myself with great honesty, integrity, freedom and peace.

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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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