

CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION

A Roman Catholic Community

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Church of 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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Masses

Saturday (Sunday anticipated) 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., Noon

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

Saturday 9:00 a.m.
Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena during Mass

Holy Days of Obligation
As announced

Confession

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., also by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, Benediction
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
Holy Family Chapel

PASTORAL STAFF

Reverend James V. Teti, *Pastor*

Reverend Monsignor Richard F. Groncki • Reverend Donald K. Hummel
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Reverend John Stanley Gomes, *Sunday Associate*

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Guide to Daily Prayer this Week

On the Twenty-Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time Jesus tells the parable of the unjust steward who finds out he's been caught squandering his master's property, and goes out and makes deals to make friends for the future. Jesus acknowledges the steward's prudence and calls us to have, at the very least, prudence about our future. "If, therefore, you are not trustworthy with dishonest wealth, who will trust you with true wealth?"

Monday is the Memorial of Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest. Friday is the Memorial of Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest.

The first reading this week comes from the Book of Ezra, one of the first chroniclers of the post-exile period of Judaism. He is responsible for helping hold the restored people together. We finish the week with brief selections from the prophets Haggai and Zechariah, who were prophets during this period. "Consider your ways!" "My spirit continues in your midst; do not fear!"

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus urges us to use our gifts: "No one lights a lamp and hides it under a bushel basket." When his family comes looking for him, Jesus uses the occasion to tell us that we are family to him, if we hear his Word and act on it. Herod is wondering who Jesus really is. He encourages his Apostles to freedom, sending them out to teach and heal, taking nothing with them. Jesus asks his disciples who they think he is. Peter replies for them all, "The Christ of God." Jesus doesn't want them to announce he's the type of Messiah they were looking for. Instead, he tells them of his upcoming passion and death.

The story of the rich man and Lazarus is the focus of the Luke's Gospel on the Twenty-Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time. This is a classic story of how the tables are turned in the afterlife. The rich man has it good in this life and ignores the plight of poor Lazarus. In the afterlife, it is the rich man who is in torment and Lazarus is the one who is enjoying heaven. The double irony comes when the rich man asks that Lazarus be sent to warn his brothers. Jesus responds: "If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead." Will we listen to the one who has risen from the dead?

When we place Jesus at the center of our lives, as Paul calls the Colossians to do, two marvelous graces are given us. We experience God's love for us in the mercy and forgiveness of Jesus. As grateful sinners, we then are able to forgive others. As we begin each day this week, we can let these two graces be part of our reflection. We can ask our Lord to show us his love. We can fearlessly ask to understand who we are as sinners, in the concrete ways each of us falls short, gets distracted, becomes uncentered and makes very unwise choices. We can ask to be forgiven and healed. We can beg for the grace to forgive others. This journey each day might take us into specific patterns, habits, ruts we're in. We may even want to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation this week, in preparation for celebrating the upcoming Sunday's readings.

We can choose to focus carefully this week on those people we ask for the grace to forgive. Whose faults do I pay most attention to? Whom do I judge harshly? From whom do I withhold forgiveness? If we begin each day, asking our Lord to reveal the answers to these questions, throughout our day, our days this week will show us deeper places where the Lord can forgive us and where we can share that mercy.

From the beginning of the week, we might ask Mary to gently guide us to trust her Son's love and to be more tender in loving those people her Son invites us to forgive and be a source of healing.

Throughout this week, we can also give thanks for the ways we are called to be Jesus' followers - not because we are extremely talented or because we are perfect, but because he saw in us something that he could heal and then send us to heal others. We can be especially attentive to the ways we are blessed in our poverty and in the ways we sometimes experience rejection as his disciples.

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Memorials

The sanctuary lamps were donated in memory of **Mary Szorentini** by Annunciation's Ministers of Hospitality.

The altar candles, altar bread, and altar wine were donated in memory of **Jerald Carpentier** by his wife, Malvina and family.

Please pray for

...those in need of healing...

Luigi Vene, Margaret McVeigh

...the newly baptized...

Julia Czaplicki, John Richard D'Izzia

...those who have entered new life...

Maria Russo, Elsie Grigorenko

Readings for the Week



Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; Lk 8:16-18
 Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 8:19-21
 Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tob 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
 Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b; Lk 9:7-9
 Friday: Hg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4; Lk 9:18-22
 Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10, 11-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45
 Sunday: Am 6:1a, 4-7; Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10; 1 Tm 6:11-16; Lk 16:19-31



Key

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

Monday, September 23

9:00 a.m. Table of Plenty – PH
 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Parent/Teen Meeting – PH

Wednesday, September 25

7:00 p.m. Rosary/Divine Mercy Devotional – HFC
 7:00 p.m. Archdiocesan Finance Council Training - SG

Thursday September 26

9:00 a.m. Table of Plenty – PH
 7:00 p.m. AA – OH
 7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Social - PH

Friday September 27

9:00 a.m. Table of Plenty – PH
 1:00 p.m. Food Preparation for Shelter Walk-in Dinner – PH

Saturday September 28

8:00 a.m. Table of Plenty – PH



Saturday, September 21

5:00 p.m. **Fr. Chester Zega** req. the Frankland family

Sunday, September 22: Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. **Bud Willis** req. his wife, Marie
 10:30 a.m. **Regina Fodor** req. the Annunciation Choir
 12:00 p.m. **George Sacchi** req. his family

Monday, September 23: St. Pius of Pietrelcina

7:30 a.m. **Marie Zaubere** req. Judy & Bill Joyce

Tuesday, September 24

7:30 a.m. **Virginia Saponaro** req. Donna Muscarella

Wednesday, September 25

7:30 a.m. **Michael & Stephen Wyssenski** req. their parents

Thursday, September 26: Saints Cosmas and Damian

7:30 a.m. **Deacon Joe Niland** req. Linda & Dan Conway

Friday, September 27: Saint Vincent de Paul

7:30 a.m. **In Honor of St. Michael the Archangel** req. Linda & Dan Conway

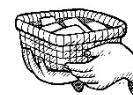
Saturday, September 28: Saint Wenceslaus / St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions

9:00 a.m. **Robert Rogers** req. Dawn & Chip Philibosian
 5:00 p.m. **Jennifer Williamson** req. the Folcarelli family

Sunday, September 29: Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. **Ruth Donovan** req. Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Nicastro
 10:30 a.m. **Arthur Ottimo** req. Mario Sicari & Susan Johnson
 12:00 p.m. **Raegan Quinn McCutchan** req. the Perusse family

Our Giving



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September 14-15

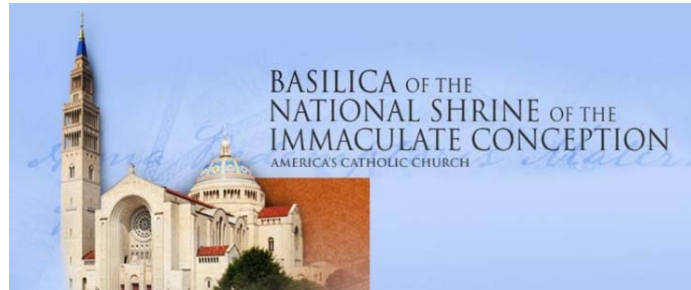
Income from 123 envelope users	\$ 3,736.00
Out-of-pocket gifts	\$ 1,202.00
Electronic giving (weekly average, 61 families)	\$ 2,078.37
Total weekly income	\$ 7,016.37
Mass attendance	433



Save the Date
Saturday, October 12 at Noon
Rosary Rally at Annunciation

Come and be a part of many parish groups praying the Rosary coast to coast on October 12. We will gather in prayer outside the church at noon to pray for the return of our nation to God and holiness. In case of rain, we will meet in O'Connor Hall.

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The United States has long been considered the great melting pot, where people from many diverse lands have come to dwell. The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC is proud to reflect this rich heritage of America.

Home to more than eighty chapels and oratories honoring the Mother of God and representing peoples from every corner of the globe, the National Shrine reflects the ethnic and cultural diversity of the United States and the unity and universality of the Catholic Church.

Built by generations of faithful American Catholics to honor the patroness of our nation—the Blessed Virgin Mary under her title of the Immaculate Conception — the National Shrine is affectionately referred to as *America's Catholic Church*.

Among the nationalities and ethnicities represented throughout the Basilica are African, Austrian, Chinese, Croatian, Cuban, Czech, Filipino, French, German, Guamanian, Hungarian, Indian, Irish, Italian, Korean, Latin American, Lebanese, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Slovak, Slovenian, and Vietnamese.

Religious communities from around the world are also represented, including the Augustinians, Carmelites, Dominicans, Franciscans, Jesuits, Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Redemptorists, Salesians, Sisters of Charity, and Sisters of Providence.

Join the
NEWARK ARCHDIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE
to the
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Saturday, October 26, 2019

One-day bus trip departing from Sacred Heart Church, Rochelle Park at 6:00 a.m.

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To learn more about the Shrine, visit www.nationalshrine.org. For more information on the pilgrimage, contact Donna Muscarella, parish pilgrimage promoter, at the Parish Center. To register, submit the below form, along with a check for \$50/person made payable to "Church of the Annunciation."

PILGRIMAGE REGISTRATION FORM

Please enroll me as a pilgrim to the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC.

Name _____

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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.

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