

Annunciation Catholic Church

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LISTENING TO THE LORD'S COMMANDS

"This is my chosen Son, listen to Him" (Lk 9:36). These words from God the Father to Peter, James, and John during Jesus' transfiguration remind us of something truly important: listening to the Lord. It's something all of us can embrace! Our loving Lord sees the wonderful, blessed, and talented sides, and He dreams of us embarking on creative, bold, and thrilling adventures. He wishes to work through our unique gifts and talents to remind us of His immense love and let His love shine brilliantly in and through us. Then, we face the challenge of the second deadly sin: envy. Envy arises when we feel sorrow over someone else's goodness or success. When someone achieves something tremendous or pleases the Lord, the envious heart may struggle with resentment. Sadly, this can lead to tearing others down and sharing false smiles while whispering unkind words behind their backs. In relationships, like marriages, envy can push people to say and do hurtful things. God the Father calls us to listen to Him and embrace the vibrant grace of kindness, especially when we feel envy creeping in. He guides us to celebrate one another, to uplift and complement each other instead. Yes, we live in a world of inequality, where different gifts and circumstances exist. Rather than letting the heavy burden of envy weigh us down, let's choose to admire those whose gifts differ from ours and appreciate their uniqueness. The key is to tune into the Lord - to listen to His gentle voice revealing the beauty of kindness and encouraging us to release the chains of envy.

*Christ's Blessings,
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8:30a.m.-2:30p.m.

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March 16, 2025

Second Sunday of Lent

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PARISH NEWS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES and MASSES

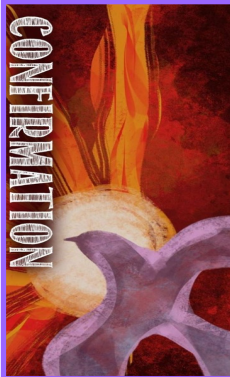
Tuesday	March 18
10:00a.m.	All Catholic Things BS
5:30p.m.	Mass(Chapel)
Wednesday	March 19
6:00p.m.	Confirmation
Thursday	March 20
8:30a.m.	Mass(ACS)
10:00a.m.	Thursday Bible Study
Friday	March 21
8:00a.m.	Mass(Chapel)
5:30p.m.	Stations of the Cross(Chapel)
Saturday	March 22
10:00a.m.	Deacon Inquiry(AC)
Sunday	March 23
7:15a.m.-7:45 a.m	Confession
8:00a.m.	Mass(Main Church)
10:30a.m.	Mass(Main Church)

a look at what's ahead


Religious Education

- march 9** → Religious Ed Classes - 9:05-10:10
- march 16** → Spring Break -- No Classes
- march 23** → Spring Break -- No Classes
- march 30** → Religious Ed Classes - 9:05-10:10
- april 6** → Religious Ed Classes - 9:05-10:10
- april 13** → Annual Easter Festival - No Classes

ACCReligiousEd@gmail.com



CONFIRMATION



MARCH 19-PRESENCE GOD IS WITH US

MARCH 26-PRESENCE: STORY OF THE EUCHARIST



Join Us For

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Sunday Gatherings: 5:00-7:00
Sunday Supper: 5:00-5:30



CYO will host the Lenten Fish Fry on March 28

March Events

- 16** NO CYO -- Spring Break
- 23** NO CYO -- DCYC
- 28** CYO Host Lenten Fish Fry

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LENT TIPS

We're already in the second week of Lent, a time for reflection, prayer, and growth. This week, let's focus on how we can deepen our relationship with God by making small changes in our daily lives.

Lent isn't just about giving up things—it's also about doing something more to grow in faith.

This could be:

- Taking time to pray each day, even if it's just for a few minutes.
- Reading a passage from the Bible to reflect on God's word.
- Helping out at home or at church to show love and service to others.

Remember, Lent is about change, but it's not always easy. But it's in those small acts of love and sacrifice that we get closer to God. Let's challenge ourselves to grow spiritually this week, and help each other along the way. Keep going, keep praying, and keep growing. Let's make this Lent a time to reflect, renew, and rise with Christ!



OCIA

- March 18-Presence Bread for the journey
- March 25-Prayer
- April 1- Penance Service

MEALS FOR TEENS SUNDAY SUPPERS NEEDED

APRIL 6TH

WE WANT TO EXTEND A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS GENEROUSLY PROVIDED MEALS FOR OUR CYO TEENS. YOUR KINDNESS AND SUPPORT HAVE MADE A HUGE DIFFERENCE, HELPING TO NOURISH BOTH THEIR BODIES AND THEIR SOULS. WHETHER YOU COOKED, DONATED, OR VOLUNTEERED, YOUR CONTRIBUTION HAS HELPED CREATE A WARM, WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT FOR OUR YOUTH GROUP TO GROW IN FAITH AND COMMUNITY.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Contact: Samantha Edwards
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Stations of the Cross

Join us for Stations of the Cross This Friday, March 7th at 5:30p.m. in the Chapel.

Amazing Fish Fry Will Follow Stations.

Easter Candy Needed

Individually wrapped candies are needed for our Easter Festival. Please drop off at the office or the Atrium by April 6th

All donations are appreciated.

PARISH NEWS

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

03-16-2025

Weekly Offering	03-09-25	\$	6,445.00
On-Line Giving:	03-09-25	\$	7,080.00
SVDP	03-09-25	\$	1,940.00
On Line Mass	03-09-25	\$	0.00
Chapel Preservation	03-09-25	\$	656.00



THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD

Parishioners
of
Annunciation
Catholic
Church

Please join us for
a
Bridal Shower
for
Stephanie Aultman
(fiancé-Donovan Howe)

Sunday, March 23, 2025
1:00-2:30PM
Annunciation Catholic
Church Atrium

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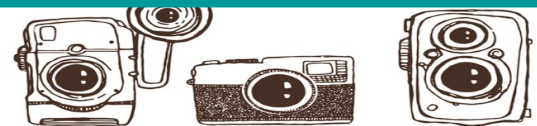
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Katie Studdard Photography

Church directory proofs are ready. To view them, go to www.katiestuddardphotography.com/proofing1, then click on the **Annunciation Catholic Church** gallery. The password to the gallery is: acc#2025. Go through the proofs, find yours, and order packages if you like. At the very end of the gallery, there is an option to order a church directory. If you have more than one proof on the gallery and you have a preference on which one you would like in the directory, please email or text me no later than **Monday, March 31st**; otherwise, I will choose for you. Please submit all orders on the website no later than **Monday, March 31st**, so I can place orders and have them in and ready promptly. Please do not hesitate to call, text, or email me if you have any questions or concerns through the ordering process. My cell is 662-574-1620, and my email is katiestuddardphotography@yahoo.com

Thank you all so much, Katie Studdard

Mass Intentions

Tuesday	03-18-25	5:30 pm	Maria Ferrell	HB	RIP
Wednesday	03-19-25	8:00 am	Deacon Dave Gruseck	RH	SI
Thursday	03-20-25	8:30 am			
Friday	03-21-25	8:00 am	Ruby Forrester	CH	RIP
Sunday	03-23-25	8:00am	Carmela Corrado	CF	RIP
Sunday	03-23-25	10:30am	People of the Parish		SI

The Ruby Forrester family would like to express their heartfelt gratitude to everyone for the incredible support received during this time. Your thoughtful cards, phone calls, flowers, and the meals you provided have truly made a difference and are deeply appreciated. Thank you for being there for us.

EASTER FESTIVAL



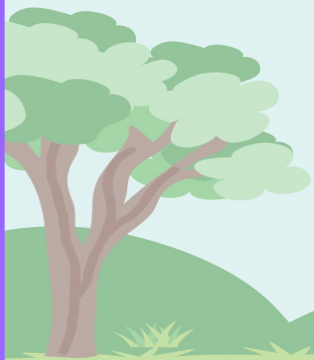

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Bring your Easter Basket!

SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2025
2PM - 4PM


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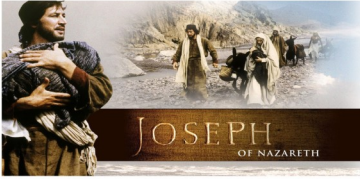
"The grant has allowed us to pressure wash, paint the windows, doors, columns, and handrails, and install a working hanging pendant light. Without this grant, none of this work could have been completed this year. We are most grateful for your gift to the CSA!"
-Joan Shell, Christ the King, Fulton



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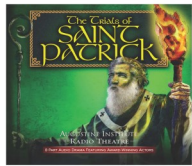
This Week on Formed

Week of March 16, 2025



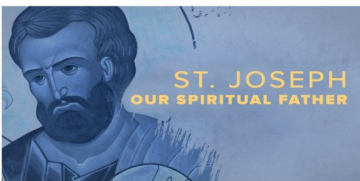
Joseph of Nazareth

Celebrate the feast of Christ's foster father with even more joy and respect this year by watching a movie about him! Enter into the life of this great saint through the movie Joseph of Nazareth!



The Trials of Saint Patrick

The Trials of Saint Patrick, a powerful journey through hardship, loss, mercy, and forgiveness. With skilled actors and cinematic elements, this captivating story comes to life, stirring the imagination and sparking inspiration.



St. Joseph: Our Spiritual Father

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for more information about
the Diaconate Ministry.
Additionally, join our
diaconate informational
session on Sunday, March
22nd at Annunciation
Activity Center from 10 am
to 12 pm to learn about the
heart of the
Diaconate Ministry.

Prayers for Parishioners

Bonnie Adair
Marian Beall
Delores Belhumeur
John Bino
Charles Bridges
Christy Burks
Rosemary Ciolino
Ginny Clarke
Judy Coleman
Carl Doumit
Karen Doumit
Tom Ebner
Larry Feeny
Joan Fleming
JoAnn Ferguson
Tom Griffin
Gwen Gouveia
Marga Hamner
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Mary Hydrick

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Dr. Ralph Johnson
Susie Johnson
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Raymond Overstreet
Sam Phillips
Cindy Putman
John Purtell
Ron Shepperd
Shelby Stafford
Stewart Stafford
Steve Wells
Scott Weseli
Wink Wright

Prayer Changes Things

Katie Atkinson
Rufus Beason
Gary Belhumeur
Amanda Burell
Michael Boland
Ashley Britt
Luke Brown
Judy Berg
Jack Campbell
Joel Carrigan
Claude Carter
John Michael Crimm
Marc Ciolino
Angie Corona
Linda Dillard
Linda Etter
George Ferguson
Jacob Fine
Kathy Forrester
Sue Gentry
Gus Gianini
Jonathan Giles
Ellen Gore
Ray Gore
Patti Guerry
Scott Hankins

Prayers for Families and Friends

Chad Hill
Natalie Hardy
Billy Hendricks
Dylan Hicks
Dee Dee Hindman
Kelly M. Hirsh
Beth Huffer
Thomas Jones
Doreen Kahaulelio
Ean Laitinen
Michelle Lawton
Donna Loftis
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Bentley Luker
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Rose Maness
Jamie Manning
Pam Nipper
Lynn Rosamond
Blake Ragsdale
JoAnn Ruff
Lauri Sansing
Richard Sertich

Anna Sibley
Harry Smith
Jake Sudduth
Jett Sudduth
Kathy Corcoran-Sutter
Judy Therrel
Tom Walk
Doug Wheeler
Bree Wood



KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS

Men of our parish, 18 years or older, are invited to become members of the

W. H. Jolly K of C Council.

As members, you will join with your brother Knights, putting your faith in action in support of our parish and community.

For more information on how to become a member contact *Dave Gruseck (412) 559-8514* or email him at

grusedjg@hotmail.com

Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary



Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary is extending an open invitation to women of our parish to become members and share in our mission of spiritual and charitable growth.

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