



Annunciation Catholic Church

OUR PARISH MISSION

Our Mission, as the prayerful community of Annunciation, is to *announce* the good news of Jesus Christ by living and sharing our Catholic faith.

OUR CORE VALUES

Guided by our relationship with Jesus Christ and inspired by the Holy Spirit, we fulfill our baptismal calling through:

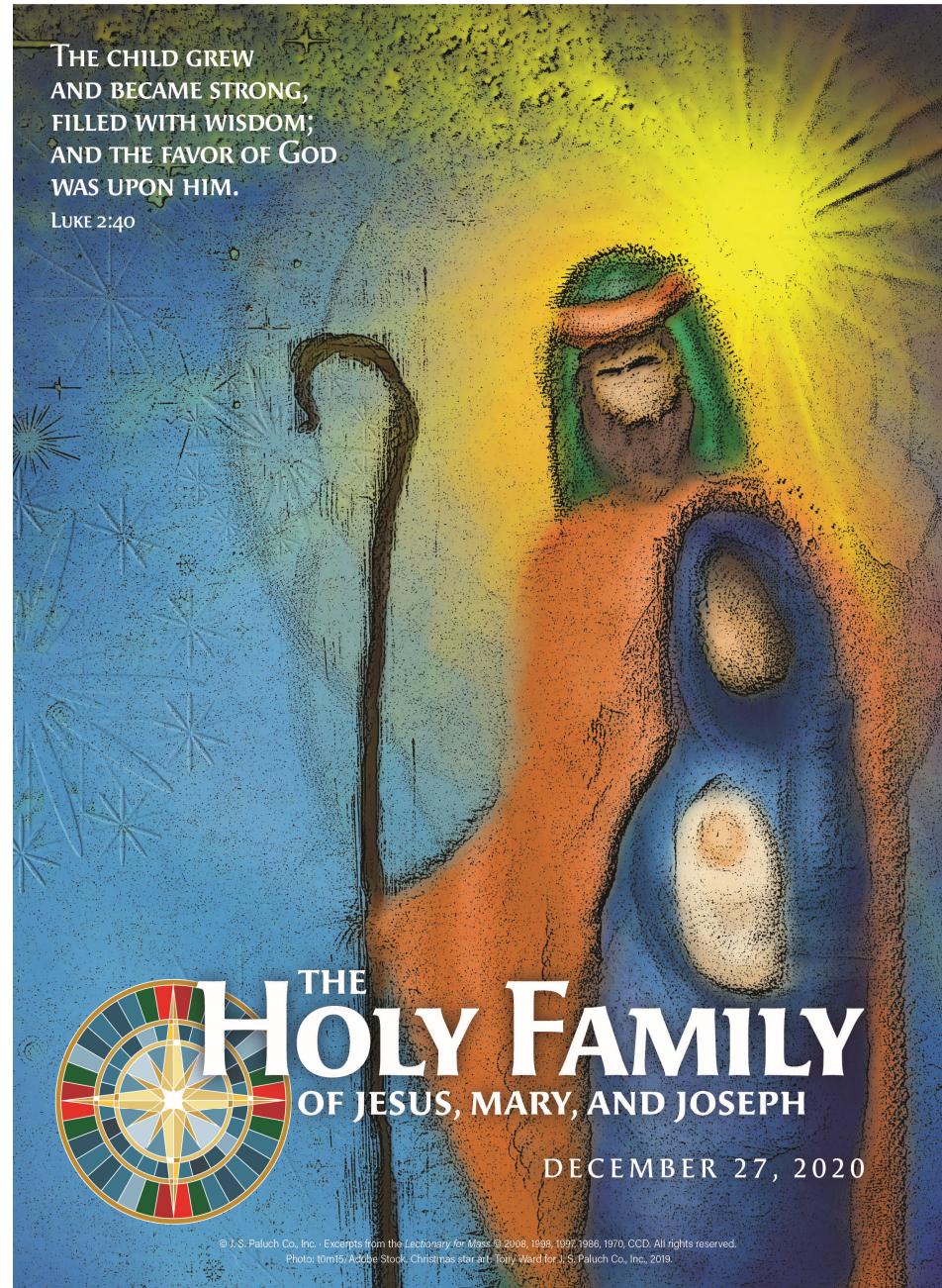
PRAYER, mindfully keeping the celebration of the Eucharist at the center of our lives as a community;

EVANGELIZATION, actively sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ with those around us;

STEWARDSHIP, humbly giving our time, talent, and treasure to God and our community;

EDUCATION, genuinely committing to a lifelong learning about our faith in Jesus Christ;

SERVICE IN LOVE, eagerly fulfilling our love of God through supporting our neighbors in need.



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5 pm
Sunday: 8 am
10 am Live Streamed
Mon-Thurs: 8:30 am Live Streamed

RECONCILIATION

Please call the rectory to make an appointment

ROSARY

Monday—Thursday: 8:00am
(before the 8:30am Mass)



MESSAGE FROM FATHER MIKE ESSWEIN

Dear Family of Annunciation,

It was only two days ago that we celebrated Christmas and today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. It makes sense that we celebrate the Holy Family this weekend with all of us having both the images and stories of the Holy Family as well as our own individual families very much on our minds. The Holy Family knew the struggles of family life and they relied on their practice of virtues and the grace of God to empower them. On this day and every day, may each of us turn to Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, on behalf of our own families, and ask for their intercession and the grace of Jesus to live out the vocation of being a family until the day when Christ does come again and unites us all around His heavenly altar forever.

I want to say “THANK YOU!” to all of those who helped make our Christmas celebrations possible. Thanks to all of you who served as our greeters, Extraordinary ministers, lectors, cantors, and most especially those who helped organize all the details and logistics for all three Masses. Without your willingness to help in these ways, it would not have been possible for all of us to come together in person and virtually for prayer and Mass on our Savior’s birthday. Special thanks to those of you who cleaned & decorated and set up both our church and gym for all of our Masses. As it is true every year, even this year during a pandemic, there was much that needed to be done for us to be ready to celebrate Christmas. I am most grateful for all of you who are so dedicated to the effort of providing our parish family a wonderful, though maybe more simple, celebration for Christmas. Your generosity is most appreciated by me. And, to all of you who so kindly sent Christmas cards and/or cookies the last couple of weeks, I thank you for your kind and warm Christmas wishes.

May we each know the blessings of our God that comes to us through His gift for us of His Son this Christmas time and always.

Through Jesus, Mary and Joseph-

Father Mike

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FOR BAPTISMS: contact parish office to schedule baptisms and to sign up for baptism preparation class (for first family member being baptized)

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BULLETIN Deadline: 8am Mondays
To submit: www.goannunciation.com/bulletin-submissions.html

PRAYER

MASS INTENTIONS

MON 12/28 8:30 am	Daniel Carson
TUES 12/29 8:30 am	Slade Family
WED 12/30 8:30 am	John Coker
THURS 12/31 8:30 am	Helen V. Huber
FRI 1/1 9 am	Solemnity of Mary People of the Parish
SAT 1/2 5 pm	John Kampwerth
SUN 1/3 8 am 10 am	People of the Parish Bill Couhig

Email Prayer Team

If you have any requests for the Email Prayer Chain, call **Cheryl Braun**, 314-712-0966 or **prayers@gannonunciation.com**. (For name in the bulletin, please call or email the parish office.)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Ruth Henry
Mike Vonderharr
Patty Cabot
Margit Vincenz
Robert Janecek
Joann Wills
Pat Rebman
Mark Forrest
Richard Timmerman
Julie Gibson
Sue Knoll
Olivia Fenton
Virginia Everett

Molly LaBarge
Sublette
Holly Stoltz Smith
Josephine Wren
Mary Lee Rovira
Roberta Jones
Randy Thatcher
Jason Chambers
Holly Pippas
Joe Prosser
Delores Cassani
Fay Farrell

Family Prayers on the Solemnity of the Holy Family

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give you thanks Lord God who has blessed us with life and love.

You have given us the gift of the family.
Help us to nurture and to protect to guide and to love one another.

Through the intercession of the Holy Family:

Jesus, Mary and Joseph - protect us.

Give us wisdom and courage, joy, and faithfulness in responding to our special vocation as a Christian family so we may help each other to grow in grace and love to the glory of God. Amen.



For Peace in the Family

Lord Jesus, my family needs Your help today. We need Your peace and tranquility, an end to discord. Give us strength and compassion to understand each other, wisdom and love to help each other, and the trust and patience we need to live peacefully together. Grant that, through the intercession of Your mother, Mary, and St. Joseph, our family too may become a holy family, a family that works together as one, a family that embraces peace and love, a family whose members are dedicated to each other and to you. Amen.

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Tuesday following 8:30 am Mass until 4 pm. This quiet meditative, prayerful time is open to all for visits. For more information or if you would like to sign-up for an hour of adoration weekly, bi-monthly or monthly, please contact **Debbie Kujawa**, 397-4970, or debbiekujawa2@gmail.com

The Divine Mercy Chaplet

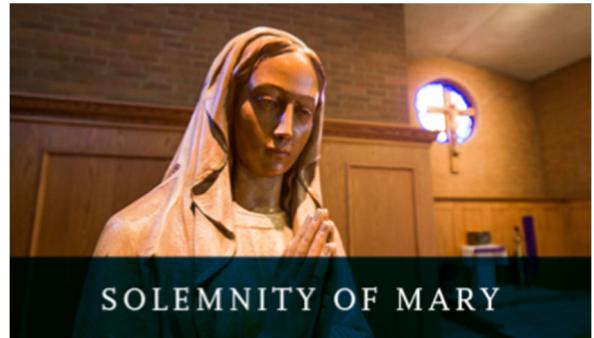
is sung every Tuesday during Eucharistic Adoration at 2:50 pm.

EVANGELIZATION



The Catholic Community of Annunciation Church welcomes with great joy into our Family:

Katherine Grace Jones, Child of **Robert & Laura**



Solemnity of Mary January 1 at 9 am

Reservations are required. The Mass will be Live Streamed on **YouTube** and on our website **goannunciation.com**

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Many Thanks ...

For Giving Tree Gift Cards

Approximately 210 Gift Cards were donated for the Following Agencies: St. Vincent De Paul, South-side Child Care Center, Our Lady's Inn, Birth Right and Feed My People (hope I got all the agencies correct). With an approximate Cash Donation of \$6,000.

For the Christmas Altar Flowers

Many thanks to all of those who supported our Pro-Life efforts at Annunciation by contributing to the altar decorations for Christmas. All who visit our church during the holidays will enjoy the decorations, and we will work hard to continue to protect the unborn in the year ahead.

For the Hand and Foot Warmers

Thank you to all who donated hand & foot warmers for the annual Christmas party for the Homeless at SVDP parish. God Bless!

Online Mass Resources:

The Archdiocese of St. Louis website has a list of the latest livestream Masses in our Archdiocese at <https://www.archstl.org/coronavirus> A link for the daily Scripture readings can be found at the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops at <http://usccb.org/bible/readings/o32220.cfm> This site also contains links for various reflections and other materials.

STEWARSHIP



Your Sunday envelope contribution is still important for our parish. Ways you can contribute: Set up automatic payments directly from your bank. Simply add Annunciation as a regular vendor in your checking account. It's a secure, easy way to make your Sunday envelope donation. 100% of your contribution goes to our parish! Alternatively, you can donate through the Archdiocese of St. Louis using your credit card. Please note that the system charges a small fee for this service to Annunciation. Or you can drop your donation in the mail slot at the bottom of the front door of the rectory. You can learn more at <https://www.goannunciation.com/annunciation-online-donations.html>. And "Thank You" to all our parishioners who have been doing one of the methods above to continue to support Annunciation. Your donations are very much appreciated.



To leave a legacy is to reveal our hearts, for our legacy is a final testament of who we are and what we value. Regardless of your age or economic status, we encourage you to begin thinking about the legacy you wish to leave behind and consider remembering Annunciation Parish with a planned gift through the Roman Catholic Foundation. To get started planning your Catholic legacy, please contact the planned giving experts at the Roman Catholic Foundation.

314.918.2890 |
giftplanning@rcfstl.org

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE: December 20, 2020

		YEAR TO DATE FY 20
Sunday Env	\$8,050.00	Actual
Loose Donations	\$20.00	Budget
Online Donations	\$1,245.00	Surplus/(Shortfall)
Holy Day Donation	\$1,765.00	
Stock Donation	\$0.00	

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS		
St. Vincent DePaul Society		\$570.00
Retired Religious		\$25.00
Seminary		\$150.00

ACTUAL		HOUSEHOLDS
Budget	\$11,080.00	Total Number
Surplus/(Shortfall)	\$11,384.62 (304.62)	Contributors This Week
		Percent Contributing

Did you know? You can set up automatic payments through your own bank. | To donate stock or securities to Annunciation, contact Patricia Griffaw in the Archdiocesan Finance Office, Securities Department, 314-792-7123.

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Who is Saint
Stephen?**

This past week, we celebrated the life of St. Stephen, heroic leader of the early Church. Join Dr. Gry and Dr. Barber as they discuss the first Christian martyr.

MARRIAGE AND FAMILY DR. SCOTT HAHN



**Marriage and
Family: Love
Unveiled by
Dr. Scott
Hahn**

The Feast of the Holy Family reminds us to help our own families grow in holiness. With this in mind, join Scott Hahn as he shares his advice on how to bring sanctity into the home.

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