



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;

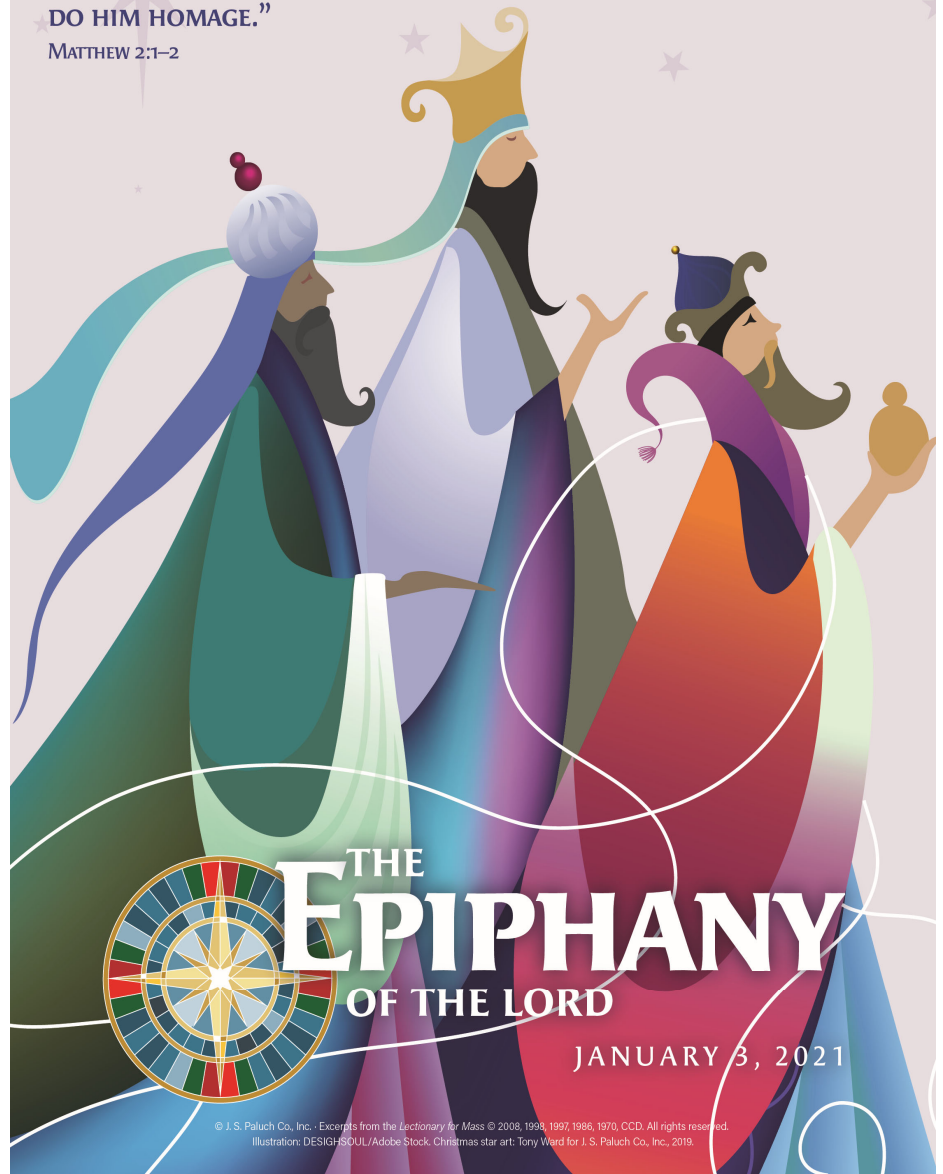
STEWARDSHIP, humbly giving our time, talent, and treasure to God and our community;

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.

MAGI FROM THE EAST ARRIVED IN JERUSALEM, SAYING,
“WHERE IS THE NEWBORN KING OF THE JEWS?
WE SAW HIS STAR AT ITS RISING AND HAVE COME TO
DO HIM HOMAGE.”

MATTHEW 2:1-2



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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)



Dear Friends,

I hope you were able to welcome the New Year in an enjoyable way. I think we are all ready to turn the page on this calendar year and begin a New Year anticipating more light and hopeful things ahead. Today as we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord we commemorate the visit of the Magi to the Christ Child and thus Jesus' physical manifestation as Lord and Savior to the Gentiles. It is on this Feast that traditionally families will bless their homes using chalk over the entryway. You will find this special blessing in this bulletin and there will be blessed chalk in the vestibule this week if you would like to take a piece to bless your home. May we find Emmanuel within our own homes and families and may we, then, be conscious to bring Christ to others with all those we encounter through our many daily activities and interactions each day.

Have a blessed first week in 2021!

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)

HOLY CROSS ACADEMY

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314-961-7712, x437

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314-961-7712, x441

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

PRAYER

MASS INTENTIONS

MON 1/4 8:30 am	Gina Johnson
TUES 1/5 8:30 am	Richard Marklin
WED 1/6 8:30 am	Robert Kinnard
THURS 1/7 8:30 am	John Kemper
FRI 1/8	No Mass Today
SAT 1/9 5 pm	John Verhoff
SUN 1/10 8 am 10 am	People of the Parish Margaret DeRuntz

Email Prayer Team

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Ruth Henry	Molly LaBarge
Mike Vonderharr	Sublette
Patty Cabot	Holly Stoltz Smith
Margit Vincenz	Josephine Wren
Robert Janecek	Mary Lee Rovira
Joann Wills	Robert Jones
Pat Rebman	Randy Thatcher
Mark Forrest	Jason Chambers
Richard Timmerman	Holly Pippas
Julie Gibson	Joe Prosser
Sue Knoll	Delores Cassani
Olivia Fenton	Fay Farrell
Virginia Everett	

Blessing of a Home with the Solemnity of the Epiphany

For this blessing the family gathers at the front entrance, or their most used doorway of entry, into their home, to ask God's blessing upon each of them who live there, as well as all those who will come and visit their home in the new year. The blessing is an invitation for Jesus to be a daily guest in your home, in your comings and goings, in your conversations, your work and play, and in your joys and sorrows.

*The traditional way of doing this is to use the blessed piece of chalk you received at church to write above your home's entrance, **21 + C + M + B + 21**.*

The letters C, M, B have two meanings: the initials of the traditional names of the three magi-- Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar; and, the abbreviate of the Latin words *Christus mansionem benedicat*, "May Christ bless this house."

The "+" signs represent the cross and 2021 is the year.

V. Our help is the name of the Lord:

R. The maker of heaven and earth.

V. The Lord shall watch over your going out and your coming in:

R. From this time forth for evermore.

Let us pray.

Loving God, bless our home with this chalk which you have created, that it may be helpful to us your people; and grant that through the invocation of your most Holy Name that we who use it in faith to write upon the door of our home the names of your holy ones Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar, may receive health of body and protection of soul for all who dwell in or visit our home; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Marking the lintel of your front doorway of your Home:

With the blessed chalk write as follows:

21 + C + M + B + 21 while saying:

The three Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar followed the star of God's Son who became human two thousand and sixteen years ago.

May Christ bless our home and remain with us throughout the New Year. Amen.

Then offer the following prayer:

Visit, O blessed Lord, this home with the gladness of your presence. Bless all who live or visit here with the gift of your love; and grant that we may manifest your love to each other and to all whose lives we touch. May we grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of you; guide, comfort, and strengthen us in peace, O Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen

EVANGELIZATION



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.

✠ MAY THEY REST IN PEACE ✠

We pray for the repose of **Virginia Drozd**. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. May the family know the compassion and comfort of the Risen Lord. Amen.

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/032220.cfm> This site also contains links for various reflections and other materials.



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.

STEWARDSHIP



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 27, 2020

		YEAR TO DATE FY 20		SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	
Sunday Env	\$7,846.00	Actual	\$288,070.24	St. Vincent DePaul Society	\$1,170.00
Loose Donations	\$30.00	Budget	\$296,000.12	SVPD Memorial	\$50.00
Online Donations	\$520.00	Surplus/(Shortall)	(\$7,929.88)	Retired Religious	\$10.00
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				St. Louis Review	\$70.00
				First Offering	\$35.00
				Easter Flowers	\$50.00
ACTUAL		HOUSEHOLDS			
Budget	\$12,601.00	Total Number	670		
Surplus/(Shortfall)	\$11,384.62	Contributors This Week	74		
	\$1,216.38	Percent Contributing	11%		

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.

EDUCATION

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

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The Webster Groves Knights of Columbus Council 2119 is sponsoring a Free Throw Competition for boys and girls aged 9-14 in Annunciation, Holy Redeemer, and Mary Queen of Peace parishes. The contest will be held on Friday, January 8, 2021, from 2:30 to 6:30 PM in the gym at the Shrewsbury Civic Center at 5200 Shrewsbury Ave. Basketballs will be provided. Face masks are required by the Civic Center. For more information Contact Dave Braun at wg.kofc.freethrow@gmail.com

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