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.



RECONCILIATION Saturday: 4-4:30 pm or by appointment ROSARY Monday—Thursday: 8:00am (before the 8:30am Mass)

MASS SCHEDULE

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

PRAYER

MASS INTENTIONS

Michael Ciapciak	
Rick Tompkins	
Jack Kelly	
Tom Lowther	
No Mass Today	
Marg Mack	
People of the Parish Tom Lowther	

Email Prayer Team

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Ruth & Cletus 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 Holly Stoltz Smith Molly LaBarge Sublette Josephine Wren Roberta Jones Randy Thatcher Jason Chambers Joe Pierron Joe Prosser Debbie Struckhoff Doris Tucker John Roques Anne Zimmermann



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

Steven & Ann Sanchez

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 <u>debbiekujawa2@gmail.com</u>



The Divine Mercy Chaplet

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

We pray for the repose of **Nancy Adkisson, mother of Theresa Berra.** 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.



Dear Friends.

This week we celebrate Catholic Schools Week. Our Holy Cross Academy is *one-of-a-kind* when it comes to Catholic education in the Archdiocese! Established in 2012, this is our 10th anniversary year! Over these 10 years we grew to include St. John Paul II as a member parish in the Fall of 2016 and, subsequently, added a fourth school campus. In the Fall of 2020, we restructured our school to where we now have an Early Childhood Campus at St. John Paul II on Mackenzie Rd, a Primary campus of K-2 at St. Michael, an Intermediate campus of grades 3-5 at Our Lady of Providence, and the Middle school here at Annunciation. With approximately 400 students in our K-8 grades and approximately 170 children in our Early Childhood, we are happy to educate so many children at our parish school. Many of our families take advantage daily of our shuttle transportation that we provide between the campuses. You may have seen one of our two buses in operation during their morning or afternoon commutes, or maybe during the day when one of our buses were transporting students on a field trip, or to another one of our campuses for a multi-grade activity or service together. We are grateful for our wonderful president, campus administrators/ principals, our faculty and staff, our students and parents, and for all of you, the parishioners of Annunciation in collaboration with the other four parishes, who collectively support the mission of our school that makes Holy Cross Academy a successful reality!

We kick off Catholic Schools Week with an Open House today at all our campuses between 11 AM and 1 PM. We would certainly love to show off our school, so if you have time today and would like to see any or all our school campuses, please come on by!

Have a blessed week!

Father Mike

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SIGN UP FOR TEXT AND EMAIL

Text goannunciation (no spaces and all lowercase) to 84576 or visit us online at annunciationcatholicchu5.flocknote.com For help signing up: vimeo.com/179387820

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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 ANNUNCIATION MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMPUS 314-475-3436 www.hca-stl.org 16 W. Glendale Road Principal: Rebecca Bickel

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

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/annunciationonline-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.

Covenant Network Catholic Radio

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PAPY

Whether you are re-vamping your New Year's resolutions, adjusting to ordinary time or preparing for Lent in vour life, Covenant Network has it covered for you. Everyday events are examined through a Catholic lens. Commit to joining in praver throughout the day: the Holy Rosary; the Angelus; the Holy Mass; the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Covenant Network Catholic Radio brings you the best in Catholic programming. Listen on KHOJ 1460 AM or 96.7 FM, or anytime on our Covenant Network app or at OurCatholicRadio.org.



PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE FY23: January 22, 2023

Sunday Env Loose Holy Day Stock Donations **Online Donations** \$5,630.50 \$88.00 \$400.00 \$0.00 \$485.96

ACTUAL Budget (Updated) Surplus/(Shortfall) \$6,604.46

YEAR TO DATE FY 23 Actual Budget Surplus/(Shortall)

\$373,646.44 \$346,153.80 \$27,492.64

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS St. Vincent DePaul Society St. Louis Review First Offering

\$170.00 \$170.00 \$10.00

\$11,538.46 (\$4,934.00)

HOUSEHOLDS Total Number Contributors This Week Percent Contributing

655 57 9%

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, or email SLAF@archstl.org.

EVANGELIZATION

Women's ACTS RETREAT

Women's ACTS Retreat – Feb. 9-12, 2023

Please join the women of Annunciation and our Lady of Providence Parishes for the ACTS retreat weekend. It begins Thursday evening, February 9th, 2023 at 6:15 pm with check in at Annunciation Church and concludes with 10 am Mass and welcome back pot lunch at Annunciation Parish, Feb. 12th,2023. Transportation will be provided between Annunciation and the LaSalle Retreat Center.

Where: LaSalle Retreat Center in Eureka, MO Highway 109

When: February 9-12, 2023

Learn More: Contact Margo Mueller, Annunciation, 314-650-3590, gogomueller1951@gmail.com or Lesley Nebuloni, OLP, 314-809-4456, lesleyanebuloni@yahoo.com

Registration forms can be found in the church entrances of both Parishes.

Annual Prayer–Christian Unity

Join Archbishop Rozanski and our St. Louis Christian communities in ecumenical prayer for unity on January 29, 7-8pm, at St. John Bosco Parish, 12934 Marine, 63146, The theme is "*Do Good; Seek Justice*" — Is 1:17. All are also welcome to attend a reception, which will follow the prayer.



Children's Liturgy of the Word is Back

Liturgy of the Word for children will begin back at the 10am Mass. Each week a theme that correlates to the Sunday readings and Gospel is

presented to the children using age appropriate materials. The children depart from the front of church after a blessing from the priest prior to the first reading, gather in the school building for the lesson, and return during offertory. Parents and students interested in helping or volunteering, please contact **Kristen Dawson** at 314-650-6721.



RCIA

Confirmation is the third sacrament of initiation. Through the Sacrament of Confirmation, we are fortified with the power of the Holy Spirit by the love the

Father has for His Son, and the love the Son has for His Father. This Divine love is the Holy Spirit. God is love. We are encouraged to love at all times, just as God does through His Son and His Holy Spirit. To learn more about RCIA contact **Fr. Mike** at 314-962-5955 or RCIA director **Patrick Stack** at 314-565-9143.

St. Louis Review

The *St. Louis Review* is your faith resource access to local, national and international news. if you are not a parish subscriber, contact the parish office or make a parish contribution with your request to receive the *St. Louis Review* in your home. If you are a current parish subscriber, consider a parish contribution of \$35 today by using the Review envelope in your envelope package.

EDUCATION



Open House Sunday, January 29 11:00am -1:00pm

Early Childhood Education - Ages 2-5 at St. John Paul II
Primary Campus - Grades K-2 at St. Michael the Archangel
Intermediate Campus - Grades 3-5 at Our Lady of Providence
Middle School Campus - Grades 6-8 at Annunciation

All four campuses will be open for tours. Faculty, staff, parents, and students will be able to answer your questions.

Come see how our four-campus system offers a different model of Catholic education for the St. Louis area.

> OUR MISSION is to provide the highest quality academic and faith formation program where each student develops spiritually, intellectually, and socially. Rooted in the person of Jesus Christ and in the Catholic tradition, we strive to prepare our students to live a faith-filled life.

> > Rooted in the Person of Jesus Christ www.hca-stl.org

ATTN: PARENTS OF 8th-12th GRADERS --Encounter Youth Ministries Steubenville Trip

Encounter Youth Ministries is going to Steubenville STL, and your child is invited! We are so excited for the July 14-16th weekend and all the amazing memories our teens will make. ALL current 8th-12 graders can join us, even if they haven't been part of Encounter before. Find out more about the Steuby experience at our parent/teen meeting on January 26th, 7pm at Seven Holy Founders cafeteria. Visit <u>www.steubystl.com</u> to get a sneak peek of this year's theme, and we'll see you (parents/teen) on January 26th! If you can't make the meeting, contact **Fr. Chris Holtmann** at <u>fatherchris@stjpstl.org</u> for more details.



HCA Primary Campus -Principal Needed for 2023-2024 School Year

A Principal at Holy Cross Academy must

be a practicing Catholic, passionate about fostering, developing, and evaluating a high-spirited, progressive learning environment that supports the health, welfare, safety, and spirit of our students, faculty, and parents. View the complete job listing on the HCA website: <u>https://</u> <u>www.holycross-stl.org/</u> empoweren83561.html

To apply, please submit your resume with a cover letter to:

<u>humanresources@archstl.org</u> Subject line: Holy Cross Academy. In addition, begin completing the Administrator Application at: <u>https://www.archstl.org/education</u>. Applications are due on February 15, 2023.



Little Lambs

The Little Lambs playgroup will meet on the following **Fridays**

from 9-10:30am this spring: 2/10, 3/24, 4/28, and 5/19. We plan to meet in the gymnasium at the HCA-SMA campus, and also explore local playgrounds and parks as the weather warms up! Parents/caregivers and their children (birth to preschool age) in the Holy Cross parish community are invited, and all friends are welcome! Contact Kay Sisk (kaysisk@gmail.com, 417-840-8553).

EDUCATION



Get Connected

For more information about our PSR Ministry, please contact **Ann Kelly**, PSR Coordinator, <u>PSR@goannunciation.com</u>. **To Know Him To Love Him To Serve Him**



Winter Kits for the Homeless

Annunciation PSR will be collecting winter kits for the homeless. Our 4th through 8th graders will put these together and the 1st through 3rd graders will make cards to be included. All kits will be donated to the Saint Vincent De Paul Food Pantry. We need the following items: full-size shampoo, conditioner, chapstick, hand warmers, band-aids, neosporin, lotion, white socks, or gloves. Items can be dropped off in the marked blue bin in the church vestibule. **All items are due by Sunday, February 12**. Please contact **Amy Buehrle** at <u>amybuehrle@gmail.com</u> for more information. Holy Cross Academy

Campus Crawl Saturday, February 11, 5:30-9:30pm Please RSVP by February 6

Join us for a FREE adult evening, hosted by HCA parents! Parents of Kindergarteners, Preschoolers, and families new to HCA this year (any grade!) are welcome. This no-cost event is sponsored by the Holy Cross Parent Association(HCPA).

Meet at JPII (7748 Mackenzie Rd.) for a walkthrough and mingle, starting at 5:30p.m. Leave at 6:00p.m. for the Campus Crawl to OLP, SMA, and ANN. The The bus will return to JPII by 9:00 for mingling and time for Q & A. Questions? Email hcpa@hca-stl.org.

Please register here by February 6: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090b49afad 2aa2f49-hcacampus1



Scholarships

All families can apply for the Today and Tomorrow Educational Foundation (TTEF) Scholarships for the 2023-2024 school year. Please go to <u>TTEF-STL.org</u> and under Info For Parents click "Apply Here." For existing families, please use your email and password. For new families please read the family log in page and click to enter new application. A complete application requires proof of income. TTEF offers scholarships to all Archdiocesan Elementary Schools and all non-public schools in the City of St. Louis. With our partners, TTEF also has limited scholarship for all Catholic High Schools. Questions, please call, **Laura George** @ 314-792-7623, or email <u>ttef@archstl.org</u>.





Teen Service Group

Looking for ways to support your neighbors and fellow parishioners? Looking for service hours? Our Teen Service group is

for you! We connect seniors needing help with raking leaves, shoveling snow or other jobs around the house with teens willing to serve. Contact **John Blase** john.blase@ sbcglobal.net to learn more. Sign up here: <u>https://</u> annunciationcatholicchu5.flocknote.com/signup/102365.

Attention Seniors! Let us know if you have a project around your home that we could be of service. Leaf raking, snow shoveling are all jobs that we can tackle. Contact **John Blase**, john.blase@sbcglobal.net to submit your project.



Thank you from the Giving Tree

Dear Annunciation Parish, Thank you for your continued commitment to the families at Our Lady's Inn. Your generous donation of items for

women and children help us provide Christmas gifts as well as needed supplies to new families moving in throughout the year. I want to thank Sue Rudolph for coordinating this effort and collecting our most-needed items. This year we were able to help 31 families celebrate Christmas. We were able to give them a mix of needs and wants. Most of our families have never experienced such a generous Christmas and we know that they appreciated the support Our Lady's Inn was able to provide. We cannot do this without you. Please continue to pray for the families we serve, and the mission we follow.

Sincerely, **Jennifer Reinhold**, Aftercare Coordinator, Our Lady's Inn



Give-A-Meal-A-Month Menu

Canned corned beef, box of scalloped potations, green beans, applesauce—no glass containers. Optional Items: laundry detergent, hot or cold cereal, dry milk



Need a Ride to Mass or a Holy Communion Visit

The Visiting Companions are people in our parish who volunteer to bring Holy Communion to home bound parishioners and are available to provide transportation to Mass. If you or any other parishioners would like transportation to Mass or Holy Communion visits, please contact **Kay Hoelting**, (314) 322-1854 or <u>kch63119@gmail.com</u>.



Grief Support

The Annunciation Grief Support Group meets on Mondays at 7pm in the Klocker House, 43 Short Ave. on Feb. 6 & 20, Mar. 6 & 20, Apr. 3 & 17, and May 1 & 15. Has someone who you love died? Please feel free to join us. Everyone and their families are welcome. Questions: **Jeanne Plac**e, (314-420-5834) or **Mary Hittler**,(314-277-5116)



Lip Sync Party

We are bringing the Lip Sync Party to Annunciation! That's right, your official backstage pass has been issued for February 4 at Annunciation in the cafeteria. Doors open for this FREE event after 5 pm Mass. Heavy appetizers and drinks will be served. **Join us for the fun even if you don't intend to perform.** RSVP by **today**, **January 29**, at <u>goannunciation.com/lip-sync-rsvp.html</u>.



Fish Fries

Our delicious Parish Fish Fries are back this Lent on March 3 and 24 from 4:30-7:00 pm. Join us for great food and time with friends! Consider volunteering to help make our fish fries a success. Visit <u>https://annunciation catholicchu5.flocknote.com/</u> <u>signup/111038</u> to pitch in on March 3. To learn more, contact **Lynn Mealey**, <u>mealeylynn@gmail.com</u>.





Congratulations

On the marriage of Theresa Kelly to Sidney Comstock. Theresa is the daughter of Tim & Peggy Kelly.



Junior Golf Registration Registration for Junior Golf is

open February 1-15. For 2nd through 8th graders. Sign up here: <u>https://www.teamsideline.com/</u> <u>sites/cycsouthcentral/content/23047/</u> Org-Annunciation

Rosary Repair

Thank you for all the donations of rosary parts. They have been made into another 12 rosary donations for the Fatima Apostolate. Repairs continue for your broken rosaries free of charge. Place your rosary in an envelope, mark with your name, number and "REPAIR." Broken rosaries, rosary beads, crucifixes, and chain that can be used in repairing and remaking rosaries for charity donation are still sought. Please place broken rosary parts in an envelope marked "DONATION." Envelopes can be dropped in the blue rosary box in the bride's room. You will be contacted when repairs have been made. Marisue Stoll 314-960-6831 (call or text).



<u>zielinski@gmail.com.</u>

Cantors Wanted

In search of more cantors to lead the singing once a month at 5 pm Mass on Saturdays or 8 am or 10 am Mass on Sundays. If interested, please contact **Ursula Zielinski**, <u>ursulak</u>



SAVE THE DATE — Blood Drive

Our next Parish Blood Drive will be Monday, March 20, from 3–7 pm.

SW Liturgical Conference

The Southwest Liturgical Conference is virtually this February. Registration now open and they are offering small and large group discounts. <u>https://swlc.org/study-week-2023</u>.

World Marriage Day 2023!

On Sunday, February 12, 2023, at 2:30 pm, Auxiliary Bishop Mark S. Rivituso will celebrate a Mass for World Marriage Day at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Louis, 4431 Lindell Blvd. A reception will follow in Boland Hall. All married couples are invited to attend and celebrate the gift of marriage. World Marriage Day started in Baton Rouge, LA in 1981 and was later adopted by Worldwide Marriage Encounter who is sponsoring this event.

"The devil fears hearts on fire with love of God." **St. Catherine of Siena**





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