



Annunciation Catholic Church

January 28, 2024

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:

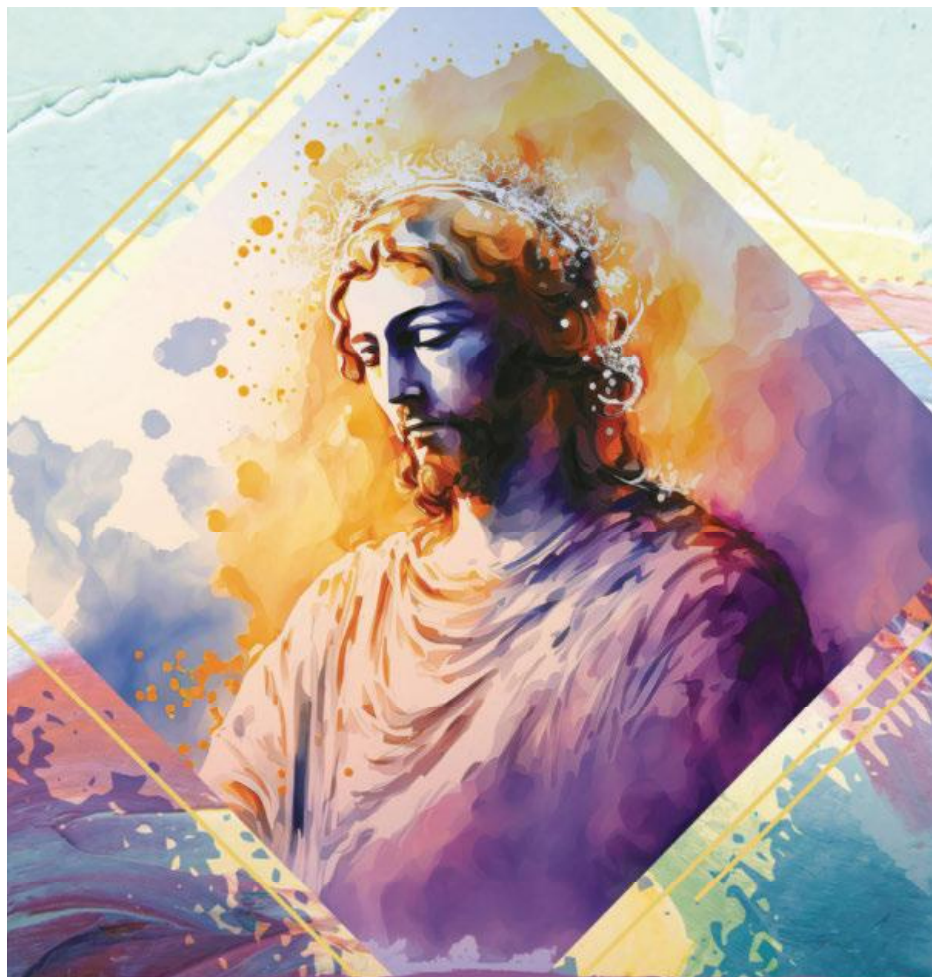
PRAYER, mindfully keeping the celebration of the Eucharist at the center of our lives as a community;

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.



4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

His fame spread everywhere throughout the whole region of Galilee. - Mk 1:28

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5 pm

Sunday: 8 am

10 am Live Streamed

Mon-Thurs: 8:30 am Live Streamed

RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 4-4:30 pm or by appointment

ROSARY

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

PRAYER

MASS INTENTIONS

MON 1/29	8:30 am	Kathy Ernst
TUES 1/30	8:30 am	Robert Landgraf
WED 1/31	8:30 am	Laura Hanson
THURS 2/1	8:30 am	Ellen Caffrey
FRI 2/2		No Mass Today
SAT 2/3	5 pm	People of the Parish
SUN 2/4	8 am 10 am	Georgia & John Boman Earl Schuh

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	Molly LaBarge
Mike Vonderharr	Sublette
Patty Cabot	Josephine Wren
Margit Vincenz	Robert Jones
Robert Janecek	Randy Thatcher
Joann Wills	Jason Chambers
Pat Rebman	Joe Pierron
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Julie Gibson	Doris Tucker
Sue Knoll	John Roques
Olivia Fenton	Anne Zimmermann
Virginia Everett	Julie Aufdenspring
Holly Stoltz Smith	Barb Michael
	Donna Kramer



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.



Dear Friends,

On Monday we received the sad news of Father Schilli's sudden death. I know it had to have come as a shock to you, as it was certainly not expected. Father served the Church as a priest for 46 years. Father served here as Pastor of Our Lady of Providence from June 2016 until this past August 2023. As pastor of Annunciation during these same years, I had the opportunity to work with Father on an ongoing basis because of our shared school model of Holy Cross Academy. Father Rick was always affable, easy going, and ready to share a story or two about things learned from his past work in education. He was always prompt and on time for our pastor meetings and expressed his gratitude for all the work being done on behalf of our school. I always appreciated the kindness he showed me, and I am grateful to have had these past seven years to know and work with him.

This Tuesday we will celebrate his funeral Mass here at Our Lady of Providence at 10am. Bishop Rivituso will celebrate the Mass and Fr. Steve Bauer will give the homily. There will be a visitation for Father Schilli at Kutis Funeral Home at 5255 Lemay Ferry Road (not here in Affton) from 4-8pm. If you are able to join us for the Mass or are able to offer your condolences to the family at the visitation, I know it will be appreciated. Whether your schedule allows you to attend these services or not, please keep Father and his family in your prayers.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,
and let Perpetual Light shine upon him.
May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

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



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Commemorative Bricks

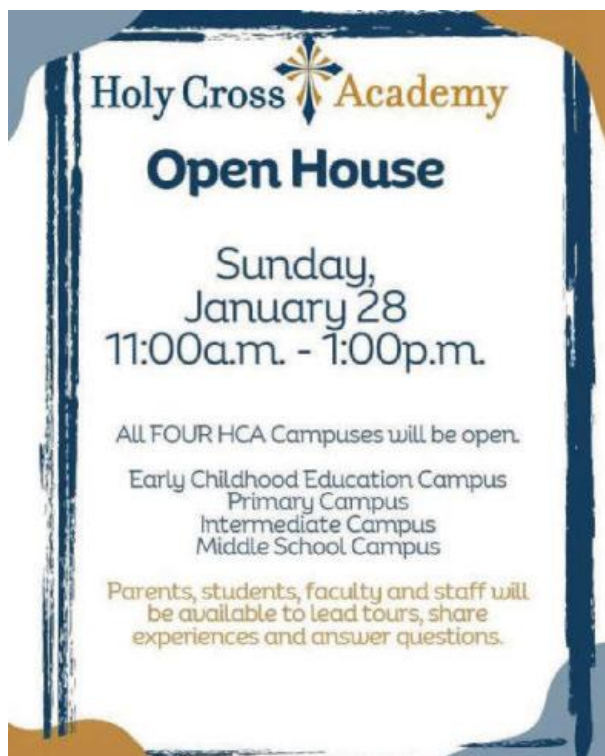
The Way of the Cross Garden is a prayerful place for all to find peace, joy, and beauty, not just for today, but for our future parishioners too! It also provides financial support for our parish through the ongoing brick purchases. By purchasing a brick for the Way of the Cross Garden, you can commemorate the special people or events in your family, such as, sacraments anniversaries, graduations, birthdays, a deceased loved one or a special message. Orders forms are available in the church vestibule or on our parish website at <https://www.goannunciation.com/way-of-the-cross-garden.html> Questions: **Barb Koch**, Parish Office, parishsecretary@goannunciation.com or 314-962-5955, x101.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE FY 24: January 21, 2024

Sunday Env	\$6,941.00	YEAR TO DATE FY 24		SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	
Loose	\$82.00	Actual	\$385,322.30	St. Vincent DePaul Society	\$945.00
Online Donations	\$550.00	Budget	\$360,579.90	First Offering	\$115.00
Stock Donations	\$0.00	Surplus/ (Shortall)	\$24,742.40	St. Louis Review	\$1,635.00
Holy Day Donations	\$0.00				
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ACTUAL	\$7,573.00	HOUSEHOLDS			
Budget (Updated)	\$12,019.33	Total Number	668		
Surplus/(Shortfall)	(\$4,446.33)	Contributors This Week	74		
		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, or email SLAF@archstl.org.

EDUCATION



HCA
Little
Lambs



HCA Little Lambs

Come join us.
The spring
dates are the
following

Fridays: February 2, March 8, and April 5.
We will meet at the St. Mike's gym from 9-10:30 AM. Children birth to preschool age are welcome with their caregivers. No signup needed, just come ready to play. Question? Contact **Marie Laury**, marielynnlaury@gmail.com



Congratulations to our eighth graders from Annunciation PSR and Holy Cross Academy who participated in their Confirmation retreat this month! The retreat was coordinated by Ann Kelly, PSR Coordinator, and led by the Net Ministries team. NET stands for *National Evangelization Team*. The teams are college-aged modern missionaries who travel around the U.S. by vehicle, putting on retreats and staying with host families during the retreats.

It was an awesome retreat with prayer, games, and small group discussions. The sponsors/parents joined the students near the end of the retreat to receive a thank you card and gift (Holy Spirit dove pin and prayer card), then attended the closing Mass with Annunciation parish (what a beautiful Mass experience with all of the pews full!). At the end of Mass, parishioners were invited to choose a prayer scroll with an eighth grader's name on it to keep each of them in prayer as they finalize their Confirmation preparation. Confirmation will be celebrated in April at the Cathedral Basilica.

A big thank you to the Annunciation parishioners who hosted the NET team, and to the men's club for providing the team dinner at the chili-cookoff. . It was a fun evening tasting chilis and visiting with our parish family!



For more information about our PSR Ministry, please contact **Ann Kelly**, PSR Coordinator: psr@goannunciation.com

To Know Him, To Love Him, To Serve Him

EVANGELIZATION



Give-A-Meal-A-Month Menu

Canned corn beef; box of scalloped potatoes, green beans, applesauce—no glass containers
Optional Items: shampoo, bar soap, toilet paper, cereal



RCIA

RCIA will meet this Thursday evening from 5:45-6:45 in the Klocker house. This week's topic is The Mass. We will learn about the liturgy of the Word & Eucharist, and the Mass as the Prayer of the Church. Feel free to join us. To learn more about RCIA contact **Fr. Mike** or **Fr. Paul** at 314-820-1025 or RCIA director **Patrick Stack** at 314-565-9143.

SEEK REPLAY

Did you miss SEEK24? No worries! FOCUS has generously made all the talks from the conference available at SEEKREPLAY.COM with a free account!

You can watch the talk that everyone is still talking about from SEEK24: **Monsignor James Shea: The Weight of Our Brokenness**



Children's Liturgy of the Word

We have Liturgy of the Word for Children 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.

Ladies Tuesday Evenings 6pm Rosary

Ladies of the parish are invited to come say the rosary on Tuesday evenings at 6 p.m. in front of church. No need to sign up, just bring your rosary and anyone interested in praying for the intentions of our parish community. If the weather is questionable, the alternate plan will be to encourage everyone to pray the rosary at home. Contact: **Mollie Lucchesi**: lucchesi.mollie@gmail.com or 314-304-5887.

SERVICE

GRIEF SUPPORT

Grief Support

The Annunciation Grief Support Group meets on Mondays at 7pm in the Klocker House, 43 Short Ave. Our next meeting dates are: February 5 & 19, March 4 & 18, April 1 & 15, May 6 & 20. Has someone who you love died? Please feel free to join us. Everyone and their families are welcome. Questions: **Jeanne Place**, (314-420-5834) or **Mary Hittler**, (314-277-5116)

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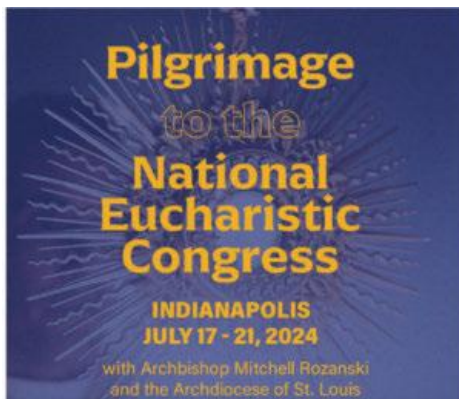
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Rosary Repair

With your generosity another 20 rosaries have been collected, repaired and sent to the Fatima Apostolate. Thank you. Place your donations and repairs needed in the blue rosary boxes. Don't forget name and number for repairs. You will be contacted when repairs are made.

Marisue Stoll, 314-960-6831 (call or text)

EVENTS



Eucharistic Congress, July 17-21, Indianapolis, IN

Be a part of the biggest Catholic gathering in the United States! At the 10th National Eucharistic Congress, our Catholic family will gather to experience profound, personal renewal through the power of Christ's love. Like a

new Pentecost, this transformation will flow out from Indianapolis to bring revival in our communities as the Church returns to her first love—the source and summit of our faith. Every day at the Congress is designed to facilitate this life-changing encounter with Jesus, regardless of where you are on your faith journey. Attendees will select their preferred series of impact sessions for the morning and breakout sessions for the afternoon. Then, gathered together as one, the whole assembly will experience the powerful revival sessions in Lucas Oil Stadium each evening. Be formed by some of the most trusted voices in the Church with compelling topics for adult Catholics, youth, ministry leaders, and families. This is a pivotal moment in both American history and the legacy of the Catholic Church. We are expecting tens of thousands of pilgrims—but space is limited. Jesus Christ will be there. Will you?

<https://www.archstl.org/eucharistic-revival/events/congress>



Let's us know about your Good News!

We'd like to share good news about our parishioners and family members with our parish. Send new items to: parishsecretary@goannunciation.com and we will include as bulletin space permits.



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 kch63119@gmail.com.

St. Louis Review

The St. Louis Review is the weekly newspaper of the Archdiocese of St. Louis and reports on the news from within our Archdiocese and throughout the world that is most meaningful and helpful to St. Louis area Catholics. (If you do not wish to receive the Review, please contact Barb Koch in the parish office, 314-962-5955, x1 or parishsecretary@goannunciation.com)

EVENTS



The Iron Kettle Challenge Chili Cook-Off 2024 was a ton of fun again this year! Thanks to all the teams who shared their chili with us. Congratulations to our winners this year!

People's Choice: "It Takes a Village"- Women of Annunciation

Third Place: "Viva Mexico"- Matt O'Hanlon

Second Place: "Portobello Piquant"- Tim Farhner

First Place: "Webers Front Row"- Bob Weber



EVENTS

Let's Talk
about Catholic
Social Teaching

**Let's Talk about
Catholic Social
Teaching—
February 2024
Topic: Together
We Are Strong:
The Church's
Social Mission**

Two sessions both in the Mother of Perpetual Help (MPH) Room at Annunciation)

- Sunday, February 11, 11 am--after 10 am Mass
(*Note the location and time change from the January session*)

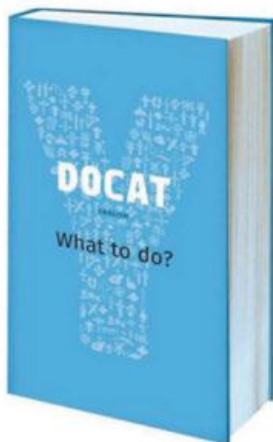
OR

- Tuesday, February 27, 7 pm
- You may attend any of the monthly discussion sessions with no long-term commitment.

Just come when you are able!

Prior to the session, read pages 34-57 in ***DOCAT: What to Do? The Social Teaching of the Catholic Church***. (Books may be obtained at no charge from Fr. Mike or Fr. Paul). We ask that you prayerfully consider these questions and invite you to share about at least one of them at the dialogue session:

- ◇ Why is it important for the Church to be an active, visible community and not just a spiritual reality?
- ◇ Does the Church have an obligation to speak out about social problems? If so, how deeply should we become involved in working toward solutions?
- ◇ How can we fulfill Christ's command to love our neighbor as ourselves when using new media? What are some of the challenges to doing so, and how can we overcome them?



**JUNIOR
GOLF**
REGISTRATION

Youth Golf Registration

Annunciation Athletic Association
Junior Golf registration will open from January 1 to 31. Available for 2nd through 8th graders. To register or for more information: <https://www.goannunciation.com/athletic-registration.html>

2024-2025 Today & Tomorrow Scholarships

The Today and Tomorrow Educational Foundation, TTEF, opens the scholarship applications for the 2024-2025 school year on **Monday, January 22, at 8am**. We encourage all families to apply for scholarships. For **NEW** and **RE-TURNING** families, an online application is required. Please visit: ttef-stl.org. 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 has limited scholarship for all Catholic High Schools. For questions, please call, **Laura George** at (314)-792-7623, or email ttef@archstl.org.

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