

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:

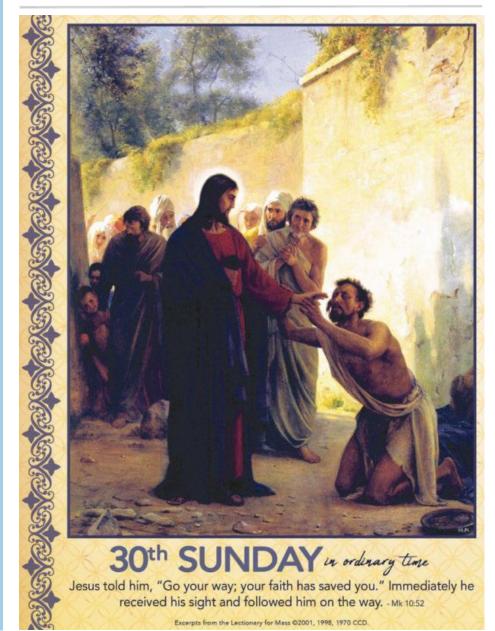
PRAYER, mindfully keeping the celebration of the Eucharist at the center of our lives as a community;

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. October 27, 2024



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)

MASS INTENTIONS

MON 10/28 8:30 am	Jan Cotter
TUES 10/29 8:30 am	Lily Hungay Dadan—Birthday
WED 10/30 8:30 am	Donald James Fischer
THURS 10/31 8:30 am	John Huber
	All Saints Day Deceased Parishioners
SAT 11/2 5 pm	Deceased Priests & Religious
	People of the Parish Alexander Paul Soliz

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 Henry Mike Vonderharr Patty Cabot Margit Vincenz Robert Janecek Joann Wills Pat Rebman Richard Timmerman John Rogues Julie Gibson Sue Knoll Olivia Fenton Virginia Everett Holly Stoltz Smith Molly LaBarge Sublette

Josephine Wren Roberta Jones Randy Thatcher Jason Chambers Joe Pierron Debbie Struckhoff **Doris Tucker** Anne Zimmermann Julie Aufdenspring Donna Kramer Kathy Goodman Matt Beavin Suzy Madden Rich Cassani



All Saints Day is a Holy Day of Obligation November 1st Mass Schedule:

Annunciation Mass: 8:30am

Our Lady of Providence Masses: 8am & 7pm



All Souls Day

On Saturday morning at 9am on November 2nd, we will have our traditional All Souls Mass where we will honor and remember in a special way all of our parishioners who died this past year.

Everyone is always welcome to join in this Mass to remember and offer prayers for all of your loved ones who have died and gone before us too. You are also invited to bring with you to this Mass a framed, small photo of your deceased loved one and to place it on the steps of the sanctuary in front of the altar. At the conclusion of the Mass, I will remind you to retrieve your photo. We will also be live streaming the Mass on our website, goannunciation.com for those of you who are unable to attend.

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,

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Congratulations are in order!

In a few weeks we will hold our annual Holy Cross Academy Legacy Gala & Auction on Saturday, November 16th, at Annunciation. It is our school's largest fundraising event for the year. In our most recent year, with the support of many of you, we were blessed to have raised 130k. These funds that were raised went well to support our school's mission of providing the highest quality academic and faith formation program where each student can develop spiritually, intellectually, and socially rooted in the Person of Jesus Christ and in our Catholic faith. The evening of the Gala begins with 5 PM Mass in church and then moves downstairs to the gym where drinks, cocktails, and dinner are served. The Gala includes both silent and live auctions, in addition to the award's presentation of the Legacy Award to one individual from each of our four member parishes. The Legacy Award recipients are individuals who have shown outstanding service and ministry to their parish and/or our school community, and who witness dedicated lives of faith in God and love of their neighbor. This year's recipients from our two parishes are: Amy Buehrle of Annunciation, and Mary Randant of Our Lady of Providence. Please join me in congratulating them, as well as thanking them for their wonderful and dedicated service to our parish communities.

To share a little bit about them both...

As a parishioner of Annunciation, Amy is currently a member of our parish council, a lector, and extraordinary minister. She has been part of PSR program serving in a variety of ways. This includes being a classroom catechist and, more recently, the Adult Faith Formation Facilitator for our parents and Curriculum Coach for our catechists. In addition to sharing the faith and her knowledge of theology at our parish, during the day Amy serves the greater Church of Saint Louis as the Pastoral Ministry Coordinator for the Northern Vicariate of the Archdiocese. In this role she supports pastors, parish staff, and the faithful of the Northern Vicariate with their pastoral needs in all areas of ministry in the parish.

As a parishioner of Providence, Mary has been dedicated in serving those in need specifically through service our St. Vincent de Paul Society, among other services. Currently, she is serving our parish with a second three-year term as the conference president of our St. Vincent de Paul Society. She has been influential in growing this most important ministry at our parish with increased membership of parishioners as we seek to serve those in need. Mary also serves as an extraordinary minister and in the past had run our scripture group for our parish in addition to being a participant of the morning Boot Camp exercise program!

These two ladies are a blessing to our parish communities, and I invite you to join me in congratulating both of them on receiving the Legacy Award this year.

Update: As we give, thanks and wish Margie Anderson well for her ministry and service of as Providence's parish secretary, please keep in your prayers our search for our new parish secretary at Our Lady of Providence.

Gratefully, **Father Mike**

STEWARDSHIP



Statement of the Missouri Catholic Conference on Amendment 3 (Constitutional Right to Abortion)

We, the Catholic Bishops of Missouri, are committed to protecting the sanctity of human life in every circumstance and every stage of development. In Missouri, the dignity of life in its earliest stages is being threatened by Amendment 3, which will appear on Missouri's November 2024 ballot. This proposed amendment to our state constitution is an extreme proposal that would allow full-term abortion with no protections for the prebom child, including when the child is capable of feeling pain.

The proposed amendment would effectively eliminate common-sense state regulations that have protected Missouri women for years. These include health and safety requirements for abortion clinics; the requirement that only a medical doctor be allowed to perform abortions in the state; and that parents of a minor be notified before she can have an abortion.

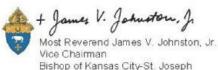
Amendment 3 would allow for unregulated abortions until viability-approximately six months into a pregnancy. After viability, the proposed amendment would create a broad mental health exception that a healthcare provider could exploit to allow abortion in the 7th, 8th, or 9th months of pregnancy.

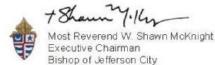
Amendment 3 would also prohibit any type of penalty for someone who assists a person in "exercising their right to reproductive freedom". This broad protection would prohibit women and families from suing an abortion provider who harms them.

The legalization and deregulation of abortion would represent a tragic step backward in our work to protect all human life at all stages. For these reasons, we urge Catholics and all persons of good will to oppose Amendment 3.

CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF MISSOURI







\$12,500.00

\$936.00

Budget (Updated)

Surplus/(Shortfall)



Approved October 14, 2024



Special Collection TODAY for Hurricanes Helene & Milton Victims

Catholic Charities USA is supporting relief efforts in communities affected by the catastrophic flooding, wind damage, and tornados caused by Hurricanes Helene & Milton. All donations received by the parish will go to Catholic Charities USA. Please put your donation in an envelope marked "HURRICANES". Checks should be made out to Annunciation.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE FY25: October 20, 2024

Sunday Env Loose Online Donations Stock Donations Holy Day Donations	\$11,905.00 \$419.00 \$935.00 \$0.00 \$177.00	YEAR TO DATE FY 25 Actual Budget Surplus/(Shortall)	\$176,229.00 \$200,000.00 (\$23,771.00)	SPECIAL COLLECTIONS St. Vincent DePaul Society Mission Sunday Permanent Diaconate Hurricane Victims Seminary	\$120.00 \$775.00 \$50.00 \$200.00 \$5.00
ACTUAL	\$13,436.00	HOUSEHOLDS Total Number	682		

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.

Contributors This Week

Percent Contributing

EDUCATION



PSR

PSR nights at Annunciation are held on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm.

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



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2024



ANNUNCIATION GYMNASIUM - DOORS OPEN AT 6 PM

Please join us at Annunciation for 5 pm Mass as we come together as a community and begin the evening with prayer. Gala doors will open at 6 pm with cocktail hour in the gymnasium. Dinner, Live Auction, and Legacy Awards Ceremony to follow. To purchase tickets or to make a donation, please scan the QR code. If you have questions or need more information, please email legacygala@hca-stl.org or call 314-475-3436.



EVANGELIZATION



VOTING IS AN ACT OF LOVE

"In the Catholic Tradition, responsible citizenship is a virtue, and participation in political life is a moral obligation... The obligation to participate in political life is rooted in our baptismal commitment to follow Jesus Christ and to bear Christian witness in all we do." -- Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, No. 13. https://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/faithful-citizenship/upload/forming-consciences-for-faithful-citizenship.pdf

On Tuesday, November 5, 2024, both national and local elections will be held. We urge all parishioners to exercise the right and responsibility to vote.



Join a Small Group!

Want to grow in your relationship with God and others? Want to learn more about the faith? Scared of big crowds? Consider joining a small group! Beginning at the

end of October, our parishes will begin small faith-sharing groups focused on the person of Mary. Meeting times are flexible depending on what works for those who are interested. If you want to learn more or you are interested in signing up, feel free to contact **Colton Steiner** at coltonsteiner@kenrick.edu.



Grief Support

The Annunciation Grief Support Group meet on Mondays at 7pm in the Klocker House, 43 Short Ave. Has someone who you love died? Please join us. We will meet

on the 1st & 3rd Mondays in October, November, & December. Everyone and their families are welcome. **Jeanne Place**, (314-420-5834) or **Mary Hittler**, (314-277-5116)

Learn the Facts on Amendment 3 Before You Vote!

Come to St. Mary Magdalen -Brentwood Church Basement, 2618 S. Brentwood Blvd, 63144, on Tuesday, October 29, 7 - 8:30pm. The speaker, Chris Archer (Attorney and Father of Fr. Charlie Archer) will walk through the language of Amendment 3, show how each word can be interpreted under the law, and will provide time for open Q and A. He will answer questions such as: Who qualifies as a "person"? Who is a "healthcare professional"? What does "a person exercising their right to reproductive freedom with that person's consent cannot be penalized, prosecuted or otherwise subjected to adverse action for doing so" mean? Please invite friends, family, neighbors who are undecided or unsure about Amendment 3. Questions? Contact Ron Benge at rondbenge@gmail.com



RCIA

To learn more about next year's RCIA program contact **Fr. Mike** or **Fr. Paul** at 314-962-5955.

SERVICE



Congratulations on the Marriage of Daniel Lynch & Norah Paschen



Give-A-Meal-A-Month Menu RETURN BY NOV 17

Instant white or canned sweet potatoes, stuffing mix, cranberry sauce, pkg or canned turkey gravy, muffin/cornbread mix, entrée of your choice

Optional Items: Cake mix & icing, any toiletries

If you wish to donate a turkey please contact Pat Berry before purchasing at 314-962-3091 by Nov. 17. If you wish to make a monetary donation it can be put in an envelope marked "SVDP TURKEY" and placed in the collection basket.



Annunciation Trivia Night on October 26, 2024

All are welcome! Come for Mass at 5 pm and stay for Trivia Night! We will have 10 rounds of trivia and several fun games along the way. Trivia tickets are \$25 per person or \$200 for a table of 8. Cash prizes for 1st and 2nd place trivia winners. Beer, wine, soda, water, and snacks will be provided, but feel free to bring your favorite food or beverages for your table. Mulligan's will be available for sale that evening. Doors open at 6 pm and trivia starts at 7 pm sharp. Trivia brought to you by the Annunciation Men's Club. Reserve you spot here: goannunciation.com/trivia-night.html

Ladies Tuesday Evenings 6pm Rosary

Ladies of the parish are invited to come say the rosary on Tuesday evenings at 6 pm 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:** lucchesimollie@gmail.com or 314-304-5887.

EVENTS



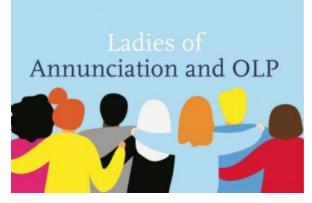
Windows & Wine II

Join us on Friday, November 8 at 6pm for a guided tour of the stained glass windows at Our Lady of Providence church with fellowship following. Bring your favorite bottle to share. Cheese and snacks provided. We had a great time at Windows & Wine I at Annunciation. We will be so glad to see you at OLP too!



SAVE THE DATE: Ladies' Morning Advent Brunch and Reflection on Saturday, Nov. 30

Take some time at the start of the Advent season to get together! We will begin with Mass at 8:30 am in Church and have brunch in the Annunciation Cafeteria catered by the Franklin Room. Cost is \$17 at the door. We will have baskets to bid on to start your Christmas shopping. Our Pastor Fr. Mike Esswein will begin with Mass and lead us through an Advent reflection after brunch. For more information, contact Mariann Wedel, mrjwedel@att.net.



WOA Events Future Events:

November 30— Advent Day of Reflection at Annunciation

January 17 —Pinots Pallette, 6:30 to 8:30 pm Cost is \$42.00 and you will go home with your own Masterpiece. Drinks will be provided.

Ladies of ANN & OLP if you have any questions or for more information, please contact **DeeDee Kebler**, <u>rskdrk1985@</u> <u>sbcglobal.net</u>



Want to get more involved? Want to learn more about upcoming events, meeting times and locations? Check out our website calender: goannunciation.com/church-calendar.html



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Order form closes November 13th. Wreaths can be picked up on Sunday December 1st at OLP.

Any questions, email **Lori Schuster** at encounterymstl@gmail.com.

Thank you for supporting the youth of our HCA parishes!



Let's Talk about Catholic Social November Topic: Living in Freedom from Violence-Peace

Two available sessions -held in OLP Cafeteria (enter at either entrance off the lower parking lot)

Sunday, November 10, 11:30--after 10:30 Mass **OR** Tuesday, November 26, 7pm

Prior to the session, read pages 252-273 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:

- ⇒ St. John Paul II describes war as "a defeat for humanity." Do you agree? Why or why not?
- ⇒ What is the Church's position on war and the Christian duty to seek peace?
- ⇒ In what ways is terrorism different from other forms of war and violence?

REMINDER: IF you missed any or all of the prior sessions, do not let that stop you from joining us this month. ALL ARE WELCOME at the discussion table



SOULCORE at OLP

SOULCORE is a movement to nourish body, mind, and soul

while meditating on the life of Christ. It pairs core strengthening, stretching, and functional movement with prayers of the rosary. No fitness level or experience required. All are welcome! When: First Fridays of the month at 6 AM in the Our Lady of Providence gym. There is no cost but a suggested donation of \$5-\$10 for those who are able. Dress in comfortable clothing or sportswear and bring a fitness mat, light hand weights optional. Questions: Mary Randant at 314-359-0576.



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>ursulakzielinski@gmail.com</u>.

2025 Mass Intentions

The Mass Intention Book is now open for 2025. Contact the parish office to reserve a date.



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 **Jill Prebil**, 314-603-0970 or jillauman0@gmail.com



Let us know about your Good News!

We'd like to share good news about our pa-

rishioners and family members with our parish. Send news items to <u>parishsecretary</u> @goannunciation.com and we will include as bulletin space permits.

Men's Wednesday Evenings Rosary

Men of the parish are invited to come say the rosary on Wednesday evenings at 8:30 pm in front of church. All men are welcome. Contact: **Rick Wedel**, 314-456-9300 or mrjwedel@att.net



Annunciation Photo History Project

Do you have photos of Annunciation events and projects from the past that you would like to share with our community? Contact

Jennifer Weis, <u>jtweis@happymediumdesigns.com</u>, to learn more about how your photos can help to preserve the rich history of Annunciation parish.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

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.

Rosary Repair

The blue rosary boxes are back in both churches. Broken rosaries, beads, center pieces and crucifixes of rosaries are requested to repair and donate to organizations needing rosaries for their ministries. Personal rosaries are repaired at no cost and returned to the rosary box. For repairs, please leave in an envelope with your name and telephone number. You will contacted by text or call when repairs are completed.

For more information contact, **Marisue Stoll** at <u>314-960-6831</u>.

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