ANNUNCIATION OUR LADY OF PROVIDENCE

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ANNUNCIATION

Mass Schedule Sat: 5 pm Sun: 8 am and 10 am Mon-Thur: 8:30 am Reconciliation Sat: 4-4:30 pm Rosary Mon-Thu: 8 am

May 4, 2025



BUILD MY CHURCH

"For the needy will never be forgotten, nor will the hope of the afflicted ever fade." Psalm 9:19

ARCHDIOCESE OF ST. LOUIS

Mon-Fri: 7:30 am Except Wed: 8 am SCAN HERE

OUR LADY OF PROVIDENCE Mass Schedule Sat: 4:30 pm Sun: 8:30 am and 10:30 am

Reconciliation Sat: 3:30-4 pm Rosary Mon: 7:30 pm

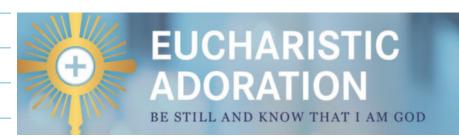
PRAYER

MASS INTENTIONS ANNUNCIATION

MON 5/5 8:30 am	Jim Ginger 🕆
TUES 5/6 8:30 am	Paul Stock 🕆
WED 5/7 8:30 am	George Kiser 🕆
THURS 5/8 8:30 am	Special Intention
FRI 5/9	No Mass Today
SAT 5/10 5 pm	John & Catherine Cain
	Cletus Henry 🕆 Kathy Bayer 🕆

OUR LADY OF PROVIDENCE

MON 5/5 7:30 am	Dave Brammon 🕆
TUES 5/6 7:30 am	James Kappel 🕆
WED 5/7 8 am	Jack Luecke
THURS 5/8 7:30 am	Joe Dunne 🕆
FRI 5/9 7:30 am	Ken & Kathy Lange 🕆
SAT 5/10 4:30 pm	Ed Hingle
SUN 5/11 8:30 am 10:30 am	People of the Parish Stephen Knittel 🕆



ANNUNCIATION: All are invited 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

OUR LADY OF PROVIDENCE: Jesus is calling you to spend time with him! Stop by and spend time in church with God. Although the Blessed Sacrament will not be exposed, church doors are open until 4pm M-F.

🖘 MAY THEY REST IN PEACE 🕬

From Our Lady of Providence, we pray for the repose of Joyce Horton, mother of Leslie Nebuloni. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. May the families know the compassion and comfort of the Risen. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Julie Aufdenspring Carol Baumann Matt Beavin Fr. Jim Byrnes Patty Cabot Rich Cassani Jason Chambers Kerry Deacon Annette DeGreeff Deedee Dussold Virginia Everett Olivia Fenton Tim Flasch Peggy Springer Garcia Francis Gasparovic Julie Gibson

Judy Harig Ruth Henry Helen Horvath Peter Jabbour Robert Janecek Roberta Jones Beth Heaman Keohane Nancy Keath Laura Klages Sue Knoll Cheri Lee Jim Loretta Rita Loretta Carol Luther Suzv Madden Michael Mullins

Carol Murphy Gene Murphy Teresa Naert **Dolly Parker** Joe Pierron Pat Rebman Fr. Tom Robertson John Roques Tia Rowen Barb Schopper Jim Schurk Jerry Schwartz Holly Stoltz Smith Til Smith **Beverly Spinner** John Stalinski

Pat Steele Bob Strong Debbie Struckhoff Molly LaBarge Sublette Randy Thatcher Richard Timmerman Doris Tucker Margit Vincenz Mike Vonderharr Joann Wills Irene Wirthlin Josephine Wren Rich Yates Beverly Zacher Anne Zimmermann

We are trying to update this list, please notify us if your family member or friend can be removed from the list. Contact: Jan Fabick at ladyprov@olpstl.org



MESSAGE FROM FATHER MIKE

Dear Friends,

Congratulations to our second graders of Annunciation and Our Lady of Providence who made their First Holy Communion this weekend on Saturday morning! It's always a joyous day for our students, parents, and teachers as our children receive our Lord in the Eucharist for their very first time. We celebrated First Communion for both parishes together at Providence. We did the same for our two parishes when we celebrated their First Reconciliation at Annunciation back in December. For the next few weeks the banners of the second graders of each parish will hang in church as a way to remember and celebrate this joyous day! May the joy they feel on their first holy communion continue to be with them and all of us each time we participate in the celebration of the Eucharist.

Last weekend was the first of our three ACA weekends. Thank you to all of you who already made your pledges for this year. Each year the funds raised go to support the ministries that benefit so many individuals in need across the archdiocese. Please be sure to watch the ACA video that we are including in this Sunday email. It is informative and provides insight into the many ways the ACA serves so many. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge to support this year's ACA. It is money well spent to help our brothers and sisters in need.

Gratefully,

Father Mike

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MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMPUS AT ANNUNCIATION 314-475-3436 Principal: Rebecca Bickel

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

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Contact the parish office to request a hospital visit or for communion to the sick or home-bound or to add a name to the prayer list.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL For assistance within OLP parish boundaries: 314-289-6101 x2262

For assistance within Annunciation parish boundaries: 314-289-6101 x 2255

BULLETIN DEADLINE 8 am Mondays To submit: Email Jan Fabick at ladyprov@olpstl.org

STEWARDSHIP



Reaching Out to Those in Need

'It drags you down, being in this situation, so surrounding yourself with positive people really helps. And people here (at Bridge of Hope), you can teil they genuinely care for you. When I got here, I felt safe. I wasn't scared anymore." - Sara

Bridge of Hope is a new emergency shelter and crisis stabilization center near Troy, the county seat of mostly rural Lincoln County. In partnership with different faith and civic organizations, including Catholic Charitles, it provides short-term housing for men, women and families in need. It also connects them with ongoing support and critical resources such as health care and access to mental health services.

Your sacrificial giving to the Annual Catholic Appeal serves the most vulnerable in our communities with dignity and compassion, providing hope through affordable housing and emergency shelter services combined with comprehensive case management, to help them regain self-sufficiency.

Leading Our Youth to Christ

"Unexpectedly, they (the campus ministers) became a source of healing. Some simply gave a space for me to share hurts and experiences that I did not know needed to be voiced. Others lowingly encouraged me to lean into all that I am and see my true identity as a daughter of God. The ministers formed me to be a servant leader who practices seeing Christ in others and meeting them as He would, regardless of what is required of me." required of me

- Jenny, Washington University

Newman Centers provide students at five local college and university campuses with a "home away from home" where they can support each other in living and growing their Catholic faith. Through opportunities to gather, study, serve, an pray together, they share the hope of Christ with other students on their campuses. and

Your stewardship of the Annual Catholic Appeal supports the Newman Centers that invite young people into relationship with Jesus Christ, provide them with communities of hospitality, and form them for their active roles in the Church and the world.

Serving Our Parishes

"I learned through formation and serving as a deacon that faith in Christ and being a disciple of Christ is a call to service. Through my ministry, I am called to represent Christ the servant. This can only be done through humility, by dying to self and allowing Christ to work through me in service to His Church."

- Deacon Daniel Darian

OUR LADY OF PROVIDENCE

Strengthened by the sacramental grace of Holy Orders, deacons serve in parishes, hospitals, archdiocesan agencies, and other organizations. They offer their time, talent, and energy to strengthen our Church in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Their lowing service extends into many areas of parish life, including the proclamation of the Gospel, liturgical functions, administration, and charitable works. The Permanent Diaconate Program includes at least ten years of intensive formation both leading up to and following ordination.

Your generosity to the Annual Catholic Appeal supports the formation of these men who have answered the call to share Christ's hope as they serve the needs of the people of God.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE FY25

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Weekly 4/27/254/27/25Weekly Sunday Envelopes \$5,176.00 \$6,566.00 Sunday Envelopes Loose Donations \$266.00 \$390.00 Loose Donations **OSV** Online \$560.00 \$5,466.00 **Online Donations** Stock Donation \$0.00 \$0.00 Stock Donation Total \$6,126.00 \$12,298.00 Total Budget \$12,500.00 \$11,538.46 Budget Surplus/Shortfall (\$759.54) (\$6,374.00) Surplus/Shortfall **Special Collections Special Collections** \$140.00 St. Vincent DePaul Society St. Vincent DePaul Society \$515.00 \$25.00 Holy Land \$60.00 School Support \$195.00 **Retired Priests Retired Priests** \$75.00 \$102.00 Misc. \$135.00 Catholic Home Missions \$108.00 Misc. Year to Date FY25 Year to Date FY25 \$522,850.53 Actual \$505,514.59 Actual \$550,000.00 \$496,153.78 Budget Budget (\$27,149.47)Surplus/(Shortfall) \$9,360.81 Surplus/(Shortfall)

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



Congratulations to Alexandra Campbell, daughter of Anna and Todd Campbell from Our Lady of Providence who was Baptized in Christ on Sunday April 20th, 2025.

Congratulations to Samuel and Cooper Wynne, sons of Andrew and Michelle Wynne from Our Lady of Providence and Charlotte Graham, daughter of Taylor and Sarah Graham who were Baptized in Christ on Saturday, April 26th, 2025.

THANK YOU!

We are so grateful for the generosity of our parishioners who donated to the 2025 Deacon Diaper Drive. Both parishes collected 3,086 adult diapers, 4750 Infant diapers, and 440 packages of wipes. They were delivered to Our Little Haven, Affton Food Bank, Our Lady's Inn, Good Shepherd Home, and Regina Cleri Home.

Thank you!

-Deacon Rob and Deacon Pat



Faithful Catholic Families Scholarship Fund In Memory of John and Rosemary Gorrell

Scholarship held at the Roman Catholic Foundation

TO APPLY:



Please complete the brief scholarship application at: www.bit.ly/FaithfulCatholicFamilies or scanning the QR code and return to the Roman Catholic Foundation at info@rcfstl.org by 5/23/25.





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First Communion

Congratulations to the young men and women who received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion on Saturday May 3rd at Our Lady of Providence Church!

Annual Catholic Appeal Donations

If you chose to make a donation to the Annual Catholic Appeal via check, please make checks payable to the Annual Catholic Appeal and not Our Lady of Providence or Annunciation. Thank you!



Faith in Action

Members of the Faith and Immigration Justice class from both our parishes filled 12 volunteer spots at the St. Pius V food pantry on April 15th. We witnessed a beautiful program which provides sustenance and hope to all those in need, including our immigrant brothers and sisters, guiding them through bureaucratic mazes while affirming dignity. We were so

honored to be pilgrims of mercy, drawing strength from the tabernacle to apply to real life social justice!

Also, the Justice Seekers of Our Lady of Providence and Annunciation parishes were honored to receive a grant in the amount of \$2,000.00 from the Catholic Campaign for Human Development on March 20, 2025. In partnership with the Criminal Justice Ministry of St. Louis, we will use these funds to create a community garden space for formerly incarcerated CJM clients transitioning to reentry into society, maintaining these gardens and teaching clients and their children how to sustainably garden and grow their own food. By growing fresh vegetables and herbs, CJM clients will have greater access to healthy foods that many struggle to obtain after being released from prison. This project will also include programming led by CJM's case management and behavioral health team, utilizing gardening and community building to address clients' mental health and life-skill-related needs. Furthermore, The Justice Seekers are truly grateful for CCHD's support to allow us to put Catholic Social Teaching into action!



Rosary Repair

The blue rosary box for Annunciation is in the brides room. For OLP the rosary box is in the back of church. Broken rosaries, beads, center pieces and crucifixes are needed to repair and donate to organizations needing rosaries for their ministries. Personal rosaries are repaired at no cost. They will be returned to the rosary box when repaired.

For repairs, please leave your rosary in an envelope with your name and telephone number. Contact Marisue Stoll at 314-960-6831 for more information.



Little Lambs Join us for Little Lambs this spring on the following Fridays:

May 9 Little Lambs meets 9-10:30AM at the gym at Saint Michael's. Little Lambs invites children (birth to preschool) and their caregivers. No signup needed, just come ready to play!



Looking towards retirement?

The Next Chapter is a program grounded in Ignatian Spirituality that has been offered in the St. Louis community by The Next Chapter Institute for the past eight years. It is a six-month guided journey in a group setting for people who are approaching retirement or who are recently retired. The ultimate goal of the program is to assist people to discern how they want to live their next chapter of life. For more information, go to www.nextchapterprogram.org.

The next session of the program begins in October of 2025. The first step for participating in the program is to attend an information session. They will be held on May 12 and June 2 starting at 7:00 pm at the Mercy Conference and Retreat Center, 2039 Geyer Road. To register for an information session, please email

thenextchapterinstitute@gmail.com.



Food Truck Event for the Masses (Mother's Day Weekend) Saturday, May 10, 2025 Join us for 5:00 PM Mass at Annunciation followed by our Food Truck Event

OLP Cafeteria or Rosary Garden (weather permitted) Thursday, May 22,2025 @ 7:00 – 8:30 PM

* Event specific information will be provided in future bulletins in host parish section

SOULCORE

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.

TOTUS TUUS

An amazing Catholic Summer Camp for 1st-7th graders where you child/ren will walk away with a renewed vigor and understanding of our faith! They will lean about the Sacraments this year in a fun. Engagingg way with skits, small group time, daily Mass and opportunities for Reconciliation. Register at <u>https://forms.gle/YKn6FyPi4Sdx5vYX8</u>

Encounter Youth Ministry

Encounter Youth Ministry is growing, and you should be part of it! Our high school youth group meets every other Monday at Seven Holy Founders. We are looking for adults to assist our core team on occasion. No experience necessary – just an enthusiasm to support teens in their faith. Reach out to us at <u>encounterymstl@gmail.com</u> to learn more.



Our PSR vision is to help everyone we encounter become the Saints God created them to be.



For more information about our PSR Ministry, please contact Ann Kelly, PSR Director of HCA Parishes: psr@goannunciation.com

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Donations needed!



We are accepting donations of beer, wine, water, and soda for the Food Truck for the Masses event. Please put all dona-

tions in the bride's room.



Grief Support

All are invited to 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 February. Everyone and their families are welcome.

Jeanne Place, (314-420-5834) or **Mary Hittler**, (314-277-5116).



Need a Ride to Mass or a Holy Communion Visit

The Annunciation's 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 need this help, please contact **Jill Prebil**, 314-603-0970 or <u>jilllauman0@gmail.com</u>



Donut Sunday

Join us this Sunday after 8:00 am and 10:00 am Mass! We look forward to seeing you.

Email Prayer Team

If you have any requests for the Annunciation prayer chain, call Cheryl Braun at 314-712-0966 or email cherylbraun@sbcglobal.net. (For name in the bulletin, please call or email Jan at the parish office.



Children's Liturgy of the Word

There will be no children's liturgy this Sunday May 4th or Sunday May 11th. The

last Sunday of Children's Liturgy will be May 18th and will resume again in September. Parents and students interested in helping or volunteering, please contact **Kristen Dawson** at 314-650-6721.

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PRO-LIFE Baby Bottles

The Prolife Committee will be distributing baby bottles on Mother's Day weekend, May 10th and 11^{th.} Parishioners are asked to take a bottle on Mother's Day and return it on Father's Day filled with change, bills or a check made payable to "OUR LADY OF PROVIDENCE" and in the memo section of your check write "PROLIFE". The funds collected will go to Good Shepherd Children and Family Services and to Our Lady's Inn to benefit unborn babies and their mothers. The Knights of Columbus purchased the bottles. We plan to reuse them. Please be sure to return the bottle if you take one.

Bring your phone to Church

Yes, you read that correctly! Please bring your phones to Church, May 10th and 11th as we are working on updating our parish Flocknote. Even if previously enrolled, we have updated information to provide. This will allow us to stay in touch and ensure that you are kept up to date with the latest information. Parishioners will also be available in the back of church to help with Flocknote sign-up.

GREEN THUMBS

We will meet in the front of the rectory on Saturday, May 10th, at 9:00. Call Maureen at 314-775-8046 for more information or if you have any questions.

RAFFLE!

Support the Rachel Mueth Memorial Golf tournament by entering for a chance to win one of our raffle prizes! Tickets are

\$20 each: Cash and Check payable to Our Lady of Providence accepted. Sold after every Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses in May!

- \$300 Twisted Tree Gift Card
- \$300 Sam's Steak Gift Card
- Bourbon Collection

RACHEL MUETH MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

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- STL City tickets
- And MORE!

Learn more at www.rachelmuethgolf.com

Birthright Cards

MOTHER'S DAY CARDS – OLP prolife committee will have available Mother's Day cards in the back of church the weekends of April 19-20th, April 26-27th and May 3-4th or until they are all taken. An envelope is provided with the card to mail in a donation to Hillsboro Birthright.





OLP MULCHING NIGHT

More than 30 volunteers helped move 18 yards of mulch! The grounds look beautiful. Shout out to volunteers from the Green Thumbs, OLP parishioners, Scouts from Troop 914 and Troop 725G, students from Vianney High School, and families from Holy Cross Academy!



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