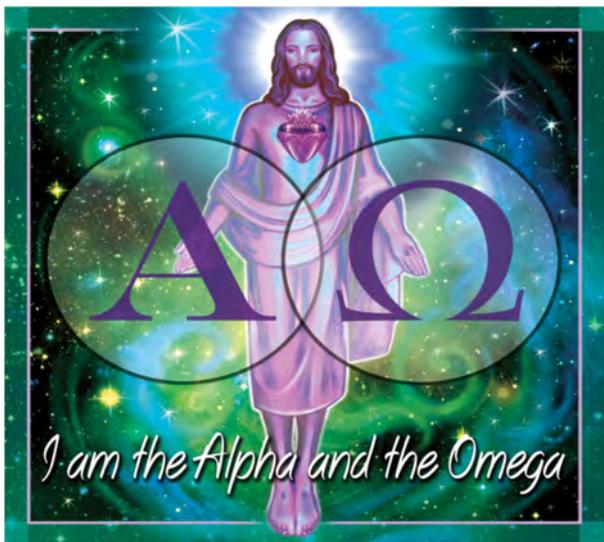


Welcome to Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Sunday, November 25, 2018

- Our Mission Statement -

We, the Roman Catholic Parish of Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, joyfully worship together to give praise, honor and glory to Almighty God. We are called by the Holy Spirit to proclaim and to live the gospel message through the sacraments and to spread the message of Jesus Christ by living out the example of God's power in our lives.



CHRIST IS KING

On the final Sunday of the liturgical year we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. It's easy to understand today's scriptures as events that happened long ago and far away, or predictions that will come true somewhere, some day. But they invite us to claim Christ as our King here and now. Jesus' words to Pilate in the Gospel remind us that his kingdom transcends time and place. And the prophecies from Daniel and Revelation give us reason to be faithful to Christ our King right here and right now.

By concluding the year with this feast we are proclaiming our faith that Jesus Christ is the one and only King over all seasons, all peoples, and all of creation. No matter what nation we belong to or what language we speak, he "has made us into a kingdom" (Revelation 1:6)—one people united in love and peace for all eternity.

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TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — One like a Son of man received dominion, glory, and kingship (Daniel 7:13-14).

Psalm — The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty (Psalm 93).

Second Reading — Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead (Revelation 1:5-8).

Gospel — For this I came into the world, to testify to the truth (John 18:33b-37).

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Early Bulletin Deadlines:

Sunday, December 23, information emailed by noon on Wednesday, **December 12**.

Sunday, December 30/January 6, information emailed by noon on **Wednesday, December 19**.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Parish News & Events

Let us pray for those members of our parish who are sick and suffering

Bill Aloisio	Bob Kresz	Mark Phillips
Martin Brosas	Jacqueline Lehy	Ken Podsiadlik
Jacob Chilelli	Arlene Likovich	Janice Rippinger
Mary Aloisio Cummings	Judy Mallon	Philip Rippinger
Mary Beth Erickson	Mary Mayer	Clarence Roth
Delores Franck	Mike McMahon	Norb Rozanski
Carole Glassford	Dave Medernach	Judy Runge
Glenn Gruenke	Linda Miller	Rudolph Schlecht
Bartholomew Hansen	Genie Millhouse	Geri Smith
Jack Hollis	Carrie Mitchell	Lisa Tamplin
Jeanette Hovorka	Baby O'Brien	Jack Watson
Mark Huettner	Kelly Olson	Wayne Weiler
Ron King	Joe Pascolini	Linda White

Please note:

Due to the government legislation regarding patient privacy, names of people to be prayed for at Mass or in the Bulletin can be listed only if that **person, or, in the case of their incapacitation, the person delegated to their medical care**, calls the parish office to give permission. The above also pertains to the **Sacrament of The Anointing of the Sick**.

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary will continue to pray for all the sick and suffering, even if unable to list by name.

Let us pray for those members of our parish who are sick and suffering.

If you would like a visit from Fr. Patrick, please call the parish office at 630-851-1436 to schedule a visit.



Our parish has joined a Catholic website called **FORMED**. This website is loaded with articles, videos, eBooks, and much more—all of which are thoroughly Catholic. You simply go to this website: <https://formed.org> (This is a secure site, which is why there is an “s” in the address). Once there, there will be a spot to enter our parish access code, which is 6MMWKC. We have unlimited access to everything on the site. I hope that you take advantage of this site, and pray that it will be beneficial to you.

Fr. Patrick

Stewardship



CONTRIBUTIONS for Sunday, November 18th will be in next week's bulletin.



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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This is the last Sunday of Ordinary Time, the 34th Sunday in OT. This week is the last week of the Church's liturgical year. Next Sunday, will begin the new year for the Church, starting with the first Sunday of Advent. Today, we are celebrating the Feast of Christ the King. All this week, we should contemplate His kingship.

It is fitting that we end the Church year with this feast. After this week, we will spend four weeks preparing ourselves for the birth of that same Christ the King. Moreover, it is fitting that the Church begin her year with Advent, because it is an anticipation of that which we all have been given: the birth of our Savior, His becoming one of us, so that we can become like Him.

"Why do we say Christ the King?" someone once asked in seminary, "Christ never said that He was a King." The professor wisely answered the seminarian; he said that, in the Gospel of St. John, there is a dialogue between Pilate and Jesus that presents the fact that Jesus did say that He was a King. In fact, this is today's Gospel reading. Here is the dialogue: Pilate says, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered: 'Do you say this on your own, or have others told you about me?' Pilate answered, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?' Jesus answered, 'My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants [would] be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not here.' So Pilate said to Him, 'Then you are a King?' Jesus answered, 'You say I am a King. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice'" (John, 18:33-37).

Granted, our Lord did not say, exactly, "I am a King," but He did say, three times in this dialogue, "My kingdom." That begs the question. If He says "My kingdom," then He is a King, right? The answer is yes, He is a King. If a shepherd says that she has sheep, that her sheep know her voice, and that her sheep follow and obey her voice, but she never says outright that she is a shepherd, nevertheless, we all can say, without a doubt, this woman is, indeed, a shepherd. The same can be said about Christ's kingship. He never said that He was a King outright, but He speaks, without a shred of doubt, about His kingdom. The seminarian finally believed that, yes, Christ truly is King!

Yes, Jesus Christ is King! If He isn't, then the Church is making a huge mistake celebrating his Kingship today; but we all know that she's not. He is King, and we celebrate that reality, joyfully, today!

God bless you, brothers and sisters,

Father Patrick

Please consult the bulletin for deadlines, if you would like something in the bulletin. The usual deadline for things in the bulletin is **MONDAY, BY NOON**, unless otherwise stated. Please send the item/article that you would like to see in the bulletin to Mary at annunciationbvm-aurora@rockforddiocese.org or mglosson@rockforddiocese.org. If it is a document, please make sure that it is created in Word. If it is a picture, please make sure that it is in black and white. Also, if you would like something announced at any or all of the weekend Masses, please email Mary at annunciationbvm-aurora@rockforddiocese.org, or mglosson@rockforddiocese.org, no later than **WEDNESDAY EVENING, BY 4:00PM**. If you would like both an announcement and a bulletin item/article, please send two separate emails, one for the announcement, one for the bulletin item/article.

The Respect Life Group Christmas Wreath & Plant Sale



Saturday, Dec 1st in the school gym, after 5:15 Mass and after Masses on Sunday, Dec 2nd.

The sale supports Waterleaf, a free pregnancy resource center.

New this year.... decorate your own wreath
Great hostess gifts!
Ideal for a teacher's gift!
Perfect for a home bound relative!

A selection of wreaths and other holiday accents available on first come basis until sold-out

Contact Julie Garofalo 630-885-2171

Dec 1st. 5:15 Mass: This evening is our parish **tree lighting**. All are **welcome** come out in front of the rectory and participate in the lighting. Directly after, the Knights of Columbus have made a chili dinner for all us to enjoy in the school gym. The children's choir will be performing Christmas favorites. All are welcome to get into the spirit of Christmas with this festive event.



The next Annunciation food collection weekend is **December 1st and 2nd**. Please bring your non-perishable donations to the bin in the back of the church. Also, please check the dates on the items donated. Thank you so much for your continued support.

Rediscovering Your Catholic Faith

From the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church

The Creed

“I Believe In God The Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven And Earth”

36. Why does the Profession of faith begin with the words, “I believe in God?”

The Profession of begins with these words because the affirmation “I believe in God” is the most important, the source of all the other truths about man and about the world, and about the entire life of everyone who believes in God.

37. Why does one profess belief that there is only one God?

Belief in one God is professed because he has revealed himself to the people of Israel as the only One when he said, “Hear, O Israel: The Lord Our God is one Lord” (Deuteronomy 6:4) and “there is no other” (Isaiah 45:22). Jesus himself confirmed that God is “the one Lord” (Mark 12:29). To confess that Jesus and the Holy Spirit are also God and Lord does not introduce any division into the one God.

38. With what name does God reveal Himself?

God revealed himself to Moses as the living God, “the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob” (Exodus 3:6). God also revealed to Moses his mysterious name “I Am Who Am (YHWH).” Already in the Old Testament times this ineffable name of God was replaced by the divine title *Lord*. Thus in the New Testament, Jesus who was called *Lord* is seen as true God.

39. Is God the only one who “is”?

Sense creatures have received everything they are and have from God, only God in himself *is* the fullness of being and of every perfection. God is “He who is” without origin and without end. Jesus also reveals that he bears the divine name “I AM” (John 8:28).

High School News



Required Placement Exam for 8th Grade Students

SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFYING

Aurora Central Catholic High School

Saturday, December 1, 2018

8:00am - 12:00pm

8:30am Parent Q&A *coffee & donuts will be served*

\$30 Fee (no calculators)

Sign-Up at www.auroracentral.com

Scholarship Qualifying Entrance Exam at Marmion Academy

Marmion Academy encourages all 8th grade boys to take the Scholarship Qualifying Entrance Exam on **Saturday, December 1, 2018 at 9:00 AM**. To register for the exam, an application for admission must be filed prior to the test date (www.marmion.org/admissions). Students must take the exam at Marmion on Dec. 1 to qualify for one of the fourteen scholarships to be awarded to incoming freshmen based on academic merit (total value \$260,400). Marmion's campus is located at 1000 Butterfield Road in Aurora (please use door #1 the day of the exam).

While students are taking the exam, parents are invited to join members of Marmion Academy's administration, faculty and staff for a continental breakfast and an informal Q&A session beginning at 9:00 AM. Parents in attendance will be entered into a drawing for a \$500 tuition deposit voucher (valid for the 2019-2020 school year).

St. Francis High School College Preparatory

Explore the Path - See the Difference!

THROUGH FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2018

Entrance Exam – Class of 2023

Saturday, December 1, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.

- Registration is now open!

- Students must take the exam at St. Francis High School in order to be eligible for scholarships and receive priority admission consideration.

Register at www.sfhscollegeprep.org

St. Francis High School is a college-preparatory, co-educational Catholic high school located in Wheaton, Illinois and is celebrating more than 60 years of promoting spiritual, academic, physical and social development in students.

Rosary High School

Scholarship-Qualifying Entrance Exam

December 1 at 8 am

901 N Edgelawn Drive, Aurora, IL

Register online at www.rosaryhs.com/exam

Contact Admissions Director Marisa Perillo at (630) 896-0831 x245 or mperillo@rosaryhs.com for more information.



Winter Baseball Camps at Marmion Academy

Marmion Academy will be hosting Winter Baseball Camps for 3rd-8th graders Wednesday, Dec. 26 through Friday, Dec. 28, 2018. The Grade School Camp (3rd-5th graders) will meet from 8:00-10:00 AM and the Middle School Camp (6th-8th graders) will meet from 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM. Both camps will take place in the Regole Field House located on Marmion's campus at 1000 Butterfield Road in Aurora. Save money and register early! The camp fee is \$110 prior to Dec. 21, \$120 from Dec. 22 -Dec. 25 or \$125 for walk-in registration. For additional information and to register, please visit marmionacademycamps.org.



Like to clean? We are looking for some new volunteers to clean Church on Saturday mornings. Approximately one hour – no more than once per month. If you are interested or have any questions, please call Marilyn at (630) 907-2477.

Please remember that, if you wish to volunteer, you will need to complete all of the Safe Environment requirements.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Although our Puritan forebears at Plymouth Rock were almost a hundred years removed from their Catholic roots, the old liturgical calendar still had an unconscious claim on their hearts. We've already seen how on Saint Martin's Day, November 11, medieval continental Europe observed a great harvest day of Thanksgiving, with games, dances, parades, and a festive dinner of roast goose. With the goose went ample draughts of "Saint Martin's Wine," the first wine of the new harvest. Martinmas celebrated full barns and larders stocked for the winter. Even after the Reformation, the tradition of eating goose on Saint Martin's Day was retained in Holland, and it was there that our Pilgrims encountered this tradition. When Governor Bradford sent four hunters out into the Massachusetts wilderness in the autumn of 1621, they did indeed find some geese and ducks, and were persuaded by the indigenous people to try turkey, too.

Just as the liturgical calendar has been tweaked over the years, President Roosevelt moved Thanksgiving to the third Thursday in November in 1939, probably to extend the Christmas shopping season. The protest was so great that in 1941 the day established by President Lincoln, the last Thursday in November, was restored. If the Pilgrims had known of the Martinmas connection, they might never have celebrated at all!

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

The December Minister Schedules have been mailed. You may also access the schedule on our website at: annunciationchurchbvm.org

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Ps 24:1bc-4ab, 5-6; Lk 21:1-4
 Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Ps 96:10-13; Lk 21:5-11
 Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Ps 98:1-3ab, 7-9; Lk 21:12-19
 Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 21:20-28
 Friday: Rom 10:9-18; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 4:18-22
 Saturday: Rv 22:1-7; Ps 95:1-7ab; Lk 21:34-36
 Sunday: Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

GRATITUDE

What is gladness without gratitude, and where is gratitude without a God?

—Coventry Patmore

ORIGINALITY

Remember that God prefers the poverty of our hearts to the most sublime thoughts borrowed from others.

—St. Peter Julian Eymard

PROPER ROLE

Money is a terrible master but an excellent servant. P. T. Barnum

<p>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR THE GROVE OF FOX VALLEY J. Hirner, J. Olivo</p> <p>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR THE HOMEBOUND B. Klein, T. Gallenbach</p>	<p>MASS INTENTIONS</p> <p>Monday, November 26 6:30am †Frieda Leffelman by The Family 8:00am †Margaret Johnson by The Family</p> <p>Tuesday, November 27 6:30am †The Poor Souls 8:00am †The Poor Souls</p> <p>Wednesday, November 28 6:30am †The Living & Deceased members of the Kammes and White Families by Loretta White 8:45am †The Poor Souls</p> <p>Thursday, November 29 6:30am †Jacques Toussaint 8:00am †The Poor Souls</p> <p>Friday, November 30 6:30am †The Poor Souls 8:00am †Diane Brummel by The Family</p> <p>Saturday, December 1 8:00am †The Poor Souls 5:15pm †Patricia Griffin by The Family The People of the Parish</p> <p>Sunday, December 2 7:30am †Rose Mary Hettinger by Her Children 8:45am †Nancy & Richard Sullivan by Shawn Curoe 10:00am †Sr. Rose Weber by D. J. Smith 11:30am †Arlene Flanagan by The Johnson Family</p> <p>*The rosary is prayed before our 8am daily Mass.</p>
<p>Missionaries of the Sacred Heart</p> <p>2019 LUCKY CALENDAR</p> <p>We invite you to participate in our annual “Lucky Calendar” program. Your cost of \$30 per ticket gives you 365 chances to win daily awards of \$50, \$100 or \$500. Buy one for yourself and give one as a gift—they make great stocking stuffers!</p> <p>Your donation of \$30 per ticket helps us support our retired missionaries, our seminarians, and our missionaries around the world. For more information or to buy a Lucky Calendar ticket, please call us at 630.892.2371. www.misacor-usa.org</p>	

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Parish Staff

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Rev. Mr. Kenneth Gay
Business Manager.....Mary Glosson
RE Secretary.....Chris Barrett
Cemetery Secretary.....Jane Cebulski
Religious Ed. Director.....Mark Fletcher
Director of Music.....Dick Gardner
Head Organist.....Bob Kresz

Annunciation BVM School

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Principal.....Jennifer Wardynski
Administrative Assistant.....Patti Brouch
Maintenance.....Ron Springer

We Welcome You!

We welcome you to our parish and our community. If you would like to become a member of Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church, please contact the parish office 630-851-1436 to register. Adult children of current members are also encouraged to register.

Baptism:

Please contact the parish office to schedule. Normally baptisms take place on Sunday afternoons, after the last Mass.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday.....4:00-4:45pm, or you may call the parish office for an appointment.

Marriage:

The bride, groom, or either of their parents must be registered, contributing members of the parish. Weddings must be scheduled no less than six months out in order to fulfill the diocesan marriage preparation requirements. If there were any previous marriages that were not annulled by the Church, then it must be pointed out that the annulment process could take up to two years.

Anointing of the Sick:

Whenever someone is seriously ill, hospitalized, or is dying, please contact the parish office immediately.

Communion for the Sick: Please call the parish office.

Adoration: Is normally celebrated on the first Friday of the month, after the 8:00 Mass, with Liturgy of the Word and Benediction at 4pm.

Bulletin Deadline:

If you would like something placed in the bulletin, please email the parish office by noon Monday at annunciationbvm-aurora@rockforddiocese.org.

Announcements:

Announcements are due in the church office by Thursday noon.

Catholic Men In The World Today:

Meets every Saturday morning at 6:30am in the Parish Patio. For information on who we are and what we do, please email us at annmensgroup@aol.com.

The Knights of Columbus Council 736: meets on the second Monday of the month at 8:00pm. For contact information and calendar of events, go to the council website at: knightsforcolumbusil.org/council736.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:

If you are an adult who would like to be baptized; or was baptized in the Catholic Church as an infant, but did not receive the Sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation; or are interested in becoming Catholic; we would like you to consider our RCIA program. For more information, please contact Mary at 630-851-1436.

Mass Schedule (Unless Otherwise Announced or Stated Elsewhere):

Weekend:

Saturday: 5:15pm
Sunday: 7:30am, 8:45am, 10:00am, 11:30am

Weekdays (School in session):

M. T. Th. F.: 6:30am, 8:00am
Wed.: 8:45am
Sat.: 8:00am

Weekdays (School not in session):

Mass) M.—F.: 6:30am, 8:00am (Rosary prayed before 8:00am
Sat.: 8:00am

Holy Days of Obligation (School in session):

6:30am, 8:00am, 11:00am, and 7:00pm,
only on the Holy Day itself (Unless otherwise
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Holy Days of Obligation (School not in session):

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