

# Welcome to Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church

## First Sunday of Advent

### December 2, 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.



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**Bring your concerns to Jesus in prayer**

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - FRIDAY-**

Visit anytime from **close of 8:00 a.m. Mass until 3:00 p.m.**

Liturgy of the Word and Benediction at **3:00 p.m. (This is to accommodate the 5:15 Mass)**

*Eucharistic Adoration extends its influence far beyond the individual adorers, touching their homes and families and reaching out to the parish community and beyond. (Pope Paul VI)*

#### Advent/Christmas Information

Vespers: Sunday evenings at 6:00pm in church.

**Saturday, December 8th, Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a holyday of obligation, Masses are: Friday, December 7th at 5:15pm, Saturday, December 8th, 6:30am, 8:00am and 10:00am.**

**Advent Penance Service: Wednesday, December 19 from 6:30-8:00pm.**

**Masses Christmas Eve: 4:00pm & 5:30pm  
Christmas: Midnight, 8:00am, 10:00am and 11:30am.**

**All volunteers who have completed all of the Safe Environment requirements are welcome to help with Environment set up: Sunday, December 23rd after the 11:30am Mass.**

#### 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.

#### Closed:

The parish office will be closed Monday, December 24-Tuesday, January 1. For any emergency, please call the parish, and dial Father's extension number 204.

## Parish News & Events

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

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

### 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.

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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

Sunday, November 18—\$7,805.12

Sunday, November 25—\$8,035.61

Waterleaf—\$5,000



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*My brothers and sisters,*

*The season of Ordinary Time has now come to a close, and Advent is now here; in about a month, we will celebrate the birth of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Two weeks ago, we celebrated Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is a day when we remember all of the many blessings for which we can be thankful.*

*The obvious reasons are our lives. We should never cease thanking God for the gift of life. We can also be thankful for our families and friends. We should thank Him for the food and shelter that we enjoy; many people today go without these necessities of life.*

*We can also be thankful for our vocations to the priesthood, religious life, and otherwise. God has called each one of us to share in His divine plan, and each of our particular vocations plays a major part in the building up of God's kingdom, and helps prepare us for the life hereafter.*

*It is through God that we have been blessed abundantly; and for this, we are thankful. We have been given a life, from our heavenly Father, that is worth living and one that will last forever; a Savior that has made all that possible; and a Spirit that has filled us with such a radiant joy that no physical thing made by human hands or otherwise can ever duplicate. This week, give thanks to God for all that we have. Thank God for everything. Thank God!*

*God bless you, and I pray that the Advent Season prepares you well for the birth of our Lord!*

*On another note, as a friendly reminder, please remember to consult the bulletin for bulletin 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](mailto:annunciationbvm-aurora@rockforddiocese.org) or [mglosson@rockforddiocese.org](mailto: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](mailto:annunciationbvm-aurora@rockforddiocese.org), or [mglosson@rockforddiocese.org](mailto:mglosson@rockforddiocese.org), no later than **WEDNESDAY EVENING, BY 4:00PM**. Moreover, 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.*

*Father Patrick*

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### Jesse Tree

During the season of advent please consider taking an envelope off of the Jesse Tree in the front of church. Inside you will find a name of a resident of The Fox Grove of Fox Valley on Farnsworth Ave. It will also contain a few suggestions of items that he/she would enjoy. You may take the present over to The Grove anytime before Christmas and spend a little time with the resident. If for some reason you are unable to drop it off yourself, place the item under the tree with the envelope attached. Please do not drop it off at the rectory, sacristy or any other place except for under the tree. If you have any questions feel free to call Mary Ann Frantzen 630 898-7339.



This year as in years past, there are envelopes in the back of church to put a donation (if you wish) in honor of someone who is living or deceased. Names will be published in the bulletin.



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.

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

It's time for Annunciation's annual **Christmas TLC Cookie Event!** Please mark your calendars for **December 16, between 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.** A "batch" of your delectable treats will be welcome on the **Parish Patio** at that time. Please place them in a disposable container. We will then prepare them for distribution, and with assistance from volunteers, deliver them with Christmas love... to our parish family and parish friends. If you have names of parishioners that would appreciate some TLC, please let us know.

Thank you! See you on Sunday December 16! Any questions, or signing up to volunteer... please call!  
Mary Moon 630-892-8581 — Kathy Tentinger — Trish Theriault 630-236-1317.

## Rediscovering Your Catholic Faith

From the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church

**“I Believe In God The Father Almighty, Creator Of Heaven And Earth.”**

### 40. Why is the revelation of God's name important?

In revealing his name, God makes known the riches contained in the ineffable mystery of his being. He alone is from everlasting to everlasting. He is the one who transcends the world and history. It is he who made heaven and earth. He is the faithful God, always close to his people, in order to save them. He is the highest holiness, “rich in mercy” (Ephesians 2:4), always ready to forgive. He is the One who is spiritual, transcendent, omnipotent, eternal, personal, and perfect. He is truth and love.

*“God is the infinitely perfect being who is the most Holy Trinity.”* (Saint Turibius of Mongrovejo)

### 41. In what way is God the Truth?

God is truth itself and as such he can neither deceive nor be deceived. He is “light, and in him there is no darkness” (1 John 1:5). The eternal Son of God, the incarnation of wisdom, was sent into the world “to bear witness to the truth” (John 18:37).

### 42. In what way does God reveal that he is love?

God revealed himself to Israel as the One who has a stronger love than that of parents for their children or of husbands and wives for their spouses. God in himself “is love” (1 John 4:8, 16), who gives himself completely and gratuitously, who “so loved the world that he gave his only Son [so] that the world might be saved through him” (John 3:16-17). By sending his Son and the Holy Spirit, God reveals that he himself is an eternal exchange of love.

### 43. What does it mean to believe in only one God?

To believe in the one and only God involves coming to know his greatness and majesty. It involves living in thanksgiving and trusting always in him, even in adversity. It involves knowing the unity and true dignity of all human being, created in his image. It involves making good use of the things which he has created.

## School News



This year's 8<sup>th</sup> grade class will be having a bake sale after masses December 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> to help offset the cost of their end of the year field trip to Chicago. Please come get some yummy baked goods to bring home and enjoy with your families. Our students and their families will be outside after masses come rain, shine or snow. We thank you in advance for all your support.

### SCHOOL SPIRIT

### TASTES GREAT

Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Annunciation B.V.M. School. Come in to the **Chipotle at 2902 Kirk Road Unit 100** in Aurora on **Tuesday, December 11th** between **4:00pm** and **8:00pm**. Please pick up a flyer in the back of church, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 33% of the proceeds will be donated to Annunciation B.V.M. School. Online orders will not be included in the fundraiser total. To ensure your purchase is counted in the fundraiser, be sure to order and pay in-restaurant. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.



This is a gentle reminder that only recyclable items should go in the recycling bins, newspapers, magazines, etc. Plastic garbage bags and plastic grocery bags do not belong in the bin, Card-board boxes should be broken down and absolutely no food items. Thank you for your cooperation.

### THE PROMISE OF JUSTICE

We are in fairly good company when we ask God for justice. Often enough we hear and agree with the lament of the people of Israel asking God why the wicked prosper. However, when we call out for justice, we usually want someone to get his or her comeuppance. God's justice is something other than this, of course. God's justice comprises a wonderful rightness between God and humankind.

Today, Jeremiah looks ahead to a time when a just one will sprout from the shorn-off stump of Jesse of the house and family of David. Life was not fair in Jeremiah's time. Israel's kings held the promise of God's fidelity, but it was difficult to see how God's promise could be realized through them.

Nevertheless, Jeremiah lifts his voice and announces that the Promised One will come. Luke's Gospel echoes that announcement, and Paul is filled with sturdy encouragement. And so Advent begins with a promise.  
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### Ministers for Saturday, December 8, Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Friday, December 7- Mass of Anticipation for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
5:15pm	Volunteer	Fr. Patrick Volunteers	Volunteers
Saturday, December 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception			
6:30am	E. Trowbridge	Marmion Deacon Dom G. Petitti	Volunteers
8:00am	T. Evans	Marmion Deacon Ken S. Phillippe M. Lober	K. Phillippe T. Litow
10:00am	J. Faunce	Fr. Patrick C. Eversole R. Michuda C. Griffiths	C. Drudi Volunteer

### Ministers' Schedule

Weekday Altar Servers			
December 3-4	8:00am	K. Phillippe C. Drudi	
December 5	8:45am	G. Wardynski A. Baloun	
December 6-7	8:00am	P. Frieders I. Roskuszka	
Saturday, December 8	D. Frerich	Marmion M. Garofalo J. Garofalo K. Wollwert	I. Ortega C. Ortega
Sunday, December 9			
7:30am	M. Franck	Marmion Deacon Dom G. Petitti T. Nolde	K. Davis Volunteer
8:45am	J. Lipinski	Marmion J. Dodson T. Theriault R. Michuda	L. Hawkins D. Domanus
10:00am	J. Meyer	Fr. Patrick Deacon Ken (Preaching) P. Lynch S. Lynch	G. Wardynski P. Frieders
11:30am	M. Olivo	Fr. Patrick Deacon Mike A. Quintanilla T. Buonauro	O. Fleming A. Baloun

<p>EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR THE GROVE OF FOX VALLEY A. Quintanilla, M. Benrus, J. Benrus</p> <p>EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR THE HOMEBOUND G. Petitti, D. Petitti</p>	<p>MASS INTENTIONS</p> <p>Monday, December 3 6:30am †The Poor Souls 8:00am †The Poor Souls</p> <p>Tuesday, December 4 6:30am †The Poor Souls 8:00am †Diane Brummel by the Family</p> <p>Wednesday, December 5 6:30am †The Poor Souls 8:45am †The Poor Souls</p> <p>Thursday, December 6 6:30am †The Poor Souls 8:00am †Julius Brawka by the Family</p> <p>Friday, December 7 6:30am †Jacques Toussaint 8:00am †The Poor Souls</p> <p><b>(Feast of the Immaculate Conception)</b> <b>5:15pm</b> No Intention</p> <p><b>Saturday, December 8 (Feast of the Immaculate Conception)</b> <b>6:30am</b> No Intention <b>8:00am</b> No Intention <b>10:00am</b> No Intention</p> <p><b>(2nd Sunday of Advent)</b> 5:15pm †Ron Bonifas (25th anniversary) by the Family</p> <p>Sunday, December 9 7:30am †Maria Lang by the Family 8:45am †Ken Sprott by the Family 10:00am †Joseph Groom by the Family 11:30am †Maria Salinas by the Family The People of the Parish</p>
<p>Vocation Corner written by Fr Kyle A. Manno</p> <p>Happy New Year!</p> <p>You are probably wondering why I am wishing you a Happy New Year when January 1st isn't for another month. Well, this weekend is, in fact, a new year because we just began Advent, the beginning of a brand new year in our Church! Just as our calendar year begins on January 1<sup>st</sup>, our liturgical Church year begins on the first Sunday of Advent.</p> <p>As you begin this Advent season, I encourage you to ask God to allow you to dive deeply into praying over what God desires in and for your life. Every one of us has a vocation -- a calling that is unique to each individual. This vocation is not only a plan for your entire life, but also a plan for each day and God wants to reveal to you not only the mission of your life but also the mission of this very moment. So each night, before you go to bed this Advent season, say one 'Hail Mary' asking God to reveal to you the mission He has for you in this New Year!</p>	

**Parish Office**

1820 Church Road, Aurora, IL 60505  
Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30am-12:00 and 1:00-4:00pm;  
Friday: 8:30-12:00.  
Phone: 630-851-1436  
Fax: 630-851-2435  
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**Parish Staff**

Pastor.....Rev. Patrick Gillmeyer, OSB  
Deacons...Rev. Mr. Mike Giblin, Rev. Mr. Domenic Petitti,  
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**

1840 Church Road, Aurora, IL 60505  
Phone: 630-851-4300  
Website: annunciationbvm.org  
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  
announced or stated).

Holy Days of Obligation (School not in session):

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