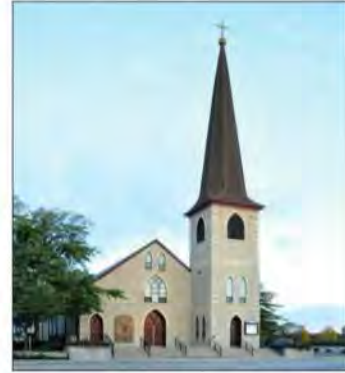


*Welcome to Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Catholic Church
Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 17, 2023*

- 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.



*24th Sunday
in Ordinary Time*

"You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?"

Matthew 18:32-33

Parable of the Unforgiving Servant by Claude Vignon, 1629
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Why should we forgive those who hurt us? The gospel this Sunday gives three reasons: First, because Jesus commands it. Second, because forgiveness is part of loving one another. And third, because we want to be forgiven for our sins.

Here Jesus commands us to forgive unceasingly, without limit. Now that could be a challenge for even the most patient person. Does it mean we have to let someone hurt us over and over? No, it is possible to forgive someone and also prevent them from hurting us, if we do it with love (the second reason.)

For instance, we might forgive an alcoholic family member, but still insist that they get help. Since forgiveness is part of love, it is also part of tough love.

That leads to the third reason: We forgive because we have been forgiven. Jesus has already died for our sins. If we truly believe that Jesus is risen and that we will rise to eternal life with him in spite of our sins, how can we refuse to forgive someone who hurts us?

Tom Schmidt



Adoration will take place on Friday, October 6 from 8:30am-4:00pm.

Parish News & Events

Anna Adams	Imelda Johnson	Frank Salis
Bill Aloisio	Patrick Lavigne	Geri Smith
Marilee Bacchi	Jacqueline Lehy	Marilee Seppell
Irene Bezroukoff	Carrie Mitchell	Bruce Stephens
Michelle Bezroukoff	Jerry Obrien	Sally Thayer
Martin Brosas	Joe Pascolini	Jack Watson
Joseph Ciesielski	Mark Phillips	Connie Weber
Mary Aloisio Cummings	Ken Podsiadlik	Wayne Weiler
Fred d'Escoto	Kathy Rapp	Linda White
Mary Beth Erickson	Janice Rippinger	Gregory Zajicek
Bartholomew Hansen	Norma Rodriguez	
Mark Huettner	Norb Rozanski	

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, you will want to click on “Sign Up” (do not click on “Sign In”). In the next prompt, choose “Sign up as a parishioner.” The next prompt will ask you to “Create a New Account.” In the search box, put in the parish’s zip code: 60505. That will give you Annunciation as your choice. Click on that, and then click “next.” From there, you’ll put in your personal information. If you have any questions or problems logging in, please call Mary at the parish office.

Fr. Patrick

CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you for your generosity to the parish.

Sunday, September 3

5:15pm \$2,250.00

7:30am \$1,924.50

8:45am \$1,174.00

10:00am \$1,103.00

11:30am \$922.00

Mail In Envelopes \$2,590.00

Total: \$9,963.50

2023 Diocesan Appeal

Thank you to everyone who has pledged to this Appeal. May God Bless You.

Registered Families:	700
#Families Pledged:	91
Parish Goal:	\$66,579.00
Amount Pledged:	\$30,075.00
Amount Left to fulfill pledge:	\$36,504.00

Please prayerfully consider making a donation to this Appeal. We appreciate your help.

Please note that if you have given to the Appeal and receive something in the mail from the Diocese, it is because of paperwork crossing in the mail.



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From the Desk of the Pastor

My brothers and sisters, this Sunday's first reading comes from the Book of Sirach. Sirach gives us a clear picture of how destructive the craving for vengeance can be. We read, "Wrath and anger are hateful things, yet the sinner hugs them tight." Brothers and sisters, we must not waste time and energy nursing our hurts, seeking revenge towards those who hurt us. In the end, it will not be beneficial for our souls.

I think it's safe to say that holding grudges, not forgiving others when they have wronged us, can burden us down. If we hug tightly to the anger and wrath that we might have towards those who have wronged us, it will weigh heavy on our souls; we will never be at peace.

Sirach continues, "Forgive your neighbor's injustice; then, when you pray, your own sins will be forgiven." Simply put, if we expect forgiveness from God, then we should be willing to give out forgiveness as well. Where there is reconciliation, there is forgiveness; where there is forgiveness, there is peace. The soul would do well if she freely gave out the forgiveness she seeks!

Brothers and sisters, for peace to reign in our souls, let us always be generous with our forgiveness, and try not to let the sun go down on our anger!

God bless you,

Father Patrick

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** is a process for those adults interested in learning more about the Catholic faith in order to receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist.

This process is for all men and women who are baptized in another Christian church, but are in need of further instruction or initiation, or to complete the sacraments of Initiation. Persons never baptized are referred to as Catechumens, while those baptized are called Candidates.

Our first session will be on Wednesday evening, September 20, at 6:30pm, in the Parish Patio.

For more information please call Mary at 630-851-1436, Days.

Religious Education Program registration for 2023/2024 is currently underway. The program is open to children, Kindergarten –Grade 8 who do not attend Catholic school. Classes meet on Wednesday evenings 6:30pm-7:30pm beginning in September. Information about the program, as well registration forms and calendars are available on the parish website, as well as the parish office.

Please keep in mind, preparation for First Communion and Confirmation is a two-year process. Students must successfully complete one full year of religious education classes prior to, as well as the year they receive the sacraments of Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation

If you have any questions, please contact the Director of Religious Education, Mark Fletcher at the parish office on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30-noon and 1-4 and on Tuesday from 1-4 at 630-851-1436 or email: Mfletcher@Rockforddiocese.org.

Rediscovering Your Catholic Faith

From the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church

PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

Section Two: The Profession of Faith

Chapter Three: I Believe in the Holy Spirit

“I Believe in the Holy Catholic Church”

The Faithful: Hierarchy, Laity, Consecrated Life

184. How do the bishops carry out their mission of teaching?

Since they are the authentic witnesses of the apostolic faith and are invested with the authority of Christ, the bishops in union with Pope have the duty of proclaiming the Gospel faithfully and authoritatively to all. By means of a supernatural sense of faith, the people of God unfailingly adhere to the faith under the guidance of the living Magisterium of the Church.

185. When is the infallibility of the Magisterium exercised?

Infallibility is exercised when the Roman Pontiff, in virtue of his office as the Supreme Pastor of the Church, or the College of Bishops in union with the Pope especially when joined together in an Ecumenical Council, proclaim by a definitive act a doctrine pertaining to faith and morals. Infallibility is also exercised when the Pope and Bishops in their ordinary Magisterium are in agreement in proposing a doctrine as definitive. Everyone of the faithful must adhere to such teaching with the obedience of faith.

186. How do Bishops exercise their ministry of sanctification?

Bishops sanctify the Church by dispensing the grace of Christ by their ministry of the word and the sacraments, especially the Holy Eucharists, and also by their prayers, their example and their work.

187. How do the Bishops exercise their function of governing?

Every bishop, insofar as he is a member of the College of Bishops, bears collegially the care of all particular Churches and for the entire Church along with all the other bishops who are united to the Pope. A bishop to whom a particular Church has been entrusted governs that Church with the authority of his own sacred power which is ordinary and immediate and exercises in the name of Christ, the Good Shepherd, in communion with the entire Church and under the guidance of the Successor of Peter.

188. What is the vocation of the lay faithful?

The lay faithful have as their own vocation to seek the Kingdom of God by illuminating and ordering temporal affairs according to the plan of God. They carry out in this way their call to holiness and to the apostolate, a call given to all the baptized.



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Matthew 5:14

Please join us for the Luminary Mass on Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 7:30 p.m. (The rain date is Thursday, October 12th). Envelopes to purchase luminary bags are available in the back of church, at the rectory, and at the school office. Completed envelopes can be turned in during the offertory collection or to the rectory or school offices. Please turn in envelopes as soon as possible so committee members can begin preparing the luminary bags.



This special event is not possible without the help of many volunteers. If you are willing to volunteer with set up on the day of the Luminary Mass or clean up the day after the event, please contact Julie Cibulskis at (630)363-7073 or jcibulskis@hotmail.com. Because children will be present, volunteers must complete all Diocesan safe environment requirements.

**** MUSIC NEWS ****



Annunciation Adult Choir – We welcome you to consider joining your voice with our other beautiful voices and music in praise to God. We continue a one hundred plus year tradition of reverence and harmony that includes an enjoyable one-hour rehearsal every Tuesday evening. You will benefit from your past experience in choirs or other vocal groups (though not required), and you may be able to earn high school service points. The greatest benefit is being part of a musical family who provides a vital part of the Sunday Mass.

CHOIR REHEARSALS BEGIN – Tuesday, September 19th at 7:00pm in Church
CHOIR BEGINS – Sunday, October 1st at the 10:00am Mass.

ATTENTION CRAFTERS:

Sunday, December 3, 2023

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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 18

6:30am †Ryan Stewart by Burke Family

8:00am †Shirley Weber by Weber Family

Tuesday, September 19

6:30am †Donna Hermes

8:00am †Don Brummel, Sr., Stephanie Kaput

Wednesday, September 20

6:30am †Alan Krumwiede by The Phillippe Family

8:45am †Ryan DeMar by Julie & Michele

Thursday, September 21

6:30am †Patricia St. Jules by Bill & Jane Brickert

8:00am †John & Diane Modaff by Don Modaff

Friday, September 22

6:30am Special Intention for Fr. James Parker

8:00am All Gette Children by Ann Gette

Saturday, September 23

8:00am †Norma Williams by The Williams Family

5:15pm †Alan Krumwiede by His Grandma

Sunday, September 24

7:30am †Ryan DeMar by Parish Staff

8:45am †Todd Cutlip by Family

Our Parish Family

10:00am †Madeline Gapastione by Sonny & Cindy Conte

John & Mary Moon 50th Wedding Anniversary

11:30am †Phil Rippinger by Family



Parish Office

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bclark@rockforddiocese.org (Safe Environment Administrator, Beth Clark)
Website: annunciationchurchbvm.org
Facebook: [facebook.com/annunciationbvmchurch](https://www.facebook.com/annunciationbvmchurch)

Parish Staff

Pastor.....Rev. Patrick Gillmeyer, OSB
Deacons...Rev. Mr. Mike Giblin, Rev. Mr. Domenic Petitti,
Rev. Mr. Kenneth Gay
Business Manager.....Mary Glosson
Safe Environment Administrator.....Beth Clark
Cemetery Secretary.....Jane Cebulski
Religious Ed. Director.....Mark Fletcher
Director of Music.....Dick Gardner
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Facilities Manager.....Manny Juarez
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Annunciation BVM School

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Phone: 630-851-4300
Website: annunciationbvm.org
Principal.....Mavis DeMar
Administrative Assistant.....Patti Brouch

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 10 days before the Sunday it is due. 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 7:00pm. For contact information and calendar of events, go to the council website at: knightsofcolumbusil.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.: 6:30am & 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,
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