


*Welcome to Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Catholic Church
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 21, 2024*


~ 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.



3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He walked along a little farther and saw James,
the son of Zebedee, and his brother John.
They too were in a boat mending their nets.
Then he called them.
Mt 4:19-20



The complex block features a vertical stained glass window on the left with a central chalice and abstract geometric patterns in various colors. To the right, a green banner contains the text '3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME'. Below this, a quote from the Gospel of Matthew (Mt 4:19-20) describes Jesus calling the apostles James and John. At the bottom is a painting of Jesus standing on a rocky shore, gesturing towards a boat where two men (James and John) are mending their nets. The background shows a body of water and distant mountains.

Parish News & Events

Anna Adams	Bartholomew Hansen	Norb Rozanski
Bill Aloisio	Mark Huettner	Geri Smith
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Mary Aloisio Cummings	Mark Phillips	Linda White
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Mary Beth Erickson	Kathy Rapp	
	Janice Rippinger	

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.

January 7, 2024

5:15pm	\$1,665.58
7:30am	\$1,027.45
8:45am	\$1,531.00
10:00am	\$1,447.00
11:30am	\$813.00
Total:	\$6,484.03



Adoration will take place on Friday, February 2, from 8:30am-4:00pm.



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From the Desk of the Pastor

My brothers and sisters, it's safe to say that there is a sense of urgency in our liturgy for today, and "conversion" is the key word for this Sunday. Jesus began His preaching in Galilee, by proclaiming, that the time of fulfillment is at hand, and, therefore, we are to repent, and believe in the Gospel.

He is letting us know that the world as we know it is not forever, and we must be ready for its end; conversion is the remedy for being ready for what's coming. My brothers and sisters, our Lord wants conversion.

Furthermore, since He loves us, and wants us to be happy, He wants us to convert and to live, which means leaving the wrong path, if we are on it, and following the path of goodness, truth, and fullness.

Moreover, His call to conversion never ends for us; it's ongoing. Year after year, century after century, Jesus Christ continues to invite us to convert. "Repent, and believe in the Gospel." Will He be heard?

My brothers and sisters, if we are in need of conversion, then let us heed the words of our Lord: repent, and believe in the Gospel.

May He bring all of us to everlasting life!

God bless you,

Father Patrick



Men's Athletic Fundraiser

Friday, February 9, 2024 6:00 PM – 11:00 PM

Dear Annunciation Friends, Families and Supporters, Men of the parish, family and friends - please join us for a night of fun and excitement! This is our athletic program's largest fundraiser. Every dollar will go to our athletic program to offset the cost of new uniforms. We need everyone's help to make this another successful Annunciation event! Tickets: Tickets to the event are only \$20.00, which will be sold at the door. Please spread the word about this event to your friends and family. This entry fee includes unlimited food and drink! Games, Raffles, and More: We will have blackjack tables and plenty of room to have your own games.

- Raffle tickets will be sold for a chance to win great baskets and prizes.
- 50/ 50 tickets for a chance to split the pot are offered the night of.
- Superbowl Squares - Squares will be offered for \$5 and \$10 a square.

Donations: We are always extremely thankful for donations for our raffle tables. Nothing is too small! Examples of popular raffle items include sports memorabilia / tickets, tools, golf items, outdoor items, gift cards, and lottery tickets. We will also accept cash donations. These items can be dropped off at the school office by Friday, January 26th. Thank you all for any help you can give us. We are truly blessed with a generous school and parish. If you have any questions about the event and/ or have a donation, please contact Kevin Becker at ktbecker80@gmail.com or Phil Bergeron at philb498@gmail.com.



Rediscovering Your Catholic Faith

The Sacrament of the Eucharist

V. The Sacramental Sacrifice: Thanksgiving, Memorial, Presence

The sacrificial memorial of Christ and of his Body, the Church

1362. The Eucharist is the memorial of Christ's Passover, the making present and the sacramental offering of his unique sacrifice, in the liturgy of the Church which is his Body. In all the Eucharistic Prayers we find after the words of institution a prayer called the anamnesis or memorial.

1363. In the sense of Sacred Scripture the memorial is not merely the recollection of past events but the proclamation of the mighty works wrought by God for men. In the liturgical celebration of these events, they become in a certain way present and real. This is how Israel understands its liberation from Egypt: every time Passover is celebrated, the Exodus events are made present to the memory of believers so that they may conform their lives to them.

1364. In the New Testament, the memorial takes on new meaning. When the Church celebrates the Eucharist, she commemorates Christ's Passover, and it is made present: the sacrifice Christ offered once for all on the cross remains ever present. "As often as the sacrifice of the Cross by which 'Christ our Pasch has been sacrificed' is celebrated on the altar, the work of our redemption is carried out."

1365. Because it is the memorial of Christ's Passover, the Eucharist is also a sacrifice. The sacrificial character of the Eucharist is manifested in the very words of institution: "This is my body which is given for you" and "This cup which is poured out for you is the New Covenant in my blood." In the Eucharist Christ gives us the very body which he gave up for us on the cross, the very blood which he "poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

Pictured are the adults who will be receiving the sacraments at the Easter Vigil. Last Wednesday evening, Linda Wrona gave a tour of our church to the RCIA participants. Pictured below are: Fr. Patrick, Jackson Best, Manuel Quinonez, Maria Garcia Philesa Stonecliffe, Anissa Norris, Linda Wrona, Back row: Marty Beedle and Greg Madden. Fr. Patrick and Linda help with Program and Maria is Manuel's sponsor. Jackson and Philesa are Catechumens (unbaptized) and Manuel, Anissa, Marty and Greg are Candidates who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation at the Easter Vigil. Please pray for them as they continue on their journey





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Women's Lenten Morning of Reflection

Ladies: please join us for a morning of reflection to prepare our hearts and souls for Lent.

Saturday, February 17—9:00 am

We will begin the morning with a tasty continental breakfast and fellowship in the narthex. Our program will include time for prayer, music and scripture, as well as inspirational talks from St. Katharine Drexel parishioners.

Registration is available through SignUpGenius at

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044CA5AF28A7F94-47147155-wecanmake>.

Although there is no charge for the event, please register to allow appropriate space and food. Contact Jodi Traub at 630-882-9000 with questions.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 22

6:30am Our Parish Family

8:00am †Rev. Larry T. Risley

Tuesday, January 23

6:30am Our Parish Family

8:00am †Pamela Peterson by Tom Purcell

Wednesday, January 24

6:30am Our Parish Family

8:45am †Ann & Lawrence Hoffman by Don Modaff

Thursday, January 25

6:30am Our Parish Family

8:00am †Diane Mesh by Husband

Friday, January 26

6:30am Our Parish Family

8:00am †Pamela Peterson by Tom Purcell

Saturday, January 27

8:00am †Donald Julien by Arlene Bonifas

5:15pm †Diane Mesh by Husband

†Ivan Seppell by Family

Sunday, January 28

7:30am †Philip Buriega by Family

8:45am †Todd Cutlip by Family

10:00am †David Bisterfield by Juli Tomse

11:30am Our Parish Family



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.

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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

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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: 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.: 6:30am & 8:45am

Sat.: 8:00am

Weekdays (School not in session):

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

Mass)

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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