

*Welcome to Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Catholic Church  
Second Sunday of Lent  
February 25, 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.



**Adoration** will take place on Friday, March 1 from 8:30am-4:00pm.

***Lent***

**All Fridays in Lent are days of Abstinence** and will be observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige.

**Good Friday** is a day of fast and abstinence.

**Stations of the Cross:** Friday evenings at 7pm.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturdays, 4:00-4:45pm or by appointment.

**Be Reconciled: Wednesday, March 20, Confessions:** 9:15am-11:15am; 1:30pm-3:30pm

**Penance Service:** 6:30pm-8:00pm

**Vespers,** Sunday evenings at 6:30pm.

**Holy Week Services**

**Holy Thursday Mass:** 7:00pm

**Good Friday, Passion of the Lord:** 3:00pm

**Stations of the Cross:** 7:00pm

**Holy Saturday:**

**Easter Vigil:** 7:30pm

**Easter Sunday:** 7:30am, 8:45am, 10:00am and 11:30am.

## Parish News & Events

Anna Adams	Imelda Johnson	Maria Rodriguez
Bill Aloisio	Patrick Lavigne	Norb Rozanski
Irene Bezroukoff	Jacqueline Lehy	Geri Smith
Michelle Bezroukoff	David Medernach	Marilee Seppell
Martin Brosas	Donna Medernach	Bruce Stephens
Margie May-Carte	Carrie Mitchell	Sally Thayer
Joseph Ciesielski	Jerry Obrien	Jack Watson
Mary Aloisio Cummings	Joe Pascolini	Connie Weber
Fred d'Escoto	Mark Phillips	Wayne Weiler
May Beth Erickson	Ken Podsiadlik	Linda White
Mark Huettner	Kathy Rapp	Gregory Zajicek
	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.**

**February 11, 2024**

5:15pm	\$2,104.00
7:30am	\$1,109.00
8:45am	\$1,489.00
10:00am	\$1,826.71
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Please pray for the **Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) Catechumens and Candidates** as they continue on their journey. Our Catechumens are: Jackson Best and Philesa Stonecliffe, Ion Stonecliffe; our Candidates are: Marty Beedle, Greg Madden, Anissa Norris and Manuel Quinonez.

Thank you all for your prayers.

Pictured below at the Cathedral of St. Peter for the Rite of Election: Manuel Quinonez, Philesa Stonecliffe, Jackson Best, Anissa Norris and Ione Stonecliffe.





Join Us Monday, February 26th

4-8:30pm, at

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Dear Parishioners,

We are excited to announce an amazing opportunity for our 8th grade students! We are organizing a class trip that will not only be fun and educational but will also create lasting memories for our students. To make this trip possible, we need your support in raising funds.

Fundraising is an essential part of making this trip a reality, and they will be hosting a Bake Sale Extravaganza!

We will be hosting a **bake sale on March 2 & 3**. We will have homemade goodies, such as cookies, cupcakes, and brownies, which will be sold right after each Mass. All proceeds will go directly towards the class trip fund.

We understand the financial commitment involved, and we greatly appreciate any contribution, big or small. Every dollar raised brings us closer to our goal of providing an amazing class trip experience for our 8th grade students.

Thank you in advance for your support and dedication. Let's work together to make this class trip an unforgettable adventure for our **Class of 2028** students!

Sincerely, Your 8th grade class!

## Rediscovering Your Catholic Faith

*From the Catechism of the Catholic Church*

### PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

#### Section One: "I Believe" – "We Believe"

#### CHAPTER TWO: God Comes to Meet Man

##### *The Transmission of Divine Revelation*

#### 16. To whom is given the task of authentically interpreting the deposit of faith?

The Task of giving an authentic interpretation of the deposit of faith has been entrusted to the living teaching office of the Church alone, that is, to the successor of Peter, the Bishop of Rome, and to the bishops in communion with him. To this Magisterium, which in the service of the Word of God enjoys the certain charism of truth, belongs also the task of defining dogmas which are formulations of the truths contained in divine Revelation. This authority of the Magisterium also extends to those truths necessarily connected with Revelation.

#### 17. What is the relationship between Scripture, Tradition and the Magisterium?

Scripture, Tradition, and the Magisterium are so closely united with each other that one of them cannot stand without the others. Working together, each in its own way, under the action of the one Holy Spirit, they all contribute effectively to the salvation of souls.

##### *Sacred Scripture*

#### 18. Why does Sacred Scripture teach the truth?

Because God himself is the author of Sacred Scripture. For this reason it is said to be inspired and to teach without error those truths which are necessary for our salvation. The Holy Spirit inspired the human authors who wrote what he wanted to teach us. The Christian faith, however, is not a "religion of the Book," but of the Word of God-- "not a written and mute word, but incarnate and living" (Saint Bernard of Clairvaux).

#### 19. how is Sacred Scripture to be read?

Sacred Scripture must be read and interpreted with the help of the Holy Spirit and under the guidance of the Magisterium of the Church according to three criteria: (1) it must be read with attention to the content and unity of the whole of Scripture; (2) it must be read within the living Tradition of the Church; (3) it must be read with attention to the analogy of faith, that is, the inner harmony which exists among the truths of the faith themselves.

#### 20. What is the *Canon* of Scripture?

The *Canon* of Scripture is the complete list of the sacred writings which the Church has come to recognize through Apostolic Tradition. The *Canon* consists of 46 books of the Old Testament and 27 of the New.

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March 10, 11, 12

EVENING SESSIONS:

March 10, 11, 12 – 6:30-8pm

\*March 12 will begin following 6:15pm Mass

MORNING SESSIONS:

March 11 & 12 – 8:30-10am

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## STROKE SCAN PLUS

Stroke Scan Plus will be hosting a Stroke, Vascular & Abdominal Ultrasound Screening at Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church on Thursday, February 29, 2024.

They will check the Carotid Arteries on both sides of the neck for fatty plaque build-up which accounts for 80% of all strokes. They check the Abdominal Aorta which is the main Artery off the Heart for Aneurysms, the Thyroid which controls the Metabolism for cyst, nodules and enlargements, the Liver, Gallbladder and both Kidney's for cyst, masses, fluid build-up and tumors.

These screenings are NOT typically performed at annual physicals, nor will insurance companies pay for them unless you are symptomatic. Collectively, these screenings cost thousands in a hospital. Stroke Scan will be offering them to you for \$169 for all 7 combined. Health/Flex Savings Accounts are accepted. A representative will be visiting the weekend of February 17<sup>th</sup>/18<sup>th</sup> to answer questions and for pre-registration. Payment isn't due until the day of screening. Call (832) 437-7355 for an appointment today. **Prevention is the KEY to early detection!**

## Marywood Cemetery Rules and Regulations

March 1-15 and November 1-15 are used to clean up the grounds and prepare the cemetery for the spring and winter. All decorations will be removed and disposed of at this time. If you wish to save your decoration, please remove it before March 1 and before November 1. Please do not place any decorations during the clean up times. After November 1st, when the grass is not being cut, artificial wreaths no more than 30 inches in diameter placed on stands are permitted. No artificial flowers permitted from Nov. 1 to March 1.

Dogs visiting the cemetery with their owners are required to be on leash, and are to be kept on paved surfaces.

Planting beds of up to 18 inches are permitted directly in front of a raised family monument. Only potted or cut flowers are permitted on graves with flat monuments. Decorative stones and border edging are strictly prohibited. Woody perennials such as trees, bushes, or evergreens are not permitted.

Permanent in-ground vases are not permitted.

Evergreen blankets or grave coverings are not permitted because they damage the grass and encourage rodent populations.

No planting of trees is permitted and all graves must be seeded in grass.

Decorations that do not conform to cemetery regulations will be removed by the caretakers.

We are not responsible for monuments, flat stones, flowers, shrubbery, pots, decorations, etc.

No shepherd hooks of any kind are permitted due to the danger they present to our mowing crew.

We encourage the placement of decorations and will try to be as careful as possible during our normal interment and maintenance activities. We regret that we cannot guarantee that all decorations will be free of damage of loss and we cannot accept responsibility for these occurrences.

The Catholic Cemetery is a holy place and the grounds have been blessed by the Church and dedicated as a place of prayer and dignity for our faithful departed. Please maintain a quiet reverence and respect for the other people visiting the graves of loved ones.

Thank you,

The Marywood Cemetery Committee

(Revised 04/23) **Marywood Cemetery Rules and Regulations**

## MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, February 26

6:30am †Irene Jochum by Michelle Olache

8:00am †Al Bacchi by Marilee Seppell

Tuesday, February 27

6:30am †Karen Heriaud by Family

8:00am †Carol Klein by Husband

Wednesday, February 28

6:30am †Irene Jochum by Michell Olache

**8:45am** †Donald Nolde by Toni Nolde

Thursday, February 29

6:30am Our Parish Family

8:00am †Kathy Tentinger by Husband

Friday, March 1

6:30am †Joseph & Elizabeth Meirus

8:00am †Millie Lober by Michelle Olache

Saturday, March 2

8:00am †Lucy & Maddie

5:15pm †Mildred & John Anderson by The Heintz Family

Sunday, March 3

7:30am †Tony Aloisio (anniv.) by Family

8:45am Our Parish Family

10:00am The Intention of the Aurora Deanery Women of Inspiration

11:30am †Deborah Janicek by A Friend

On February 11, 2024 the following students from Annunciation School and Annunciation Religious Education Program received the **Sacrament of Confirmation**.

### Congratulations to all Confirmandi!

Mariah Barocio  
Alex Bartels  
Madeline Becker  
Patrick Bergeron  
Dominic Buttice  
Caroline Candela  
Grant Edgerton  
William Eilermann  
Brianna Favela  
Kaelyn Feliciano  
Kaila Gutierrez  
Kristina Harron  
Abigail Hasenjaeger  
Mia Hernandez  
Payton Kaefer

Leah Konrad  
Paige Kowal  
Hawke Lawler  
Peter Litow  
Aidan Melekus  
Kyle Nazos  
Sophia Norris  
Leah Paganelis  
Isabella Pasternak  
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Chloe Reifsnnyder  
Bella Renteria  
Gabriel Reyes  
Analeigha Rodriguez  
Arielle Rogers

Thomas Selmon  
Kayla Shimp  
Aidan Skrivan  
Connor Sojka  
Luke Solano  
Sydney Stepina  
Calvin Stewart  
Aarion Tyler  
Clarissa Vazquez  
Jackson Watermann  
AJ Windle  
Aiden Wujciga  
Austin Zepp



### 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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Website: [annunciationchurchbvm.org](http://annunciationchurchbvm.org)

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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

Safe Environment Administrator.....Beth Clark

Cemetery Secretary.....Jane Cebulski

Religious Ed. Director.....Mark Fletcher

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Facilities Manager.....Manny Juarez

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### Annunciation BVM School

1840 Church Road, Aurora, IL 60505

Phone: 630-851-4300

Website: [annunciationbvm.org](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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)

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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