

*Welcome to Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Catholic Church
Third Sunday of Easter
April 14, 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.



Peter seems to be pretty tough with his listeners in the first reading. He practically says they handed Jesus over, denied him before Pilate, asked for a murderer to be released in his place, and put Jesus to death. They must have thought they were doomed. But then he tells them that God had planned all this long ago. So is he saying Jesus' death is their fault, or just fate?

The answer of course is that it's everyone's fault. We deny Jesus when we choose to be selfish instead of loving. We crucify Jesus when we follow the crowd instead of following the Lord. It is only "fate" in the sense that our sins needed to be forgiven and God plan's for salvation was through Jesus' death and resurrection. There were sinners long before Jesus' time and God knew there would be sinners after that. Jesus rose from the dead to show that God's forgiveness raises us up from guilt to a new life.

So Peter wasn't laying a guilt trip on the listeners: this is good news. God planned all this to show how much he loved us. Our response should be one of joy that we are forgiven because of that love. All we have to do is tell God we are sorry, mean it, and start living our response of love. Sins may be our fault, but Love is our fate.

Tom Schmidt.



Adoration will take place on Friday, May 3 from 8:30am-4:00pm.

We Pray for our Sick and Suffering

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

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

Please **Pray for the Soul of Judy King**.

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.

March 24, 2024

5:15pm \$1,730.00

7:30am \$1,864.00

8:45am \$1,167.00

10:00am \$1,338.40

11:30am \$903.00

Mail-In-Envelopes \$5,075.28

Total: \$7,002.40

Holy Land: \$1,865.00

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From the Desk of Fr. Patrick

My brothers and sisters, in one way or another, all of us have experienced an unexpected visit from someone. As we all probably know, those unexpected visits can be good or they can be bad. Bad, if the house is a mess; good, if you just happened to have cleaned it before the “drop-bys” arrived. Either way, we are all familiar with the unexpected drop-by.

On this third Sunday of Easter, we hear that our Lord unexpectedly dropped by. The Apostles shared in a visit with the Risen Lord. St. Luke tells us that the Apostles were, at first, frightened, because they had mistakenly thought that they were seeing a ghost. His appearance scared them.

My brothers and sisters, if today the Lord were to appear suddenly in all His glory, would you be frightened or would you be joyous, ready or not? It's safe to say that the only way His sudden appearance would be frightening is if we were not ready for Him.

There is a good chance that our risen, glorified Lord could stop by, unexpectedly; He could very well make that unexpected visit. If He does, will the house of your heart be cleaned and ready for His unexpected drop-by?

My brothers and sisters, the Apostles were able to recognize our Lord when He broke bread with them. If we receive our Lord in the Eucharist as often as we can—that is, when we gather to break Bread in Church—then we will obtain so much familiarity and intimacy with Him that we will not be surprised at all if He were to appear to us suddenly, through locked doors, in His glorified, risen Body. At that moment, we would simply say with such contentment, “I’ve been expecting You; please come in.”

God bless you!

Father Patrick

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults *Saturday, March 30, 2024*



Please welcome Jackson Best, Ion Stonecliffe, Philesa Stonecliffe, Anissa Norris, Greg Madden, Marty Beedle and Manuel Quinonez when you see them at church.



Thank you to Fr. Patrick, Deacon Mike, Deacon Dom and Deacon Mike and to all parishioners for the prayers.

If you attend Mass with your family and you are not a Catholic or if you have not been confirmed, and would be interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, please call Mary at the parish office.

Rediscovering Your Catholic Faith

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church

PART ONE: THE PROFESSION OF FAITH

Section Two: The Profession of Faith

Chapter One: I Believe in God the Father

“I Believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth

48. Who does the Church express her trinitarian faith?

The Church expresses her trinitarian faith by professing a belief in the oneness of God in whom there are three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The three divine persons are only one God because each of them equally possesses the fullness of the one and indivisible divine nature. They are really distinct from each other by reason of the relations which place them in correspondence to each other. The Father generates the Son; the Son is generated by the Father; the Holy Spirit proceeds from the Father and the Son.

49. How do the three divine Persons work?

Inseparable in their one substance, the three Persons are also inseparable in their activity. The Trinity has one operation, sole and the same. In this one divine action, however, each Person is present according to the mode which is proper to him in the Trinity.

“O my God, Trinity whom I adore....grant my soul peace; make it your heaven, your beloved dwelling, and the place of your rest. May I never abandon you there, but may I be there, whole and entire, completely vigilant in my faith, entirely adoring, and wholly given to your creative action.” (Blessed Elizabeth of the Trinity)

50. What does it mean to say that God is almighty?

God reveals himself as “the strong One, the mighty One” (Psalm 24:8), as the One “to whom nothing is impossible” (Luke 1:37). His omnipotence is universal, mysterious and shows itself in the creation of the world out of nothing and humanity out of love; but above all it shows itself in the Incarnation and the Resurrection of his Son, in gift of filial adoption and in the forgiveness of sins. For this reason, the Church directs her prayers to the “almighty and eternal God” (“Omnipotens sempiternus Deus....”)

51. What is the importance of affirming “In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth” (Genesis 1:1)?

The significance is that creation is the foundation of all God’s saving plans. It shows forth the almighty and wise love of God with his people. It is the beginning of the history of salvation which culminates in Christ; and it is the first answer to our fundamental questions regarding our very origin and destiny.

52. Who created the world?

The Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are the one and indivisible principle of creation even though the work of creating the world is particularly attributed to God the Father.



Ione Stonecliffe and his mother, **Philea Stonecliffe** after the Easter Vigil.



Ion Stonecliffe's classmates, his mother, and Deacon Ken join him after the Easter Vigil. Some of Ion's teachers also came to the Easter Vigil. Thank you to Mrs. McCormack for providing these two photos.



**2024 Tradition of Excellence Golf Outing
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Grab some family and friends and join us at Fox Bend Golf Course for a fun day of golf while supporting Annunciation BVM School.

Register before May 3rd to get the Early Bird price of \$120!

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Easter Flowers: Thank you to everyone who donated at total of \$655.00 for flowers. Your donation helps until the end of the Easter Season on May 19th, Pentecost Sunday.

In Honor Of: Al Bacchi, Deceased Members of the Bertolini Family, Don & Joan Brummel Sr., Lillian Dalesio, Brinkie Kucic; Nancy Delke, Arthur, Kathryn, & John Diederich; Steven, Betty & Gary Fidler, Delores Franck, Dorothy Gallenbach, Rebecca Jordal; Phil & Ann Gette, The Greenhalah Family, The Evans Family, The People of the Parish; Tatjana S. Grogan & Peter S. Litow; Karen Heriaud, The Joe Hirner Family, The George Bohr Family; Judy's Family, Deceased members of Krachtus & Lang Families, Dolores Mikus, Donald Nolde, Cal & Marge Smith, Linette Thompson & Family, Juli Tomse, Walter & Judith Tooley, Mark & Sue Vlakancic, Weiler-Garofalo Families, Gerald Weistroffer, Zungia Family.

Eucharistic Miracles Exhibit, Coming to St. John Neumann Parish!

Saturday, April 6 through Wednesday, April 17, view displays detailing documented cases of consecrated bread and wine inexplicably changed into flesh and blood. Learn about the principal miracles that took place throughout the ages in various countries of the world and have been recognized by the Church. Each week will be different displays. Viewing during weekend Mass times and daily office hours.



Pancake Breakfast

Knights of Columbus Council 736 will host a Pancake Breakfast Sunday April 21st 8-Noon In the School gym.

Proceeds will support the Fr. George Glover High School Scholarships

Suggested Donation: Families \$15

Individual \$5

Traditional breakfast & Breakfast Tacos!!



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MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, April 15

6:30am †Al Bertolini (1st anniv.) by His Sister

8:00am Living Members of the Aloisio Family

Tuesday, April 16

6:30am Our Parish Family

8:00am †Irene Jochum by Michelle Olache

Wednesday, April 17

6:30am Our Parish Family

8:45am †Esther & Frank Trompeter by Don Modaff

Thursday, April 18

6:30am Our Parish Family

8:00am †Jean Cibulskis by Jim & Carol Hirner

Friday, April 19

6:30am Our Parish Family

8:00am †Donald Brummel, Sr., by Tim & Nancy McCann

Saturday, April 20

8:00am Our Parish Family

5:15pm †Todd Cutlip by The Hawks Family

Sunday, April 21

7:30am Our Parish Family

8:45am †Shirlee Fichtel by Jim & Joanne Blincoe

10:00am †Al Bacchi by Carlton & Barbara Jones & Family

11:30am †Kathy Tentinger by Family

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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: 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,
only on the Holy Day itself (Unless otherwise
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