

*Welcome to Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
Catholic Church  
Fifth Sunday of Easter  
April 28, 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.



*5th Sunday of Easter*



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

The Little Ones

Jim Burrows



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***We Pray for our Sick and Suffering***

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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| Anna Adams            | Mark Huettner   | Janice Rippinger |
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| Irene Bezroukoff      | Patrick Lavigne | Norb Rozanski    |
| Michelle Bezroukoff   | Jacqueline Lehy | Geri Smith       |
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| Joseph Ciesielski     | Carrie Mitchell | Sally Thayer     |
| Mary Aloisio Cummings | Jerry Obrien    | 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      |

**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!**

**April 14, 2024**

5:15pm	\$2,940.00
7:30am	\$1,609.00
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10:00am	\$937.00
11:30am	\$1,395.24
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## *From the Desk of Fr. Patrick*

*My brothers and sisters, in today's Gospel, our Lord says, "I AM the vine, you are the branches." Before Christ, the vine was the symbol of Israel. However, at one point in the history of Israel, God became dissatisfied with the unfruitful people of Israel. Therefore, He would eventually send His Son into the world, Jesus Christ, and He would declare Himself to be the new Vine. In addition, this new Vine also called us His branches.*

*We His branches—united and grafted to the new Vine, Jesus Christ—must bear good fruits. The people of Israel—Israel the old vine—did not bear good fruits. However, with the help of our Lord Jesus Christ, we can; and the greatest help our Lord can give us to help us bear good fruits is His Body and Blood.*

*Just as a grapevine delivers nutrients to its branches so that they can produce fruit, Christ the Vine also delivers nutrients to us, His branches. We could say that His Body and Blood are the nutrients that He gives to us, so that we, as His branches, can produce good fruit.*

*My brothers and sisters, as often as you can, fill your souls with the divine nourishment of our Lord, His Body and Blood, and may His divine nourishment enable you to bear good fruits, and may He bring us all to everlasting life!*

*God bless you!*

*Fr. Patrick*



## ANNUNCIATION'S 150th SESQUICENTENNIAL

We are starting to plan events to celebrate this wonderful milestone. To make this a great 150th celebration, we will need volunteers. There will be many ways you can help. Please consider volunteering for this great celebration!

Please call Mary at the office 630.851.1436.



**THANK YOU** once again to all those who donated to the April 2024 Annunciation Food Drive. The Marie Wilkinson Food Pantry continues to appreciate Annunciation's monthly donations. Thank you, as well, to Maria Olivo for her help with setting up the signs and loading the food.

Items needed: Baby wipes, paper products, household cleaning supplies and as always, canned goods

The next Annunciation Food Drive will be held the weekend of May 11 and 12. Please bring donations to the blue bins in front of the altar, near the organ. Donations accepted during designated weekends only. Also, please check the dates on all items. Thank you once again for your generosity.

## VOLUNTEER



### Attention all Annunciation Bakers and Cooks!

The Annunciation Funeral Luncheon Committee is seeking new volunteers to help make dishes to pass for funeral luncheons. This service allows a grieving family to celebrate their departed loved one's life over a home-cooked meal provided by Annunciation parishioners. It is a meaningful service that has existed for many years, and we need your help for the tradition to continue.

Volunteers can help by making a hot vegetable, cold salad, or dessert. If you have any interest in this volunteer opportunity, please contact Sue Vlakancic at 630-334-3114 or Toni Nolde at 630-849-8576. Thanks in advance for your help.

## 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.

# GOLF

## 2024 Tradition of Excellence Golf Outing June 14th 2024

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!

We are also looking for event and hole sponsors. If you have any questions, please call or text the golf committee team at 630-423-6084. Reserve your spot/foursome today at [TOEGolf2024.givesmart.com](https://TOEGolf2024.givesmart.com).



Please join us on any evening during May at 6:30pm in the grotto to **pray the rosary**.



Have you ever been told that you are a good reader? Maybe God is calling you to be a Lector. Would you like to administer Holy Communion at Mass or to the Homebound of our parish? Do you like to greet and talk to people? Annunciation Catholic Church invites you to be a Lector, a Eucharistic Minister, Homebound Minister, Greeter or a Usher. The parish staff is here to help, please call the office at 630.851.1436, M-Th., 8:30-Noon and 1:15-4:00pm or on Friday from 8:30 until Noon. We hope to talk to you soon.



### **Bulletin Deadline:**

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### **Announcements:**

Announcements are due in the church office by Thursday noon.

### **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 INTENTIONS

Monday, April 29  
 6:30am Our Parish Family  
 8:00am †Don Nolde by Toni Nolde

Tuesday, April 30  
 6:30am Our Parish Family  
 8:00am †Mary M. Brummel by Mr. & Mrs. Michael Brummel

Wednesday, May 1  
 6:30am Our Parish Family  
**8:45am** †Robert O'Malley

Thursday, May 2  
 6:30am Our Parish Family  
 8:00am †Al Bacchi by Jim & Carol Hirner

Friday, May 3  
 6:30am Our Parish Family  
 8:00am †Richard Linden by His Family

Saturday, May 4  
 8:00am Living & Deceased Members of the Aloisio Family  
 5:15pm †Ivan Seppell (anniv.) by Family

Sunday, May 5  
 7:30am Our Parish Family  
 8:45am †Shirlee Fichtel by Jim & Joanne Blincoe  
 10:00am †Bob Denton by Juli Tomse  
 11:30am Our Parish Family  
 1:00pm First Holy Communion ABVM School  
 3:00pm First Holy Communion ABVM RE Students

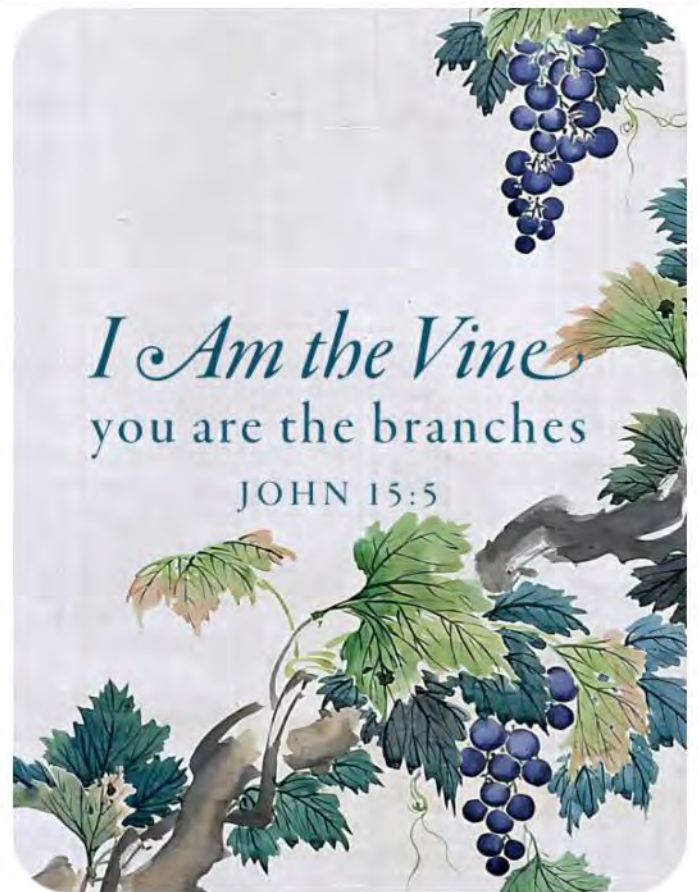
**Lincoln Hurd** recently participated in the **Knights of Columbus Free Throw Competition State Finals**. The event was held at St. Thomas High School in Effingham. Beginning in January, thousands of children ages 9-14 from around the state compete to go downstate.. Lincoln won the Council, District, and Regional competitions to advance to the finals. Congratulations Lincoln on representing Annunciation Parish and K of C Council 736!

### MAY IS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

What are you doing to strengthen your mental health?

- Counting my blessings!
- Offering support and affirmation to the people in my life
- Remembering God's love for me
- Turning to Jesus in prayer, Scripture and the sacraments
- Getting out and about in God's creation
- Taking a break from screens and going to Adoration instead

Brought to you by Catholic Charities Mental Health Ministry  
 Behavioral Health Crisis: Call or text 988 (administered by SAMSHA)



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 1820 Church Road, Aurora, IL 60505  
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 Rev. Mr. Kenneth Gay  
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 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.

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**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: [knightsofcolumbusil.org/council736](http://knightsofcolumbusil.org/council736).

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**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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