

Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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Mr. Matt Fava, Youth Ministry

Mrs. Eva May, Mary and Tom Dempsey, Hospitality

Holy Days of Obligation:

7:30 AM, 12:05 PM, 7:30 PM

Holy Hour Exposition and Adoration of the

Blessed Sacrament will be held every Wednesday from 9:00 a.m. concluding with Benediction at 2:00 p.m. Private

confession is available.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 8:30 AM

5:30 PM Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday: 8:00 AM

10:00 AM 11:45 AM

Weekdays: 12:05 PM



PARISH OFFICE HOURS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. My soul rejoices in my God. -Lk 1:46



† = Deceased

Saturday, December 16th

8:30 a.m. †Enrico + Stella Romitelli by Phyllis Romitelli & Family

5:30 p.m. † Inocencia Ortega by Frank & Claire Elleo

Sunday, December 17th—3rdSunday of Advent

8:00 a.m.- Mass for the People

Chuck De Meola Healing by Frank & Joanne Tamaro

10:00 a.m.-† Remo Romitelli by Loving Wife & Family

11:45 a.m. -† Stephen Niebojewski by Marlene Kulesar

Monday, December 18th

12:05 p.m. -† David Marrocco by Loving Family

Tuesday, December 19th

12:05 p.m. -† Vincent Sujkowski by Loving Wife & Family

Wednesday, December 20th

12:05 p.m.- † Richard Versoza by Joe & Vicki Versoza
For the Health of Thomas DeLorenzo by Loving Family

Thursday, December 21st

12:05 p.m.- † Antonino & Josephine Cosia by Phyllis Romitelli & Family

Friday, December 22nd

12:05 p.m.-† Alfred + Nettie Mondanaro by Phyllis Romitelli & Family

Saturday, December 23rd

8:30 a.m. † Louis + Marion Corio by Phyllis Romitelli & Family

5:30 p.m. † David Marrocco by Loving Family

Sunday, December 24th—4th Sunday of Advent (Christmas Eve)

8:00 a.m.-Mass for the People

10:00 a.m.† Raymond Vena, SR B'Day Remembrance by Janice & Mike DeBendetto

11:45 a.m. Mass for the People

7:30 p.m. (Vigil Mass) - Mass for the People



THE 2024 MASS BOOK IS OPEN.

Please limit your request for Sunday Masses to 3 so that as many people as possible will have the opportunity to reserve Sunday Masses.

Masses are \$15.00 each.

PARISH CONTACTS

Eva May's Seniors Trips: Eva May 973-696-5427

Knights /Columbus: John Ferrara, Grand Knight 862-226-1047

St. Joseph Table: Phyllis Romitelli 973-694-5700 Women's Bible Study: Alice Sujkowski 973-790-8535

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, December 23rd - 5:30 P.M.

LECTOR: Sean Hartman SERVERS: Alessia Rocco

EMHC: Lorraine Buczek and Debbie Bedoe

GREETER: Paul Veltri

SUNDAY, December 24th- 8:00 A.M.

LECTOR: Chuck Donovan

SERVERS: Nicholas and Phoebe Nguyen

EMHC: Natalie Guirales, Brandon Lau and Colette Peri

GREETERS: Diana and Dayron Guirales

SUNDAY, December 24th- 10:00 A.M.

LECTOR: Mike DeBenedetto

SERVERS: Rachelleen and Raphaella Tindoc EMHC: Bill Meyers and Josephine Robertiello

GREETER: Joan Miller and Nina Bello

SUNDAY, December 24th- 11:45 A.M.

LECTOR: Janae Murray SERVERS: Massimo King

EMHC: Lorie Fen, ED & Joyce Caning **GREETER:** Carolyn Green– Murray

SUNDAY, December 24th-7:30 P.M. (Christmas Eve)

LECTOR: Greg Schmitt

SERVERS: Isabella and Lorenzo Tindoc

EMHC: Susana and Alexandra Schmitt and Lorelane Tindoc

GREETER: Regerick and Aileen Tindoc

DAILY READINGS For The Week

Sunday: Is 61:1-2A, 10-11, Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54, 1 Thes 5:16

-24, Is 61:1 (cited in Lk 4:18), Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

Monday: Jer 23:5-8, Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19, Mt 1:18-25 **Tuesday:** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a, Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17, Lk 1:5-

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14, Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6, Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Sg 2:8-14, Zep 3:14-18a, Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21, Lk 1:39-45 **Friday:** 1 Sm 1:24, 28, 1 Samuel 2:1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8abod, Lk 1:46, 56

Friday: 1 Sm 1:24-28, 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd, Lk 1:46-56 **Saturday:** Mal 3:1-4, 23-24, Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14, Lk 1:57-

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ADORATION: The Blessed sacrament is exposed for Adoration every Wednesdays 9am-2pm. Please maintain a reverent silence. Confession is also available.

CONFESSION: Are available every Saturday from 4:00 PM-5PM

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT December 10th, 2023

From 120 Envelopes	\$2,945.00
Loose Collection	\$842.00
Online Giving	\$1,208.00
Net Amt. of Collection	\$4,995.00

"Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of your produce." (Prov 3:9) Thank you for your continued generosity!

Please Pray for the Sick Dear Father of love and mercy, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need: Carmelo Luvera Eleanor Redfearn Marienna Silva Msgr. Herbert Tillyer Rosemary Petro **Vivian Costanzo** Peggy Favocci Michelle Colucci Paul T. Mario Ziemba Maria Rodriguez **Eva May** Francesca Inzani **Dave Murphy Miguel Enriquez Ann McKiernan** Bernadette Jaros Frances Iczkowski Silvio Peroni **Michael Lacatena Daniel Destefano Chuck De Meola** Barbara Kohan Jack Tengi **Thomas DeLorenzo** AMEN.

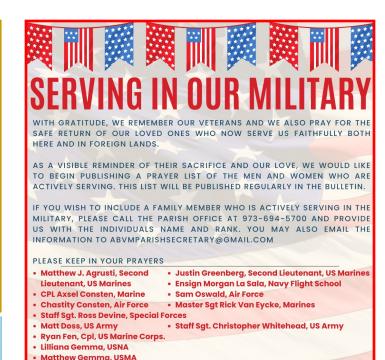
Flowers for Mary



For those who wish to remember a loved one at a weekend Mass, may we suggest offering the flowers for the Blessed Mother altar, which will be there for the weekend and into the week following. The flowers will be ordered by the parish and mention of the intention will be made in the bulletin. The cost of flowers is \$35.00. You may also donate the Sanctuary Lamp for a specific weekend. The cost is \$10.00. If you would like to donate the Blessed Mother Altar flowers or the Sanctuary Lamp, please call the Parish Office 973-694-5700.

Flowers for the Week of December 17th In Grateful Praise for all great gifts. Edvie Canavan







CALLS TO ACTION

Sign up for <u>pro-life action alerts</u> so that you can contact your elected representatives to express your concerns and opinions on upcoming legislation. (Make sure to select "Pro-Life" under Areas of Interest) To sign up online go <u>www.usccb.org/pro-life-subscriptions</u>. Scroll down for Action Alerts.

Annunciation-Pro-life

Pro-Life and Pro-Family news and legislative updates; To find information from the New Jersey Catholic Bishops go to www.NJCatholic.org. To find information from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops go to www.uscch.org Both groups give the Catholic view of current issues. Always check out the ISSUES section. If you want to be part of Annunciation's Pro-Life groups, please send your name and email address to me, leszkowicz@aol.com.

Remember your
Parish
Annunciation In
Your Will



Rejoice!

Advent is a time of longing. We can't be satisfied until Jesus comes. So, we have Gaudete Sunday to cheer us up. We wait for the joyful event when everything will be made all right.

The passage from Isaiah is applied to Jesus in John's gospel, but it could also be applied to us. The servant of God brings good news to the poor, binds up broken hearts, tells the captives that they are free, and announces a jubilee year from God when debts are canceled. The work of caring for the poor and speaking liberating words to people is both material and spiritual. God meets us in the stuff of everyday life and the work of making the world a better and freer place.

God meets us in bread and wine at Mass, and in our struggle to be good news for broken people. It is all an announcement, a pointing to Jesus. Announcing is not forcing people into the Jesus camp. Like John, we need to point to Jesus so that others are free to meet the Savior who sets them free. Our way of working in the world is to demonstrate that the way of Jesus – siding with the poor and the broken-hearted, caring for prisoners, and setting captives free – is the way to happiness.

What we achieve in life is not important, our vocation is to point away from ourselves. Faith is not miserable. A cheerful

attitude is essential when building the Kingdom.



Christmas 2023 Liturgy Schedule

Christmas Eve

Saturday, Dec. 23rd, 2023 Vigil Mass (as usual) ...5:30 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 24th, 2023 Masses... 8:00 a.m., 10 a.m. & 11:45 a.m., (as usual) Christmas Eve Mass.... 7:30 p.m.

Christmas Day

Monday. Dec. 25th Masses... 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12 noon

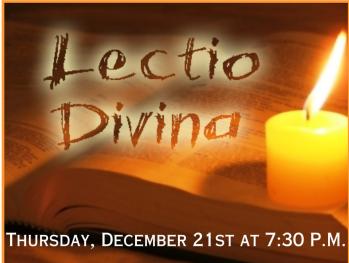
The Holy Family Sunday

Saturday Dec 30th5:30 p.m. (as usual)

Sunday, Dec. 31st.... Masses 8:00 a.m., 10 a.m. & 11:45 a.m.

Solemnity of Mary









Thank You to everyone who has helped out with the Sunday Coffee Shop. I appreciate each and one of you. From: Eva May



