

CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



03|30|2025

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



"His son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son.' But his father ordered his servants, 'Let us celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead, and has come to life again.'"

- Lk 15:21-22a, 23b-24a

Our Parish



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY: 8:30 AM

5:30 PM Sunday Vigil Mass

SUNDAY: 8:00 AM

10:00 AM

11:45 AM

WEEKDAYS: 12:05 PM

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesdays 9 AM – 2 PM

Please maintain a reverent silence.

Confession is also available.

SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Saturday 4 PM - 5 PM

THE 2025 MASS BOOK IS STILL OPEN



To allow more people the chance to reserve Sunday Masses, please limit your requests to three.

Masses are \$20.00 each.

For any information contact the Parish Office

Parish Contacts

Rev. Ricardo Ortega, Jr., Pastor

Ms. Wynne S. Garcia, Parish Secretary/Local Youth Protection/Safe Environment Coordinator

Ms. Niurka Mendoza, Parish Accountant

Mr. Brian Langan, Finance Committee Chairperson

Mr. Alex Birchwale, Music Ministry

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Mr. Matt Fava, Youth Ministry

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Mass Intentions

† = Deceased

Saturday, March 29th

8:30 a.m.– † Juana Lara

5:30 p.m.– † Cesar A. Elera

Sunday, March 30th — 4th Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m.– † Rosa Aragon by Cecilia E.

10:00 a.m.– FIO John Sbano by Janice & Michael DeBenedetto.

11:45 a.m.– † Louis & Josephine Saia by Salvatore & Lorraine Seminerio.

Monday, March 31st

12:05 p.m.– FIO Risha Gatmaitan by The Enriquez Family.

Tuesday, April 1st

12:05 p.m.– FIO Flora Enriquez by The Enriquez Family.

Wednesday, April 2nd

12:05 p.m.– † Inocencia Estrella Ortega.

Thursday, April 3rd

12:05 p.m.– † Nicole DeBenedetto's Heavenly Birthday by Mike & Janice DeBenedetto.

Friday, April 4th

12:05 p.m.– † Vivian Costanzo.

Saturday, April 5th

8:30 a.m.– † Frank Elleo.

5:30 p.m.– † Eva May.

Sunday, April 6th — 5th Sunday of Lent

8:00 a.m.– † David Marroco

10:00 a.m.– † Nicole DeBenedetto by Mike & Jackie DeBenedetto.

11:45 a.m.– † Salvatore & Mary Seminerio by Salvatore & Lorraine.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, April 5th – 5:30 P.M.

LECTOR: Paul Veltri

SERVER: Natalie & Paulina Fronc

EMHC: Dave Martineau

GREETER: Tama DeBoer

SUNDAY, April 6th – 8:00 A.M.

LECTOR: Tom Henry

SERVER: Juan Manayath

EMHC: Colette Peri

GREETER: Chuck Donovan

SUNDAY, April 6th – 10:00 A.M.

LECTOR: Matt Fava

SERVER: Lucas Vargas

EMHC: Ed Gelb

GREETER: Nina Bello & Joan Miller

SUNDAY, April 6th – 11:45 A.M.

LECTOR: Lorie Fen

SERVER: Massimo King

EMHC: Susana Schmitt

GREETER: George Fen & Frank DeGrazia

Lent: A time of reflection, self-denial and austerity. Practical outlines and rules of the Catholic liturgy.

Lent is a time of reflection and self-denial, mirroring Jesus' 40 days in the desert before his ministry. By removing festive decorations like flowers, churches aim to foster a sense of austerity and focus on the spiritual core of the Lenten season. According to The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) which outlines the rules and practices of the Catholic liturgy states that the altar should not be decorated with flowers during Lent, with some exceptions, like Laetare Sunday (Fourth Sunday of Lent), solemnities and feasts.

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT

March 23, 2025

From 80 Envelopes	\$1,739.00
Loose Collection	\$921.00
Online Giving	\$1,187.00
Funeral Stipend (memorial donations)	\$500.00
Easter Flowers	\$325.00
Net Amt. of Collection	\$4,672.00

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



Family Dynamics

When we read the Bible, do we look at the stories as spectators? Do we look at these events as though we are looking into a mirror? If we read the Bible as onlookers, we can keep our distance. If we treat Bible reading as looking into a mirror, we see ourselves and get involved in what is happening.

The Prodigal Son is not the drama of someone else's family. It is our story. We are meant to be 'at home' in God's house without rivalry or estrangement. There is to be no distance between the Father and the children or among the children.

We can distance ourselves in various ways. The prodigal son uses geography to travel to a distant land and change his lifestyle. He finds that he needs to 'return to himself' as well as his father. At one level, the older son is near his father, but more deeply, he is not close to him and cuts himself off completely from his brother. He refers to his brother as *this son of yours*.

Fr. Ricardo Ortega.

Office Schedule

Holy Thursday	Thursday, April 17
Good Friday	Friday, April 18
Easter Monday	Monday, April 21
Memorial Day	Monday, May 26
Independence Day	Friday, July 4

*Masses will be at 8:30am and Parish Office will be closed on the above dates.

2025

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:

Adam Lytle	Eleanor Redfean	Michael Lacatena
Ann McKiernan	Frances Iczkowski	Michelle Colucci
Barbara Kohan	Francesca Inzani	Mario Ziembra
Bernadette Jaros	Garry Bielous	Msgr. Herbert Tillyer
Bernice Green	Jack Teng	Olga Ojeda
Brian A. David Perri	Joanna Antinora	Peggy Favocci
Carmelo Luvera	Jaclyn Salta Machia	Rosemary Petro
Chuck De Meola	Maria Rodriguez	Silvio Peroni
Cynthia Dollbaum	Marienna Silva	Thomas DeLorenzo
Daniel Destefano		
David Levine		
Dave Murphy		

AMEN.



SERVING IN OUR MILITARY

WE HONOR OUR VETERANS AND PRAY FOR THE SAFE RETURN OF LOVED ONES SERVING HERE AND ABROAD. A PRAYER LIST OF THOSE ACTIVELY SERVING WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE BULLETIN. TO INCLUDE A FAMILY MEMBER, CALL 973-694-5700 OR EMAIL ABVMPARISHSECRETARY@GMAIL.COM. PLEASE KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS.

- **Matthew J. Agrusti**, Second Lieutenant, US Marines
- **CPL Axsel Consten**, Marine
- **Chastity Consten**, Air Force
- **Staff Sgt. Ross Devine**, Special Forces
- **Matt Doss**, US Army
- **Lilliana Gemma**, USNA
- **Matthew Gemma**, USMA
- **Justin Greenberg**, Second Lieutenant, US Marines
- **Ensign Morgan La Sala**, Navy Flight School
- **Sam Oswald**, Air Force
- **Master Sgt Rick Van Eycke**, Marines
- **Nick McNerney**, US Army

Blood of Christ



THE DOCTRINE OF CONCOMITANCE REMINDS US THAT THE REAL SACRAMENTAL PRESENCE OF CHRIST (BODY, BLOOD, SOUL, AND DIVINITY) IS PRESENT ENTIRELY UNDER EACH SPECIES, BREAD OR WINE.

WE ARE BACK TO NORMALITY ON HOLY THURSDAY, PLEASE BE MINDFUL THAT THERE IS STILL THE OPTION TO RECEIVE THE HOLY COMMUNION UNDER BOTH FORMS OR UNDER ONE OF THEM.

TO ALL OUR EMHC PLEASE DO NOT FORGET TO PREPARE THE NEXT MASS

Easter Flower Donations



Easter Flowers in honor of your loved ones
Thank You for your support to our Parish

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Lenten

Soup Supper



Every Friday before the Station of the Cross (Via Crucis) we will have our traditional Lenten Friday Supper.

Volunteers Needed for Soup Making
Please contact the office



A Lenten Journey of Reflection

Every Friday during the Lenten Season, we invite all Parishioners to join us for the Stations of the Cross (Via Crucis) at 7:00 PM at the ABVM Parish. This powerful time of prayer offers a deep spiritual reflection on the Suffering, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. We encourage everyone to participate in this meaningful journey of faith.

Thank You

Thank you all for your amazing support in making The St. Joseph's Table another successful fundraiser. Your generosity, whether through donations, volunteering, or baking, has made a meaningful impact. We are blessed to have such a dedicated community, your kindness will make a difference for months to come. You are truly appreciated!

-Fr. Ricardo



MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!

Over and over, we have proved that we are not an ordinary group of people. We have accomplished so much over the years because we function as a team of many hands with one mind lightening our work. By donating just \$3 more, you can make a huge impact and help us continue to grow and serve our community. Every contribution, no matter the size makes a difference.

We can do this!

Many thanks for all your generous support. If it were not for Gods mercy and you, this Parish would not exist.



YOUTH MINISTRY RETREAT

Saturday, April 12
9am - 2pm



ABVM



CATECHETICAL SERIES ON THE EUCCHARIST

APRIL 15, 2025
7-8PM



TALK | REFLECTION | LECTIO DIVINA



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Family Registration

First and Last Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Cellphone: _____

Email Address: _____

Welcome to the Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
Please complete the new family registration. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office at 973-694-5700.