

CHURCH OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



05|11|2025

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“I know them, and they follow me.”

- Jn 10:27

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

Saturdays 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

Mrs. Carmela Enriquez, CRE

Mr. Matt Fava, Youth Ministry

Mr. and Mrs. Guirales, Fellowship

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† = Deceased

Mass Intentions

Saturday, May 10th

8:30 a.m.– † For the deceased members of our St. Joseph Table.

5:30 p.m.– FIO Ryan Bedoe's Birthday blessings. Love, Grandma & Grandpa.

Sunday, May 11th — Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m.– † Marion Corio, † Stella Romitelli by Loving daughter.

10:00 a.m.– † Mary Gelb by Husband Ed.

11:45 a.m.– † Salvatore Botti, † Angelina Botti by Salvatore & Lorraine Seminerio.

Monday, May 12th

12:05 p.m.– Mass for the People of The Parish.

Tuesday, May 13th

12:05 p.m.– † Domingo Gopez by The Austria Family.

Wednesday, May 14th

12:05 p.m.– May Enriquez FIO Birthday by Enriquez Family.

Thursday, May 15th

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

Friday, May 16th

12:05 p.m.– † Jack Puleo

Saturday, May 17th

8:30 a.m.– † Inocencia Estrella Ortega

5:30 p.m.– † Florence Pavelka by Lisa & Gary Maiella.

Sunday, May 18th — Fith Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m.– † Nettie Mondanoro by Phyllis Romitelli
† Giuseppina Costa

10:00 a.m.– † Paul Tanis by Janice & Mike DeBenedetto

11:45 a.m.– Fabian, congratulations on your Graduation by Loving Parents.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, May 17th – 5:30 P.M.

LECTOR: Greg Schmitt

SERVER: Natalia & Paulina Fronc

EMHC: Colette Perri | Alex & Carmela Enriquez

GREETER: Dave Martineau | Jackie Pisatowski

SUNDAY, May 18th – 8:00 A.M.

LECTOR: Tom Henry

SERVER: Agnel Kannamkulathel

EMHC: Mike D. | Anna Siby | Josephine Robertiello

GREETER: Chuck Donovan | Amanda Pierce

SUNDAY, May 18th – 10:00 A.M.

LECTOR: Edvie Canavan

SERVER: Isabella & Lorenzo Tindoc

EMHC: Ed & Joyce Caning | Nina Bello

GREETER: Daniela Ferrara | Joan Miller

SUNDAY, May 18th – 11:45 A.M.

LECTOR: Maria DeGrazia

SERVER: Melissa Ziemba

EMHC: Susana & Alex Schmitt | Lorraine Seminerio

GREETER: Frank DeGrazia | Sal Seminerio

Office Schedule

Memorial Day	Monday, May 26
Independence Day	Friday, July 4
Assumption of the BVM	Friday, August 15
Labor Day	Monday, September 1
Columbus Day	Monday, October 13

The Parish Office will be closed on the above dates.

2025

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT

May 4, 2025

From 66 Envelopes	\$2,431.00
Loose Collection	\$400.00
Online Giving	\$1,726.00
Buildings & Grounds	\$945.00
Net Amt. of Parish Collection	\$5,502.00

“Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of your produce.” (Prov 3:9)

Thank you for your continued generosity!



The Good Shepherd, as portrayed in art, has a warm, gentle glow of safety and warmth about him. Usually, Jesus is depicted holding a fluffy, white lamb in His arms, the kind you might find in a baby’s crib. This image parallels the words of Psalm 23 with its comforting tone. I shall not want. Lead me to green pastures. Restful waters.

Psalm 23 is part of what Jesus’ listeners heard when He called Himself the Good Shepherd. The Good Shepherd was also part of their national identity. Their history repeatedly raised leaders who had tended flocks, but were then called by God to lead people. All of the patriarchs, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob were shepherds. The great Jewish heroes, Moses and David, tended sheep before they were called. All of them put their shepherd-ing skills to work in taking care of the nation.

Israel’s economy and its religious practice were both dependent on the work of shepherds. The leaders of God’s people were generally called shepherds, regardless of their previous work. God was called Shepherd of Israel. Cradling baby lambs was a small part of the picture. Shepherding was central to the way God would intervene to save, rescue and enduringly bless His people. The double sense of Jesus as a mild and self-sacrificing shepherd and a decisive and fearless protector contrasts sharply with the religious leaders, who do not have the best interests of the sheep at heart. Jesus, who is the gateway to safety, as well as the one willing to lay down his life for the sheep offers abundant life. The phrase laying down his life is repeated nine times in this section of John’s Gospel. This was not a feature associated with the Old Testament shepherd promises. Yes, the shepherd would gather the lost people, care for the injured, protect all, guide them to pastures, but while the shepherd’s work was hard and uncomfortable, it did not involve giving up his life. It might even be said that a shepherd would be foolish to die protecting a few animals and then leave the rest unprotected.

As the Good Shepherd of people, Jesus is not unwise. He freely lays down His life in order to take it up again. He will die for His sheep but rise from the dead so that He can continue to take care of them. He is the lamb of sacrifice as well as the priestly shepherd. The complete dedication of Jesus to His sheep constitutes an appeal to all people. When I am raised up, I shall draw all people to myself. We, His flock, are called to be receptive and trusting sheep. We are also called to be shepherds. We are invited to comfort, and we are expected to lead. This dual work requires our willingness to lay down our lives.

Rev. Ricardo Ortega

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

AMEN.



MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK!

Time and time again, we've proven that we are no ordinary community. We are a family of faith — many hands, one heart — accomplishing the extraordinary through our unity and trust in God.

What if something as simple as the cost of a cup of coffee could help us cross the finish line? That small sacrifice — just a few dollars — when multiplied by the love and generosity of this Parish, has the power to fill the gap and carry us forward.



We are so close — and together, we can do this. That extra push, that little “yes,” could be the difference that helps us reach our goal and continue building the vibrant, faith-filled community we all cherish.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you. It is only through God's mercy and your unwavering support that our Parish continues to grow and serve.



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

FLOWERS PLACED BEFORE THE BLESSED MOTHER ON THE WEEK OF MAY 11TH ARE OFFERED FOR THE INTENTIONS OF ANN MARRIE DUSEK, IN JOYFUL CELEBRATION OF HER BIRTHDAY, BY JOE AND VICKI VERSOZA.



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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.

ANNUNCIATION PARISH 2ND ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL FOOD FESTIVAL



INTEREST MEETINGS

MAY 11TH, 2025 | 11AM
MAY 18TH, 2025 | 11AM
ROOM 6

PLEASE ATTEND IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING AS A VENDOR OR VOLUNTEER AT THE FESTIVAL ON JUNE 7TH.



**ANY QUESTIONS?
EMAIL MATT FAVA
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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please pray for our children as they prepare for their First Holy Communion.
Sunday, May 18th at the 10:00am Mass.

Ariana Virginia Rocco

Eliana Mongillo

Maria Erin Manayath

William James Geogoros

Raniel Tindoe

Richard Chittilapilly

Rithika Chittilapilly



Teachers and Aides Needed for CCD

Do you feel called to share your faith and help our young people to grow closer to Christ?

We are looking for dedicated teachers and Aides to assist with our CCD program.

Contact Carmela Enriquez or the Parish Office at 973-694-5700 or abvmparishsecretary@gmail.com for more information.



CATECHETICAL SERIES ON THE EUCHARIST

**MAY 22, 2025
7-8PM**

TALK | REFLECTION | LECTIO DIVINA