

Annunciation Parish

ONE PARISH PRAISING GOD IN TWO LOCATIONS

September 29, 2019

Locations

Holy Rosary

135 Nichols Street
Gardner, MA 01440



Holy Spirit

50 Lovewell Street
Gardner, MA 01440

Contact Us

Phone: (978) 632-0253

Website:

www.annunciationgardner.org

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Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 8:30am-5:00pm



You can scan this QR Code to quickly access our website.



Safety Environment Notice: Our parish follows the guidelines of the national charter for the protection of children & young people approved by the US Bishops & Dioceses of Worcester policies. If you are aware of an incident of sexual misconduct and the suspected offender is a priest, deacon, candidate, seminarian, religious, lay minister, employee or volunteer, you are encouraged to report the matter to Judith Audette, Director of the Office for Healing and Prevention, Diocese of Worcester at (508) 929-4393.

“Then Abraham said, ‘If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.’” - Lk 16:31

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Masses at Holy Rosary

Saturday	4:45 p.m.
Sunday	7:30 a.m.
	10:30 a.m.
Mon, Wed, Fri	9:00 a.m.

Masses at Holy Spirit

Saturday	4:00 p.m.
Sunday	8:30 a.m.
	(Spanish) 12:00 p.m.
Tues, Thurs	7:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Holy Rosary:	Saturday	3:15-4:00 p.m.
Holy Spirit:	Saturday	3:15-3:45 p.m.

You may also call one of the priests at the Rectory Office to schedule a private appointment for Confession
978.632.0253

Rev. Stephen Lundrigan ext. 116
Rev. Miguel Pagan ext. 130

Welcome to Annunciation Parish

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For those who are new or returning to the parish, we would like to welcome you to our Catholic community. In this bulletin you will find many opportunities to be enriched and involved. If you would like to register as a member or have any questions, call us at 978-632-0253, email us at office@annunciationgardner.org, or stop by the Parish Office during the week.

Annunciation Parish Mission Statement:

Strengthened by the Eucharist, empowered by the Holy Spirit, and sent by Christ we seek by worship and service to compassionately meet the corporal and spiritual needs of our parish family and beyond. We desire to warmly welcome the stranger and one another, and together reach a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. In doing this, we are committed to the caring and ongoing Christian formation of others by providing opportunities for spiritual, intellectual, and social growth within our faith and local community.

Parish Staff

Clergy (978) 632-0253

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Rev. Stephen Lundrigan Ext. 116

Parochial Vicar
Rev. Miguel Pagan Ext. 130

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Retired Deacon
Rev. Mr. Arthur Giard

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Business Manager
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Director of Enrollment
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Director
Mrs. Jane Pineo
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From the Pastor's Desk

In the Gospel Jesus tells us the story of the rich man and Lazarus. It can cause us to reflect on how we use what is given to us, how we take care of our own needs and live more sumptuously than we need to, and how we reach out to those in need. It is easy to become upset when we do not have more of the world's goods, but Jesus shows that this is not as important as where we reside after death. Our world increasingly devalues the reality of the life after death and of the great presence of God. It is easy to get swept up in that fervor and loose sight of what is really important - and to remember the central place in our lives that God must play. To focus on this opens up to us a whole new world of dealing with the issues of life, and opens our eyes to the reality of the world to come where we can remove ourselves from that eternal happiness the Lord wants to give us or rest in peace with the Lord.

This weekend we will have a second collection for the Catholic School's appeal - you will hear more about this at Mass. The contributions you give will help us to keep our education at an affordable level and allow us to continue our important mission of Catholic Education. Please be as generous as you can be.

I have been on the phone and on e-mail back and forth with architects, contractors, and the other people you have to speak to get construction things done. Contractors were on the property to look at our construction projects and to bid for the chance to work on those jobs. One asked "when do you want it done by" I said "last year." It is my hope that with all the drawings now in place, and contractors in an active bid process we will see the results that you all so long to see happen.

The Finance Council met this past week. We looked at the final figures from last year and will be cleaning them up before making our yearly reports to the Diocese, and getting our summary report out to all parishioners. This report will tell you all the information - so I won't spoil the fun by saying too much here. We continue to work to build our future and insure the financial health of the parish as we serve the spiritual needs of all.

We began our educational series "Oremus" - if you missed the first one contact Maura Sweeney to find out how to get caught up. This series goes for eight Wednesday evenings 6:30-8:00. There are books and also an on-line access to the video and materials that you can use to be part of this effort. Any questions call the office. There is more information on the website.

As I had mentioned in earlier columns, we have begun an Extraordinary Form Mass on Sunday Afternoons at 2. In response to requests from individuals to celebrate the Mass as it was in former times, the Church officially allows for two forms of the Mass - the "Ordinary Form" (which we do at all other Masses) and the "Extraordinary Form" (which is the same Mass in Latin that was done prior to the reforms of the Liturgy after Vatican II). We will be placing materials and information regarding this liturgy on the website and have some copies at the back of the church soon. We have many treasures as a Church, and many things that God has provided us through the Church to help us on our journey to peace. I encourage all of you to explore the opportunities available in our parish and come grow together!

God Bless,
Fr. Steve

at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Church

Mass Date	Mass Time	Mass Intention
Saturday, September 28	4:45 p.m.	Charles & Cecilia McKean by their daughter Karen Kelley Kathy Cormier by a friend
Sunday, September 29	7:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Robert J. Cormier by his wife Ruth Irma & son, Vincent Cormier by Gerald and family Deborah Lepkowski by Jeannine Girouard Florence Trifilo by her family
Monday, September 30	9:00 a.m.	Mary Blanche Maillet, 30th Birthday by her family Norman Cormier by his wife Carole and family
Wednesday, October 2	9:00 a.m.	Yvonne Mitko b Anita Boudreau Joseph Mong by the Duong family
Friday, October 4 (First Friday)	9:00 a.m.	Marie Rose Leger by Corinne Bouchard Jeanne Wironen by Diane and Kevin Kelley
Saturday, October 5	4:45 p.m.	Telephore Maillet, 31st Anniversary by family Marie Flora Poirier, 2nd Anniversary by her family
Sunday, October 6	7:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Francis Murray by his loving wife, Jean and family Gloria LeBlanc by her family Ernest Roach, 16th Anniversary by Aline Roach and family Leo Vautour by Michelle Ledoux

at Holy Spirit Church

Mass Date	Mass Time	Mass Intention
Saturday, September 28	4:00 p.m.	Lauretta Kraskouskas by her family Roger & Nawita Goguen by Mark and Maureen Nicholson
Sunday, September 29	8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	John and Katherine Kraskouskas by their family All Lives Lost to Suicide by a parishioner TBD
Tuesday, October 1	7:30 a.m.	All Parishioners of Annunciation Parish
Thursday, October 3	7:30 a.m.	Joseph Kacian by Frank and Lorraine Alice Campbell by Don and Peg Locke
Friday, October 4 (First Friday)	6:30 p.m.	Joseph Kacian from the Prayer Line
Saturday, October 5	4:00 p.m.	Michael W. Nicholson by Mark and Maureen Nicholson Marie Maillet by Leandre and Anna Cormier
Sunday, October 6	8:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Roland Jean Arsenault, 5th Anniversary by Kathy Arsenault and family Audrey Santo by Heather Barber TBD

Other Masses

Wednesday, October 2nd—Prison Mass	6:00p.m.	TBD
Friday, October 4th—Heywood Commons	2:00p.m.	Alvery Collette by his wife Doris
Monday, October 7th—GarWest	2:00p.m.	Laure Hachey by her husband Gerard Hachey

Upcoming Events

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Sunday September 29th

Masses as usual

- 9:00a.m. Religious Ed for grades 1-8 in Holy Family Academy
- 12:00p.m. Spanish Mass at Holy Spirit
- 2:00p.m. Extraordinary Form Mass at Holy Rosary
- 4:00p.m. Hospitality Dinner at Holy Rosary Church Hall

Monday September 30th

- Coffee Social after 9:00a.m. Mass at Holy Rosary
- 3:00p.m. RCIA at the Rectory on Nichols Street

Tuesday October 1st

- 6:30p.m. Bible Study at Holy Rosary Hall

Wednesday October 2nd

- 6:00a.m.—8:00p.m. Eucharistic Adoration at Holy Rosary
- 6:30p.m. Oremus Session #2 at Holy Rosary in lower hall

Thursday October 3rd

- 9:00a.m. Faith Sharing Group in the Rectory on Nichols Street
- 5:30p.m. Curso Biblico (Bible Study) in the Rectory on Nichols Street
- 6:30p.m. Bingo in Holy Rosary Hall

Friday, October 4th — First Friday

- 6:30p.m. First Friday Mass at Holy Spirit

Saturday October 5th

- 9:00a.m.—2:00p.m. Attic Treasures Pre-Sale at Holy Rosary Church Hall
- 3:00p.m. Rosary for Life in front of Holy Family Academy at Mary's Shrine
- 3:15p.m.—3:45p.m. Confessions at Holy Spirit
- 3:15p.m.—4:00p.m. Confessions at Holy Rosary
- 6:30p.m. Hispanic Choir rehearsal at Holy Spirit

Sunday October 6th

Masses as usual

- 9:00a.m. Sacramental Prep at Holy Rosary Church
- 9:00a.m. Religious Ed for grades 1-8 in Holy Family Academy
- 12:00p.m. Spanish Mass at Holy Spirit
- 2:00p.m. Extraordinary Form Mass



Holy Family Academy honors our past, present and future through a true spirit of generosity that nurtures the faith of each child, so that they may grow in

"Wisdom, Grace and Strength". This weekend **September 28 & 29** is the annual Catholic School Appeal. Representatives of Holy Family Academy will be at the Masses on that weekend. Please consider giving to the Catholic School Appeal and Holy Family Academy.

(Note: when considering donating to this worthwhile campaign, kindly note your check or envelope "Holy Family Academy" to ensure that funds are allocated to our school.)

Fall Bazaar



Annunciation Parish at Holy Rosary Church

Friday, October 18th - Sunday, October 20th

135 Nichols Street Gardner, Massachusetts

Food:

- American
- French Canadian
- Polish

Booths:

- Pastries
- Theme Baskets
- Candy
- Attic Treasures
- Silent Auctions
- Children's Games



11:00 AM - 7:00 PM



Turkey Dinner on Sunday, October 20th

Attention all Parishioners:

We will be holding an Attic Treasures Pre-Sale!

Saturday, October 5th
9:00a.m.—2:00p.m.

At Holy Rosary Church Hall

A unique opportunity to see treasures and make purchases before the bazaar! Proceeds to benefit Holy Family Academy.



It's All About The Pie!



Can you bake a winning Apple pie? Enter your homemade apple pie for a chance to win a ribbon (1st, 2nd and 3rd place) and more importantly **'bragging rights'**! Bring your entry to the lower church between 11-1:00 on Saturday 10/19. No fee to enter.



Show off some creativity! Submit a scarecrow you and your family have made for judging in our Scarecrow Contest. Scarecrows cannot be taller than 5 feet and must be able to stick into the ground. There is no cost to enter, you just need a scarecrow! The scarecrows entered will be displayed around the perimeter of Holy Family Academy's front lawn until they are judged during the **Fall Bazaar on October 18th-20th.**

There are prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places. You can submit scarecrows between October 5th and October 12th.

CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2019 - 3:00PM - 5:00PM
 GROWING IN THE SPIRIT - WITH DEACON ED MEILUS
 MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED @ 5:00PM BY FR. DIEGO BURITICÁ

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
 10 H PUTNAM RD EXTENSION
 CHARLTON, MA



Diocesan Catholic Charismatic Prayer Meeting

"Growing in the Spirit"

Includes:

- Prayer and praise
- Talk: "Growing in the Spirit Fellowship"

Join with brothers and sisters from throughout Central Massachusetts!

For more information contact:
 ccrworcesterdiocese@gmail.com
 978-537-7257

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION REMINDER

All students who will be receiving their first communion this spring and their parents will have their first class next **Sunday October 6th at 9 a.m.** We will gather in the church for opening prayer before going to class.

Become an Altar Server!

Any student who has already received their First Communion is eligible to serve as an Altar Server.

Training will be for **3 consecutive weeks beginning 10/11 at 4:00pm and 10/12 at 9:00a.m.**

After students have been trained, they will be scheduled to serve at the Mass that their family usually attends.



If you have any questions please contact Fr. Miguel Pagan at 978-632-0253, Deacon Stan at 978-855-9805 or email at associatepastor@annunciationgardner.org.

October is dedicated to Our Lady, and the Respect Life Committee will host a special devotion to Our Lady of Guadalupe at Holy Spirit Chapel. We will place a rose weekly at her statue to symbolize the church's unconditional support for human life.

Please share a moment with her.



Our Lady received our prayers and blessed us with good weather at Annunciation Parish's first Living Rosary for Life last month. Our second rosary will be **Saturday, October 5th at 3:00p.m.** also at Mary's Shrine in front of Holy Family School.

If the weather is bad, we will say the rosary in Holy Rosary Church in front of St. Dominic accepting a rosary from the Child Jesus as He sits in His Mother's lap. Please join us.

PRAYER is the key that unlocks all doors.

OREMUS (LET US PRAY): A GUIDE TO CATHOLIC PRAYER
It's not too late to Join us for OREMUS (LET US PRAY): a Guide to Catholic Prayer

this video assisted series on Prayer will be led by Fr. Steve, Fr. Miguel and Mrs. Sweeney on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in the lower church hall at Holy Rosary ending Nov. 20th. This series aims to help you respond to God's invitation to enter into a deeper relationship with Him through prayer. It can help you to:

- † Become more aware of God's presence in your life
- † Learn how to respond to God and express yourself in prayer
- † Discover how to hear God's voice in Scripture, in your heart, and in ordinary moments
- † Learn how to overcome frustrations, distractions, and dryness in prayer

Grow in your relationship with God and those around you. The suggested donation is \$25 for the participant guide and other handouts, but no one will be turned away due to financial concerns.



BOOK CLUB

Grit & Grace Book Club

Our next book will be **The Fisherman's Tomb: The True Story of the Vatican's Secret Search** by N.Y. Times best-selling author John O'Neill. Church tradition had long held that St. Peter had been buried on Vatican Hill but the exact location of his tomb had been lost to history. This book shares the incredible true story of the brilliant and determined female archeologist who navigated the politics of the Vatican to definitively prove the location of his tomb. We will meet to discuss the book on **October 28th**.

Information on the Sacraments

Baptism: If you would like to have your child baptized call Maura Sweeney at (978) 632-0253 Ext. 117, or email religiously@annunciationgardner.org.

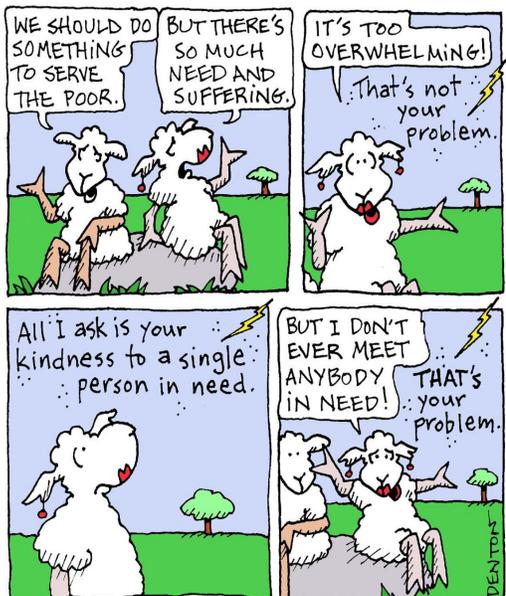
First Communion: for adults and children over the age of 7. Call Maura Sweeney at the Parish Office (978) 632-0253 Ext.117.

Confirmation: call Maura Sweeney at the Parish Office (978) 632-0253 Ext.117.

Holy Orders: If you are feeling called to explore a vocation to the priesthood, please contact our diocesan vocations director Fr. Jim Mazzone at jmazzone@charter.net or by phone at 508-340-5788.

Holy Matrimony: notify the Church one year in advance. Call the Parish Office at (978) 632-0253 for Marriage Preparation.

Anointing of the Sick: call Fr. Lundrigan at Ext.116 or Fr. Miguel at Ext.130.



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“The Lord gives sight to the blind ...raises up those who were bowed down.”

Sheepish Question:

Where have I failed to notice someone in need?



Women of all ages are invited to attend this year's diocesan women's conference at Assumption College in Worcester on **November 23rd**. The theme for this year is "The Eucharist: The Source and Summit of our Faith". The day begins at 8:30 a.m. and will conclude at 5 p.m. There will be Music Speakers, Confession and Mass. Tickets are \$25 for Students and \$45 for adults registering before Oct. 13th. (after Oct. 13 the price goes to \$60) For information go to worcestercatholicwomensconference.com or pick up one of the flyers at the back of church. As we did with the Men's conference, the parish will be happy to reimburse any woman who attends \$25 with proof of ticket purchased.

Question of the Week

Question for Adults: What are the "rewards" of caring for the needs of the poor?

Question for Youth: What is one thing you and your family could do this week to help those who are poor or sick?

Daily Readings

Sunday September 29

- AM 6:1a, 4-7
- 1 TM 6:11-16
- LK 16:19-31

Monday September 30

- ZEC 8:1-8
- LK 9:46-50

Tuesday October 1

- ZEC 8:20-23
- LK 9:51-56

Wednesday October 2

- NEH 2:1-8
- MT 18:1-5, 10

Thursday October 3

- NEH 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12
- LK 10:1-12

Friday October 4

- BAR 1:15-22
- LK 10:13-16

Saturday October 5

- BAR 4:5-12, 27-29
- LK 10:17-24

Prayer Requests

Please Pray For: "Little" Genevieve, Rose LeBlanc, Michelle LeBlanc, Maureen LeBlanc, Riley McGinnis, Mary Bear, Harry, Michael LeBlanc, Leonne Tagen, Chase Daunais, Dennis Dickie, Marcia Roy, Marie Jurgelonis, Etienne, Donna LeBlanc, Angie Perez Ovalle, Al Watts, Henry Cichonski, Kenny Stone, Linda Gray, Louise Flagg, Larry Butler, Steve Gormley, Jerry Richard, Isaac E. Cerna, Pamela R. Sharpe, and Earlene Dickson.

If you would like to add a person's name to the prayer list, please contact Annunciation Parish at (978) 632-0253, ext. 110. Names will be kept on the prayer list for 4 consecutive weeks. Please call the Parish Office if you would like to put a name back on the list at the end of these 4 weeks.

For other prayers and special intentions, call our Prayer Line at (978) 630-2283. These intentions will not appear in the bulletin and can be passed privately by first name only.



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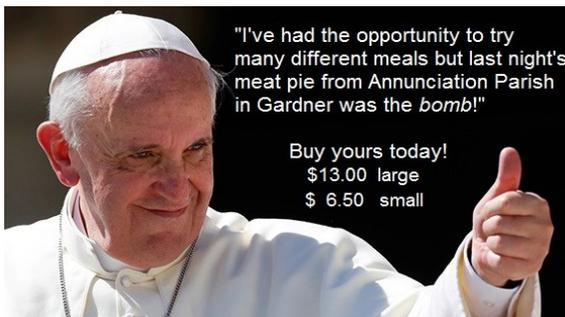
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Offering of Treasure for	9/15/2019
Annunciation Parish	
<i>Total Regular Envelopes Used</i>	401
Weekly	\$ 6,967.26
Fuel & Energy	\$ 470.00
Maintenance	\$ 121.00
Diocesan Campaign—Central Europe	\$ 10.00
Diocesan Campaign — Communications	\$ 0.00
All Souls Day	\$ 0.00
All Saints Day	\$ 0.00
Religious Education	\$ 10.00
Restoration	\$ 153.00
Needy Child	\$ 114.00
Total	\$ 7,845.26

August report from St. Vincent de Paul:



- 4 medical equipment items
- 24 food deliveries
- 12 rental, utilities, etc.



"I've had the opportunity to try many different meals but last night's meat pie from Annunciation Parish in Gardner was the *bomb!*"

Buy yours today!
 \$13.00 large
 \$ 6.50 small