



Church of the Annunciation Catholic Church

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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Mass:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 8:00 a.m.
Wednesday: 6:00 p.m.

Holy Day:

Special schedule, as announced

Confessions:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. & by appointment

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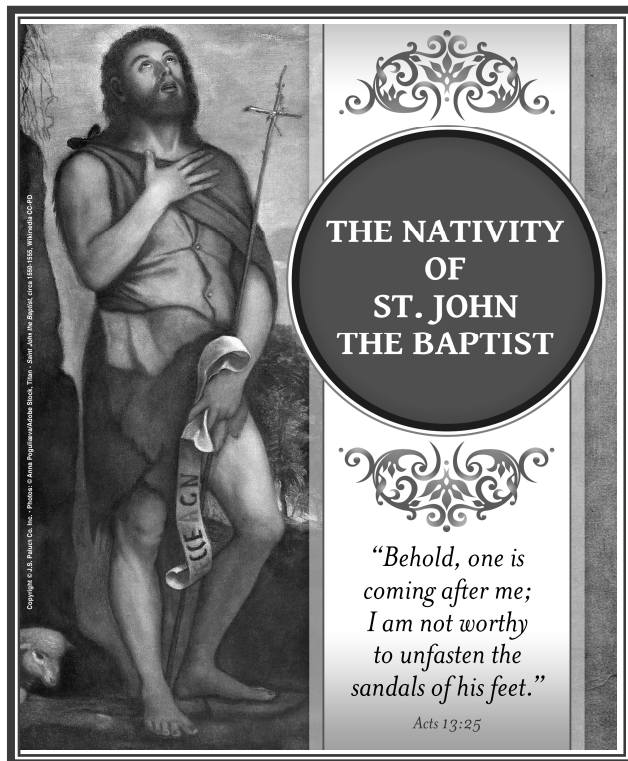
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June 24, 2018

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist



Our Mission

We, the Church of Annunciation, rooted in our belief in the Eucharist, accept the call of God to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with our parish community and beyond. We strive to be witnesses to our faith through our responsible stewardship and by welcoming and caring for others as Jesus taught us.

New Parishioners

Please call the parish office for information on registering as a member of the parish. Pre-registration forms are also available on a table in the church narthex. Someone will be happy to help you with registration and information about the parish.

Baptism

Contact the parish office during pregnancy to register for a parent preparation session and to schedule the baptism of your children. Baptisms are normally celebrated during or after one of the Sunday Masses or Saturday Vigil Mass.

Marriage

Begin preparation at least nine months in advance. Call the office to register for the marriage preparation program. Date can be set only after preparation has begun.

I am writing this before I leave for my trip to North Dakota to visit my family. Thanks to Fr. John for returning to Annunciation this weekend to give me the opportunity to be away. God willing, I will be back for next weekend's Masses.

This Sunday, June 24, we celebrate the feast of St. John the Baptist, which is recognized in the Sunday liturgy when it falls on a Sunday, which happens this year. As a young boy growing up, church feast days, no matter what day they fell on the calendar, were always celebrated in these small country parishes; St. John the Baptist was one of them. It seemed that June was a notable month with many of the churches in a twenty-five mile radius of our farm that were named after saints and celebrated during the entire month: (St. Boniface - June 5, St. Barnabas - June 11, St. Anthony of Padua - June 12, St. Aloysius - June 21, St. John the Baptist - June 24, St. Peter and Paul - June 29, and my home parish, Sacred Heart, scheduled according to the feast of Easter). In the German tradition "church feasts," which in German has its own translated expression, were important parish celebrations. June was a critical time of year because it was planting season for farmers, but there was an unspoken expectation that parishioners from these various parishes were to attend each others celebrations prepared by the church whose feast day was celebrated. It was a tradition that probably developed because of the importance German people, at least in my community, placed upon their spiritual connections to the saints and to the Sacred Heart, and it was an important social activity for these farm communities. All these church communities had the best fried chicken, homemade sausage and trimmings that anyone could ever imagine. Mass was always scheduled early because people, during my growing up, had to fast from food and water three hours before Mass. The women began cooking after Mass, while the men conversed about numerous topics, probably focused on farming, and children took the opportunity to play games. The underlying benefit of it all was about building community and taking pride in these small churches, which were always packed because of the large families.

At the time all of the saints I named above were considered to be important feast days. Our liturgy today does not seem to have the same emphases on the saints feast days as we had as I was growing up. Thankfully the feast of St. John the Baptist is preserved by giving it its deserved attention when it falls on a Sunday. I doubt that most people during the time I grew up, had any more significance about St. John the Baptist as they did St. Aloysius, however, in our liturgy today we give more attention to St. John the Baptist because of his connection with his cousin, Jesus, and his place in calling attention to Jesus as the Lamb of God and inviting people to recognize Jesus as the Word of God. Today we celebrate the Word of God through one's own baptism and in the way we live our lives, following the way of Christ.

Fr. Al Ebach, C.P.P.S.

DATE/INTENTIONS	READINGS	PARISH ACTIVITIES	MINISTRY SCHEDULE
Monday, June 25	2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18; Ps 60:3-5, 12-13; Mt 7:1-5		Saturday, June 30 5:00pm S - P. Barmann AS - A. Gooch; B. Gooch U - J. Coxon; L. Coxon L - C. James; L. Mussman EM - J. Keim; S. DeWald; R. Smith; E. Swartz; D. Swartz
Tuesday, June 26 8:00am: NO MASS	2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36; Ps 48:2-4, 10-11; Mt 7:6, 12-14	No 8:00am Mass	Sunday, July 1 8:00am S - TBA AS - TBA U - TBA L - TBA EM - TBA
Wednesday, June 27 <i>St. Cyril of Alexandria</i> 6:00pm: NO MASS	2 Kgs 22:8-13; 23:1-3; Ps 119:33-37, 40; Mt 7:15-20	No 6:00pm Mass	Sunday, July 1 10:30am S - TBA AS - TBA U - TBA L - TBA EM - TBA
Thursday, June 28 <i>St. Irenaeus</i> 8:00am: NO MASS	2 Kgs 24:8-17; Ps 79:1b-5, 8, 9; Mt 7:21-29	No 8:00am Mass	
Friday, June 29 <i>SS. Peter and Paul</i> 8:00am: No Mass	Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-9; 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18; Mt 16:13-19	No 8:00am Mass	
Saturday, June 30 <i>13th Sunday of Ordinary Time-Vigil</i> 5:00pm: † Vincent Stuhrenberg	Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19; Ps 74:1b-7, 20-21; Mt 8:15-17		
Sunday, July 1 <i>13th Sunday of Ordinary Time</i> 8:00am: † Lorenzo Gisonda 10:30am: Parish	Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15; Mk 5:21-43 [5:21-24, 35b-43]		If you are unable to minister, please call a substitute S - Sacristan, AS - Alter Server, U - Usher, L - Lector, EM - Eucharistic Minister

Remember in Your Prayers

Parishioners: **Carolyn Knipp; E Dian Kunce; Martha Hayes; Rachel Adcock; Trisha Greenwood**, daughter of John & Mary Greenwood; **Roy Harmon, Art Barrette; Josefina & Lee Prewitt; Tyler Sumption**, son of Donna Sumption; **Chuck Sohm; Jim & Dorothy Self; Suzy Amberg**.

Family & friends of parishioners: **Tim Bednarek**, uncle of Jamie Haas; **Angela McCarthy; Ruth Moyer**, mother of Patty Pagel; **Art Sanchez**, son of Tony Sanchez; **Don Pittier**, son of Cecilia Roberts; **Kris Kerrigan**, mother of Angee Simmons.

Please remember that our parish will not be offering daily Mass this week while Fr. Al is out of town. See the ad below to find Mass times at local churches.

Please keep Fr. Al in your prayers as he takes some time off and travels to visit family.



NOT IN KEARNEY - NEED A MASS TIME ?

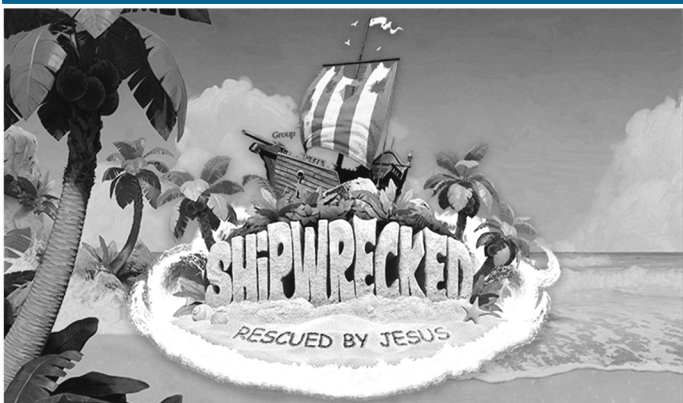
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Enjoy your visits & safe travels!



Are you thinking about joining the Catholic church and don't know where to start? Do you know someone who is interested in joining the Catholic church and may just need an invitation?

Please email Elizabeth at emadeo.coa@gmail.com or call 816-628-5030. Sessions start in the fall, but inquirers can begin any time, even now.



VBS: JULY 9 - 13
9am - noon

Would you like to help with VBS or donate needed supplies? Stop by the bulletin board in the narthex anytime and see how you can contribute to a successful week for our kids!

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- 1.) Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
- 2.) Contact your local laws enforcement agency or call 911, and
- 3.) After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Jenifer Valenti, at 816.812.2500 or JeniferValenti@att.net, if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph.

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