

ANNUNCIATION PARISH

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SEPTEMBER 20, 2020
25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 20 SEPTEMBER 27

ISA 55:6-9 EZE 18:25-28

PHI 1:20-27 PHI 2:1-11

MATT 20:1-16 MATT 21:28-32

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Open Mondays 8 AM to 1 PM - Tuesdays 8:30 AM to 12:00 PM - Thursdays 8:30-12:00PM

Phone and Email messages always welcome

BAPTISMS: By appointment. Please call for Parental Sacrament Preparation

WEDDINGS: Please contact at least 4 months in advance

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call any time or by appointment

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 3:15 - 3:45 and by appointment

MASS @ ANNUNCIATION: SATURDAY @ 4 PM SUNDAY @ 10:00AM,

SPANISH MASS/COMMUNION SERVICE: Sunday 12 - NOON

MASS @ ST. ANDREW: TIPTON SATURDAY @ 5:30 PM, SUNDAY @ 8:00AM

BISHOP MCKNIGHT'S SEPTEMBER PRAYER INTENTION

*For children deprived of a safe and healthy home, that they experience
The love of God through the care and concern shown by Catholics.*

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday	September 19	4:00 PM	Parish
Sunday	September 20	10:00 AM	Dorothy Scheidt
Tuesday	September 22	8:00 AM	Tom LePage
Thursday	September 24	8:00 AM	Our Country
Saturday	September 26	4:00 PM	Lenard Elliott
Sunday	September 27	10:00 AM	Parish

Parish Council Members: Eric Schroeter, Tawna Dutcher, Peggy Borgmeyer, Cody Volkart, DiAnne Naros, Julie Haslag

Liturgy Committee Members: Marian Fleischmann, Betty Pringer, Bev Kleffner, DiAnne Naros, Rosemary Bardwell, Margaret Bieri

Buildings and Grounds Committee Members: Eric Schroeter, Paul Bloch, Russ Anderson, Tim Forck, Larry Stegeman, Tim Baker, Dan Hemmel

Finance Committee: David Garnett, Jeanne McPherson, Tammy Hoellering, Deanna Benne

From the Pastor

First Communion Day: I was pleased to see 12 of our children receiving Holy Communion for the first time at a bilingual Mass celebrated on last Sunday at noon. It was concelebrated by Fr. James and assisted by Deacon Enrique. The communicants brought in their parents and relatives that made the church nearly full. It was a joy to see them walking up to do the readings, prayer of the faithful, and placing lighted candles before the altar and offering them to the Lord as a sign of their love and gratitude.

At the homily, I focused on two words: one is **Communion** and the other is **JOY**. Communion means 'union with' - that is to say, by receiving Holy Communion we become one with Christ. And this holy union will remain at all times and so our behavior has to be Christ-like. In the word JOY, **J** stands for Jesus, **O** stands for others and **Y** stands for yourself. In the order of the word: **J** comes first, **O** comes next and **Y** comes last - that is to say **Jesus first, Others next and Yourself last**. Jesus must be given the first place at all times; then others in need must get the next place and yourself gets the last place. This is a new way of life that will make us most joyful. It is also the motto of the Parish.

Once again I extend my congratulations to all communicants. I also thank their parents for guiding and encouraging them to receive Jesus in the Holy Communion. I thank Fr. James for giving out the certificates and gifts to our children. I also thank Deacon Enrique for assisting me at Mass and giving the Spanish translation of my homily and vote of thanks. 'A big thank you' to Letitia Sangster for getting everything organized wonderfully well. Many thanks to Susan Hogan and Ruth Ann Jobe for preparing them well with review classes. Special thanks to Margret Bieri for getting the certificates, gifts, and program folders in colorful form. Along with the Hispanic group, Ruth Ann Jobe and her choir brought forth a lively bilingual singing and I thank them all immensely for their great service.

In order for the children to sustain their Jesus experience, their parents must continue guiding them through PSR classes and Sunday Mass. If this is followed well, one day their children will become Priests and Religious. It is also necessary that individual

families and parish family collectively create a catholic environment for our children to discern their vocation. Most importantly, we all need to pray while encouraging them to get involved in our Sunday celebration and parish life.

Confirmation Retreat at Tipton: It has been scheduled for October 18, Sunday from 2 – 8 pm for the group of year 2020 to be given by Shannon Cerneka and his team from Oddwalk Ministries. We will have time to practice for the confirmation to be held on Wednesday, October 21, at 7 pm. The candidates who did not receive this Sacrament at California in June and still so desire to receive are requested to contact Tracy Gengler at 660 287 4878 as quickly as possible to be enrolled over at Tipton.

News from St. Andrew School:

A New Teacher: At an interview held on Friday, September 4, Rhonda Bookout was selected to be the 4th grade teacher putting in 25 hours per week and accordingly a contract was offered.

Free School Lunch: Beginning Tuesday, September 15, all students at St. Andrew Catholic School will be getting free lunch until notified differently as part of a program through the Department of Health and Senior Services as we are in the attendance area of Tipton Public Schools. If you have a child between the ages of 1-18 you may also receive a free meal for that child. If you wish to take advantage of this, you will need to contact the school office at 660-422-2232 to let them know how many meals you will need. Phone calls will need to be made by 9:45 am each morning a meal is needed.

If you have money on your child's lunch account, we will just keep that money in their account so when we have to start charging again, it will be there. Please let us know if you have any questions. Julie Mitchem, St. Andrew Principal.

Congratulations to Jorge Bedolla, Elly Hogan, Isabelle & Noah McCumber, Morgan Wingate, Joanna Lemus, Preslee Marriot, Celeste Villagomez, Araon Romo, Jose & Yarerzi Alaffa, and Monica Avila Aguada who made their First Communion this past weekend here at Annunciation.



WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

1st week: \$ 3,763.00 2nd week: \$ 6,033.00
 Hispanic Coll: \$ 157.00 Stipend: \$ 20.00
 Mustard Seed: \$ 21.00 Youth Fund \$614.00

MONTHLY COLLECTIONS
 Building Fund Mustard Seed

THIS WEEK AT ANNUNCIATION

Saturday, Sep. 19 *Saint Januarius; Blessed Virgin Mary*
 TMass 4:00 PM For Annunciation Parish

Sunday, Sep. 20
 TMass 10:00 AM For Dorothy Scheidt

Monday, Sep. 21 *Saint Matthew*
 T5:45 PM Prayer of the Holy Rosary for Vocations
 T8:00 PM AA-ALNON

Tuesday, Sep. 22
 TMass 8:00 AM For Tom LePage

Wednesday, Sep. 23 *Saint Pius of Pietrelcina*
 TMustard Seed 8:15 PM

Thursday, Sep. 24
 TMass 8:00 AM For Our Country
 TQuilting Holy Hour 7:00 PM

Friday, Sep. 25

Saturday, Sep. 26 *Saints Cosmas and Damian Blessed Virgin Mary*
 TMass 4:00 PM For Lenard Elliott

Sunday, Sept. 27
 TMass 10:00 AM For Annunciation Parish

Dr. James Honeywell passed away in Washington State on August 18th. There will be a memorial service at Annunciation Catholic Church in California, Mo on Saturday, September 26th at 9:00 a.m. There will be a Celebration of Life Reception in the church hall afterwards. Social distancing guidelines will be

Theology Class
 Father James Finder will be offering a Theology Class beginning on Wednesday, October 14th from 6-7PM in the church basement. It will last exactly an hour. Questions will be extremely welcome from the adults. (There will be no questions asked of adults by Father because he does not want to put anyone on the spot) He will be doing a 7 week class this fall and then maybe another seven weeks after the first of the year. There will be books to accompany the class. Therefore we need people to sign up or let us know who will be attending. There is a sheet in the back of church for you to sign up or you can call the office 796-4842 and leave your name and phone number. We will do social distancing.



Fatima Rosary Rally –
 Saturday, October 10th
 Sponsored by Annunciation Catholic Church
 12:00 Noon at East Pavillion – Proctor Park
 Bring lawn chair.
 If unable to attend join at home praying the rosary.

Fall Festivals

Visitation Parish Fall Festival -- Vienna, MO

Drive Thru & Carry-Out (no dine-in), Sunday, September 27, in Vienna @ the KC Hall. Serving Fresh Whole Hog Sausage, Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Green Beans, Sauerkraut, Coleslaw & Homemade Pie from 11AM to 5:30 PM. Cost is \$12 each or 4 meals for \$40. Country Store, Street Fair & Craft Vendors, Beer Garden/Gin Rickey, Kettle Corn, and Raffle also available

St. Stanislaus Parish in Wardsville, is having a Fall Supper on October 11 serving 11am to 6pm. DRIVE-THRU ONLY. Tickets: \$12.00. Fried chicken, Whole Hog Sausage, real mashed potatoes, green beans and sauerkraut.

Thanks to the generosity of the parishioners of Annunciation Parish, \$614 was added to the youth fund from the sale of pumpkins and mums. A special thanks to Chris Hurt, Carolyn Aggeler, Jeanne McPherson, and Tammy Korte, who helped with buying the pumpkins and mums in Amish country, providing advertisement via Facebook and general help.

Prayer List

Please Pray for these and all who are in need of prayer. Call the office to add someone or take some off.

Thomas Imhoff (son of Jim and Lita Imhoff)
Hazel Boss (mother of Pauline Forck); Michael Beneke; Guy Newkirk; Ron Frank; Sandy Crawford; Keith Connell; Fr. Mike Coleman; Fr. Aubuchon; Loretta Brauner; Doug & Misty Distler; Jean Lutz; Cody Schmidt; Amanda Imhoff; Diane Offerman; Connie Sack; David Schubert; Jeff Johnson; Gary Fleischmann; John & Barbara Reichl (parents of Bill Reichl); Parker Wood (grandson of Tim & Pauline Forck); Terry Carlson; Melissa Cox; Bob Winkler; Gary Rackers (Margaret's son-in-law); Special Intention; Rachael Frank; Bob Morris (husband of Elaine Fast); Abe Baepler; Paul & Myrene Hoellering; Andrea Tilbury; Delores Bardwell; Carol Rackers; Carol Baker; for all those affected by the Corona Virus.

Plastic Grocery Bags and Egg Cartons Needed

The food pantry is in need of plastic grocery bags and egg cartons. Please put these items in the collection barrels in the basement stairwell.

Thank you.

Reflection on 25th Sunday Gospel

Exegesis: The parable in today's Gospel is known as "*the Parable of Workers in the Vineyard*" or "*the Parable of the Generous Landlord*." Biblical scholar Daniel Harrington calls this "**The Parable of the Good Employer**" because the parable was probably addressed to Jesus' opponents who criticized him for preaching the Good News of the Kingdom to tax collectors and sinners. This remarkable and rather startling parable is found only in Matthew. It reminds us that although God owes us nothing, He gives abundantly what each person really needs.

The parable in a nutshell: The Kingdom of Heaven, says Jesus, is like landowner who goes out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. He rounds up a group at 6 AM, agrees to pay them the usual daily wage and then puts them into action. At nine AM, he rounds up another group. At noon, he recruits a third team, and then at three o'clock, a fourth. Finally, at 5 PM, he finds still more laborers who are willing and able to work. He sends them into the vineyard to do what they can before sundown. As the day ends, the landowner instructs his manager to pay one denarius each, the daily living wage, to all the workers, beginning with those who started at five in the afternoon.

But God does not see matters in the same way that we do. God thinks of justice in terms of people's dignity and their right to a decent life. In other words, God's perspective is that of the owner, who gave some of the laborers more than they earned. God's justice holds that the people who have come late have the same right to a living wage and decent life as those who have worked all day and, hence, all must be treated identically. We are laborers who have worked less than a full day. If God treated us justly, none of us would be rewarded. We have all been unfaithful to God in many ways; what we have earned from God is punishment. However, because God is generous rather than just, we all receive a full day's pay, even though we have not earned it. Jesus understood the value of all people, regardless of what the community thought of them. He gave all people equal value. Hence, our challenge is to recognize and accept with gratitude God's **Amazing Grace**. We must remember that there is more to life than the logic of action and reward. There is the generosity of Life, that is, of the Trinitarian God, who has made us His co-workers on this Earth of His. (Fr. Anthony Kadavil)