

# ANNUNCIATION PARISH

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*SEPTEMBER 27, 2020*  
*26<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

*SEPTEMBER 27 OCTOBER 4*  
*EZE 18:25-28 ISA 5:1-7*  
*PHI 2:1-11 PHI 4:6-9*  
*MATT 21:28-32 MATT 21:33-43*

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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

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

SPANISH MASS/COMMUNION SERVICE: Sunday 12 - NOON

MASSES @ 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 26	4:00 PM	Lenard Elliott
Sunday	September 27	10:00 AM	John & Pauline Rudroff
Tuesday	September 29	8:00 AM	Zoie Tuttle
Thursday	October 1	8:00 AM	Geary Labuary
Saturday	October 3	4:00 PM	Mildred Walters
Sunday	October 4	10:00 AM	Annunciation Parish

**Director of Religious Education:** Letitia Sangster (573) 576-0300

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

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## From the Pastor

**PSR & Confirmation Program:** Last Sunday was the kick start day for our children attending PSR and Confirmation program. It is a program run by the Parish with the help of dedicated volunteers. They feel encouraged when they see a reasonable number of children attending classes that have been well planned for the 2020 -2021. Attending Holy Mass after classes is an integral part of our religious education. Therefore, once again, I would like to request all parents to make sure their children are attending Sunday Mass. By virtue of Baptism, parents are committed to raise their children in a catholic environment that has been provided by the Parish. Please do not slip away with your children after the class which will make adverse impact on them. It would also look odd when a group of children are at Mass and others are gone. The bond that they would like to build with Jesus is taken away. We all need to make sacrifice which is part of our Christian life. But to build up our spiritual power and of our children, it is all the more necessary to make greater sacrifices. I look forward to seeing some improvement in this area.

**Wearing Mask:** As we are in the midst of pandemic situation, we also need to take the basic precaution. When we are not able to maintain social distancing in the church, it is recommended by the diocese that we wear a mask. This will also apply to our children when they in their respective classrooms.

**A Simple Remedy:** I would like to share a simple therapy that warded off COVID 19. An experiment was made in one of the hospitals in North India by some doctors. The said hospital had 300 employees working full time. When they all came to work, each one had to inhale steam for 10 minutes – that is to breathe in through the nostrils and breathe out through the mouth and then breathe in through mouth and breathe out through the nostrils. They had to do it three times a day. It went for three months when the virus hit India and till today not a single employee has been impacted. I have been following it faithfully to keep the entry ways of virus on check. Please give it a try and see for yourself how good and effective this simple therapy is.

**Priests Institute:** This is an annual program arranged by the diocese for all priests working in our diocese. It will be held, as before at the Four Seasons hotel at the lake from October 5<sup>th</sup> to the 9<sup>th</sup> Monday to Friday. And so, there will not be weekday Masses offered during this time. On emergency, please contact the Parish Office.

**St. Andrew School News:** We are blessed to have two more children who enrolled last Monday and that brings up our number to 94. They are from our Parish to make the total of 14 children attending St. Andrew school. Our school is blessed to have multi - cultures which is awesome and good news indeed! It is the need of the hour. Let us continue praying for our children, faculty and staff that they may be safe and sound during this pandemic situation.

**An Appeal:** As per the policy of our diocese, we do not charge tuition for catholic children in any of our schools. Therefore, it is expected of their parents to contribute tithe to the parish they belong. Because, the Parish that sends children to another Parish School is called to make monthly contribution to support that School. In this way, we are supporting St. Andrew and St. Martin Schools where our children are being educated due to the commitment to Catholic Education by some parents. And so, I request you to contribute generously your weekly/monthly tithe to the Parish in support of our common ministry. Perhaps you will be surprised to learn that as of 06/30/20, St. Andrew Parish, Tipton spent on an average of \$6,767.53 for educating one child. It was possible only by the generous support and donations of many well-meaning people. As the saying goes “drop by drop the ocean gets full”.

**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.

Studies show that one in four females, and one in six males, will be a victim of sexual abuse by the time they reach the age of 18. You can help prevent this from happening. The Diocese of Jefferson City will hold a **VIRTUS® Protecting God's Children** class on Wednesday, September 30, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. at the Alphonse J. Schwartze Catholic Center, 2207 West Main, Jefferson City, Missouri. **Participants must register in advance** at [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org). Please arrive early so that the class may begin on time. Due to the nature of the subject, children are discouraged from attending.

**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS**

1<sup>st</sup> week: \$ 3,763.00      2<sup>nd</sup> week: \$ 6,033.00  
 3<sup>rd</sup> week: \$ 1,631.00

Hispanic Coll: \$ 81.00      PSR Reimb: \$ 340.00  
 Religious Retirement: \$ 50.00

**MONTHLY COLLECTIONS**  
 Building Fund      Mustard Seed

**THIS WEEK AT ANNUNCIATION**

**Saturday, Sep. 26** ;*Blessed Virgin Mary*  
 TMass 4:00 PM      Lenard Elliott

**Sunday, Sep. 27**  
 TMass 10:00 AM      John & Pauline Rudroff

**Monday, Sep. 28** *Saint Wenceslaus*  
 T5:45 PM      Prayer of the Holy Rosary for Vocations  
 T8:00 PM      AA-ALNON

**Tuesday, Sep. 29** Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael  
 TMass 8:00 AM      For Zoie Tuttle

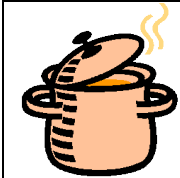
**Wednesday, Sep. 30** *Saint Jerome*  
 TMustard Seed 8:15 PM

**Thursday, Oct 1** St Therese of the Child Jesus  
 TMass 8:00 AM      For Geary Labuary  
 TQuilting      Holy Hour 7:00 PM

**Friday, Oct. 2** The Holy Guardian Angels  
 Adoration All Day

**Saturday, Oct. 3** *Blessed Virgin Mary*  
 TMass 4:00 PM      For Mildred Walters

**Sunday, Oct. 4**  
 TMass 10:00 AM      For Annunciation Parish



**Upcoming Fundraiser Announcement!!**

A perfect way to enjoy the Chiefs verses Broncos game!!  
 Annunciation Ladies Sodality will be sponsoring a Soup and Dessert Fundraiser on Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>.  
 Homemade Noodle Soup and Chili will be sold by the gallons or in small servings.  
 Apple cobbler and brownies will also be available.  
 Sales of soup and dessert will only be for carry out and pre-orders will be welcomed.  
 Watch bulletin for more information.

**Theology Class**

Father James Finder will be offering a Theology Class beginning on Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 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 10<sup>th</sup>  
 Sponsored by Annunciation Catholic Church  
 12:00 Noon at East Pavilion – Proctor Park  
 Bring lawn chair.  
 If unable to attend join at home praying the rosary.

## Thank you!

I wish everyone could see what's happening in the parish from my perspective. I took over PSR a few months ago and the amazing support that is pouring in has been so encouraging. I have received crayons, school supplies, masks, sanitizer, and tissues. We have old towels for the kids to sit on outside and carpet squares from Dutcher's to help them space out when inside. Snacks and drinks are being donated and parishioners are showing up to lend a hand as needed.

Vickie Schroeder cleaned up the broken glass near the basketball hoop. Stephanie Labuary scrubbed the table tops clean. Tom and Joyce Hagedorn handled the registration table helping all the families sign up for classes. I wish I could thank each and every volunteer and donor personally but I'd need a whole page to do it! When Annuciation parishioners see a job needs done, they rally! Your generosity and hard work will pay off. I appreciate it so much!

A special thanks to my teachers and volunteers getting the classes going in this uncertain time and Tim and Margaret in the office for helping me with a thousand questions a week. I couldn't do it without you!

PS. The 5 Smart TVs that were donated (Wow!) are up and running. I'm trying to get them capable of showing the mass to all sitting in overflow seating. If you are a skilled "caster" or have knowledge of livestreaming, or are good at installing wiring for TV's please let me know. I'm hoping to get this option available as soon as possible.

Letitia Sangster

## 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; 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 Reynolds 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.***

## Fall Festivals

### **Visitation Parish Fall Festival -- Vienna, MO**

Drive Thru & Carry-Out only, Sunday, September 27, in Vienna @ the KC Hall.

**St. Stanislaus Parish in Wardsville**, is having a Fall Supper on October 11 serving 11am to 6pm. **DRIVE-THRU ONLY.** Tickets: \$12.00.

**Guardian Angels Parish Fall Dinner**, Curbside Pick Up & Carry-Out (no indoor seating), Sunday, October 11, in Brinktown.

### **26<sup>th</sup> Sunday readings reflections**

Today's Scripture passages warn us that it is our final decision for or against God, that is, our choosing to obey Him gracefully by doing His will or our choosing to go against His will, which will decide our eternal reward or punishment. As free beings, we are the ones who choose our eternal destiny.

**Scripture lessons summarized:** In the first reading, the Lord God, through His prophet, Ezekiel, corrects the Jewish beliefs that children inherit the guilt of their ancestors and are punished for their sins, and that God is stricter than merciful. God explains that His mercy overrules strict justice and that He will punish us only for our sins, not for the sins of our ancestors. Today's Responsorial Psalm (Ps 25) appeals to God's compassion and mercy, begging Him to wipe away our sins and extend mercy to us. The second reading, Paul's Letter to the Philippians, also affirms the truth that the final choice for God, made by perfect obedience to Him, will be rewarded. Paul emphasizes the fact that it is because of Christ's obedience to God's will in *emptying himself, taking human form* and humbling himself by accepting even death on a cross that God the Father *exalted Christ, bestowed on him the Name above every other name*, and made Jesus the recipient of universal adoration. In the parable in today's Gospel, a man with two sons tells both to go out to work in the vineyard. The first son says he won't go, but later regrets it and works. The second son says he will go but does not. In each case, it is the final decision that is more important. Jesus teaches through this short parable that repentant tax-collectors and prostitutes, represented by the first son who initially refused to go, will make their way into the Kingdom of God before the chief priests and the elders, represented by the second son in the parable. By their pride and their refusal to obey God's call to repentance, the scribes and the Pharisees are excluding themselves, while the tax-collectors and sinners whom they despised are repenting of their sins and will be accepted into God's Kingdom. It is a parable on the necessity of offering a continual "yes" to the saving act of God.

**Life messages:** (1) We need to do God's will every day: Each one of us is responsible to God for every one of our actions, and the just God will punish or reward each individual according to that person's actions. Since we are not sure about the moment of our death, our only guarantee of dying in God's friendship is to live in that friendship always, saying "Yes," to God by doing His will.

2) It is never too late for us to repent, be converted, and allow the Holy Spirit to renew our life: If we have been disobedient to God in our past life, we need to knock at the door of God's mercy. God can, and will, do for us what, in his mercy, He, did for the repentant tax-collectors and harlots in the parable and in real life. Hence, every night we need to repent of our sins and ask God's pardon. If we are in serious sin we also to be reconciled with God, the Church and our brothers and sisters through the Sacrament of Reconciliation, in order to be able to receive Jesus Holy Communion. Let us remember that it is never too late for us to turn back to God.