

Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 8:30 AM
5:30 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 8:00 AM
10:00 AM Family Mass
11:45 AM (except in July & August)

Weekdays: 7:30 AM, 12:05 PM

Holy Days of Obligation:
7:30 AM, 12:05 PM, 7:30 PM

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Baptisms are celebrated after the 11:45 AM Sunday Mass, or at the 11:45 AM Mass. Please call the Rectory for dates and family orientation.

Marriage: Diocesan Common Policy requires that the Parish be notified one year in advance of intention to marry. Pre-Cana or Engagement Encounter is also required.

Reconciliation: Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 PM. Anytime by request.

New Parishioners are welcome and are invited to introduce themselves to the Pastor or to call the Parish Secretary.

ORDINATION AND RELIGIOUS LIFE Discerning what God is asking of you for your life? Is God calling you to a life of service as a Priest, Deacon or Religious? Please contact the Vocation Office of our Diocese of Paterson: 973-777-2955 or speak to one of the priests or pastoral staff of our parish.

45 Urban Club Road, Wayne, N.J. 07470
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Office: 973-694-5700 Fax: 973-694-5706

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 17, 2019

Masses for the Week

Saturday, February 16-Vigil, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 p.m. +Lolita Holganza

Fr. Brian by Michael DeBenedetto, III & family

Sunday, February 17-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. +Lolita Holganza by the family

Fr. Brian

10:00 a.m. Mass for the people

Fr. Brian

11:45 a.m. +Mary Halasz by George & Rosemary Halas

Fr. Andrew Walters

Monday, February 18-Presidents Day

7:30 a.m. for the intentions of Diane Menard

Fr. Michael Davitti by Jeryl Maglio

12:05 p.m. +Robert Karstens by Rosalie Scudellari

Fr. Tom

Tuesday, February 19

7:30 a.m. for the intentions of Mimi Feliciano

Fr. Michael Davitti by Jeryl Maglio

12:05 p.m. +Bill Shadwell by friend, Maureen Passarella

Fr. Tom

Wednesday, February 20

7:30 a.m. for the intentions of Teresa Marinelli

Fr. Tom by Jeryl Maglio

12:05 p.m. +Ewald Knieer by the Herbst family

Fr. Tom

Thursday, February 21-St. Peter Damian, bishop

7:30 a.m. for the intentions of Adam Del Pinho

Fr. Matt by Jeryl Maglio

12:05 p.m. +Deacon Andy & Ginny Kostic

Fr. Matt by Rosalie Scudellari

Friday, February 22-the Chair of St. Peter, apostle

7:30 a.m. for the intentions of Teresa Colaneri

Fr. Tom by Jeryl Maglio

12:05 p.m. living and deceased members of the

Fr. Tom Prime Timers by the Prime Timers

Saturday, February 23-St. Polycarp, bishop & martyr

8:30 a.m. for the intentions of Michele Ansbacher

Fr. Michael Davitti by Jeryl Maglio

Vigil, Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:30 p.m. +Rosemarie Trentacost

Fr. Andrew Walters by Janice & Mike DeBenedetto

Sunday, February 24-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 a.m. +Hope Williams Cathy Kennedy & family

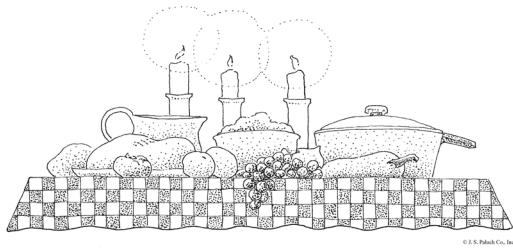
Fr. Julio

10:00 a.m. +Joe Albanese by the Liscio family

Fr. Andrew Walters

11:45 a.m. Mass for the people

Fr. Andrew Walters



**"Blessed are you who are poor,
for the kingdom of God is yours.
Blessed are you who are now hungry,
for you will be satisfied."**

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23 – 5:30 P.M.

LECTOR: Jeanette Hartman

SERVER:

EMHC: Mike Zimak, Bill Wambach, Mary Ann Scharf

GREETER: Zimak family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24 – 8:00 A.M.

LECTOR: Eva May

SERVER: Natalia Fronc

EMHC: Josefina Grasdner, Jean Holt, Theresa DeSalvatore

GREETER: Mike Basile, Chuck Donovan

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24 – 10:00 A.M.

LECTOR: Maria Holganza

SERVER: Veronica & Raphael Holganza

EMHC: Dale Tengi, Alice Sujkowski,

Rick Bunker

GREETER: Moskal family

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24 – 11:45 A.M.

LECTOR: Rachel Jones

SERVER: Joseph Paletthu

EMHC: Jerry Speziale, Nancy Cataneo

GREETER: Cataneo family

WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT

2019 2018

Amt. of Collection.....\$6,353.00 \$6,461.00

From 130 Envelopes.....\$4,678.00

Loose Collection.....\$515.00

Online Giving.....\$1,160.00

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

The collection for the Church in Central & Eastern Europe will be taken this weekend. Please make checks payable to Annunciation Church.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun., Feb. 17: Jer 17:5-8; 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20; Lk 6:17,20-26

Mon., Feb. 18: Gn 4:1-11,15; Mk 8:11-13

Tues., Feb. 19: Gn 6:5-6; 7:1-5,10; Mk 8:14-21

Wed., Feb. 20: Gn 8:6-13,20-22; Mk 8:22-26

Thu., Feb. 21: Gn 9:1-13; Mk 8:27-33

Fri., Feb. 22: 1 Pt 5:1-4; Mt 16:13-19

Sat., Feb. 23: Heb 11:1-7; Mk 9:2-13

Sun., Feb. 24: 2 Sm 26:2,7-9,12-13,22-23; 1 Cor 15:45-59;
Lk 6:27-38

St. Polycarp

When I was teaching Church History, one of my favorite lessons was on the saint whom we will celebrate this Saturday, St. Polycarp.

The reason I enjoyed teaching about St. Polycarp was because his is one of the first martyrdom accounts written down, but even more so, he was an 80-year-old bishop, who fearlessly endured martyrdom for the sake of Christ.

I highly recommend searching for his martyrdom account online because, in my opinion, it is one of the most powerful things you will ever read.

St. Polycarp was a disciple of St. John the Evangelist and so, as a result, he was able to learn and to hear firsthand accounts of Jesus, who He was, what He did and the true impact that He had on people's lives. Some would say that these accounts are what inspired St. Polycarp to endure the challenges that had to be readily faced in an environment less than sympathetic to Christians.

St. Polycarp, as one commentator notes was "a holy man and bishop of Smyrna, who found there was only one answer [to respond to such an environment] -- to be true to the life of Jesus and imitate that life."

One day, as the story goes, there was a very bloody and violent martyrdom of a group of Christians who were attacked by wild animals in the arena. (The arena was the place of entertainment for the pagans, and one of the most entertaining events for the pagans was watching Christians die.) It is said that the crowd became so mad that they demanded more blood by crying, "Down with the atheists; let Polycarp be found." (Christians were considered "atheists" because they didn't believe in the gods of the pagans.)

St. Polycarp was unafraid, but, at the advice of others, moved from town to town until he was found in a little farm. It is said, when his captors came he fed them a meal and asked for one request, to be able to pray for an hour, he prayed for two, praying for all Christians, his captors and everyone he could think of and then was brought to the arena.

On the Sabbath day, he faced his demise. He was told by the proconsul to say: "Away with atheists," so he looked at the faces of the crowd (the pagans) and said as he was told, then he was told to swear by Caesar to save himself, he then said: "If you imagine that I will swear by Caesar, you do not know who I am. Let me tell you plainly, I am a Christian."

The proconsul then reminded him that he would be thrown to the wild animals unless he changed his mind. St. Polycarp refused and, not only that, after seeing in a dream a few days earlier his pillow being burned up, he knew he was to be burned at the stake, which is indeed what happened.

As he was tied up at the stake he said a beautiful prayer, and as he said "Amen" everyone saw a miracle. It is said the fire burst up in an arch around St. Polycarp, the flames surrounding him like sails, and instead of being burned he seemed to glow like bread baking, (Eucharistic imagery) or gold being melted in a furnace. When the captors saw he wasn't being burned, they stabbed him. The blood that flowed put the fire out.

That is the short version, again, I recommend you read the entire thing, it is not that long, because, at the end of the day what St. Polycarp shows is the power of prayer and the strength it gives to persevere as a Christian. His example should be an inspiration to us all and we too should desire to live with the same fearlessness by making his prayer our own, the same beautiful prayer he prayed before his death, the same prayer

with which I would like to end.

"Lord God Almighty, Father of your beloved and blessed Son Jesus Christ...I bless you, for having made me worthy of this day and hour, I bless you, because I may have a part, along with the martyrs, in the chalice of your Christ, to resurrection in eternal life...May I be received today, as a rich and acceptable sacrifice, among those who are in your presence...For this and for all benefits I praise you, I bless you, I glorify you, through the eternal and heavenly High Priest, Jesus Christ, your beloved Son, through whom be to you with him and the Holy Spirit glory, now and for all the ages to come. Amen."

Fr. Brian

Memorial Donation

The Sanctuary Lamp was donated in loving memory of +Maria Karg by son, Gerry & his wife, Barbara.

Please Pray for Our Sick

Dear Father of love and mercy, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need: Deacon Joe Crowley, Dave Murphy, Jay Frost, Angelina Schmitt, Evelyn Boissonault, Bernadette Jaros, Raymond Vena, Sr., Dora Sannasardo, Hank Oswald and Fr. Dan Kelly.



NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome all new parishioners to our parish and invite you to introduce yourself to the Priest or Deacon after Mass or visit us at the Rectory to register. **If you have been attending our Church regularly but have not registered we invite you to do so.** Also, if you would like to have your house blessed please give us a call at 973-694-5700. We look forward to meeting you.

CALENDAR OF WEEKLY EVENTS

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

No Religious Ed. classes

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Office closed (Presidents' Day)

Bible Study: the Book of Revelation 7:00 p.m.
community room

Youth Ministry mtg. 7:00-8:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Bible Study: the Book of Revelation 10:00 a.m.
community room

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Women's Bible Study 9:45-11:45 a.m. rectory

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Choir rehearsal 7:30 p.m. church

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Prime Timers Mass/mtg. 12:05 p.m. Chapel/community room

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Confession 4:00-5:00 p.m.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Gr. 1-6 Rel. Ed. 8:45 a.m.

Knights of Columbus "Your Choice" Breakfast

Gr. 7-10 Mass/class 6:00-8:30 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE

Under normal circumstances the option is always there for all to receive the Eucharist under both species, but given these extraordinary times when so many are coming down with severe colds or the flu, our parish will suspend the distribution of the Precious Blood at all Masses until further notice.

The same holds true for shaking hands during the sign of peace; if you have a cold, just acknowledge those around you verbally.

Attention Prime Timers

The February meeting of the Prime Timers Group will be held on **Friday, February 22nd**, beginning with the 12:05 p.m. Mass followed by a luncheon in the community room, a brief business meeting, games and fellowship for all. Membership is open to everyone 55 or older.

ALTAR FLOWER MEMORIAL

For those who wish to remember a loved one at a weekend Mass, may we suggest offering the flowers for the main altar or for the Blessed Mother altar, which will be there for the weekend and into the week following. The flowers will be ordered by the parish and mention of the intention will be made both in the bulletin and before the weekend Masses. The cost of flowers for the main altar is \$50.00 and for the side altar, \$35.00. You may also donate the Sanctuary Lamp for a specific weekend. The cost is \$10.00

If you would like to donate the flowers or the Sanctuary Lamp, please call the rectory 973-694-5700.



Knights of Columbus "Your Choice" Breakfast after all Masses

Sunday, February 24, 2019



Parish Food Pantry

*Our parish collects food for the needy every weekend.
Please bring nonperishable food and offer it as your gift to
those in need.*

Notification of Hospitalization Illness or Impending Surgery

Hospitals are required to observe confidentiality and privacy laws and are no longer able to inform parishes of admissions of parishioners. It is now necessary for either the patient, him/her self, or a family member to notify the parish of his/her hospitalization. Arrangements then can be made for the parish priest to visit the patient.

Because of privacy laws we do not publish the names of the sick in our bulletin or announce them at Mass unless the patient or a family member gives us permission to do so.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be administered upon request prior to a scheduled hospital admission or before any elective surgery. Please call the rectory 973-694-5700. All calls are kept confidential.

St. Joseph's Table - Prizes Needed

The St. Joseph's Table committee is already planning for the upcoming St. Joseph's Table, 50/50 and basket raffle to be held on Sunday, March 17, 2019. Currently we are asking parishioners for donations of new items to be included in the basket prizes. We also need empty baskets for the prizes. Please bring your donated items to the community room during the month of February or give them directly to a St. Joseph's Table committee member. If you have any questions, please see Daniela Ferrara.

Eva's Kitchen Outreach Ministry

On Saturday March 2nd, Annunciation Parish will be preparing and serving a hot midday meal for those in need at Eva's Kitchen in Paterson. The success of this important Ministry depends on your support. There are a number of opportunities in which you can participate. Please choose one or more of the following ways that best suit your time.

1. Preparation of ziti with tomato sauce (please par-cook the ziti)
2. Preparation of meatballs (with or without tomato sauce).
3. Fresh fruit (bananas and oranges preferred).
4. Volunteer to serve lunch at Eva's.

Please drop off food donations at the Annunciation kitchen on Saturday, March 2nd by 9:30am. If you are volunteering to serve the meal at Eva's, we will be leaving Annunciation at 10am. Sign-up sheets can be found at both entrances of the Church. Thank you! Call Carrie Fohlinger with any questions 973-595-9083.

Now it's even easier to use your phone to give to the church.

Go to www.abvm-wayne.org and sign up for Online Giving. Simply click on "create an account". Then, enter the needed information, and submit. You will get an email with a verification link to finish setting up your account. If you do not see the email, check your spam folder. It's that simple to give anytime and from anywhere using a computer, smartphone or tablet.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Couples for Christ: Alex & Carmela Enriquez—973-685-9738

Eva May's Trips: Eva May 973-696-5427

Family Fun Committee: Steven Pierinelli – 973-433-7093

Knights /Columbus: Mike Basile, Grand Knight 201-452-1032

Prime Timers: George Halas, Vice-President 973-633-8655

Society for the Poor: Joanne Tamaro 973-628-1556

Women's Bible Study: Alice Sujkowski – 973-790-8535

Pastoral Council Members: Anna Maria Bock, Anne Cilvick, Deacon Joseph Crowley, Maeghan Fengya, Trish Frost, George Halas, Karen Marron, Eva May, Pat O'Connor, Ann Marie Reidel, Elise Rossbach, Rich Rossbach, Paul Veltre, Joanne Zimak.



RELIGIOUS ED SCHEDULE

February 17 (President's weekend)

Grades 1-6: No Class

Grades 7-8: No Class

Grade 9-10: No Class

February 24

Grades 1-6: 8:45-9:50 a.m. class, 10:00 a.m. Mass

Grades 7-8: 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. (Mass & Class)

Grades 9-10: 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. (Mass & Class)

March 3

Grades 1-6: 8:45-9:50 a.m. class, 10:00 a.m. Mass

Grades 7-8: No Class

Grade 9-10: No Class

If any person may have been abused by any priest, they should immediately contact their local County Prosecutor's Office and the Diocese's Victims Assistance Coordinator: Peggy Zanello at 973-879-1489. You may also be in touch with either the Diocesan response Offices: Rev. Msgr. James T. Mahoney, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia, 973-777-8818, ext. 205 or Sister Joan Daniel Healy, Chancellor/Delegate for Religious, 973-777-8818, ext. 248.

The entire text of the Policy of the Diocese of Paterson in Response to Complaints of Sexual Abuse is available on the diocesan website: www.patersondiocese.org.

Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry

Saturday, March 9th 2019 6:30 pm

In the Annunciation Parish Community Room

Catered by THISTLE CATERING
of Lyndhurst, New Jersey

Old English Style Fish & Chips
“Fresh Cod”

Includes:

French fries, coleslaw, tartar sauce, ketchup,
malt vinegar and dessert

Beverages: water, soda, juice, coffee/tea and Beer
(BYOB)

“Fried Chicken Tender Dinners” are also
available. Upon Request,
when Tickets are Purchased”

Cost: Adults \$20.00 Children 6 to 12 \$10.00
Children 5 and under Free

Tickets go on sale: Feb. 16/17, 23/24 & March 2/3
after each Mass

“NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR”

YOUTH MINISTRY

Elise Rossbach 973-930-4767

errossbach@optonline.net

Meetings: The Youth Ministry will be meeting on Mondays from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 18th.

Antioch XVI Team

Antioch XVI Team will meet every Sunday from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Service:

Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

Volunteers are needed to help set up, serve and clean up at the annual Fish Fry dinner on Saturday, March 9, 2019 from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Volunteers will receive Confirmation service hours. Please see Elise to sign up.

Catholic Heart Work Camp

We will be serving as the host youth group for Catholic Heart Work Camp in Haledon, NJ the week of July 21st to July 27th.

Volunteers will receive Confirmation service hours. Please see Elise to apply.

Events:

Antioch XVI

March 29, 30 & 31, 2019

Save the date!

N.J. Catholic Youth Rally at Six Flags

Sunday, May 19, 2019

Save the date!

Serving in Our Military

With gratitude, we remember our veterans and we also pray for the safe return of our loved ones who now serve us faithfully both here and in foreign lands.

As a visible reminder of their sacrifice and our love, we would like to begin publishing a prayer list of the men and women who are actively serving. This list will be published regularly in the bulletin.

If you wish to include a family member who is actively serving in the military, please call the Parish Office at 973-694-5700 and provide us with the individuals name and rank. You may also email the information to trish23@optonline.net.

Please keep in your prayers

~CPL Axsel Consten, Marine

~Chastity Consten, Air Force

~Staff Sgt. Ross Devine, Special Forces

~Matt Doss, US Army

~Sam Oswald, Air Force

~Ensign Matthew La Sala

~SPC Andrew V. Tucker, US Army

~Master Sgt Rick Van Eycke, Marines

~Staff Sgt. Christopher Whitehead, US Army