

# *Church of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

*Rev. Brian Ditullio, Administrator  
Rev. Msgr. Peter J Doody, Pastor Emeritus  
Rev. Julio Barrios, in Residence  
Rev. Mr. Joseph C. Crowley, Jr., Deacon*

*Third Sunday of Easter*

*Our Parish Community Congratulates*

*Christina Deleon  
Alaina Dennison  
Allyson Galka  
Dillon Josephsen  
T. Kyle Layug  
Julien Minervini  
William Pontilena  
Allison Scrivens  
Patrick Sobanko  
Isabella Tindoc  
Lucas Vargas  
Angel Ziemba  
Hailie Ziemba  
Melissa Ziemba*



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*Celebrating First Eucharist Sunday, May 5, 2019*

*I am the Bread of Life . . . Whoever eats this Bread will live forever. (John 6:35-58)*

**Masses for the Week**

**Saturday, May 4-Vigil, Third Sunday of Easter**

**5:30 p.m.** +Kimberly Kennedy Sgammato love, mom  
Fr. Brian anniversary remembrance

**Sunday, May 5-Third Sunday of Easter**

**8:00 a.m.** Mass for the people  
Fr. Julio

**10:00 a.m.** for the intentions of our children making their  
Fr. Brian First Holy Communion

**11:45 a.m.** +Arthur Cuiffo by Gloria Pezzuti &  
Fr. Brian Vince Passiatore

**Monday, May 6**

**7:30 a.m.** +Dolores Santen by family  
Fr. Brian

**12:05 p.m.** +George S. White by loving wife  
Fr. Brian

**Tuesday, May 7**

**7:30 a.m.** +Raymond Santen by family  
Fr. Brian

**12:05 p.m.** +Michael & Stella Coscia by family  
Fr. Brian

**Wednesday, May 8**

**7:30 a.m.** +Louise Santen by family  
Fr. Brian

**12:05 p.m.** +Rosario Coscia by family  
Fr. Brian

**Thursday, May 9**

**7:30 a.m.** +Rina Maggiora by family  
Fr. Tom

**12:05 p.m.** +Joe Massoud by George & Rosemary Halas  
Fr. Tom

**Friday, May 10-St. Damien de Veuster, priest**

**7:30 a.m.** +Ernest Maggiora by family  
Fr. Tom

**12:05 p.m.** +Romana Duria by the Abad family  
Fr. Brian

**Saturday, May 11**

**8:30 a.m.** +Jane Derendal by Betty Benitez  
Fr. Brian

**Vigil, Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**5:30 p.m.** +Gail Mulvihill by Maureen Brady  
Fr. Brian

**Sunday, May 12-Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**8:00 a.m.** +Salvatore Battaglia  
Fr. Julio by Isabella & Giovanni Siracusa

**10:00 a.m.** +John F. Tobin by the Bunker family  
Fr. Bishop Serratelli

**11:45 a.m.** Mass for the people  
Fr. Emmet Murphy OFM



**“Worthy is the Lamb that was slain  
to receive power and riches,  
wisdom and strength,  
honor and glory and blessing.”**

— Revelation 5:12

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY, MAY 11 – 5:30 P.M.**

LECTOR: Pat O’Connor

SERVER:

EMHC: Roger O’Connor, Nancy Cataneo,  
Carrie Fohlinger

GREETER: Zimak family

**SUNDAY, MAY 12 – 8:00 A.M.**

LECTOR: Tom Henry

SERVER: Bernadette, Raphael & Miguel Enriquez

EMHC: Lou & Pat Alaimo, Bill Wambach

GREETER: Chuck Donovan, Christina Patlen

**SUNDAY, MAY 12 – 10:00 A.M.**

LECTOR: Fabian Guirales

SERVER: Natalie Guirales, Leizl Carlo

EMHC: Diana & Dayron Guirales, Mike DeBenedetto

GREETER: Nancy Pierinelli, Daniela Ferrara

**SUNDAY, MAY 12 – 11:45 A.M.**

LECTOR: Maria Holganza

SERVER: Veronica & Raphael Holganza

EMHC: Frank & Joanne Tamaro

GREETER: Jerry Speziale

**WEEKLY OFFERING REPORT**

	2019	2018
Amt. of Collection.....	\$5,326.00	\$6,126.00
From 105 Envelopes.....	\$3,421.00	
Loose Collection.....	\$700.00	
Online Giving.....	\$1,205.00	

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

The Diocesan Assessment collection will be taken next week-  
end. Please make checks payable to Annunciation Church.

**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.

**Remember Annunciation Parish  
in Your Will**

## Mary and the Most Holy Eucharist

This weekend 14 children celebrate their First Communion, receiving the most amazing and powerful gift they could ever receive in this world, a gift that was given by Our Blessed Mother, whom we also honor in this month of May. As a result, I want to offer a little reflection on both the Most Holy Eucharist and Mary.

In the biblical days, after God had revealed to Moses the Ten Commandments, He had instructed Moses to build a special covering for those same Ten Commandments as well as other sacred Israelite texts. "They shall make an arc of acacia wood..." (Exodus 25:10-40). This Ark became known as the "Ark of the Covenant," because it housed the Covenant established by Moses, on behalf of the people with God. Therefore, this "Ark" became sacred and, because of its sacredness, a tent or "tabernacle" was created for it to be housed within, and only certain people, suited for the task could even enter that "Holy of Holies" (comparable to our sanctuary) and be able to even touch the Ark itself. Upon its completion, then, according to the Catholic biblical scholar Steven Ray: "The glory cloud of the Lord (the Shekinah Glory) covered the tent of meeting, and the glory of the Lord filled the tabernacle (Ex. 40:34-35; Num. 9:18, 22). The verb for 'to cover' or 'to overshadow' and the metaphor of a cloud are used in the Bible to represent the presence and glory of God." Therefore, the Holy Spirit overshadowed the presence of the Ark making it a suitable dwelling place for the Word of God, which is the Covenant of the people.

In 586, when the Babylonians destroyed the Temple of Solomon (the place where the Ark was believed to be housed) the Ark went missing, there is debate as to whether the Babylonians took it, if it was hidden or if it was destroyed. Either way, the Ark disappeared and, to this day and has not been found.

This is why in the Book of Revelation (Rev. 11:19) when St. John mentions the Ark, it was big news: "Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple; and there were flashes of lightning, voices, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail." Yet, this is also the end of the chapter and chapter 12 begins by speaking about the "sign in the sky of a woman clothed with the sun." However, Catholic scholars see this passage differently, for, if you recall, the books of the Bible were written as scrolls with no chapter breaks, the break is artificial and, instead, should be read as one. Therefore, what that means is that the old Ark, while lost, has given way to the "New Ark of the Covenant," which is Mary.

In fact, in the Gospel of Luke, a New Ark was overshadowed by the Holy Spirit and within that new Ark, dwelt the true Word of God, God Incarnate and the fulfillment of the Covenant to the people. As Steven Ray, quoting the Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Itinerant People says: The Virgin Mary is the living shrine of the Word of God, the Ark of the New and Eternal Covenant. In fact, St. Luke's account of the annunciation of the angel to Mary nicely incorporates the images of the tent of meeting with God in Sinai and of the temple of Zion. Just as the cloud covered the people of God marching in the desert (cf. Num. 10:34; Deut. 33:12; Ps. 91:4) and just as the same cloud, as a sign of the divine mystery present in the midst of Israel, hovered over the Ark of the Covenant (cf. Ex. 40:35), so now the shadow of the Most High envelops and penetrates the tabernacle of the New Covenant that is the womb of Mary (cf. Luke 1:35) (Pontifical Council for the

Pastoral Care of Migrants and Itinerant People, *The Shrine: Memory, Presence and Prophecy of the Living God*).

This is why Mary is seen as the New Ark of the Covenant, however, given this, we can also see how she is seen as the first and most beautiful tabernacle. St. Ephrem, an early Father of the Church puts it beautifully, he says: "Joseph and also John [The Evangelist] honored your mother's womb as a symbol. It is the symbol of the Tabernacle the temporal Tabernacle in which Emmanuel was dwelling."

For, within her, God Himself truly dwelt which is why when we go to her we immediately see Jesus as well, because just as we go to the tabernacle to spend time with Jesus, so too when we go to the first tabernacle we will find Him there as well, for the Son is never too far from His Mother.

This is why there is such a great link between Mary and the Eucharist, and why devotion to her can increase our love of Jesus, our love of her Son, because just as she held Him in her arms, so too do we when we receive the Eucharist. She shows us the proper way to hold Him, to receive Him, and to accept Him into our very hearts the way she did when He dwelt in her womb. This is why as the children celebrate their First Holy Communion we cannot but help to honor His mother as well, the New Ark of the Covenant, the first and, indeed, most beautiful Tabernacle of the world. Fr. Brian

## Altar Flower Donations

*The flowers on the altar were donated for the intentions of Ann Marie Dusek. Happy Birthday Blessings by Joe & Vicki Versoza.*

### CALENDAR OF WEEKLY EVENTS

#### SUNDAY, MAY 5

Sacrament of First Eucharist 10:00 a.m.

#### TUESDAY, MAY 7

Staff mtg. 3:00 p.m. rectory

Pastoral Council Night of Discernment 7:00 p.m.  
community room/Chapel

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

Knights of Columbus mtg. 8:00 p.m. community room

#### THURSDAY, MAY 9

Choir rehearsal 7:30 p.m. church

#### SATURDAY, MAY 11

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

#### SUNDAY, MAY 12-MOTHER'S DAY

Bishop Serratelli Pastoral visit 10:00 a.m. Mass

May Crowning 10:00 a.m.

Knights of Columbus mtg. 11:15 a.m. classroom 7

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sun., May 5:** Acts 5:27-32,40b-41; Rv 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19

**Mon., May 6:** Acts 6:8-15; Jn 6:22-29

**Tues., May 7:** Acts 7:51-8:1a; Jn 6:30-35

**Wed., May 8:** Acts 8:1b-8; Jn 6:35-40

**Thu., May 9:** Acts 8:26-40; Jn 6:44-51

**Fri., May 10:** Acts 9:1-20; Jn 6:52-59

**Sat., May 11:** Acts 9:31-42; Jn 6:60-69

**Sun., May 12:** Acts 13:14,43-52; Rv 7:9,14b-17; Jn 10:27-30

**PASTORAL COUNCIL  
NIGHT OF DISCERNMENT**

On Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> beginning at 7:00 p.m., our Pastoral Council will hold a Night of Discernment to prayerfully elect two (2) new members to the Council to replace the positions being left vacant by those whose terms will expire in June.

We invite all parishioners to take an active part in our parish by participating in the discernment process and also seriously consider serving a term on the Pastoral Council.

**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, Evelyn Boissonneault, Bernadette Jaros, Raymond Vena, Sr., Dora Sannasardo, Hank Oswald, Fr. Dan Kelly & Gianna Matthews.



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*Please Join Annunciation Parish  
as we pray the Rosary  
on the Saturdays of May  
May 4, 11, 18 & 25  
at 5:00 p.m.  
at our Rosary Walk*



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

Go to [www.abym-wayne.org](http://www.abym-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.

**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.

**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 Roszbach, Rich Roszbach, Paul Veltri, Joanne Zimak.

**Bishop Serratelli will make a  
Pastoral visit to our Parish on  
Sunday, May 12, 2019  
celebrating the 10:00 a.m. Mass**



The Knights of Columbus would like to thank the parishioners of Annunciation Parish for your generous support of 7 year old Gianna Matthews with her continued health problems, in this time of need in fighting for her life. Your kindness, care and thoughtfulness added up to \$2,500.00. Gianna's parents, Mike and Felicia Matthews are deeply appreciative and ask that you continue to pray for their daughter, Gianna.

*Our Diocese will honor  
the Mother of God  
at the annual  
May Crowning at the  
Cathedral of St. John the Baptist  
on Sunday, May 19, 2019  
3:30 p.m.  
Parking will be available  
in the county lot.*

**April Coffee Shop**

Thank you to **Steve & Debbie Bedoe, Sylvia & Jerry Jones, Tony Arturi, Cathy Kennedy, Jo Grundtner, Jo Teer, Phyllis Romitelli, Jean Holt, Theresa DeSalvatore, Anna May McGrogan and Rich Hayek** for taking care of the Coffee Shop setup for the month of April. Thank you also to those who volunteer after the morning Masses and those who clean up afterward.

**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](mailto: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



# YOUTH MINISTRY

**Elise Rossbach 973-930-4767**  
**erossbach@optonline.net**

**Meetings:** Youth Ministry meetings will resume in early September.

## **Antioch XVII Team**

Weekly team meetings will be held on Sundays from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Antioch room. Team invitations will be mailed in late August.

**Service: 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: N.J. Catholic Youth Rally at Six Flags**

Sunday, May 19, 2019  
 Permission slips are available outside of room 5.

## RELIGIOUS ED SCHEDULE

### May 5

Grade 2: First Holy Communion 10:00 a.m. Mass

### May 12

Grade 2: May Crowning 10:00 a.m. Mass

Classes will resume in September.

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](http://www.patersondiocese.org).

## OLV Annual Festival

Our Lady of the Valley Church's 31st Annual Family Festival will be held Tuesday, May 14 through Sunday May 19. The hours are Tuesday through Friday: 6:00-10:00 p.m.; Saturday: 2:00-10:00 p.m. and Sunday: 1:00 to 8:00 p.m. There will be Carnival games, Carnival rides, a super 50/50 and a great variety of foods from local food vendors. Pay one price "Bracelet Times" for rides are Tuesday and Thursday: 6:00-10:00 p.m.; Saturday: 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. And Sunday 1:00 to 8:00 p.m. Come and bring the whole family for an evening of fun!

**Summer will be here before you know it!**  
**What are your children doing this summer?**  
**Come to Mary Help Summer Camp!**

Mary Help Summer Camp 2019  
 659 Belmont Ave. North Haledon, NJ 07508  
 Phone #: 973-790-6200 ext. 128  
 Email: [Camp@maryhelp.org](mailto:Camp@maryhelp.org)  
 Open house: April 28<sup>th</sup> 2019, 1pm-3pm and  
 May 19<sup>th</sup> 2019, 1pm-3pm  
 Camp begins: June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
 Camp ends: August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2019



## Summer Mass Schedule

The 12:05 weekday Mass will conclude for the months of June, July, August and September. The last 12:05 weekday Mass will be celebrated on Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> and will resume on Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>.

The Sunday 11:45 a.m. Mass will conclude on June 30<sup>th</sup> for the summer months of July & August and will resume on Sunday, September 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Immaculate Heart of Mary Open House

Immaculate Heart of Mary School will hold an Open House for grades Pre-Kindergarten through 8 on Thursday, May 9, 2019 from 5:30PM to 7 PM. The family atmosphere enables each child to reach their own potential and strive to exceed it. Immaculate Heart of Mary School is a National Blue Ribbon School and Star School of the Diocese of Paterson. We are proud of our staff of New Jersey certified educators. Each classroom is equipped with a SMART board. Differentiated instruction to meet the needs of all students and surpass their potential is the basis of our learning process.

Immaculate Heart of Mary School offers a full day Kindergarten where children are learning in a differentiated environment based on individual needs. We offer full day, full and part time Pre-Kindergarten with flexible hours and days. Our Pre-K 4 program is considered a transitional Kindergarten by many. We offer before and after care for children in all grades. There is an opportunity for advanced Math classes in our middle school which enables a student to complete 9<sup>th</sup> grade Algebra in 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

We encourage students to shadow for a day and experience IHM first hand.

Here at Immaculate Heart of Mary School we strive to create a community of faith, knowledge and service in an environment most conducive to learning. We are thankful for the support of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish. Our parents work tirelessly to help us build the kingdom of God in our faith filled educational atmosphere.

This is a wonderful opportunity for all to meet our staff, tour our facility and see first-hand all we have to offer. All are welcome. Please visit on May 9<sup>th</sup> or call and visit at a convenient time for you.