



*Celebrate the
Solemnity of the
Annunciation of
Our Lord*

The Annunciation of the Lord

This Monday, March 25 we celebrate the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord. It is both a feast of the Lord ("The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us") and of Mary ("Be it done unto me according to thy word"). Consider these thoughts from the writings of Pope Benedict XVI:

"That which is truly great grows unnoticed, and silence at the right moment is more fruitful than the constant activity that only too easily degenerates into spiritual idleness. In the present age, we are possessed by a strange restlessness that suspects any silence of being a waste of time and any kind of repose as being negligence. We forget the real mystery of time, the real mystery present in growth and activity. We use all kinds of exercises and involvements to evade the real mystery of interior growth before God. And yet in the religious sphere, receptivity is at least as important as activity. The mystery of the Annunciation to Mary is not only a mystery of silence; it is also, and even more, a mystery of grace. We must ask ourselves: What is the real reason Christ decided to be born of a Virgin?... Salvation comes not from human beings and their own powers but solely from God and his gracious action. God intervenes where there is a human vacuum; he starts at the point at which, from the human point of view, nothing can be done. He gives life to the bearer of the promise in the dead womb of Sarah, and follows the same pattern through history down to the Lord's birth from the Virgin... The salvation of the world is exclusively God's doing and therefore occurs in the midst of human weakness and powerlessness. From the viewpoint of the Bible, the Virgin birth is in the last analysis a sign that what occurs is a pure act of grace on God's part."

On this mid-Lenten day we pause to reflect on the great mystery and saving event of the Incarnation, the Word become flesh and Mary's quiet but strong assent to the will of God. Let us continue to pray that the saving grace of God will enter our lives where we are sinful, empty and spiritually poor so that we may know new life in Christ.

God's blessings,
Father Ceriello
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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT.

Sunday, March 24
 8:30am Kathlene "Kathy" Gatta
 10:30am Pro Populo
Monday, March 25
 8:30am, Open
Tuesday, March 26
 8:30am Open
Wednesday, March 27
 8:30 am Open
Thursday, March 28
 8:30am Open
Friday, March 29
 8:30am Dwight Baker
Saturday, March 30
 8:30 am No Mass
 5pm Tony Swann
Sunday, March 31
 8:30am Gaetano Di Spigna
 10:30am Pro Populo

PARISH OFFERING

The offering to the parish of was: \$6850

Thank you for your generosity and support of Queen of All Saints!

PARISH WEEKLY GOAL

Thank you for your sacrificial giving each week. Please remember that in order for us to meet our ordinary expenses, we need a minimum of \$7500 in each Sunday's offering. Please continue to be as generous as you can. If you miss a week for any reason, please try to make up for it the following week or when you return. This is especially true on holiday weekends and during the summer months. Thank you again for your understanding.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

AA Meets every Monday at 6:30pm and every Wednesday at 7:15pm in St Joseph Hall.

THE PRAYER LIST FOR THE SICK

Marlene McIntosh, Mirlande Guerrier, Danielle Prout, Faith Prout, Marie Henry, Joseph Aitken, Stacy McGhie, Ruby Allen, Dorothy Brown, Jacques Maurice, Idolly Hutchinson, Bettye Pinkney, Helen C.Thousand, Cordelia Howard & Khudan family, Clara Morehead, Sylvester Allen, Morice Cunningham, Raquel Cruz, Ernest Jackson, William Texidor & family, Cassaundra Matthews, Timmy Mallou, Hildred Baldirsingh, Ivana Erazo, Veronica Quinn, Denise Quinn Sabet, Charlotte Short-Chiekezi & family, Trinity Ramdin.

PRAYER LIST FOR DECEASED OF THE PARISH

Jose Torres sr, Jacqueline Jones, Syble Iantha Deshong, Renee Wolf Calvin, Margaret Walker, Sylvia Baker, Mary Brown, Jacqueline Goings, Elizabeth McCormick McDonough, Carmela Pergamo, , June Catherine Roberts, Roderick Estrellado, Mavis Gittens, Wiiliam Howard Sr, Ernest Jackson, Joan Vincent, Providencia Santos, Rooplal Khudan, Chrisandra Matthews, Arnold Budd, Chris Wethers, Christine Falco, David Palladini, Clarence Small.

(Please call the rectory to add the names of your family member)



Laetare Sunday

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is known as Laetare Sunday when we celebrate with joy our anticipation of the Paschal celebration to which we are drawing close.

Please mark your calendars for a parish Laetare Sunday festival on Sunday March 31st from 11:30am to 3:00pm in Saint Joseph's Hall. Our afternoon will feature an international pot luck dinner among other treats and surprises, and all parishioners are invited to attend.

More information will be forthcoming next Sunday.