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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, December 17 – Third Monday of Advent
NO DAILY MASS

Tuesday, December 18 – Third Tuesday of Advent
6 p.m. - Confessions
6:30 p.m. – Mass @ Annunciation – Alois (Bud) Madl

Wednesday, December 19 – Third Wednesday of Advent
8:00 a.m. Mass @ Annunciation –

Thursday, December 20 – Third Thursday of Advent
8:00 a.m. Mass @ Annunciation –

Friday, December 21– Third Friday of Advent
8:00 a.m. Mass @ Annunciation – Jim Kissick

Saturday, December 22 – Third Saturday of Advent
9 a.m. – Mass @ Annunciation

Sunday, December 23 – Fourth Sunday of Advent
8 a.m. – Confessions @St. Francis
8:30 a.m. – Mass @St. Francis
10:30 a.m.—Mass @ Annunciation
4 p.m. – Confessions @ Annunciation
5 p.m. – Mass @ Annunciation

WEEKLY OFFERING – December 9, 2018
St. Francis – \$18.00 (Immaculate Conception)
\$316.00 (Sunday)
Annunciation –\$751.00 (Immaculate Conception)
\$2131.00 (Sunday)

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Annunciation Knights of Columbus Council #11853 meets at 7 pm on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at The Lodge, Baldwin City. The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest lay Catholic fraternal service organization. Membership is open to all practical Catholic men in communion with the Holy See, age 18 and above.

Visit our website at: www.baldwinkofc.org for more information or contact Grand Knight, Harvey Ward.

NEXT MEETING IS TUESDAY, January 8, 2018



First Saturday of the Month, Pro-Life Rosary recited at the Knights ground at 8 a.m.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE AT ANNUNCIATION

December 23, Mass at 10:30 a.m.

Lector: Katherine Siebert
Eucharistic Ministers: D. Griffith, D. Turk, G. Meinen
Offertory: Jeff Lundry Family
Servers: K. Griffith, S. Griffith, G. Callahan
Ushers: Dave and Nancy Kronoshek
Music: Miriam Walski, Greg Wessling
CHRISTMAS EVE, Dec. 24, Mass at 8 p.m.

Lector: Gerard Arontowicz
Offertory: D. Turk, N. Kronoshek, B. Thurlow
Servers: Brian Cramer Family
Ushers: Greg and Karla Wessling
Music: Miriam Walski, Joe Bollig
CHRISTMAS DAY, Dec. 25, Mass at 10 a.m.

Lector: Tim Donohue
Offertory: Gregg Myer Family
Servers: R. Myer, D. Myer, T. Myer
Ushers: Gregg Myer Family
Music: Miriam Walski, Harvey Ward

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Annunciation Catholic Church St. Francis Catholic Church THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT December 16, 2018



"He who is mightier than I is coming"

Gospel Reading: Luke 3:10-18

And the multitudes asked him, "What then shall we do?" And he answered them, "He who has two coats, let him share with him who has none; and he who has food, let him do likewise." Tax collectors also came to be baptized, and said to him, "Teacher, what shall we do?" And he said to them, "Collect no more than is appointed you." Soldiers also asked him, "And we, what shall we do?" And he said to them, "Rob no one by violence or by false accusation, and be content with your wages." As the people were in expectation, and all men questioned in their hearts concerning John, whether perhaps he were the Christ, John answered them all, "I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor, and to gather the wheat into his granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." So, with many other exhortations, he preached good news to the people.

Old Testament Reading: Zephaniah 3:14-18

Sing aloud, O daughter Zion; shout, O Israel! Rejoice and exult with all your heart, O daughter Jerusalem! The LORD has taken away the judgments against you, he has turned away your enemies. The king of Israel, the LORD, is in your midst; you shall fear disaster no more. On that day it shall be said to Jerusalem: Do not fear, O Zion; do not let your hands grow weak. The LORD, your God, is in your midst, a warrior who gives victory; he will rejoice over you with gladness, he will renew you in his love; he will exult over you with loud singing as on a day of festival.

Meditation: Why did thousands come out to hear John the Baptist preach? And what was so unusual about his message? When John the Baptist appeared on the public scene and began to prophesy the whole nation of Israel took notice. It had been many hundreds of years since a prophet had spoken out and performed signs in the land of Israel. John broke the long silence with the sudden announcement that the Messiah (God's Anointed One) was about to appear. God had long ago promised his people through the patriarchs of the old covenant (Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob), and through the prophets (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Zephaniah, etc.) and rulers of Israel (Moses, David), that he would send them a Redeemer who would save them from their sins, free them from oppression, fill them with the joy of his presence (Zephaniah 3:17), and bring them his everlasting kingdom of peace and righteousness.

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Eucharistic Adoration is the 1st Sunday of the month at Annunciation.

NEXT EUCHARISTIC ADORATION IS JANUARY 6.

DECEMBER Intentions of Pope Francis:

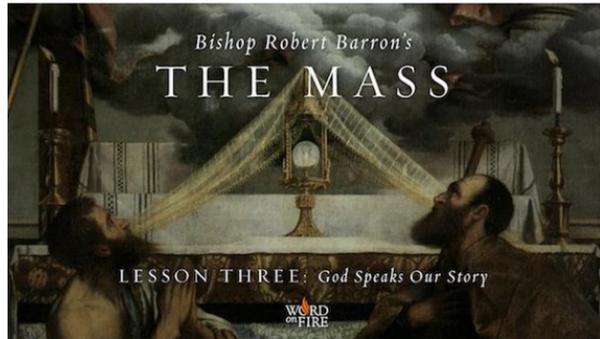


Evangelization – In the Service of the Transmission of Faith
That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

ANNUNCIATION/ST. FRANCIS HAPPENINGS
~CALENDAR OF EVENTS~

ST. FRANCIS—The sacristan sign-up sheet for 2019 is on the bulletin board in the vestibule. Your help is most appreciated!

BISHOP BARRON'S "THE MASS" Part 3 will be shown **Wednesday, December 19, at 7 p.m.** in St. Ann's Hall. This series will run each Wednesday in December and through January. We hope you will join us for these presentations.



ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

Annunciation, Wednesday, December 19, 7 p.m.
 You are encouraged to receive the sacrament of reconciliation, and required to receive this sacrament at least once a year. The sacrament of reconciliation is offered at St. Francis and Annunciation at 8 a.m, and 4 p.m. on Sundays, 6 p.m. on Tuesdays, and by appointment.

ST. FRANCIS CHURCH DECORATING will take place after the 8:30 mass on December 23. Everyone's help is appreciated!

THE ST. FRANCIS CHRISTMAS PARTY will be December 30, after the mass. Brunch will be served and everyone is asked to bring a dish. Ham will be provided. We hope to see you there!

LADIES! Mark your calendar! We will be hosting a Women's Retreat at Annunciation on Saturday, April 13, from 9-2 p.m. You won't want to miss it! More information soon!

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

December 23, 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Francis
 10:30 a.m. Mass only at Annunciation (no 5 p.m. mass)
 December 24, 6 p.m. Mass at St. Francis
 December 24, 8 p.m. Mass at Annunciation
 December 25, 10 a.m. Mass at Annunciation
 December 26 and 27, no daily Mass at Annunciation
 December 28-29, daily Mass schedule resumes
 December 30 – 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Francis
 10:30 a.m. Mass at Annunciation
 5 p.m. Mass at Annunciation
 January 1: Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)
 8:30 a.m. at St. Francis
 10 a.m. at Annunciation



BALDWIN FOOD PANTRY
DURING NOVEMBER & DECEMBER: PLEASE BRING FOOD OTHER THAN CEREAL (have plenty at this time)! Drop off your donations in the parish hall or at the Food Pantry located at Baldwin First United Methodist Church, 704 Eighth Street, Baldwin City. The hours of operation are: Thursdays, 7-8 p.m., and Saturdays, 9-11 a.m. **HELP FEED THE HUNGRY!** Support the Baldwin Food Pantry!

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Our website is <http://annunciationchurchks.org/>
 The bulletin and mass times are available on website.

E-BULLETIN & BULLETIN INFO DEADLINE

Did you know that you can receive our weekly bulletin via email? The e-Bulletin for the upcoming week is sent out every Saturday by noon. If you were out of town for the weekend, want a sneak peek at the bulletin or simply don't want to worry about picking it up after Mass, send an email to: baldwincitycatholics@gmail.com and ask to be added to the e-Bulletin mailing list. **Bulletin announcements are due each week by TUESDAYS@noon.** Please email to baldwincitycatholics@gmail.com

REFLECTION

To welcome the birth of this God who wishes to involve in our lives, the messenger, John the Baptist, is sent ahead of Him. The Gospel says, "John the Baptist went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a Baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins" (Lk 3: 3) He also echoed what Isaiah the prophet had spoken, "Every valley shall be filled and every mount and hill made low" (Lk 3:5 & Is 40: 3-5)

Thus, we see, the message of John the Baptist can be shortly summarized into a short refrain: **Repair and Prepare!**

Repair: the dark areas of our life, where sin and evil reigns and
Prepare: a place, where holiness and God's sanctity can dwell!

Repair: the broken relationships which suffer for lack of forgiveness.
Prepare: a heart, which accepts the failures of people and gives them more space!

Repair: the bad inclinations and addictions, to which we cling on and find it hard to let go.

Prepare: a mind, which is focussed on having Jesus alone as the Lord of one's life!

Amen!

MARRIAGE MINUTE

This week of Advent is all about joy. Not a sugar-coated "holiday feeling," but a deep trust and peace that comes from God and often "surpasses all understanding." When asked how to get this joy, John the Baptist told people to live their current situation well. In other words, focus your efforts on the vocation God has called you to.

Consider these options to increase your joy:

- Pray that God would help you see your spouse as God sees him or her.
- Affirm your husband's or wife's strength or beauty.
- Tell him or her why they are a great dad or mom.

As we lean into our vocation, joy is released. Consider a marriage retreat in the New Year:

www.archkck.org/livinginlove.

Advent Prayer for Families

Heavenly Father, your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us, a great sign of your love. Guide us as we strive to walk in that love together as a family this Advent. As we prepare our hearts for Christmas, bring us closer to each other and to your son. Give us the grace and strength we need every day. Help us to always trust in you. Come, Lord Jesus, lead all people closer to you. Come and dispel the darkness of our world with the light of your love. Amen.



MASS READINGS FOR THEWEEK

Mon. Dec 17: GN 49:2, 8-10; PS 72:1-2, 3-4AB, 7-8, 17; MT 1:1-17;

Tue. Dec. 18: JER 23:5-8; PS 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; MT 1:18-25

Wed. Dec. 19: JGS 13:2-7, 24-25A; PS 71:3-4A, 5-6AB, 16-17; LK 1:5-25

Th. Dec. 20: IS 7:10-14; PS 24:1-2, 3-4AB, 5-6; LK 1:26-38

Fri. Dec. 21: SG 2:8-14; ZEP 3:14-18A; PS 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; LK 1:39-45

Sat. Dec. 22: 1 SM 1:24-28; 1 SAMUEL 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8ABCD; LK 1:46-56

Catholic websites for daily Mass readings: from the US Conference of Catholic Bishops Read or listen to an audio recording at:

goodnews@franciscanmedia.org



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Hospitality Sunday!



*Thanks to the Patrick Callahan family and Chris Herron for hosting hospitality Sunday at Annunciation!
 Our next hospitality Sunday will be January 13!*