Annunciation is a place...

To be included

To be honest

To be empowered

To be challenged

To find hope



Parish News

for the Week of Sunday, May 5, 2024

Worship Bulletin The Sixth Sunday of Easter Click here

Happening this week:

- Monday Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, Book Club |7:00pm
- Tuesday Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, REVIVE/GRACE Service |4:00pm, Scouts |7:00pm
- Wednesday Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, Wednesday Book Study |10:00am, Karate |6:00pm
- Thursday Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, Mah Jongg |12:00 pm
- Friday Morning Prayer |8:30am on Zoom, Karate |6:00pm

Keep on the Calendar

May
12 Seventh Sunday of Easter |9:00am
Mother's Day
18 Spring Clean-up
19 The Day of Pentecost |9:00am
Vestry |10:45 am
Tamil Palli |1:30pm
20 Parish Council |6:00pm
26 Trinity Sunday |9:00am

27 Memorial Day | Office closed

Parish Planning Sunday

Parish Planning is this morning! Vestry is providing

treats for coffee hour today.





Scouts Pancake Breakfast

Thank you so much to the Pack and Troops for a wonderful pancake breakfast last Sunday!



Liturgical Ministry Schedule for June 2024 – November 2024

Scheduling of servers for June 2024 – November 2024 is underway! If you are already serving in one or more of these roles, please respond to the e-mail sent on April 17.

If you are not currently participating in the liturgy but would like to start, please contact Susan O'Morchoe at coffee hour or by e-mail (susanom58@yahoo.com).

The sign-up period will be from April 17 to May 8. Training (or retraining) is always available. If you have questions regarding the Liturgical Ministry roles, please contact Pastor Jenni or Susan O'Morchoe (susanom58@yahoo.com).



REVIVE/GRACE Healing Service on Tuesdays

REVIVE/GRACE - Healing and Prayer Ministry for all people and all life's challenges.

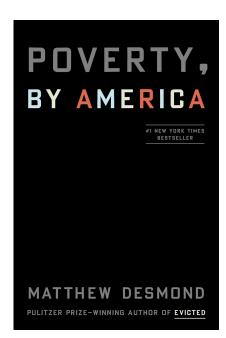
We seek to offer all people a place to be honest and vulnerable in our difficulties, transgressions, or traumas so that the Savior of the world might transform those vulnerabilities with strength in Jesus.

We've all got "stuff." REVIVE/GRACE calls a community of people from all walks of life to deal with the "stuff" of life through the 12 steps, upheld through scripture and a relationship with Jesus Christ. All are welcome on Tuesdays at 4:00pm.



New Annunciation Wear

Once again, we have Annunciation wear available for purchase. Click here to see the catalog!



Actions for Peace and Justice

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul. There was not a needy person among them. Acts 4:32,34

At Annunciation, we are generous with our time and resources to provide food for people in need. A further step is to learn about sources of food insecurity, including poverty.

The Peace and Justice Committee of the Diocese hosted a conversation around poverty. Watch here for the links to view the conversations.

Sunrise Sunday Service

Please consider joining our weekly teams who take communion to Sunrise Assisted Living. For more information speak with Elizabeth Danos or Deacon Linda.



Wednesday Book Study

On Wednesday at 10:00am, we will continue to read *When Everything Is On Fire: Faith Forged from Fire* by Brian Zahnd. Please join us! This week, please read Chapter 3.

For those of you who are interested in Brian Zahnd's playlist for *When Everything Is On Fire, click here.*



"Renovate what needs to be renovated, throw out what needs to be thrown out, deconstruct what needs to be reconstructed, and even let some of it burn, but don't burn it all down."

Annual Spring Clean-up

May 18th, 9-Noon

Join us for a joyous morning of cleaning up our grounds and worship space for spring and summer. The Scouts will be here to lend a hand! We have a number of projects for all abilities, so mark your calendar and come join the fun!

Incense on Pentecost

There will be incense during the service on the Day of Pentecost, May 19th.

Pentecost Readers

Would you like to read the Pentecost Acts of the Apostles lesson in a different language this year? Yes? Let Pastor Jenni know what language you will use by May 12th.



Community Meals

Save the date for June: our next Community Meal at Christ Church will be on **June 30**. We would like to do a picnic-style barbecue. We need a big crew. On April 14, we served 80 meals. The menu was chipotle pulled chicken, cole slaw, and baked beans. We also

distributed snack bags and water. Many people contributed, people who prepped on Saturday, others who served on Sunday, shoppers for the meal, everyone who contributed snacks and sandwich buns, as well as Northern Illinois Food Bank who supplied the meat.



Parish Life

Thank you to the scouts for a great pancake breakfast for all us parishioners. Next week will be Parish Planning so we will be treated to great food by the Vestry members. Be sure to come for this important meeting after the service. Thank you in advance, Vestry.

Have you checked out ALL the jigsaw puzzles on the puzzle swap table? They are displayed nicely now on a big table so you can really check them out. At my last count, there are close to 30 puzzles available for you to borrow. There are a lot of Christmas ones there but who cares what they are, they're just fun to do!!!!

Speaking of the puzzles, our "Last Supper" one is moving right along. I think it will be finished in the next few weeks. Good going, gang!!!!

Thank you to everyone who has been signing up to host coffee hour. We have all the way to the end of May and part of June filled in . But we have a lot more Sundays in the year so if you could please check your calendars and volunteer for a few Sundays later on, it would be terrific. The signup sheets are on the signup wall in the Parish Hall. It seems that most people prefer to use the paper signup sheets so we have gone back to that.

It is relatively easy to host. I come in early and make the coffee and will normally also set up all the cups, plates, napkins, creamer, sugar, etc. for you. I try to have festive plates, etc. for as many Sundays as possible. You need to bring the food and clean up afterwards. It is pretty easy.

If no one signs up, we will just have coffee and juice.

I'll be passing around the signup sheets during the planning meeting so bring you calendar along and help us out.

If you have any questions, please see Andrea Lindblad or Miriam Berry.

Save the date and y'all come....

I will turn 80 in the middle of July this year. For this auspicious occasion, I gave my family the "opportunity" to give me a birthday party. It will happen on Saturday, July 13 in the Parish Hall here at Annunciation. You are all invited to join us. So come enjoy food, drinks and



meet people from Tennessee, Northfield, Beach Park, Galena and hopefully Oklahoma and Kansas City.

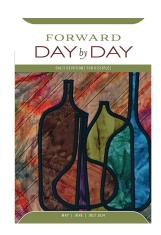
Look for more information in June when my family gets their acts in gear.

Oh, and no gifts, please. You are my gift.

Miriam

Forward Day By Day Available

The latest issue of Forward Day By Day devotional is available on the Communication Wall. Suggested donation of \$1 for the small edition, \$2 for the large edition.





American Family Field (Miller Park) Parish Fundraiser

Please let Leanne Ulmer or Bill Hagan know as soon as possible if you are interested in helping or learning more about this vital fundraiser.



Home Communion - Extending the Table

We can send communion out to our members who are unable to join us for Sunday worship. If you would like to have a Eucharistic Visitor or a clergy member visit on Sunday, please email Pastor Jenni or Tom Crafton to get on the schedule.



PADS Lunches and volunteers!

The PADS team would like to invite additional volunteers to help in making the lunches. If you are interested, please speak with Pam Meyers.

Our team provides lunches to PADS twice each month. We purchase the food and supplies to make those lunches a reality. If you would like to contribute to this ministry of PADS, please note on the check or mark on the envelope, **PADS**.

News from Fort Dauphin and the Friends of Toliara

For the last year or so, people in the Diocese of Toliara have been writing hymns and songs in their own language, to use



alongside the western hymns they inherited from the missionaries who brought the Christian faith to the island. This week's Psalm is Psalm 98, "Sing A New Song to the Lord." It is a fitting reading to exemplify this movement to make music in the Malagasy language.

2024 is the 160th anniversary of the first Anglican missionaries arriving at Foulpointe, which is

in the middle of the east coast of Madagascar. The Episcopal Church of Madagascar held a nationwide competition for a song to celebrate the occasion and the winning entry came from the Herin'ny Finoana (Power of Faith) choir of St. Luke's in Toliara Town. It is being used to promote the services at the end of May to celebrate the anniversary.

St. Luke's in Toliara Town is the church that was next door to "The Box" which was the apartment Bishop Todd and Rev. Patsy McGregor lived in when they first came to Toliara.

Fiadanana will be checking on the progress of our kids in school this week. I will report on what he has to say next week hopefully.

If you would like to know more about Madagascar and child sponsorship, please see Miriam Berry.

Publicity Committee

We are looking for volunteers to join with the Wardens and Rector to form a publicity committee to start working on spreading the good news of our parish. If you are interested, please speak with Charles O'Morchoe or Pastor Jenni.

Digital Vergers

We are calling for a few more volunteers to help with the broadcasting of our Sunday worship. If you are interested in being one of our Digital Vergers, please talk with Beth Hagan, Charles O'Morchoe, or Pastor Jenni.

Annunciation Book Club

The book list is set for the 20th year of the Annunciation Book Club. The club is open to all and if you would enjoy getting together over zoom or at a host's home, if there is sufficient interest, to discuss a book and enjoy some treats, we would love to have you join us. We meet most months on the first Monday of the month, moving to the second Monday in holiday months. A highlight of our year is the book exchange and potluck in December. The book list and schedule can be found on the communication wall at church, on the website or in the parish news. If you have any questions, please email <u>Deb</u>.

Click here to see the list of books



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Links to Zoom Worship for this Week

Sunday Worship 19:00 am

Join Sunday Worship Meeting ID: 829 7113 4278

Passcode: 087501

Monday Morning Prayer | 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer

Meeting ID: 854 3455 6030 Passcode: 429149

Tuesday Morning Prayer | 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer

Meeting ID: 812 3791 9123 Passcode: 832106

Wednesday Morning Prayer | 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer

Meeting ID: 828 3206 9054 Passcode: 528453

Thursday Morning Prayer | 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer

Meeting ID: 871 5804 8836 Passcode: 001151

Friday Morning Prayer | 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer

Meeting ID: 897 1519 6205 Passcode: 424496

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Parish News and Prayer Requests Submissions due Thursday morning. Email the Parish Administrator:

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Email our webmaster, Mark:

Click here

Food Tidings Meal Ministry

Surgery? New birth? If you need a little help with supper, contact Samantha. Food Tidings

During the week:

Pastoral emergencies: 847-336-3730 The Church office is open Monday -Thursday, 8:30am to 2:30pm.



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