

Annunciation is a place...
To be included
To be honest
To be empowered
To be challenged
To find hope



Annunciation *of Our Lady*

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Parish News

for the Week of Sunday November 20, 2022

Worship Bulletin

The Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost: Christ The King

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MORE THAN ENOUGH

2023 Pledge In-Gathering

This Sunday we will gather the pledge cards for the 2023 Pledge Campaign. Please bring your card and place it in the basket. We will have additional cards available on the Communication Wall. At the Offertory, the pledge cards will be blessed as part of our gifts.

Spaghetti Supper!!

A huge thank you to everyone who made this year's spaghetti supper a roaring success! While totals are still coming in, it is safe to say that this Annunciation tradition is back and was a hit.

This Sunday, extra sauce, noodles, and meatballs will be available for purchase during coffee hour.

Great work, team!



EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF CHICAGO

185th Diocesan Convention

The 185th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Chicago will be held this Saturday, November 19 as a virtual gathering on Zoom. Convention will begin at 9 am with morning prayer, during which Bishop Clark will preach and the diocesan necrology will be read.

Following morning prayer, during the convention business session, Bishop Clark will give the bishop's address.

General attendees and visitors are invited to observe the proceedings on YouTube (Click [here](#) to view.)

Greening of the Church

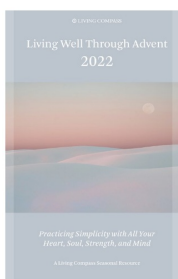
This morning is the greening of the church! Please join us after the service to set up the trees and lights as we prepare for Advent and the Christmas season.



Christmas Poinsettias

Giving toward our Christmas flowers is a great way to honor a loved one and/or celebrate a blessing in your life. Donation forms and envelopes are on the Communications Center in the Narthex. Thank you!





Advent Devotionals

The Living Compass Advent devotionals are available on the Communication Wall.

From the introduction:

...Culture puts many demands on us this time of year, wanting us to complicate our lives by doing more, buying more, eating more, etc. Focusing on simplicity, especially a profoundly spiritual interior simplicity, is indeed counter-cultural. This makes it a perfect focus for Advent because the season of Advent itself is counter-cultural. So let us

embrace whole-heartedly the seasons of Advent, along with these reflections, as the support we need to practice simplicity in a way that will help us prepare us for the true meaning of Christmas.

Photo Directory

As was announced at the planning session, we will be having a new photo directory done this year. Universal Church Directories (UCD) will be our partner in this event. Unlike the last time when we had multiple days for the photo shoot, this year we will have just one day. Tuesday, November 29 will be our day before the cameras. We will be scheduling 20-minute sessions between 2 PM and 8:30 PM. You will be able to sign up online or see a scheduler after the service each Sunday from now until November 28. Look for the advertising materials around the church.

UCD will not only take the directory picture but will also give you, FREE OF CHARGE, an 8x10 of your choosing. You will also be able to order additional pictures, picture Christmas cards, etc. from their long line of available items. These will all be back in time for Christmas and will be sent directly to your house. You DO NOT have to buy anything for these pictures to be taken.

Picture directories are very important for newcomers to cement in their minds who people are so we would like to have as full participation as possible. As of this writing, we have only 24 people signed up. We need to have at least 32 people signed up and we actually have a total of 40 slots. As of now, the available times are from 5 PM on. So, there are lots of times from which to choose.

Since people missed the online instructions insert in last week's service bulletin, here they are:

- Go to the Universal Church Directories Website (www.ucdir.com)
- Click on the box on the right side of the homepage entitled "photography appointment scheduling login"
- Enter your church code il271
- Enter your church password photos
- Click on the Enter button.
- Click on the desired photography date
- Click on the Reserve Time button beside the desired photography appointment time.
- Enter the appropriate information in all required fields (indicated by the asterisk)
- Click on the Schedule Appointment button at the bottom of the screen to reserve the photography appointment time in your family's name.

When we are closer to the date, we will give you some tips on clothing, make up, etc. for photo day.

Also, we will be using the rooms in the education wing. There will be a sign directing you to the correct door to come in from the parking lot.

If you have any questions, please contact Deb Gallinger or Miriam Berry.



- Donations need to be in by **Sunday, December 4th** so they can be prepared for distribution.
- Please note the tag you take on the sign-out sheet on the table next to the tree.
- Donations can be dropped off in store bags, gift bags aren't necessary, and please do not gift wrap the items.
- Items can be purchased at the store of your

choice. Some favorites are Target, Kohl's, Old Navy, Walmart, and Amazon. Thank you, again, for your support. Any questions, please contact me at lindbladandrea@gmail.com or 847-962-4807.

Andrea Lindblad

Every year hundreds of children go without proper clothing. Caring for Kids Clothing is a non-profit organization that helps provide these children with the clothing they so desperately need. Since our beginning in 2010 Caring for Kid has helped outfit hundreds of children every year. We provide an immediate need in warm winter gear, school uniforms, everyday clothing, gym shoes, snow boots, socks, under garments and so much more.

Goods and services donations are especially welcome as we hold several fundraisers each season and can always make use of raffle prizes and silent auction items. You can make a difference in a child's life; even the smallest donation can make a difference!

Madagascar Happenings

If you recall, the district of Fort Dauphin was to become an Archdeanery on Saturday, November 12. Pastor Jenni set up a Zoom link with the people in Fort Dauphin so we could watch the service. Sue and Simon Babbs and I watched starting at 11 PM Gurnee time on Friday night. (Madagascar is 9 hours ahead of us so it was 8 AM there.) When Bishop Samy started the sermon at 1:45 AM we decided to stop the Zoom; we couldn't understand what he was saying after all. Prior to that, it was a wonderful service.



The service was held in Santa Gregiore church in Fort Dauphin. All the windows and doors were open and a nice breeze was blowing through the building. We could hear all the children outside in the yard playing and they ran through the Nave on a regular basis. Canon Donne, Deacon Antsa and Evangelist Dacise all processed and sat in the front pew as Bishop Samy welcomed everyone. Shortly thereafter, Canon Donne was made Archdeacon Donne, Deacon Antsa became Rev. Antsa and Evangelist Dacise became Deacon Dacise. It was wonderful to see. Rev Gaston was also there from Amboasary to assist. The spouses were also there: Bishop Samy's wife, Holy; Archdeacon Donne's wife, Vero; Rev. Gaston's wife, Olivia; and Rev. Antsa's husband, Kiva. Many ladies from the Mother's Union, similar to the ECW, were there as well as youth groups that sang. The service was somewhat casual in that people taking pictures and kids were milling about. As I watched the service I thought to myself that it seemed like what I would think the services in the early church were like with kids running free and God's beautiful world just outside the doors.

I heard from Sue the next day that the service was finally over at 5 AM Gurnee time or 2 PM Madagascar time!!!!

Here is a picture of the service.

[To visit the website for the Diocese of Toliara, click on the image above.](#)



Community Meals at Christ Church, Waukegan

Our Community Meal Team, Bob Coates, Tom Crafton, and Deacon Anne, assisted New Hope UMC last Sunday at Christ Church Waukegan. We served 82 meals to over 40 families. Our next day of service is December 11, from 12:30 – 3:30. We hope to expand our participation in 2023. We would prepare meals for the second Sunday of at least

six times in the year. If you are interested in planning and preparing meals before these Sundays or pack and distribute meals on second Sundays, contact Deacon Anne.



PADS donations

If you would like to contribute to the ministry of PADS, we are currently in need of monetary support. Please note on the check or mark on the envelope, **PADS**.



Adult Forum

11/20 No Episcopal 101

11/27 Episcopal 101: The Bible - What is God saying?

12/4 Episcopal 101: Sacraments and Sacramental Rites: Is it 2, 3, 4, 7, or 8?

12/11 Episcopal 101: How do we tell the Good News?

Join us for a multi-week exploration of the Episcopal Church including sacraments and sacramental rites, Daily prayer, The Bible: What does God Say, and Why is the Christian Life so important. This class is for anyone who would like to dive deeper into the life and practices of the Episcopal Church as well as those seeking Confirmation and Reception.



Cookie Walk!

COOKIE WALK - DEC 18
"Cookie Re-Connections"

The Holiday Cookie Walk is an "All Hands on Deck" event. Maybe you aren't a baker, and that's ok! There are many opportunities to jump in and help make this annual community event successful. Most importantly, we need lots of "Elves" after worship on event day to ensure operations are smooth, guests are helped quickly, & everyone is feeling festive! Additionally, we're hosting a new event this year... a Mass Production Cookie Decorating Night! We will provide the cookies for you to dip and sprinkle!

Follow this link to volunteer: Click [here](#) (there is also a hard copy signup in the parish hall, if you prefer).

We still need bakers! Please turn in your Baker Forms on the Cookie Walk HQ Wall in the parish hall or submit a digital form [here](#).

Please reach out to a Cookie Walk Team Member if you have any questions. We are so excited to be back this year!! Thank you for all of your enthusiasm with baking, advertising, & volunteering.

With gratitude... the '22 Cookie Walk Team (Samantha R, Deb G, Sue L, Elizabeth D, & Sandi H)

Scouting News

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Nov. 26 Pick-up wreath orders at Church 1:00pm – 3:00pm

If you have any questions, please see Brian Penticoff or Wayne (Bugs) Moran

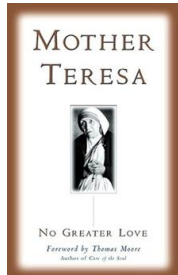
To view available wreaths, click [here](#).



Children's Chapel leader sign-up

The Sign-up Genius for teachers and leaders of Children's Chapel is now available. If you would like to teach our youngest disciples, please sign-up for a Sunday! For questions or a quick overview, please talk with Samantha Robison.

[To sign-up for Children's Chapel, click here.](#)



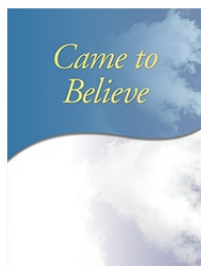
Wednesday Book Group and Study

Our current study of *Mother Teresa: No Greater Love* has now come to an end. We did not have class on November 16 due to a lack of attendance so our final two chapters will be read on our own. Those are "On Suffering & Death" and "On the Missionaries of Charity" from page 135 to page 158. Please do read these chapters so we can get the flavor of the end of the book from a prospective of Mother Teresa's thoughts on God's love for us in all things.

We will not have class again until January 4 since the holidays are upon us. I will send out Amazon overviews of books then ask for opinions on our next one. Patsy's last book is certainly high up on the list.

Whatever we decide to do, please join us for our next book. It is a wonderful group of ladies (men could join us, you know) who really care for each other. So, y'all come!!!!

If you have any questions, please see Miriam Berry or Deb Gallinger.



12@12 Service

We begin our new book for our spiritual walk through the 12-Steps with *Came to Believe...* The book is available on-line or can be ordered for you (please let Pastor Jenni know if you would like one ordered.) This week we will be reading Chapter 1, pages 1-6.

Click [here](#) (on AA.org) or [here](#) (on Amazon) to order.



Parish Life Corner

Thank you to Terry Kline and Marge Hocking for hosting coffee hour last Sunday.

This Sunday, Bob Coates and Tom Crafton will be hosting for Christ the King Sunday. Again, yummy treats are awaiting us.

Thank you to Elizabeth and Peter Danos and Kim and Dave Fulton for bringing me all the clear wine bottles I needed for our spaghetti dinner centerpieces. The centerpieces worked out very well and you will see them again at the wine tasting in the spring. I am glad everyone liked them.

Our Annual Ornament Exchange is quickly approaching. Have you gotten your ornament yet???? I now have my ornament order which includes a really cute one for the Ornament Exchange. I know of one couple who buy their ornaments on their travels during the year which makes them extra special. For those who do not know what the Ornament Exchange is, let me tell you about this annual tradition. We all wrap an ornament in beautiful paper or gift bags and bring it along with an appetizer/dessert and something to drink (wine is very acceptable). We meet in the Narthex of the church and have some good food, some good drink and are initially instructed in the time tested rules of the Ornament Exchange. Each person is given a number and we start from number one choosing packages and oohing and aahing about each ornament. Like a white elephant party, stealing is not only expected but encouraged. The stealing gets funnier and funnier as the wine flows more and more. At the end, each person owns up to his or her ornament and tells where it came from. It gives us good ideas for the next year. Everyone who has attended, comes back the next year or laments missing it. This year it will be on Saturday night, December 10, from 7 to 9 PM...ish. We will have the white board sign up going pretty soon. Please clear your calendar, you won't want to miss this one!!!!

If you have any questions, please see Miriam Berry

[To sign up to host coffee hour, please click here.](#)

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Links to Zoom Worship for this Week

Sunday Worship

November 20, 2022 9:00am

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Meeting ID: 894 8234 4984

Passcode: 396603

Monday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

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Meeting ID: 899 6756 6965

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Tuesday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

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Wednesday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

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Meeting ID: 848 5595 0812

Passcode: 047321

Thursday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

[Join Morning Prayer](#)

Meeting ID: 811 9177 8341

Passcode: 917299

Friday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

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Meeting ID: 820 1881 2369

Passcode: 138576

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Parish News and Prayer Requests
Submissions due Thursday morning.
Send to parishadmin@annunciationurnee.org

Website Updates
Send to MarkRJohnson52@gmail.com

Food Tidings Meal Ministry
Surgery? New birth? If you need a little
help with supper, contact
Samantha Robison:
Robison.Samantha@yahoo.com

During the week:
Pastoral emergencies: 847-336-3730
The Church office is open by
appointment.

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