

IN GRATITUDE

Special thanks to the Johnson family (8am) and the Hagan and Robison family (10am) for hosting this week’s coffee hour.

Special thanks to Rev. Victor for his time with us today and his help during our upcoming transition.

Congratulations to Scout Troop 627 on their 25th anniversary and special thanks for their partnership with Annunciation. We look forward to our future together.

Special thanks to the Sunday Night Live! Team for a great kick-off to our new church year.

SAVE THE DATES

- Outreach Meeting — September 30, 2018
- Pet Blessing — Sunday, October 7, 2018, 3:00pm
- Rev. Elizabeth’s Farewell Sunday — October 14, 2018
- Crop Walk — October 21, 2018
- Vocal Master Class — October 27, 2018, 9am-11am
- Christmas Giving Tree Kick-Off — November 4, 2018
- Veteran's Sock Hop — November 10, 2018
- Advent Evensong — December 2, 2018, 6:30pm

THIS WEEK’S CALENDAR

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23 <i>Special Guest — Rev. Victor Conrado</i> Worship — 8:00am Worship — 10:00am Choir Rehearsal — 11:30am	Friday, September 28 Morning Prayer — 9:00am PADS Lunches — 12:00pm
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 Boy Scouts — 7:00pm	Saturday, September 29 Feed My Starving Children — 9:00am
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 Rector’s Study — 10:00am Lunch Bunch — 1:00pm Meditation — 7:00pm	SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 Worship — 8:00am Worship — 10:00am Outreach Meeting — 11:30pm Choir Rehearsal — 11:30am
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27 Rector’s Study — 7:00pm	

FINANCIAL GIVING UPDATE

Thank you for your financial generosity. Your pledges and contributions are essential for continuing the mission and ministries of the church.

	Received	Pledged	Net \$	Net %
First Quarter	\$52,396	\$52,335	\$61	0.12%
Second Quarter	\$50,734	\$52,335	(-\$1,601)	(-3.1%)
July	\$15,992	\$17,445	(-\$1,453)	(-30.1%)
August	\$12,199	\$17,445	(-\$5,246)	(-30.1%)
YTD #s	\$131,321	\$139,560	(-\$8,239)	(-5.9)

STAYING CONNECTED

Office Hours — Week of September 23rd:
Tuesday 9am-1pm; Wednesday 9:00am-12pm;
Thursday 10am-12noon.

[If the front door isn’t open/unlocked, please ring bell to the right of the front doors]

Parish News Deadline: Mondays at 12:00pm.
Contact — parishadmin@annunciationgurnee.org.

Magnificat Deadline: 20th of each month.
Contact — jnpenticoff@sbcglobal.net

Website Updates:
Contact — MarkRJohnson52@gmail.com

To make an appointment with the rector:
emolitors@yahoo.com or call/text — 847-727-0862

Director of Music:
Westley Hodges — whodges@westleyhodges.com.

Treasurer:
Deborah Bill — hailstonesailor@gmail.com

Food Tidings Meals Ministry:
Contact — Robison_Samantha@yahoo.com

Wardens & Vestry: Mike Bill — Sr. Warden; Maggie Attiyeh — Jr. Warden; Vestry members: Miriam Berry, Andy Campbell, Michael Chatlien, Beth Hagan, Cindy Hibbard, Andrea Lindblad, Susan O'Morchoe, Dan Whipple; Clerk of the Vestry - Charles O'Morchoe (non-voting).

If you have a pastoral emergency, please call or text Rev. Elizabeth at 847-727-0862.



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Welcome to Annunciation! We are pleased that you've chosen to worship here today. Everything you need to participate in the service is in this bulletin or in one of the two hymnals in the pew rack in front of you. Congregational prayers and responses are indicated by **bold**, *italic* type. At communion time, we invite everyone — whether you grew up in the Episcopal church or not — to receive the bread and wine at the Lord's table.

Children are invited to participate fully in the service, as well — in the prayers, in singing, in communion. The more that kids can see, the more they'll feel part of the service, and so parents are encouraged to sit wherever their children can view the action the best. We recognize that kids can't always sit still for a full service, and we're not bothered by their rustlings or outpourings of energy. If you feel like you need to step out of the service for a moment, though, know that you'll still be able to see and hear the service from the narthex (entryway) area. Age-appropriate KidsWord activity sheets, which help explain the day's scripture readings, are available on the table by the church office.

If you are visiting here for the first time, please sign our guest register before leaving and know that you are welcome to join fellow worshipers at coffee hour in the Parish Hall following the service. If you would like to receive more information about Annunciation, or to receive the weekly parish news or monthly newsletter electronically, please include your email address in the guest register and/or email the church at parishadmin@annunciationgurnee.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NEW DEADLINE FOR PARISH NEWS

The new deadline for announcements in the parish newsletter is Mondays by Noon for the coming newsletter. Please send your announcements to Westley at parishadmin@annunciationgurnee.org.

VICTOR CONRADO

The Reverend Victor Conrado, Associate for Ministries with the Diocese of Chicago, will be with us today. He will be preaching at both services and presenting during the Adult Forum time. Victor’s role with the bishop's office is to work with congregations who are going through clergy transitions, and he has already started that work by meeting with the wardens and vestry in August.

OUTREACH REMINDER

We continue to collect soaps, shampoos, toothpastes, and other travel sized toiletries for those in need. See Terry Kline with any questions.

OUTREACH UPDATE

Check out our communication wall and watch for monthly Magnificat articles for more information about ongoing ministries and special events! If you have any questions or have ideas to share, please contact Sue, Deb, or Miriam. Thank you!!

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

September 29th, the last Saturday of the month and you know what that means—Feed My Starving Children Annunciation Saturday! Please join us from 9:00am to 11:00am at 742 E. Park Ave., Libertyville to prepare boxes of food to send all over the world to help combat hunger. If you have any concerns or questions, call or text Deacon Linda at 847-340-3253. Thank you.

FABULOUS FOURTH FRIDAY

Coming up is September 28th—Fabulous Fourth Friday—starting with 9:00am Morning Prayer, breakfast at Baker’s Square, and 11:30am start setting up for our last time of bagging lunches for PADS. Please sign up to bring some of the items necessary for these lunches and to help out if you can. Sign-up sheets can be found on the information board under PADS. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Deacon Linda at 847-340-3253. Thank you.

REV. ELIZABETH’S FAREWELL SERVICE

Join us for one service at 9:00am on October, 14, 2018 as we send Rev. Elizabeth off to her next calling. Following the service their will be reception in her honor.

LUNCH BUNCH, ETC.

We will enjoy lunch at Hill Country Market, 7510 288th Avenue, Salem, Wisconsin on Wednesday, September 26th at 1:00pm. Hill Country Market “melds new and old with a unique country feel featuring gourmet sandwiches, homemade soups and baked goods, local, organic and gluten-free products, spirits, meat and cheese, deli salads and more.” You may want to take home some goodies from the Hill Country Market for your enjoyment later. If the weather permits, we will dine outside on the patio. After lunch, there will be an opportunity to go next door to the Breezy Hill Nursery Garden Shop to browse and purchase gifts, décor, fall flowers, and garden and landscaping items. All women of the parish are invited. Separate checks will be requested. If you plan to attend, please contact Jane Schaefer at 224-757-5436 or at cs.js@comcast.net before Monday, September 24th.

A SAFE PLACE

The leading cause of injury to women — more than car accidents, muggings, and rapes combined — is domestic violence. We will be able to hear first hand what A Safe Place is doing to help these women and what we can do as a parish. Please join us Sunday, October 7th at 9:00 am or 11:15 am for a very special coffee hour in the Adult Forum room welcoming our speaker Charlene Quint, a survivor of domestic abuse, talking about her journey “from victim to victor”. Charlene is an attorney whose practice focuses exclusively on helping victims overcome domestic abuse. Any questions or concerns, please text or call Deacon Linda Lutter, 847-340-3253 or Cindy Pullinger, 847-650-1790.

PET BLESSING

In celebration of the Feast of St. Francis, and in gratitude for the creatures God has given us to care for, we invite you to Annunciation's Annual Pet Blessing, Sunday, October 7, at 3pm. Weather permitting, we'll gather by the St. Francis garden, otherwise, the service will be in the narthex. Please bring your leashed or caged or crated pet for a blessing, or, if your critter doesn't travel well, feel free to bring a photo or one of their toys. If you've lost a pet this past year, please contact Rev. Elizabeth with your pet's name, and we'll include them in a prayer of remembrance. Invite your friends and neighbors, too! Also, we will be accepting donations of cat or dog food as well as monetary donations which will be given to Our House of Hope in Libertyville which has a food pantry for animals.

SPAGHETTI DINNER

The Men’s Group of Annunciation and Boy Scout Troop 627 have combined forces to dust off a much loved old tradition of years past for our fundraiser this season. Please join us for a night of comradery, fun, and SPAGHETTI! We have an envelope of tickets for every family. Please help us to achieve our goal by purchasing and selling the tickets. Invite your friends, family, and neighbors, and let us know if you need more!

MEDITATION: LISTENING TO GOD

"Silence isn't empty; it's full of answers." This fall and winter, you'll have an opportunity to learn about and practice meditation at Annunciation. Barbara Crowe, an experienced teacher and practitioner of meditation in the Tibetan Buddhist tradition, will be leading meditation sessions on September 26, October 24, November 14, and December 12 from 7-8:30pm. Everyone is welcome to join in. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Barbara at 847-234-5408 or crowe2136@earthlink.net.

CROP WALK

Ending Hunger One Step AT A Time, On Sunday, October 21, 2018 TEAM ANNUNCIATION will be joining thousands of walkers across the nation to help create a hunger-free world. Everyone is welcome to come and walk with us! Please stop by our table for more information, to sign up or if you feel led to make a donation. See Andy Hucker or Sue Whipple with any questions. Thank you!

CUB SCOUT POPCORN SALE

Cub Scouts from our own Pack 1627 will be in the narthex selling popcorn on September 23rd and 30th after the 8 o’clock Mass until after the 10 o’clock mass and Coffee Hour. Popcorn products will be available for immediate delivery, no ordering and waiting necessary. This is the Pack’s primary fundraiser for the coming program year. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

PADS

The mission of the program is to provide support, resources, and shelter to individuals and families experiencing a housing crisis. We will again offer our support as a parish to St. Mark Lutheran Church in Lindenhurst and we welcome you to join us! Thanks again to Cheri Johnson for all her past leadership with food preparation, and also Deacon Linda for organizing our summer lunches. Thank you and all of your helpers for making a difference in so many lives. If you would like to learn more, please come to the September 30th Outreach meeting or check out our communication board for more information. If you have any questions see Mike Bill, Sue Whipple or Deb Bill or Carol Anderson.