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



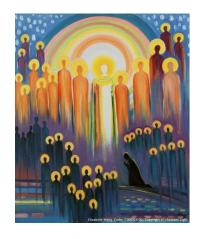
Parish News for the Week of Sunday, October 17, 2021

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All Saints Sunday

On October 31, we will celebrate All Saints Sunday. As is our custom, you are invited to remember the saints of your life and offer their names for reading in the Prayers of the People. <u>Email Pastor Jenni</u> with names and pronunciation guide before 10/28/21.

Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever.



All Saints Remembrances

We are going to bring back the All Saints remembrance table this year.

Please select a favorite photo, cherished possession, inherited item or anything that reminds you of a relative or friend that has passed away, and bring it with you to church on October 31st when we will be celebrating All Saints Day at Annunciation. The reminders could be something that the person made, a craft project, a knitted scarf, or a favorite piece of music, a painting or other art work, a

favorite recipe. Anything that will go on the table is acceptable, unless it moves under its own power, i.e. a pet. We will set up a table in the Narthex so that the items can be shared with the rest of the congregation. Please contact Pastor Jenni or Charles O'Morchoe if you have any questions.

Thank you Charles O'Morchoe

QPR: Question, Persuade, Refer



QPR is an internationally recognized suicide prevention program designed to help you have a conversation with someone having thoughts of suicide. You will be trained to recognize suicide warning signs, approach someone who may be at risk, persuade the person to seek appropriate services, and connect the person to resources that will help. Similar to CPR, QPR is intended to educate and empower ALL

people to make a positive and effective difference in the life of someone in a mental health crisis, no matter your background or experience. Attend this workshop and learn how to support your family, friends and colleagues in need by effectively employing the three steps of QPR: Question, Persuade, Refer. Please reach out to Becky De Rosa with any questions at rebeccad@warrentownship.net

To register, click here.

Tailgate Sunday

The great rivalry between the Bears and the Packers is about to heat up. And you are invited to tailgate with chief cheerleaders, Bill Hagan and Mike Robison, on **October 17th**. This is a bring your own thing event,



however Bill will have the grills fired up for those who need a hot hotdog or burger. The festivities begin at 11:00am in the parking lot. Mike will have the TV and game ready to watch. Again, bring your snacks, drinks and chairs to cheer on your favorite Bronco :). If the weather changes, we will move the party inside!

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl ministry will meet **Wednesday, Oct 17** from 7:00 to 8:30 pm at the church. You do not have to be making a prayer shawl at this meeting (we all have other projects in process) and your project does not need to be limited to knitting. Prayer shawls can be knitted, crocheted, woven, or worked by any other means desired.



Calling for check writers

Do you have a couple of free hours during the week? We are looking for a few extra helping hands who would be willing to come to the office and be a check writer for the parish. It would involve some computer work, which we will train you on, and then being on a *rota* until we hire a new administrator to take over that vital office job.



Come Sing with us!

Adult Choir rehearses this Sunday! After the service, stop by coffee hour and then come by the choir room for a short 'welcome back' rehearsal. We will be rehearsing every Sunday after church for the next few months. During this COVID-time we will be singing in church on the Sundays of All Saints, Christ the King, Advent 1,2,3,4 and of course, Christmas Eve. It will be great! Bring a friend, too!



Hospitality Hotline

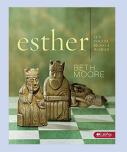
Thank you so much to Barb McNeill and her buddies for hosting coffee hour last Sunday. As you all know, I was very concerned because I was not going to be there and no one had signed up. I understand they did a great job as always.

People have signed up for the remainder of the month of October but after that there is only one date filled. And,

the people who have signed up are the same ones that have already hosted several times. So, we need some new people to help us out here. Please check your calendars and sign up using the link below. It is really easy to sign up and easy to host as well. Two people need to do it because of the necessity to serve the food but it is not hard and people have learned the new routine. Also, "the old fill" the table with food is not necessary because we don't have a huge number of people in attendance. So something sweet, some fruit or veggies and drinks more than suffice now. You just need to be experienced in using tongs and spatulas!!!!!

If you have any questions, please see Miriam Berry.

To sign up to host coffee hour, please click here.



Wednesday Morning Study Group

Welcome back to Bible Study! For the next few weeks, we will be studying the Book of Esther using the Beth Moore bible study of the same name. We meet on Wednesday Morning at 10:00 am in the Adult Forum room. To begin this study, please read the first chapter of Esther in the Bible and be ready to talk about what might have captured your attention.

Also, one of the artifacts of the Book of Esther are Hamantashen (Haman's Ears) Cookies. There are various recipes for these cookies. Is

anyone interested in making a batch for our first class?

If you still need a book for the study, please let Pastor Jenni know so we can order you a book.

Click here to read the first chapter of The Book of Esther

Cub Scout Popcorn Sale

Run.... don't walk! Time is running out to take advantage of this opportunity. Cub Scouts from our own Pack 1627 will be in the narthex selling popcorn on **October 24th and 31st**, before and after the 9:00 mass. Popcorn products will be available for immediate delivery, no ordering or waiting necessary. This is the Pack's primary fundraiser for the coming program year. One of our parishioners purchased it recently and stated, "The Cheese and Caramel popcorn is out of this world." Thank you in advance for your generosity.



Madagascar Happenings

Wow, you have to be fast around Annunciation!!!! A couple people have asked me where the fabric to be washed is and I have had to say, "It's all been taken!". Not only have you all taken it all already, but some of you have already RETURNED it all nicely washed and ironed. I keep saying, and it is not enough times, you all are terrific!!!



When you get to church on Sunday, please take a look at the

display on Madagascar and the pictures of "our kids" on the wall. The children's sponsors had a small party on Saturday night so we could all be introduced to each others' children and learn a little about them. The sponsors who had not been a part of the Wednesday study group also got to have their first tastes of Loaka on rice, the mainstay of the Malagasy meals. Everyone got to check out the display of pictures, indigenous bugs, Malagasy crafts and Patsy McGregor's books. All of these things have been left so you take a look and get a better "feel" for Madagascar, the fourth largest island in the world. Our kids' pictures will remain on display so you can see what each one's name is, who their sponsors are and what they want to be when they grow up. I will be near the displays to answer any questions your might have.

Most of these children are much older than they should be for the grade in school in which they currently are. There are multiple reasons for this. First, it costs money to send the kids to school so the parents can't afford the tuition or the uniforms they have to wear. Second, many parents are not committed to schooling for their kids but treat school as a babysitter which can be used when the kids are not needed at home. So, pulling them out of school then sending them again a couple months later then repeating that process does not lend itself to the kids learning much. Also, they must pass an exam in order to advance to the next grade. (By the way, in order to graduate, they have to sit for a series of comprehensive exams all of which is based on the French school system.) Makes you wonder how they can be so stringent on exams but so loose on the kids actually getting to school!!!!

Lastly, we received two requests for prayer from Deacon Gaston in Amboasary. Last Friday we learned that his sister-in-law, Mehany, had contracted Malaria then on Tuesday of this week we heard that Gaston's wife, Oliviah, who is pregnant was hemorrhaging and losing the baby. I have not heard anything more for either one of them but both things are serious. So please remember Mehany and Oliviah and Gaston in your prayers.

If you have any questions about becoming a sponsor for more children in our Parish Link, Fort Dauphin, please check with Miriam Berry.

To visit the website for the Diocese of Toliara, click on the image above.

Holiday Wreaths and Poinsettias

The Scouts of Troop 627 will be in the narthex with some exciting products to order for purchase (Wreaths, Garland, and Beautiful Poinsettias):

Wreath and Poinsettia sales - October 24 and 31. pickup/delivery - TBD

The product is again being provided by Noble Valley Farms in Wisconsin.

For further information please reach out to Andy Dallstream (andyddall@gmail.com) or parish member Brian Penticoff (bapenticoff1742@gmail.com)



Vestry Reports

- July Treasurer's Report
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Healing Prayer

This Sunday, a minister will be in the chapel during communion to offer in-person socially distanced prayer. Their number will also continue to be posted on the Annunciation Connected at Home FB page and in the bulletin for those who are attending church remotely.

The minister for **Sunday, October 17** is: Michael Chatlien



Links to Zoom Worship for this Week



Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 24 October 17, 2021 9:00 am Sunday Worship Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 24 October 17, 2021 9:00am Join Sunday Worship Meeting ID: 856 1732 4005 Passcode: 071014

Monday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer Meeting ID: 892 8614 1525 Passcode: 352659

Tuesday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer Meeting ID: 849 1855 9848 Passcode: 488546

Wednesday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer Meeting ID: 815 8999 4169 Passcode: 429637

Thursday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

Join Morning Prayer Meeting ID: 839 3757 8871 Passcode: 694677

Friday Morning Prayer: 8:30am

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Staying Connected

Parish News and Prayer Requests Submissions due Thursday morning. Send to <u>parishadmin</u> @annunciationgurnee.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 Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday; 9:30-4:00