How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me? (Psalm 116:12)

The Parish Budget for Fiscal Year 2011 (7/1/10 - 6/30/11) is based on the giving of our faith family for Fiscal Year 2011. The portion of our budget contributed in envelopes, checks and loose cash is $1,565,512 or $30,106 per week. Thank you for your continuing generosity. Contributions for the 52nd weekend of the fiscal year were $30,144.00. In the 52nd week of our fiscal year, our budgeted goal for ministry programs and ordinary operating expense is $1,565,512.00 and our collections are $1,696,414.00. We encourage everyone to prayerfully consider using the Capital Improvement Envelope in your packet to help recover the purchase of the 4-plex adjacent to St. Francis Hall.

Religious Education 2011-2012

Registration for Religious Education for the new pastoral year, will be throughout the month of August and mid-September.

For more information or any inquiry, please call the Office of Religious Education: 296-0411

dreannunciation@aol.com
INFANT BAPTISM PREPARATION: Parents and Godparents seeking Baptism for a child have a responsibility to attend a Baptism preparation session before the Baptism takes place. Annunciation Parish offers a Baptism Preparation instruction class once a month. Parents should carefully consider choosing a Saint’s name for their child, perhaps a role model whose life reflects the hopes and aspirations for this God-given child. Please contact the Parish office for more information. The next class is on Monday, July 11, 2011, in St. Magdalene Hall from 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Natural Family Planning (NFP): Sessions are held in St. Magdalene Hall, on 7/10/11, 8/14/11 & 9/11/11 at 1:00 - 3:30 PM. Program fee for parishioners:$44/couple; non-parishioners: $54/couple. The Sympto-Thermal Method of Natural Family Planning will be taught at Our Lady of the Annunciation in a series of three classes. This method uses three natural symptoms of fertility, in a cross-checking way, for a couple to determine when they are fertile and to cooperate with God in planning their families. The goal of the classes is to make couples more self-sufficient in understanding their changing fertility, including post-partum and pre-menopause. The Theology of the Body is used as the basis for the instruction, using NFP in treating each other as persons, not objects. Contact the Parish Office, 298-7553 for information on how to register for the classes.

PRAAYER OPPORTUNITIES

DIVINE MERCY CENACLE: Monday, July 11th, 7:00 PM in St. Francis Hall

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER/LECTIO DIVINA: Tuesday, July 5th, 6:00—7:00 PM in St. Francis Hall

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE READING REFLECTION GROUP: Lead by Alberta Urrea, meets every Thursday morning in St. Francis Hall at 8:30 AM. The reflection is on the Sunday Liturgy readings for the following Sunday. Just show up with your Bible and the Living Faith Booklet.

UPCOMING LITTLE ROCK SCRIPTURE STUDY (LRRS): The gospel According to Luke First Six Sessions. Morning Session: beginning Wednesday September 21st — October 28th in St. Francis Hall, 9:30-11:30am. Facilitated by Rose Fernandez. Evening Session: Beginning on September 27th — November 1st 7:00-9:00pm. Cost $12 for the Booklet and Study Guide. This study marked by the compassion of Jesus, the Gospel stories of Luke demonstrate the universe nature of Jesus’ mission. Luke’s focus on God’s faithfulness will encourage you to trust. To register, please call 299-9111.

Pope Benedict XVI's Encyclical Caritas in Veritate: The office of Social Justice and Respect Life of the Archdiocese is offering to unpack this most timely document, Wednesday, July 13, 6:30-8:00pm at Santa Maria de la Paz in Santa Fe. Thursday, July 21, 7:00-9:00 pm at Risen Savior in Albuquerque. Wednesday, August 3, 6:30-8:30pm at Our Lady of Fatima in Albuquerque. Contact the Catholic Campaign for Human Development Intern Office of Social Justice and Respect Life Archdiocese of Santa Fe at 505-831-8235 or email justice2@archdiocese.org.

Summer Prayer and Spirituality Day: The Archdiocese of Santa Fe is hosting a day on prayer and spirituality on Saturday, July 16, beginning at 8:30 am and concluding after the 4:30 pm liturgy. The event will be held at the Shrine of St. Bernadette, 11401 Old Miguel Road, NE. Various workshops on prayer, spirituality, and liturgy will be offered. Fr. Tim Martinez will present a keynote address on “Praying the Mass.” The cost is $20 if you register by July 1. Lunch is included in the registration. For more information, contact Deacon Keith Davis at the Formation for Christian Service Office: 505-831-8187. To register go to: https://secure.acceptiva.com?2r=21974e or call 505-831-8129. This event is being held in conjunction with the Ecumenical Institute of Ministry's Summer Spirituality series.

RETREAT OPPORTUNITIES

Canossian Spirituality Center (5625 Isleta Blvd, SW, Alb. 67105) Saturday, July 16th — Saturday, July 23rd: Praying with St. Therese of Lisieux, presented by Br. Joseph Schmidt, FSC. For upcoming retreat opportunities, please visit: www.canossianspiritualitycenter.org OR Call 452-9402

Archdiocese: Family Life Ministry


Wonder of Myself: July 23rd & August 27, a class for mothers and daughters, ages 10 to 17. Presented by St. Joseph Fertility Care Center. Cost $15.00 per person. Call the Family Life Office to Reserve 831-8117.

From the Pastor

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of the Annunciation Roman Catholic Parish is a people of living faith rooted in the Gospel, centered on the Eucharist and led by the Holy Spirit. We are inspired by the example of Mary to continue the mission of Jesus Christ by ministering to all.

Annunciation Parish Website: www.annunciationparishabq.org

INDEPENDENCE DAY

Happy Fourth of July! Let us thank God for our liberty—a liberty from the slavery of sin and a liberty for the grace of God and for the service of our neighbors in justice and truth. Let us not use our liberty as an excuse for self-indulgence (cf. Gal. 5:13). We have received so much abundance in our land that we must give thanks to God and ask for the wisdom of the Holy Spirit to know how to use our blessings well.

As we face the terrible fires in our land, let us beseech the Lord daily for rain: “O God, in Whom we live and move and have our being, grant us deliverance from fires and send us the rain we need, in due abundance, that, being sufficiently helped with temporal blessings, we may the more confidently seek Your eternal gifts and life everlasting. We ask this in the Name of Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.”

SR. CHRISTINA

I am pleased to announce that the Canossian Sisters are sending us another Canossian to follow Sr. Linda as Director of Parish Life and Pastoral Outreach, St. Christina Ovejera, FdCC. Interestingly enough, Sr. Christina had the post of Director of Adult Faith Formation here from 1996-1999. So Sr. Christina is not new to many of you, but a familiar friend. Sr. Christina joined the Canossians in 1970, from the Province of Laguna in the Philippines. She served in various school and church ministries there, in the USA and in Canada. Sr. Christina has graduate degrees in Guidance and Counseling from DeLaSalle University in Manila and in Religious Education and Pastoral Ministries from Boston College. Sister is coming to us from St. Bakhita Parish in the Archdiocese of Toronto, her most recent assignment. Grateful for the blessings she experienced here as a “beginner” in ministry here at Annunciation, Sr. Christina looks forward to returning here, guided by St. Magdalene’s mandate to “make Jesus Christ known, that He may be loved.”

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL JULY 7-16

Here is a novena prayer you may wish to use leading up to the Feast of Carmel, July 16th.

“Oh Most beautiful Flower of Mount Carmel, Fruitful Vine, Splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me hereby you are my Mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly implore you from the bottom of my heart, to help me in this necessity; there are none that can withstand your power. Oh, show me hereby you are my Mother, oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse unto you. Sweet Mother, I place this cause into your hands. Amen.”

FR. DEMKOVICH’S VISIT

Father Michael Demkovich, OP, well known at Annunciation, a professor at Oxford, has recently published a novel, Death of Magister Acurdas, an inspiring work based on the life of the Dominican mystic, Meister Eckhart. Father’s writing gives the reader a sense of Catholic piety of the middle ages, which is truly timeless. Please join Father Demkovich for his presentation and book signing (books will be available for sale) on Wednesday, July 6th at 7:00 PM in the Community Center.

CONGRATULATIONS & THANKS

Let us offer our best wishes and congratulations to our newly ordained Deacon Tony Rivera. We are blessed to have one of our native sons ordained a deacon for service in our community. It has been a privilege to support Deacon Tony through his years of preparation and we look forward to working with him in the days ahead. Thank you for saying yes to the Lord’s call to serve in the Church!

Thanks also to the Annunciation Parish and to all who assisted them in offering the lovely reception after Mass for Deacon Tony and all of our parishioners and guests who attended. Hospitality is a sure sign of Christian love and there was plenty of that to go around on this blessed occasion.

THANK YOU FROM DEACON RIVERA

“I would like to express my warmest appreciation to the Women’s Guild for the beautiful Ordination reception given on Sunday after to 12:00 Mass. In addition I would like to thank all the many wonderful people of Annunciation who supported my four year formation journey with prayers and assistance. Father Voorhees, the clergy, liturgical and administrative staff of Annunciation Parish were very helpful in making this process a joyful learning experience. Work is a pleasure when you work with wonderful people of God. I am looking forward to serving this faithful Parish community. Thank You, Deacon Tony and Kathy Rivera.”
LECTIONARY READINGS July 4th — July 9th, 2011

**MONDAY** Memorial: St. Elizabeth of Portugal Gn 28:10-22a Mt 9:18-26

**TUESDAY** Memorial: St. Anthony Mary Zaccaria Gn 32:23-33 Mt 9:32-38

**WEDNESDAY** Memorial: St. Maria Goretti Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a Mt 10:1-7

**THURSDAY** Weekday Gn 44:18-21,23b-29; 45:1-5 Mt 10:7-15

**FRIDAY** Weekday Gn 46:1-7,28-30 Mt 10:16-23

**SATURDAY** Memorial: St. Augustine Zhao Rong & His Companions & Blessed Virgin Mary Gn 49:29-32,50-26a Mt 10:24-33

**Music & Liturgical Ministry**
Dr. Jane Smith, Director 298-9636

**Ministry & Music Happenings**

**Music**
- **Laudate Rehearsal**: Tuesday, July 5, 6:30 pm, in the church
- **Cantor Rehearsal**: Thursday, July 7, 7:00 pm, in the church

**Attention All Singers!!!** There will be a celebration on Sunday, July 31 at the 12:00 pm Mass to recognize the 50 years of service to Annunciation Parish by the Canossian Sisters. All interested singers, young and old, male and female, are invited to join a special choir to lead this festive occasion. **The first rehearsal will be Thursday, July 14.** Please call Dr. Jane Smith at 298-9636 for more information.

**Ministry**
During the month of May, and in fact throughout the year, flowers are brought to the Annunciation statue in the back of church to honor our Blessed Mother. When the flowers have “past their prime,” they are removed and the vases washed. *If you brought flowers in the past few months and wish to take your vase home, please check in the Greeters’ Room (on the shelves behind the curtain) or in the Adornment Room.* Any vases that are not claimed by the middle of July will by returned to local florists.

The Liturgical Minister Schedule is available on the Annunciation Parish Website: [www.annunciationparishabq.org](http://www.annunciationparishabq.org)

**R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)**
The new RCIA classes will be starting this summer. Those adults interested in joining the RCIA class, please contact Mary Agnes at the parish office 299-9111 and a team member will contact you.

Coffee and Donuts will be served on July 10th by the Women’s Guild after the 9:00 AM & 10:30 AM Masses in the Community Center.

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**Youth and Young Adult Ministry**
Leslie Monette, Director 293-6760
lmonette@annunciationparishabq.org

Registration for the Confirmation program for the 2010 - 2011 year will begin the first week of August. If you have questions about the program please contact Leslie at 293-6760.

**Adult Confirmation**
Beginning in mid September our parish will offer an Adult Confirmation class. This is an immediate preparation program with adults being confirmed in mid November at the Archdiocesan Confirmation Mass. Registration for the Adult Confirmation program is ongoing. Please contact Leslie at 293-6760.

**Young Adults Discussion Group**
on the book, Rediscover Catholicism
NO Meeting on July 4th
Next Meeting: July 11, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.
Where: Community Center
Don’t’ miss this opportunity to be energized about our faith.
Bring a friend—all are welcome.

**Adult Education Program**
Wednesday, July 6, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.
Community Center
Presentation by Father Michael Demkovich, OP
Topic: His novel, “The Death of Magister Aycardus”
An inspiring work of fiction based on the life of the Dominican Meister Eckhart.
All Parishioners are welcome to attend
- On Wednesday, July 13th at 7:00 p.m. we will resume our Bible Study program in the GYM.

**Troop 280**

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