



The Messenger

Annunciation-Our Lady of Fatima Religious Education Newsletter

Welcome back! We hope that you all enjoyed the gifts of family, friends, and the love of God in our lives during this most beautiful season. As the New Year begins, we look back at all we have accomplished as a community and look forward with such joy to the blessings of 2018.



Upcoming Events

January 13

Parish Volunteer Thank You Cocktail Reception 6-8:30pm in Annunciation Gym

Catholic Underground- 7:30 to 9:30pm @ Our Lady of Fatima Gym. Michael Corsini leading the Holy Hour. Musical performance by Marisel.

January 14

6th grade Family Mass- Annunciation Church 10 am Mass

January 21

7th grade Family Mass- Annunciation Church 10 am Mass

January 28

Catholic Schools Week

January 30

Dr. Caren Baruch-Feldman to speak @ Annunciation Gym from 7 - 8:30pm

January 31

75th Anniversary Mass of Annunciation School with Cardinal Dolan. Mass at 10am and reception to follow

February 3

2nd Grade – Reconciliation, Our Lady of Fatima Church @ 11:00 a.m.

February 4

Boy Scout Sunday – Mass to be celebrated @ 10am Annunciation Church

Super Bowl Party sponsored by the Men's Club- Annunciation Gym at 6 pm

February 14

Ash Wednesday - Lent begins



Christmas Carol Sing-Along was a wonderful evening where the first, second, and third grade children wowed the audience with their voices. Traditional Christmas carols were led by the children and enjoyed by all.

The **family masses** for the month of January are listed in the upcoming events calendar. The children of the parish are invited to participate in the Mass as readers. This is a special way for children and the parish alike to celebrate as a family. If your child would like to participate in their grade level mass, please contact Mrs. Mary Rose at mary.rose@annunciation-fatima.com

The parish is having a **Volunteer Thank You Cocktail Reception** on January 13 for all those who have volunteered their time at any event at Annunciation - Our Lady of Fatima Parish. Fr. Grippo, the Priests, Religious and Mrs. Noonan would like you to join them from 6 - 8:30pm in the Annunciation Gym to say thank you to all the volunteers and their spouses.

Catholic Schools Week begins on January 28th. This is a week long celebration of Catholic Education in the U.S. Come out and join the Annunciation School and Home Schol Association in some of the planned activities. On Jan. 30, Dr. Caren Baruch- Feldman will be holding a workshop titled "Developing Grit, Self-control & A Positive Mindset In Your Children: The Keys To Success". If interested, please RSVP to lizdeane32@gmail.com.



More Important News

ANNUCIATION SCHOOL TURNS



During the week of honoring Catholic Education, **Cardinal Dolan** will be celebrating Mass on Wednesday, January 31st at Annunciation Church. This will be in commemoration of **75 years** of educating students in the Catholic tradition of excellence. Please join the parish as we begin a yearlong celebration of such a wonderful achievement. A reception will follow the Mass in the Annunciation gym.

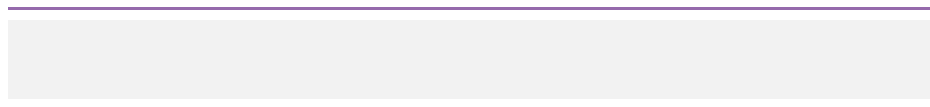
Consider joining us on Sunday mornings for mass. If your children are 3 -9 years old they may like to participate in the **Children's Liturgy**. The Children's Liturgy is an opportunity for the young children of the parish to leave Sunday Mass and go downstairs to listen to a children's version of the Mass readings and to participate in a relevant craft. The children return to their families after the homily.



Here are a few pictures from the Children's Liturgy for Advent. Consider attending in 2018. The next Children's Liturgy is scheduled for February 18th. Please share the information with neighbors and friends who might not have school age children. The next Children's Liturgy is scheduled for Feb 18th.



Volunteers are always welcome and much appreciated. Go to www.annunciation-fatima.com/religious-education to sign up.



In the Community

The Holy Name Society of Annunciation and Our Lady of Fatima Scholarship Program

The Holy Name Society of our parish has announced a scholarship program for college and high school students. It is open to all children in the parish who are planning on entering a catholic high school or attending college (not necessarily Catholic). First prize winners, one for high school and one for college, will receive \$1,000 each and second prize winners will receive \$500 each. Please see the bulletin for essay topics and submission deadline is January 15th.

Mass Schedule

Saturday	5PM	(Annunciation)
	5:30PM	(Fatima)
Sunday	7:30AM	(Annunciation)
	9AM	(Fatima)
	10AM	(Annunciation)
	11AM	(Fatima)
	12noon	(Annunciation)
	5PM	(Annunciation)