

# Annunciation Catholic Church

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## Giving Like God

Christmas is a time of giving. We give gifts. We give cards. We give candy, bread, or food to one another. Sometimes we give because we really care about the other person, and other times because it is just the right thing to do. Even the retail world takes advantage of this very Christian act. They have commercialized the giving spirit, which at times has led to greed and self-absorption (it is about me, not about giving to you). No, this Christmas and throughout this Christmas Season we are called to “give like God”. “For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life” (John 3:16). God gave us the deepest part of himself by becoming one like us to draw us closer to him. We must do the same. We are being reminded this Christmas Season to give from the deepest parts of our hearts. No matter how close or how far we are from those we love. When you give a compliment, make it a genuine one from your heart. When visiting with someone, look at them and talk to them; don’t stay on your cell phone, searching Pinterest or YouTube. When you give to God in prayer, make sure you are praying, not just going through the motions. When it comes to the people who are dearest to you, let them know that they are important. Yes, gifts, cards, candy, and food are great gifts to receive. How they are given makes all the difference in the world. The Christ Child wants to draw us even closer to himself, and he wants to work in and through us to draw others closer to himself. Let us not just give to be giving, but “give like God”.

*Christ's Blessings*  
*Fr. Jeffrey Waldrep*

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Tuesday-Thursday

8:30a.m.-2:30p.m.

Friday

8:30a.m.-12:30p.m.

**Confession:** Sunday 7:15-7:45 or

by appointment

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The Nativity of the Lord

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# Christmas Flowers 2025

## *Given By:*

Mr. & Mrs. Matt Brignac  
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Mr. & Mrs. Erasmo Maya  
Mrs. Lenora Griffin  
Mrs. Barbara Maykowski  
Mr. & Mrs. Allen Kerby  
Mr. & Mrs. Andy Buffa  
Mr. & Mrs. Andy Buffa  
Mr. & Mrs. Andy Buffa  
Mr. & Mrs. Buddy Burks  
Mrs. Clara Hicks  
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Solorio  
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Mr. & Mrs. Peter Tortorici  
Ms. Margarity Rangel  
Mrs. Lupe Torrez  
Mr. & Mrs. John Bino  
Mr. & Mrs. John Bino  
Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Presswood  
Mr. Robin Picray  
Mr. & Mrs. Henry Morgan  
Mr. Marc Meier  
Mr. & Mrs. Mike Hainsey  
Mr. & Mrs. Tom Buckley  
Mr. & Mrs. James Kitchens  
Mr. & Mrs. James Kitchens  
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Mr. & Mrs. James Kitchens  
Mr. & Mrs. Don Ward  
Mr. & Mrs. Don Ward  
Mr. & Mrs. Doug Knittig  
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Mr. & Mrs. Doug Knittig  
Mr. David Forrester  
Mr. David Forrester  
Mrs. Darlene Comish  
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## *In honor or memory of:*

Walker Montgomery  
Our Grandparents  
No Special Request  
Thomas Griffin  
Edward Maykowski  
Doug Phillips  
Bob Buffa  
Betty & Tommy Tate  
Bess Allen  
Our Annunciation Family  
No Special Request  
Rita Vela  
Mary Beth Hillman  
Elena Jane Brown  
Rosenda Moore  
No Special Request  
No Special Request  
Tony Torrez  
John F. Bino  
Han Tong-Soon  
Nancy Presswood  
No Special Request  
No Special Request  
Friedrich-Wilhelm Meier  
Chris Hainsey  
Anna Elizabeth Buckley  
Edward "Ray" Fleming  
James T Kitchens, Sr  
Joseph Dennis  
Donny Parker  
Barbara & Bobby Ward  
Eva Nell & Wilton Hightower  
Henry Vaughn  
Ed Knittig  
Kay Vaughn  
Annette Knittig  
Ruby Forrester  
Don Forrester  
Mr. & Mrs. Don Forrester  
Mr. Darrell Forrester



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## *Given By:*

Mrs. Patti Johnson  
Mr. & Mrs. Henry Barclay  
Ms. Dinah Morris  
Mr. & Mrs. Mike Reeves  
Mrs. Christine Fedorka  
Mr. & Mrs. Squirrel Morgan  
Ms. Joaquina Rangel  
Ms. Joaquina Rangel  
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Kaitlin, Ian & Elizabeth Spurr  
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Mr. & Mrs. John O'Keeffe  
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Mr. Mike Smith  
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Wamble  
Ms. Ruth Elgin  
Mr. Joe Beall  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Formel  
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Fairbank Family  
Dr. & Mrs. Mark Friloux  
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Mr. & Mrs. Justin McCoy  
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Mr. & Mrs. Robert Grondin  
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## *In honor or memory of:*

Ralph Johnson  
Grandchildren  
Jesus, Mary & Joseph  
Our Parents  
Brian Fedorka  
Church Family  
Joaquina Cruz  
Maximino Rangel  
Dr. & Mrs. Blair McIver  
Dolly Gibbons  
Richard & Mary Sackett  
Ilene Burke  
Josephine & Warren Spurr  
Roberta & Raymond Bilski  
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Wilma Robertson  
Luke & Amanda Parker  
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Reinhilde Clark  
Peggy Kellum  
Louie Botto  
Eric O'Keeffe  
Phoebe & Edward O'Keeffe  
Waldon, Mary, & Robert Smith  
Pat Wamble  
Dave Elgin  
Marian Beall  
Our Parents  
Our Daughters  
Mrs. Betty Witty  
Clara Hicks  
Clara Hicks  
William, Grace & David Aspinall  
Lou & Rhena Friloux  
Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Heard,  
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As members, you will join with your brother Knights, putting your faith in action in support of our parish and community.

For more information on how to become a member contact **Dave Gruseck (412) 559-8514** or email him at

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## Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary



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