

Annunciation Catholic Church

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HOLDING ON TO CHRIST

In the gospel reading this weekend Jesus speaks to those anxious places in our hearts with words we all need to hear: "Do not let your hearts be troubled." (John 14: 1-12). At times, life can leave us overwhelmed by uncertainty, grief, and questions about what's next. In those moments, Jesus does not offer empty reassurance. He offers Himself. He tells His disciples that He is going to prepare a place for them in His Father's house. That promise is deeply personal. It reminds us that we are wanted, known, and lovingly cared for. Jesus is not distant from our fears or struggles. He is already making a way for us to be with Him. When Thomas asks how they can know the way, Jesus responds, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life." Those words invite us to stop pretending we have to figure everything out on our own. We do not have to map the whole journey ourselves. We are simply called to trust the One who knows the way because He is the way. Philip asks to see the Father, and Jesus gently helps him understand that, by seeing Jesus, he sees the heart of God the Father. That is good news for us too. When we look at Jesus' compassion, mercy, and faithfulness, we see what God looks like. Jesus's word meets us where we live. It reminds us that faith is not about having every answer, but about holding on to Christ when life feels unclear. He is our peace in troubled times, our truth in a confused world, and our life when we feel weary. In Him, we are never abandoned. We are loved, guided, and being led home.

*Christ's Blessings
To 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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May 3

Fifth Sunday of Easter

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PARISH NEWS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES and MASSES

Tuesday 5:30p.m.	May 5 Communion Service
Wednesday 8:00a.m.	May 6 Communion Service
Thursday 8:30a.m.	May 7 Mass(ACS)
Friday 8:00a.m.	May 8 Mass
Sunday 7:15-7:45	May 10 Confession
8:00a.m.	Mass
10:30a.m.	Mass



ANNUNCIATION
CATHOLIC CHURCH

a look at what's ahead

Religious Education

may 3 Religious Ed Classes - 9:05-10:10

Questions about Religious Ed?
Interested in becoming a Religious Ed Teacher?
Interested in becoming a Children's Church/
LOW Leader?

Contact:
Mrs. Shannon Clapper
ACCReligiousEd@gmail.com



Financial Stewardship

04/26/2026

Weekly Offerings	\$	9,310.33
On-Line Giving	\$	3,431.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$	810.00
Chapel Preservation	\$	100.00
Mass Live Streaming	\$	0.00

Your Financial Stewardship is most appreciated.

Mass Intentions

Tue	5-05-26	5:30p.m.	Pat Vick	JR	RIP
Wed.	5-06-26	8:00a.m.	Driver/Veloz Family		SI
Thur.	5-07-26	8:30a.m.	Kathy Gard	CH	RIP
Fri.	5-08-26	6:00p.m.	Marian Beall	JB	RIP
Sun.	5-10-26	8:00a.m.	People of the Parish		SI
Sun.	5-10-26	10:30a.m.	Jenny Mahoney	DM	RIP



Stay Connected • Stay Involved • Stay Growing in Faith

APRIL 2026

- 04/26: CYO Sunday Sessions

MAY 2026

- 05/03: Senior Recognition @ 10:30 Mass
- 05/10: **NO CYO - Mother's Day**
- 05/17: End of Year Party



**SIGN UP & DEPOSIT
DUE TODAY**

Important Dates:

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APRIL 26T SIGN UP DEADLINE
APRIL 26TH \$75 DEPOSIT DUE
MAY 17TH \$200 BALANCE DUE

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Contact Mrs. Samantha Edwards - AnnunciationCYO@gmail.com - 662-364-8676

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St. Katharine Drexel Bible Study

May 5 at 10:00
Chapter 3 in Seven Pillars book

PARISH NEWS

Pentecost International Food Festival

Food

Fellowship

Sunday May 31st
is the

Pentecost International Food Festival

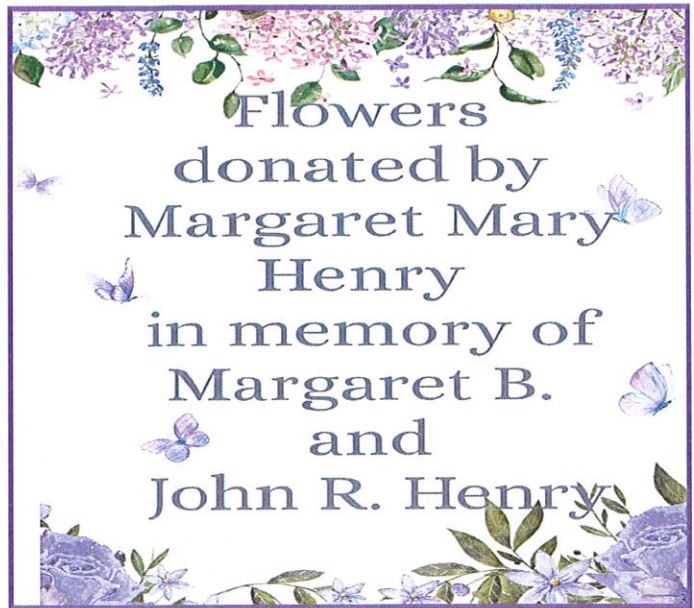
from 5 pm to sunset
behind the church.

All are welcome to join us for fun,
fellowship, and fantastic food as we
celebrate the birth of the Church.

Please bring a dish to share.

Culture

Fun



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Margaret B.
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John R. Henry

Altar Server Training

Sunday, May 17th at 1:00 p.m.
in the Main Church

All students in 3rd through 12th
grades are eligible to altar serve

Altar servers must have received
their First Communion

If your child celebrated their First Communion on
April 26, 2026, we would love them to join and
attend this training session.

Sign up via email to Shannon Clapper at
ACCReligiousEd@gmail.com



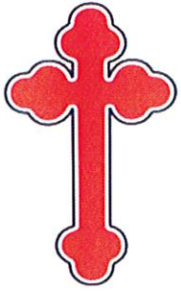
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to our thirteen
First Holy Communicants!

What a beautiful and holy day for our parish family.
May this day be the beginning of a lifetime of faith,
devotion, and love for Christ.

Thank you to everyone who helped prepare and celebrate
this special occasion. Your dedication and prayers made
this day truly beautiful.





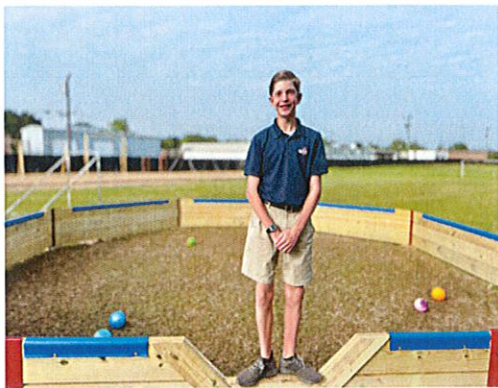
Congratulations to our 2nd Graders at ACS who celebrated their First Communion. They also led their first Mass at ACS this week!

Fourth Grade Students Represent Famous Mississippians

- One of my favorite projects—our 4th graders presented their Famous Mississippian projects this week!
- We had appearances from Jim Henson, Eli Manning, Jerry Rice, Faith Hill, and many other notable names.
- Each student researched and wrote a paper on their chosen Mississippian, then confidently presented their findings to an audience of parents. It was incredible to see their hard work, growth, and pride shine through—what a fantastic job by all!



An eighth grade student built Annunciation Catholic School a Gaga ball pit for his Eagle Scout project. Gaga ball is a fun dodge ball type game played in a round arena. 8th grader Silas, decided to build the beloved structure in the back of the ACS playground for all students to get a turn to play. It has been a popular past time since he built it. Crowds of students love to get together and throw the soft style ball at each other's feet. What a wonderful way to give back, and get credit for his Eagle Scouts.



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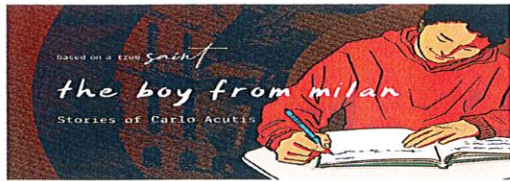
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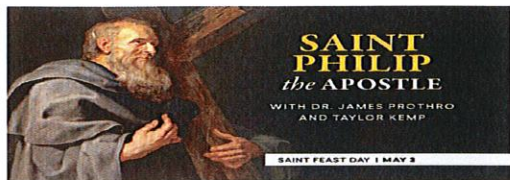
This Week on Formed

Week of May 03, 2026



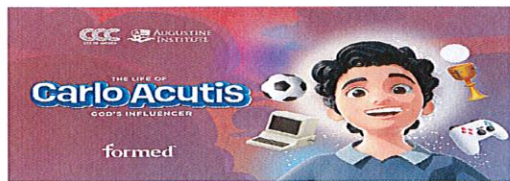
The Boy From Milan: Stories of Carlo Acutis

Discover the inspiring story of Carlo Acutis, the young boy from Milan. You may have heard of him, the sneaker-wearing, computer-loving "gamer saint" of our time. But beyond the headlines and hashtags, the real story of Carlo is something deeper, something the world desperately needs to hear. Known for his deep love of God, devotion to the Eucharist, and quiet acts of charity, Carlo's life was a testament to everyday holiness.



St. Philip the Apostle | Catholic Saints

Dr. James Prothro and Taylor Kemp reflect upon St. Philip the Apostle. St. Philip often brought others to Jesus Christ. His feast day is May 3. Jesus shows Philip that by following Himself, he will see God the Father, and that we can be bold in our evangelization and intercession in praying for others.



Carlo Acutis: God's Influencer

"Carlo Acutis: God's Influencer" is a beautifully animated film that brings to life the inspiring story of Carlo Acutis, a modern teenager who used his passion for technology to share the Catholic faith with the world.

Prayers for Parishioners

Delores Belhumeur
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Prayers for Families & Friends

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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

grusedjg@hotmail.com

Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary



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