

Annunciation Catholic Church

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Being a "Fan" or "Friend" of Jesus?

In light of the beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-6), I believe we are called to look in the mirror and decide if we are a "fan" or a "friend" of Jesus. A "fan" of Jesus would be a disciple ready to live a whole different kind of life. "Friending" or "following" Jesus requires a much less demanding relationship. Being a "fan", a "disciple," is more challenging. For Jesus demands that we not be as self-reliant, but poor in spirit; not always wishing to be cheerful, but realize mourning is okay; not always to be driven by ambitions, but to take time to hunger and thirst for that which is right and just; not to be so focused on what is fair, but how to be merciful; not to be so single minded, but on being pure in heart; to put aside our selfish, strong wills and be more peacemakers; not to forget that in our abundance we have to recognize and care for those who are persecuted; not to be so worried about a good reputation, while being reviled and slandered. Yes, being a "fan" of Jesus, being a disciple requires that we look at ourselves and those around us in very different ways. It is about readjusting our attitudes so much that we put God and others ahead of self. The beatitudes invite us to look out at the world rather than stare in, fixated on the self. So, let us not just "friend" Jesus as we would someone on Facebook or "follow" Jesus as we would someone on Instagram. It is about being a "fan," a disciple, who is willing to get down in this imperfect world and allow God to do what God does best in and through us. Being a fan/disciple of Jesus Christ changes everything.

*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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February 1, 2026

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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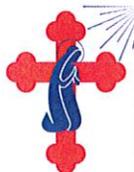
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PARISH NEWS

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES and MASSES

| | |
|------------------|----------------------------|
| Tuesday | February 3 |
| 5:30p.m. | Mass |
| 6:30p.m. | OCIA |
| Wednesday | February 4 |
| 8:00a.m. | Mass |
| Thursday | February 5 |
| 8:30a.m. | Mass(ACS) |
| Friday | February 6 |
| 9:30a.m. | First Friday Mass & Brunch |
| Saturday | February 7 |
| 8:00a.m. | Jacobs Crossing |
| Sunday | February 8 |
| 7:15-7:45 | Confession |
| 8:00a.m. | Mass |
| 9:05a.m. | Religious Ed. |
| 10:30a.m. | Mass |
| 5:00p.m. | CYO |



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CATHOLIC CHURCH

a look at what's ahead

Religious Education

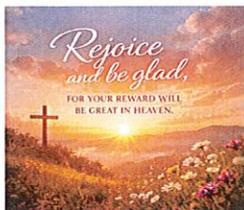
- february 1** No Classes--Rescheduled Pancake Breakfast
- february 8** Religious Ed Classes - 9:05-10:10
- february 15** No Classes - President's Day Weekend
- february 22** Religious Ed Classes - 9:05-10:10
- march 1** Religious Ed Classes - 9:05-10:10
- march 8** No Classes - Spring Break

ACCReligiousEd@gmail.com

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

2-01-26

| | | |
|---------------------|----------|-------------|
| Weekly Offering | 01-25-26 | \$ 6,821.33 |
| On-Line Giving: | 01-25-26 | \$ 3,275.00 |
| SVDP | 01-25-26 | \$ 967.00 |
| On Line Mass | 01-25-26 | \$ 0.00 |
| Chapel Preservation | 01-25-26 | \$ 200.00 |



JOIN ACOLYTES

WANT TO BE AN ALTAR SERVER?

REQUIREMENTS:

- OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS IN GRADES THREE TO TWELVE
- MUST HAVE RECEIVED FIRST COMMUNION

send an email to:
Mrs. Clapper
ACCReligiousEd@gmail.com



Stay Connected · Stay Involved · Stay Growing in Faith

FEBRUARY 2026

- 02/01: CYO Sunday Gathering
- 02/08: Sunday FunDay - Super Bowl Party
- 02/15: CYO Sunday Gathering
- 02/22: CYO Sunday Gathering

MARCH 2026

- 03/01: CYO Sunday Gathering
- 03/08: Lenten Worship & Reflection Night
- 03/15: NO CYO - Spring Break
- 03/20-03/22: DCYC (9th - 12th Grades)
- 03/22: NO CYO - DCYC
- 03/27: CYO Serves @ Lenten Fish Fry
- 03/29: NO CYO - Easter Fest



**FORMS & \$150
DUE NEXT WEEK**



RISE UP
TAKE! SHINE! FOR YOUR LIGHT AND GIVE!
DCYC 2026



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

Mass Intentions

| | | | | | |
|-----------|----------|---------|----------------------|----|-----|
| Tuesday | 02-03-26 | 5:30 pm | Elaina Maykowski | FJ | SI |
| Wednesday | 02-04-26 | 8:00 am | Pat Vick | RH | RIP |
| Thursday | 02-05-26 | 8:30am. | Haley Graham | FJ | SI |
| Friday | 02-06-26 | 8:00 am | JoAnn Ferguson | FJ | SI |
| Sunday | 02-08-26 | 8:00am | John Bino | JR | RIP |
| Sunday | 02-08-26 | 10:30am | People of the Parish | | SI |



OCIA
Order of Christian
Initiation of Adults

6:30p.m. in the Activity Center

- February 3-(Reconciliation & Anointing of the Sick)
- February 10-(Matrimony & Holy Orders)



Donut Sunday February 8

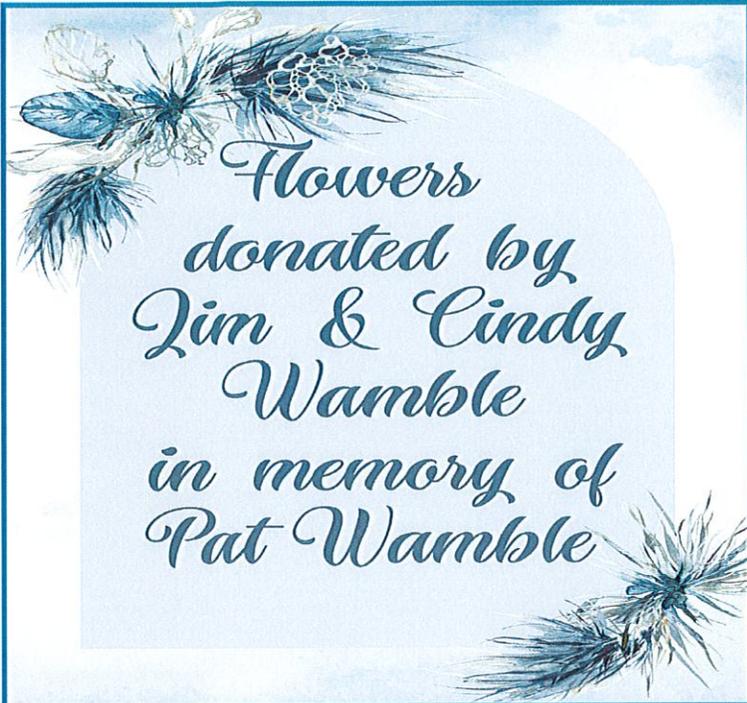
Bring a Treat to Share

PARISH NEWS

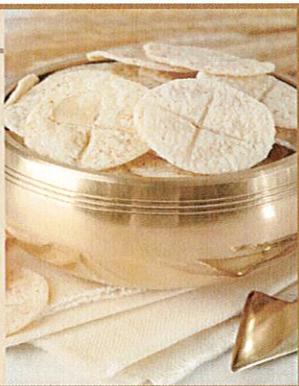


PARISHIONERS OF
ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC
CHURCH
JOIN US FOR A
Bridal Shower
HONORING
Neely Jenkins
fiancé of
Max Hartleroad
Sunday, February 22, 2026
1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Annunciation Catholic Church Atrium

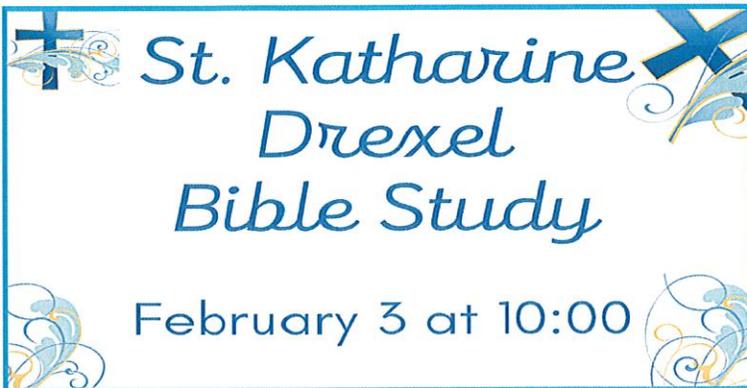
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*First
Friday
Mass*
& Senior Brunch
Friday, February 6th at 9:30
Please bring a dish to share.



*St. Katharine
Drexel
Bible Study*
February 3 at 10:00



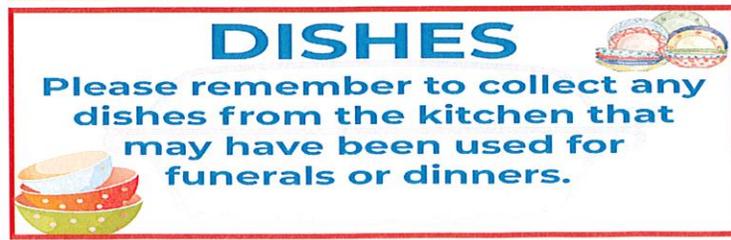
CATHOLIC MEN'S GROUP
*Jacob's
Crossing*
Sat., February 7th
8:00 am
ACC Activity Center



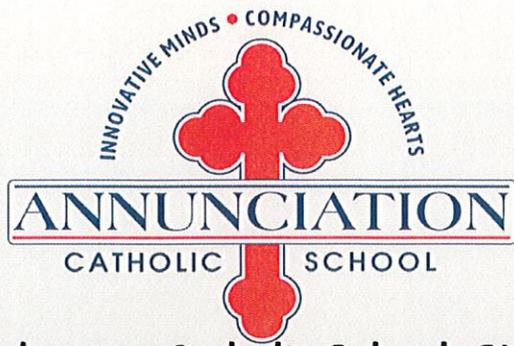
GriefShare
Grief Share Class Information
Faith based and Christ centered recovery...
It's not about a particular denomination.
It's about people healing from hurt, loneliness, sadness, brokenness, or anger.
It's about people not just trying to heal on their own,
but healing together with the foundation of Christ as the cornerstone.
January 15 - April 23, 2026
Thursday evenings ~ 6:30 - 8:30 pm
First Methodist Church of Columbus
Fletcher-Jones Building
2nd floor
602 College Street
for more information:
First Methodist Church GriefShare - GriefShare
or
elizabeth@columbusfirst.org

&
DIVORCE *Care*

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DISHES
Please remember to collect any
dishes from the kitchen that
may have been used for
funerals or dinners.

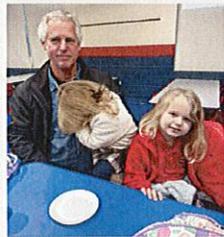


Celebrating Catholic Schools Week

On Tuesday, we celebrated Catholic Schools in Our Nation with a ceremony honoring our military and veterans, followed by a student Hero Run. To experience the physical demands of military service, students rotated through strength-building stations such as the "never leave a man behind" drag pull, jumping jacks, flutter kicks, army crawls, and more, before finishing on a large obstacle-course bounce house. Fun was had by all!

On Wednesday, we celebrated Catholic Schools in our Parents, Volunteers, and Community with Donuts with Grownups. Families enjoyed time and donuts together. Parents were treated to a coffee bar as we expressed our gratitude for their continued support of Catholic education. Students also assembled cleaning-supply bags for Life Choices Pregnancy Center as part of our "Eagles in Action" service project.

Look for more on how ACS celebrated Catholic Schools Week in next Sunday's bulletin!



Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

Celebrate Catholic Schools Week
January 26 - 31, 2026

National Catholic Educational Association
www.NCEA.org/csw
#CSW2026



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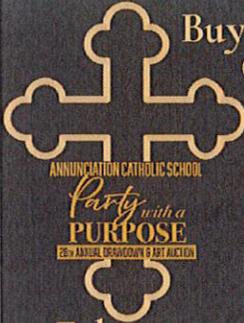
February 17th - 20th

45 min. tours available every day.
Register for the time slot that works best for you.
Tour with us this week. &
we'll waive your application fee
when you take the next step!

Buy Your Draw Down Tickets!

Tickets cost \$100 and offer a chance to win \$10,000, and include admission for two adults (21+) to the Joint Event with dinner, an open bar, and live and silent auctions.

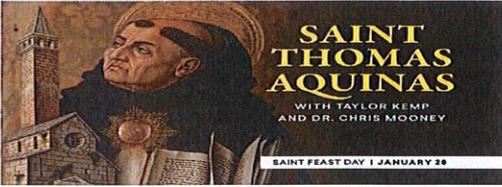
February 27 • 6:30PM • The Lyceum



ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC SCHOOL
Party with a PURPOSE
25th ANNUAL DRAWDOWN & ART AUCTION

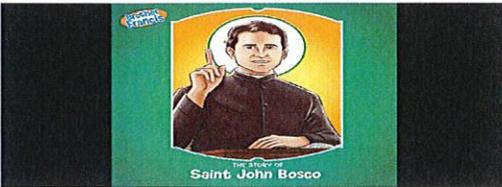
This Week on Formed

Week of January 25, 2026



St. Thomas Aquinas | Catholic Saints

St. Thomas Aquinas was given one of the greatest minds in history. He devoted his life to studying God. Not only did St. Thomas cover almost all of theology, but he also did it while maintaining theological accuracy.



The Story of St. John Bosco

Learn the inspiring story of the life of St. John Bosco in this audio reflection intended for kids. We celebrate his feast day on January 31.



Saint John Bosco: Mission to Love

Flavio Insinna gives a winning performance as John Bosco, the great priest and educator of youth. Beautifully filmed in Italy, this epic movie dramatizes the many challenges that he had to overcome from his childhood all the way to founding his religious order.

Prayers for Parishioners

Delores Belhumeur
Christy Burks
Ginny Clarke
Larry Feeney
JoAnn Ferguson
Haley Graham
John Hamner
Marga Hamner
Robert Herbin
Ginny Konieczki
Diane Loftis
John Love
Dick Mahoney
Elaina Maykowski
Cindy Morgan
Karen Overstreet
Sam Phillips
Steve Wells
Wink Wright

Prayers for Families & Friends

Bonnie Adair
Michele Byrd
Phillip Caldwell
John Michael Crimm
Kathy Forrester
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Men of our parish, 18 years or older, are invited to become members of the W. H. Jolly K of C Council.

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



Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary is extending an open invitation to women of our parish to become members and share in our mission of spiritual and charitable growth.

For more information contact Rhonda Hicks 662-364-0054(cell)



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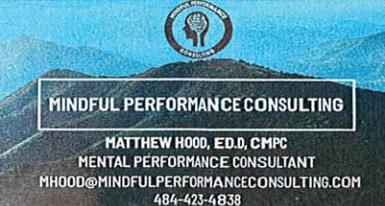
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Mexican Food Truck
246 Hillcrest Rd.

- Monday - Closed
- Tuesday - Friday 11:00a.m. - 2:00p.m. & 4:00 - 8:00p.m.
- Saturday & Sunday 11:00a.m. - 8:00p.m.

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