

The Apostles' Call and Ours

But note both their faith and their obedience. For though they were in the midst of their work (and you know how time consuming a chore fishing is), when they heard His command they did not delay or procrastinate. They did not say, "Let us return home, and talk things over with our family." Instead, "they left everything behind and followed," even as Elisha did when he followed Elijah. For Christ seeks this kind of obedience from us, such that we delay not even for a moment, though something absolutely most necessary should vehemently press in on us.

St. John Chrysostom

The kingdom of heaven has no price tag on it. It is worth as much as you have. For Zacchaeus it was worth half of what he owned, because the other half that he had unjustly pocketed

he promised to restore four-fold. For Peter and Andrew it was worth the nets and vessel they had left behind; for the widow it was worth two copper coins; for another it was worth a cup of cold water. So, as we said, the kingdom of heaven is worth as much as you have.

St. Gregory the Great

Like Peter, Andrew, James and John, we have been called to discipleship. As such, we are given the name of "Christian." But are we conscious what that name stands for, what responsibility comes with it? It is more than just a title or a label. To be a disciple of Christ, to bear the name of Christian, compels us to take on the responsibility – regardless of the difficulty and cost – of living the Gospel every moment of our lives.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of the Call of the Apostles



Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Parish

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June 7, 2026 2nd Sunday After Pentecost Schedule of Services

Sunday	7	<u>2nd Sunday After Pentecost</u> 9:00 AM Matins 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy - Health & Salvation of Parishioners
Thursday	11	7:00 PM Divine Liturgy - +Mark Rosine by family
Sunday	14	<u>3rd Sunday After Pentecost</u> 9:00 AM Matins 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy - Health & Salvation of Parishioners

We pray for the sick and homebound of our parish, especially:

Dot Wochok	Mary Ann Baran	Mary Ann Home	Francis Hughes
Gary Dorencz	Michele Lewis	Kim Hughes	Joel Super
Fran Zeimetz	Carrie Thompson	Michael Sheedy	Bonnie Hughes-wc

Annunciation of the Mother of God Byzantine Catholic Parish

In all decisions regarding parish membership and Sacramental life, the pastor exercises the final decision and the confidentiality of the persons involved must be respected.

Parish Membership is determined by three things:

1. Being registered in the parish for a sufficient amount of time
2. Faithful and consistent participation in the liturgical life of the parish especially on Sundays and Holy days.
3. Regular financial support of the parish. Use of offertory envelopes by parish members is required for weekly donations

The Sacred Mysteries of Baptism, Chrismation and Matrimony are available only to those persons who comply with the above requirements of parish membership.

A Biblically based stewardship is part of the vision of Annunciation parish. Parishioners are encouraged to practicing tithing and also to consider Annunciation parish in planned giving such as trust funds, etc.

Couples who are planning to be married at Annunciation parish must be free to be married in the Church and must contact the pastor at least six months prior to their proposed wedding date. Persons applying for annulments of a previous marriage should not set a Church wedding date unless their annulment has been granted.

Couples who are cohabitating or involved in same sex civil unions or so-called same sex "marriages," as well as couples who are contracepting are asked to seek the pastor's help in understanding the Church's teaching and in conforming their lives to the moral teaching of the Church. Such persons **cannot receive Holy Communion** until their lives are reconciled with the Church.

Parish members entering the hospital or who are home-bound should contact the pastor or parish business office.

Prior to undergoing surgery or going under anesthesia parish members should contact the pastor.

No eulogies or public addresses by laity are permitted during funeral services.

Cremation is permitted but not encouraged. Ashes are not permitted in the church. Funeral services with the body of the deceased in the church must take place prior to cremation. Ashes are to be buried according to the burial rite of the Church. Ashes cannot be scattered or kept in homes.

Appropriate behavior and dress are required for all liturgical services. No audible conversations, or waving across the church. Electronic devices must be turned off. No food, candy, or gum chewing. Dress code is formal and modest for all services.

Abstinence from meat is to be observed every Friday. If this is not possible an equivalent penitential practice is to be observed.

Joseph M Scheidler Memorial “Face the Truth” Tour

Join the Pro-Life Action League as they show our fellow citizens that the victims of abortion are members of the human family just like the rest of us! Come to any of the sites listed below and we'll give you a sign to hold.



Wednesday, June 24th: Downtown Chicago

11:30-1:00 Daley Plaza
Washington Street and Clark Street ([map](#))

2:00-3:30 Art Institute
Michigan Avenue and Monroe Street ([map](#))

4:00-5:30 Grant Park
Lake Shore Drive and Jackson Boulevard ([map](#))

Wednesday, July 8th: South/Southwest Suburbs

9:00-10:30 Flossmoor/Olympia Fields
Governors Highway and Vollmer Road ([map](#))

11:30-1:00 Orland Park
159th Street and La Grange Road ([map](#))

3:00-4:30 Mokena
191st Street and La Grange Road ([map](#))

Stars & Stripes Concert

AMERICA 250

Sat
July 4th

4pm
6pm

SOUTHWEST COMMUNITY
SWCCB
CONCERT BAND
est. 1982

Open
Lawn
Seating

Celebrate America's 250th Anniversary with an afternoon of patriotic music including a special salute to our Armed Forces performed by the Southwest Community Concert Band.

Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church
14610 S Will Cook Rd - Homer Glen, IL

\$5
Parking

Don't miss out on these wonderful summer activities. Sign-up deadlines are quickly approaching

LOVE ONE ANOTHER



6th Annual Young Adult Retreat
 THURSDAY JULY 23RD -
 SUNDAY JULY 26TH
 506 E Main Street
 Marblehead, OH



Join the Fool's Hope Farm CSA at Annunciation Parish!

Get a weekly share of a variety of garden vegetables, all grown by a fellow parishioner, Dan Popek.

If you are interested, text me at 779-279-9895
danielpopek12@gmail.com.

Vegetable pick-ups will begin on June 21st, contact Dan to learn how you can get fresh vegetables all summer long.



THE EPARCHY OF PARMA'S ANNUAL
FAMILY LITURGY & LIFE CAMP

Join families from across the Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Parma for a week of faith-focused, family-friendly fun! This year's camp programming will focus on the four "ships" described in Bishop Robert's teaching, Christ God our Hope: Discipleship, Worship, Fellowship, and Stewardship.

\$250 PER ADULT (18+)
\$60 PER CHILD (4-17)
FREE for children ages 3 & under. Registration fees include the cost of lunch, lodging & all meals.

EVENT DATE
AUGUST 9-14, 2026
 CEDAR LAKE MINISTRIES
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ACTIVITIES

- Daily Prayer
- Age-Specific Programming
- Joyful Fellowship
- Outdoor Games
- Campfire

<https://parma.org/family-camp>

Celebrating the Nativity of St. John the Baptist

Dance of the St. John Bugs!

Wednesday, June 24th

Feast of St. John the Baptist

7:00PM Divine Liturgy

Following Liturgy we will have a family bonfire and craft while we wait to watch the dance of the St. John Bugs!

