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The Annunciation of the Lord

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Saturday, March 21

5:00 CHRISTOPHER DiPALMA (deceased)
by Antonio Ferreira, Jr.

Sunday, March 22 5th Sunday of Lent

10:00 ROBERT STEFANO (deceased) by Brenda Ramirez

Noon EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

1:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE CABRAL AND
SULLIVAN FAMILIES

6:00 JOHN CURRAN (deceased) by Mary

Monday, March 23 Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop

12:00 JUANITO & SULPICIA VARQUEZ (deceased)
by the Varquez family

Tuesday, March 24

12:00 ROSA CATALAN (deceased) by family
(Birthday Rem.)

Wednesday, March 25 The Annunciation of the Lord

12:00 BISHOP ROBERT E. MULVEE and
ARCHBISHOP GEORGE H. PEARCE (deceased)
by parishioner

Thursday, March 26

12:00 CHERYL AUBIN (deceased) by friend Carrie

Friday, March 27

12:00 ROBERT, THERESA & TREVOR CUSACK
(deceased) by Bob and Elizabeth Cusack

Saturday, March 28

5:00 KATHLEEN & RUSSELL DEMOE (deceased)
by Bob and Elizabeth Cusack

Sunday, March 29 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

10:00 BISHOP LOUIS E. GELINEAU & DECEASED
MEMBERS OF THE GELINEAU FAMILY

Noon EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

1:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE WOODS FAMILY

6:00 DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE CABRAL AND
SULLIVAN FAMILIES

Easter Flower Memorials for Departed Loved Ones
Special envelopes for Easter Flower Memorials will be available at the entrances to the Cathedral. Donations will help to defray the cost of the flowers that will adorn the Cathedral sanctuary for the Easter season and will be collected up until Palm Sunday, March 29th for publication and may be deposited in any collection. We ask that no more than two names (families) be included with each donation. Names will be published in the Easter bulletin and placed upon the altar to be remembered in prayer throughout the Easter season. A donation of \$25 is suggested, but any amount contributed will be greatly appreciated.

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes for Teen Confirmation Grades 9-12 will be held on: **Monday, March 23 at 6:30pm**

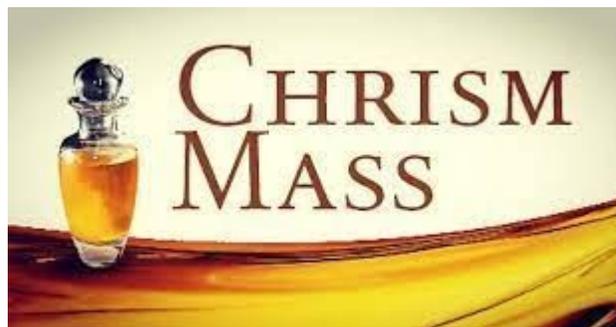
Classes for First Holy Communion and for children Grades 1-8 will be held on: **Saturday, March 28 at 10:30am.**

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

O. C. I. A. & Bible Study

Wednesday, March 25 from 7pm-8:30pm

For information please contact Sister Esmeralda @ 824-9608.



MONDAY, MARCH 30 at 6:00 P.M.
here at the Cathedral

AT THIS HOLY MASS THE PRIESTS OF THE DIOCESE OF PROVIDENCE RENEW THEIR PRIESTLY PROMISES. THE BISHOP WILL ALSO CONSECRATE AND BLESS THE SACRED OILS USED IN THE SACRAMENTAL RITES OF THE CHURCH FOR THE COMING YEAR. ALL ARE WELCOME!

Celebrant & Homilist

Most Rev. Bruce A. Lewandowski, C.Ss.R.
Bishop of Providence

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

FROM THE RECTOR - Monsignor Anthony Mancini

My dear Brothers and Sisters,

I would like to share with you the following meditation:

Our Suffering and Christ's Compassion

Happiness and suffering are inseparable. Some fear to make such an affirmation, because the world would look upon them as fools. How can we say that happiness and suffering are inseparable? Is it not just the other way around?

It is not I who say this, but Jesus in the Beatitudes. Open the Gospel to the Sermon on the Mount. What does he tell us? "Blessed are those who weep; blessed are the poor; blessed are those who suffer." There, then, is the affirmation that true happiness and suffering are inseparable. The wisdom we receive straight from the Divine Master is regarded as foolishness. The wisdom of the world is exactly opposed to the teachings of the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus says, "Blessed are the pure"; the world says, "Blessed are they who indulge in loose living." Jesus says, "Blessed are those who weep"; the world says, "Blessed are those who laugh and amuse themselves." Jesus says, "Blessed are the meek, the merciful"; the world says, "Blessed are those who impose themselves on others and dominate them." Jesus says, "Blessed are the poor"; the world says, "Blessed are the rich." Jesus says, "Blessed are those who suffer"; the world says, "Blessed are those who enjoy themselves."

In spite of that, remember that Jesus is filled with compassion for those who suffer. He has borne all our sufferings. He has endured them himself at Gethsemane and on Calvary, but he knows that they are necessary to us, so "he sends them to us as if with an averted gaze," says little Thérèse, as if he did not have the courage to watch us suffer. But he sees at the same time the happiness it will merit for us, the glory it acquires for his Father, for him, for us, and the graces it merits for souls; so in love, in mercy, in tenderness, he hesitates no longer to lay it upon our poor shoulders, while continuing to sustain it himself, making himself our Simon of Cyrene.

FATHER JEAN DU CCEUR DE JÉSUS D'ELBÉE

Father d'Elbée († 1982) was a member of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

The Wisdom of the Saints

He [God] watched over me before I knew him, and before I learned sense or even distinguished between good and evil, and he protected me, and consoled me as a father would his son.

**SAINT PATRICK, BISHOP
Feast Day - March 17**

The Annunciation of the Lord

In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And he came to her and said, "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and considered in her mind what sort of greeting this might be. And the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus.

He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there will be no end."

And Mary said to the angel, "How can this be, since I have no husband?" And the angel said to her,

"The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God.

And behold, your kinswoman Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For with God nothing will be impossible." And Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the angel departed from her.

Catholic Charity Appeal—2026

Parish Goal: \$41,895
Amount Collected through March 9th: **\$13,077**

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