



Ministry Booklet

Annunciation of the Lord Parish

2/21/2018

A list and description of all ministries and events at Annunciation of the Lord Parish.
Our purpose is to connect you to ministries where your talents shine.

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Parish Mission Statement

Vision statement:

To know and love God and be Christ to one another.

Mission statement:

We are a vibrant, Catholic community, embracing our diversity and united in the Eucharist. We will cultivate the good news of Jesus Christ by fostering justice and mercy among all of God's people, committing to Catholic formation and education, and inviting others to join in our mission. Fortified by the grace of the Holy Spirit and guided by our Lord, we commit ourselves to the responsible stewardship of all of God's gifts.

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Normal Weekly Mass Schedule

(Subject to occasional change)

Monday/Lunes:	6:00 PM (English)
Tuesday/Martes:	6:30 PM (en Español)
Wednesday/Miércoles:	12:30 PM (en Español), 6:00 PM (English)
Thursday/Jueves:	10:00 AM (English)
Friday/Viernes:	10:00 AM (English)
Saturday/Sábado:	5:00 PM (English)
Sunday/Domingo:	8:30 AM, 11:00 AM (English), 1:30 PM, 6:30 PM (en Español)

Typical Weekly Activity Schedule Found in Bulletin

(Subject to occasional change)

Sunday

8:30 am Mass (Church)
9:30 am RCIA (Room A)
9:35 am YES/1st Communion/Confirmation (School & Cafeteria)
11:00 am Mass (Church)
12:00 pm 1st Communion/Confirmation (School)
1:30 pm Misa en español (iglesia)
2:30 pm Quinceañera Class (Fatima Room)
4:00 pm Rosary (Church)
6:30 pm Misa en español (iglesia)

Monday

noon Adoration begins
5:00 pm Server Training
6:00 pm Misa (Chapel)
7:00 pm Boy Scouts (Cafeteria)
7:00 pm Escuela Biblica de Formación (sala C)

Tuesday

8:00 am ROMEOS (Libby's Cafeteria)
noon Adoration ends
6:00 pm Liturgy Committee (Youth Room)
6:30 pm Misa (iglesia)
7:00 pm Neocatechumenal Way (Emmaus Room)
7:00 pm Eagle Board of Review (Fatima Room)
7:15 pm Cub Scout Committee Meeting (Cafeteria)

Wednesday

11:00 am Fifty Plus Planning (Fatima Room)
12:30 pm Misa (iglesia)
4:30 pm St. Vincent de Paul (Fatima Room)
6:00 pm Mass (Church)
6:45pm Meals for the Masses (Cafeteria)
6:45 pm Formal Choir Practice (Church)
7:00 pm Alpha. (Emmaus Room)
7:00 pm Misioneros Guadalupanos (guardería)

Thursday

10:00 am Mass (Chapel)
10:00 am SVdP Food Distribution (Main Hall)
6:00 pm Hispanic Talleros Group (Rooms A & B)

Friday

10:00 am Mass (Church) School Mass
7:00 pm Grupo de Oración (iglesia)
7:00 pm Grupo de Jóvenes (Cafeteria)
7:00 pm Reunión de Grupo Cursillistas (sala de jóvenes)
9:00 pm Adoración

Saturday

7:00 am St. Joseph's Men's Group (Chapel & Youth Room)
8:00 am Pre-Marriage Class (Cafeteria)
3:30 pm Confessions
5:00 pm Mass (Church)
6:00 pm Wine & Cheese Gathering (Gathering Space)
6:00 pm Youth Group (Youth Room)
7:00 pm Neocatechumenal Way (Emmaus Room)

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Liturgy

Altar Servers

Pope John Paul II said, "The altar server occupies a privileged place in the liturgical celebration. Those who serve at Mass present themselves to a community. They experience firsthand that Jesus Christ is present and active in every liturgical act. You are much more than simple "helpers of the parish priest." Above all, you are servers of **Jesus Christ**, of the eternal High Priest." Training is provided.

Time: Serve on a rotating schedule, roughly once a month.

Gifts and talents: This ministry is open to Lay persons and youth in the fourth grade and above who have received First Reconciliation and Eucharist. It is a great way to become more deeply involved in the liturgy.

Ministry leader: Lou and Kim Sciaroni: lsciaroni@yahoo.com

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC)

This special ministry is for those who have a love for the Eucharist and a desire for others to encounter Christ through them in this ministry. EMHC are lay persons who have been commissioned to distribute Holy Communion when there are not sufficient priests or deacons available. This privilege includes distribution of Holy Communion during Mass, and clean-up and storage of the vessels after Mass. Training is provided.

Time: Serve on a rotating schedule, roughly twice a month.

Gifts and Talents: To become an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion you need to be age 16 or older, be a Catholic in good standing having received the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation) and to have a love for the Eucharist

Ministry Leader: Bob and Rosie Catanach rmcatanach@att.net

Hospitality Ministers/ Greeters / Ushers	<p>Hospitality Ministers serve the congregation as greeters, ushers, and general “problem-solvers”; occasionally attending to emergency situations. Seating the congregation is a very significant part of this ministry along with distributing bulletins, providing information to new parishioners, coordinating crowd control during special events and Masses, coordinating the offertory collection (when included), finding and instructing gift bearers, directing the communion procession and helping those who require assistance during Mass. Training is provided.</p> <p>Time: Serve on a rotating schedule, roughly twice a month.</p> <p>Gifts and Talents: If you can think on your feet, can relate to many different types of people, and are friendly by nature, you’d be perfect for this rewarding ministry. This is also a nice family ministry.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Rita Verneti rvernetti2@gmail.com Charlie Follin ctf1006@gmail.com</p>
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Lectors	<p>Having the opportunity to study and then proclaim the word of God is such a gift. This commitment allows the parishioner to be the “voice” for God’s Word and share it with the community. Periodic training classes are provided</p> <p>Time: Serve on a rotating schedule, roughly once a month.</p> <p>Gifts and talents: Some of the attributes looked for in a lector are: love of the Scriptures, willingness to be trained to improve public speaking skills, a strong voice capable of projecting, excellent diction and understanding of the reading(s) to be proclaimed. Ages 16 and above.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Patrice Lappert patricelappert@gmail.com John Overcamp jovercamp@aol.com</p>
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Liturgical Environment	Volunteers beautifully decorate the church for Christmas, Easter, and special events.
	Time: We meet four or five times a year to determine what we will do for the seasons. Committee members are also responsible for setup and takedown, as needed.
	Talent and Gifts: Ministers of the committee do not need any special skills other than to be open to ideas and willing to offer their help and advice.
	Ministry Leader: Kam Acupan: evacupan@hotmail.com

Music	Singing is an expression of joy. St. Paul exhorts "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly.., singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God." Our relationship with God is one of love, and whether we sing loudly or softly, on pitch or out of tune, Sing! "Those who sing pray twice."
	Time: All Choirs rotate the different mass times. The formal Choir meets every Wednesday at 6:45pm in the church. They also sing for all special liturgies. Various other groups set their own practice schedule.
	Gifts and Talents: All ages welcome. No experience is necessary, just a love of singing. Please join either the formal, children's, or Spanish choir. If you have musical talent that does not fit in these categories please consider starting a new music group. (Prior approval and audition is required from Debbie Bailie). Accompanists and cantors are welcome too.
	Ministry Leader: Debbie Bailie (256) 353-9603

Sacristans	<p>This sacred and very essential parish ministry is most often performed behind the scenes. Sacristans set up the necessary items for Mass, and ensure that these items will be available for future celebrations of the Eucharist. They also ensure all the ministries needed for the Mass are filled; Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, Lectors, and Ushers. Training is provided.</p>
	<p>Time: Sacristans are scheduled once or twice a month and need to be present 30-45 mins before mass to unlock doors, set up and make sure all needed are present. They also need to stay for about 15 mins after mass and lock doors as needed.</p>
	<p>Gifts and talents: A sacristan needs to be an Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. This is a rewarding ministry for a few good smiling people who like to help things run smoothly.</p>
	<p>Ministry Leader: Jan Gile jqile@annunlord.com</p>

Welcome Ministry	<p>One of Annunciation of the Lord's strengths is that we have a very welcoming parish community. Our Welcome Minister's role is to say "good morning" or "good evening" to all who walk on our church campus.</p>
	<p>Time: Ministers are scheduled on a rotating basis at the Mass Of their choice. Members need to arrive 30 minutes before Mass to greet those entering the building.</p>
	<p>Gifts and talents: A welcoming smile, outgoing cheerful attitude and a love for greeting those entering our building are the talents that are necessary for this ministry. This ministry can be performed either individually or by a small group. It could be a great ministry for a family to do together.</p>
	<p>Ministry leader: Would you like to be the leader of this ministry? Co Ministry Leader: Betty Gottler</p>

Devotions

Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration

Each December our parish celebrates the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe with music, dances native to the Aztec tribes, hymns, the rosary and the dramatization of the story of the apparitions of Our Lady to a poor Indian named Juan Diego. Our Lady appeared to Juan Diego dressed in the royal Aztec colors on the spot outside the city of Mexico, where the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe stands today. You are warmly invited to enter into this wonderful celebration of faith and culture with our Latino brothers and sisters. Knowledge of Spanish is optional. The celebration begins at 5:00 a.m. on Saturday, Dec.9th at Annunciation of the Lord

Time: Saturday December 9th 2017 5am- 11am at Annunciation of the Lord Church.
Mass will also be celebrated on the feast day Tuesday December 12 at 6am

Talent and Gifts: Everyone welcome

Ministry Leader: Father Wyman Vintson 256 353-2667 ext. 131
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Los Posadas

Join our Youth Group as they take us back to Bethlehem over 2000 years ago. They will lead us on this eventful journey as they tell the story of the Birth of Jesus. We will meet in the Chapel after the 5:00 PM Mass to begin our journey. Children, teens and adults are welcome!

Time: After 5pm Saturday mass in December. Watch bulletin for date.

Talent and Gifts: Everyone welcome

Ministry Leader: Connie Schartung talent@annunlord.com

Rosary Group	<p>The Rosary is a Scripture-based prayer. It begins with the <i>Apostles' Creed</i>, which summarizes the great mysteries of the Catholic faith. The <i>Our Father</i>, which introduces each mystery, is from the Gospels. The first part of the <i>Hail Mary</i> is the angel's words announcing Christ's birth and Elizabeth's greeting to Mary. St. Pius V officially added the second part of the <i>Hail Mary</i>. The Mysteries of the Rosary center on the events of Christ's life. There are four sets of Mysteries: Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious, and the Luminous. The repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery. The gentle repetition of the words helps us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells. The Rosary can be said privately or with a group.</p> <p>Time: Sundays 4pm in the church.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Everyone is welcome</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Anne Chandler</p>
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Stations of the Cross	<p>The Stations of the Cross began as the practice of pious pilgrims to Jerusalem who would retrace the final journey of Jesus Christ to Calvary. Later, for the many who wanted to pass along the same route, but could not make the trip to Jerusalem, a practice developed that eventually took the form of the fourteen stations currently found in almost every church. Please join us every Friday evening during Lent as we make this same journey to draw closer to our Lord.</p> <p>Time: Every Friday evening during Lent. Dinner will follow</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Everyone welcome</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Sister Teresa</p>
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Faith Formation

Baptism Preparation

The Sacrament of Baptism is the beginning and the foundation of the entire Christian life. Baptism has been called a “rebirth” because in the waters of Baptism, we relinquish a life apart from God. By dying and rising with Christ our life becomes forever entwined with His.

In the celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism, parents are reminded that they are the first teachers of their child in the ways of faith. Annunciation of the Lord Parish community promises to help you in this task through its programs of Faith Formation as your child grows and celebrates the other Sacraments of Initiation.

To prepare for your child’s baptism, parents are invited to call the church and register for the Pre Baptismal Session which takes place at various times throughout the year. This session provides an opportunity to learn about other young parents and programs available for young mothers and their children.

Time: English: Times vary depending on need.
Spanish: 4th Sunday of the month after the 1:30pm Mass

Talent and Gifts: All who would like to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Mentors: This ministry is for those that enjoy meeting new people and who would like to mentor young parents in this sacrament. It would also be appropriate for these ministers to follow up and stay in touch with those families once or twice a year.

Ministry Leader: English: Sr. Teresa teresawalsh@annunlord.com
Spanish: Deacon Javier ramirezjv1@aol.com

Bible School Formation in Faith	Bible Study and enrichment program for Spanish Speaking parishioners.	
	Time:	Monday 7-9pm in meeting room C
	Talent and Gifts:	Everyone welcome
	Ministry Leader:	Orlando Salazar 256 466-2805

Christian Initiation of Adults (formerly RCIA Rite of Christian initiation of adults)	This ministry is the process that welcomes all unbaptized and baptized Christians of other denominations into the Catholic Church. It is informative, prayerful, and transformative. Beginning annually in September, those inquiring into the possibility of joining the Church meet weekly with the leadership team consisting of the pastoral staff and volunteers who represent the parish in welcoming and accompanying them on their faith journey. Those who wish to join the church are fully initiated at the Easter Vigil Celebration.	
	Time:	Sessions meet on Sundays at 9:30am beginning in September and end on Easter Sunday.
	Talent and Gifts:	Welcoming fully initiated Catholic who would like to sponsor an adult in the RCIA process, or if you are interested in becoming a member of the RCIA ministry team. All are welcome to learn more about Catholic traditions, customs, practices, and faith.
	Ministry Leader:	Sr. Teresa teresawalsh@annunlord.com

Confirmation Preparation	<p>The Confirmation Preparation program is designed to help guide our youth on their journey to say yes to Christ's invitation to grow closer to God through the Holy Spirit and to the church and to renew their commitment to proclaim the Good News of the Gospel in both word and action. It is a two year process that includes Matthew Kelly's Decision Point.</p> <p>Catechists needed. Child protection and training required and provided.</p>
	<p>Time: Sundays 9:30am-10:45am and some Wednesday Evenings at 6:30pm.</p>
	<p>Talent and Gifts: Cheerful, fully initiated adult wanting to help teach children in the Catholic faith.</p>
	<p>Ministry Leader: Jan Gile jgile@annunlord.com</p>

First Communion	<p>First communion, the second of the three sacraments of initiation, is part of the normal 2nd grade religious education program of St. Ann School and the Religious Education classes on Sunday morning. However, classes are offered for those who of any age who have missed this opportunity.</p>
	<p>Time: English: Sundays at 9:30am. Please see Jan Gile in the church office in July to sign up. Spanish: Times vary.</p>
	<p>Talent and Gifts: Anyone in 2nd grade or older who would like to receive this beautiful sacrament. Adult helpers always welcome. Youth protection required.</p>
	<p>Ministry Leader: English: Jan Gile jgile@annunlord.com Spanish: Sr. Teresa teresawalsh@annunlord.com</p>

**Youth
Education &
Spirituality
(YES)
Teacher/ or
team teacher
(catechists)**

Through formal education and by their example, Religious Education Teachers assist parents in bringing their children into a full understanding of our Catholic faith. Teachers can work by themselves in a classroom or work in pairs if required. Training is held as needed.

Time: Classes are held throughout the school year on Sunday's at 9:30am grades K-12.

Talent and Gifts: Cheerful, fully initiated adult wanting to help children learn the teachings of the Catholic Church. Younger helpers welcome. Youth protection required.

Ministry Leader: Jan Gile jgile@annunlord.com

Saint Ann School

St. Ann School

Catholic school providing an excellent academic and religious based education with a strong, well rounded emphasis for children from 3 years to 8th grade empowering the students to lead faith based lives.

Time: Times for volunteering vary.

Talent and Gifts: Parents are expected to volunteer for seafood festival and any other fundraising event. Occasionally volunteers are needed for various class projects. All volunteers are required to have Child Protection training and background check.

Ministry Leader: Principal David Weimer principal@saintanndecatur.org

St. Ann School Board

Parents and parishioners serve as an advisory body charged with assisting the principal and pastor in formulating school policy, overseeing school operations, and fundraising.

Time: Monthly meetings on Wednesdays at 6:45pm.

Talent and Gifts: Board membership is by invitation from Father Ray Remke. All are welcome to inquire about volunteering to be a part of this ministry. Youth protection required. No more than a three year term.

Ministry Leader: Father Ray Remke parish@annunlord.com

St. Ann School PTO	Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) is a parent lead ministry that is responsible for organizing and leading parent to contribute their time and talents to enhance a wonderful school experience for the students.	
	Time:	Meetings to be Announced
	Talent and Gifts:	Everyone who has a child or grandchild at St .Ann is welcome to be a part of PTO
	Ministry Leader:	Gerry Nobbley gnobbley@rocketmail.com

Scrip	Scrip is a great and easy fundraising tool. Our school works with local retailers directly or through a scrip company to purchase gift certificates or gift cards (referred to as scrip) at a discount. People purchase the gift cards from the school at face value. The difference in price is kept by the school. The purchaser can use the scrip at the retailer just like cash.	
	Time:	Gift cards are sold after all weekend masses.
	Talent and Gifts:	Everyone is welcome to purchase gift cards to support St. Ann School.
	Ministry Leader:	Stephanie Weathers: weat6594@bellsouth.net

School Sports	Volunteers needed to begin a sports program at school. The program will Eventually encompass multiple sports, but any one sport is worthy of consideration and would be a welcome start.	
	Time:	After school hours
	Talent and Gifts:	An adult who would like to be a positive influence in a child's life by teaching them good sportsmanship and the love of sports. Required to have Child Protection training and background check
	Ministry Leader:	Would you like to be the leader of this ministry?

St. Ann Alumni Group

A Volunteer group who can create a data base and connect with St. Ann Graduates.

Time: To be scheduled by leader.

Talent and Gifts: Everyone is welcome to be a part of this founding group. Those with experience in making a data base would be helpful but not necessary.

Ministry Leader: Would you like to be the leader of this ministry?

Golf Tournament

This is an enjoyable fundraiser for St. Ann School.

Time: Once a year in October from 9am – 6 pm.

Talent and Gifts: All are encouraged to help to join a team, donate toward sponsoring a hole or volunteer the day of the event.

Ministry Leader: Knights of Columbus

Holiday Auction

This is a wonderful fundraiser for St. Ann School.

Time: Once a year in November..

Talent and Gifts: Volunteers needed to help with Acquisitions and setting up for the event. All are encourage to attend.

Ministry Leader: St. Ann School Board

**Seafood
Festival**

This is one of the biggest fundraiser for St. Ann School. It is a fun, family event of cooking and serving seafood for Decatur and surrounding communities. It also includes a car show, children’s activities, a bake sale, and live music. It is a great way to meet others and accomplish something for a very worthy cause. Volunteers are needed anywhere from months in advance to the day of the event.

Time: Once a year in April or May from 10am – 6 pm.

Talent and Gifts: All are encouraged to help welcome others to our Campus and prepare food for the festival. Great time for the whole family.

Ministry Leader: John Spurlock jonathanwspurlock@gmail.com

Prayer and Spirituality

Adoration	<p>Pope John Paul II states: "(Hours spent in Eucharistic Adoration) are not hours spent in idleness, when we isolate ourselves from our work, but these are moments, hours, when we undertake something that constitutes the deepest meaning of all of our work. For no matter how numerous our activities, our ministries, however numerous our concerns, our exertions - if there is no love, everything becomes meaningless. When we devote our time to ponder the mystery of love, to allow it to radiate in our hearts, we are preparing ourselves in the best possible way for any kind of service, for any activity, for any charitable work."</p>
	<p>Time: Monday 12noon- Tuesday 12 noon in the Adoration Room. The length of time you stay is up to the individual. You may stay as little or as long as you like or commit for an hour at a specific time.</p>
	<p>Talent and Gifts: This is a wonderful opportunity for anyone to spend some quiet time with our Lord in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Jesus loves a visit from us. We do it for Him and in return we are blessed.</p>
	<p>Ministry Leader: Joan Rivers: joan4th@gmail.com</p>

Alliance of the Holy Family International	<p>The Alliance of the Hearts of Jesus and Mary is for the sanctification of the family.</p>
	<p>Time: The First Friday of every month starting at 7pm is a night of prayer and reparation. Mass begins at 7 PM followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the Rosary, praying of the Nine Offices, Confession and Eucharistic Procession. At midnight, the First Saturday Mass will be offered.</p>
	<p>Talent and Gifts: Everyone Welcome</p>
	<p>Ministry Leader: Leno Lenofonseca06@gmail.com</p>

<p>Parish Prayer Line</p>	<p>When parishioners request special prayers, their intentions are passed to dozens of people via the Parish Prayer Line. This is an effective way to intercede for important prayer intentions. New intercessors are always welcome. There are no meetings to attend, which makes this a wonderful opportunity for those who otherwise would be unable to participate in a ministry.</p> <p>Time: When in need of prayer. Prayer warriors pray constantly.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Those who feel called to pray for others.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Rosie Catanach rosannecatanach@gmail.com</p>
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<p>Rosary Group</p>	<p>The Rosary is a Scripture-based prayer. It begins with the <i>Apostles' Creed</i>, which summarizes the great mysteries of the Catholic faith. The <i>Our Father</i>, which introduces each mystery, is from the Gospels. The first part of the <i>Hail Mary</i> is the angel's words announcing Christ's birth and Elizabeth's greeting to Mary. St. Pius V officially added the second part of the <i>Hail Mary</i>. The Mysteries of the Rosary center on the events of Christ's life. There are four sets of Mysteries: Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious, and the Luminous. The repetition in the Rosary is meant to lead one into restful and contemplative prayer related to each Mystery. The gentle repetition of the words helps us to enter into the silence of our hearts, where Christ's spirit dwells. The Rosary can be said privately or with a group.</p> <p>Time: Sundays 4pm in the church.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Everyone is welcome</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Anne Chandler</p>
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Small Groups

Alpha Group	<p>Alpha is a tool for the New Evangelization that is being used by thousands of Catholic parishes in over 70 countries around the world. Alpha creates an environment and opportunity for an encounter with Jesus. As Pope Francis likes to say, it's a chance for "Jesus to find them." A lesson and small group discussion begin after dinner.</p> <p>Time: 7:15pm in the Emmaus Room after mass and dinner.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: All are welcome. Ages? Anyone wanting to build their Catholic faith and build relationships with other Catholic.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Alpha group: Amy Anderson, Laura Russell, and Tammie Kilgro : tammiekilgro@gmail.com</p>
Book Club	<p>Interested readers who meet to discuss the book of the month. Great opportunity to meet with others who enjoy books.</p> <p>Time: 3rd Thursday of each month at 9:30 at Java Jaay on 6th Ave.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Anyone who enjoys discussing or listening to discussions of the book of the month.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Sister Teresa teresawalsh@annunlord.com</p>

Council of Catholic Women (CCW)	Our goal is to foster spiritual and educational growth for the women of the parish by providing social and service opportunities to utilize their talents to nurture one another and benefit the community. We support several projects throughout the year, including: host the Wisdom Years Luncheon and RCIA Breakfast; prepare baskets for our homebound parishioners; and prepare and serve meals at the CCC Soup Kitchen.
	Time: 1 st Wednesday of each month (September – May)
	Talent and Gifts: All women are welcome to join this wonderful group that helps the parish and community.
	Ministry Leader: Jann Thomas jann1808@gmail.com

Catholic Conversation	Come join in the conversations as we gather to enrich our Catholic faith through Bible study, enrichment programs, and casual conversations.
	Time: Wednesdays 9:30am-11am
	Talent and Gifts: Everyone welcome
	Ministry Leader: Sr. Teresa teresawalsh@annunlord.com

Hispanic Ladies Prayer Group	Prayer group, Bible study, and other enrichment programs for our Spanish-speaking parishioners.
	Time: Thursday 8am-9am
	Talent and Gifts: All Ladies welcome.
	Ministry Leader: Maria Ceronto Alma Uriostegui

Knights of Columbus	The Knights of Columbus is an organization of Catholic men united by faith and the principles of charity, unity, fraternity, family and service. The local council provides support for the parish and school through financial support from our bingo, through organizing the St. Ann Annual Golf Tournament, and various work projects. Our main community project, the Intellectual Disabilities Drive (Tootsie Roll Drive), supports several community services for the intellectually disabled. Another one of our service projects that helps the community is Rebuilding Together.	
	Time	First Thursday of each month at 7pm at the Knights of Columbus Hall: 1609 Wolverine Dr. Decatur, AL 35601
	Talent and Gifts:	All men 18 and up who have a passion to serve others.
	Ministry Leader:	Art Mays aemays@integrity.com

Mom's Group	Great opportunity for the moms of the parish to come together and share God's word along with sharing and building relationships with other mothers.	
	Time:	1st Thursday of every month from 9-10am in Youth Room
	Talent and Gifts:	Every mom is welcome
	Ministry Leader:	Kristen Rabideau kristenrabideau@gmail.com

Neo Catechumenal Way	It is a way of conversion through which the richness of the gospel can be rediscovered.	
	Time:	Wednesdays and Saturdays 7pm- 9pm
	Talent and Gifts:	Everyone welcome who would like to learn about the gospel and grow closer to God. It is also a great avenue for building and bridging communities.
	Ministry Leader:	Rose Marie and Garry Chessen : 256 351-8151 Adrian Cortes and Maria Villegas, Nadia Paradise

Prayer Shawl Ministry	Volunteers gather to knit or crochet shawls to be given to those who are ill, grieving, or even rejoicing.
	Time: First Thursday of the month at 6pm in the Youth room.
	Talent and Gifts: Anyone who enjoys knitting or crocheting or who would enjoy learning this special talent. Join us in prayer and needlework
	Ministry Leader: Jan Gile jgile@annunlord.com

ROME Retired Old Men Eating Out	Great opportunity for retired men to meet and enjoy time with other men.
	Time: Second Tuesday of every month at 8:00AM at Libby's Restaurant for breakfast and fellowship. Libby's is located at 1401 Hwy 67 S Decatur, AL 35603
	Talent and Gifts: All retired men are welcome to join.
	Ministry Leader: Bob Sperl sperl@att.net

Saint Ann Bible Study	Bible study and enrichment program. A great time to build relationship with God and others.
	Time: Tuesday mornings 10:00am in Youth Room.
	Talent and Gifts: Everyone welcome.
	Ministry Leader: Christina Crawford

<p>Saint Joseph's Men Group</p>	<p>Excellent opportunity for any Catholic man to interact with many of the faithful men of our parish community. In the first half hour the group listens to the daily readings and an accompanying reflection, followed by a rosary before the Blessed Sacrament dedicated to the group's special intentions. The second half of the gathering is dedicated to sharing refreshments and a presentation of any special topic that would be of interest to a group of faithful Catholic men.</p> <p>Time: Saturday 7am in meeting room A.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: All men are welcome.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Deacon Patrick Lappert Lou Sciaroni: lsciaron@yahoo.com</p>
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<p>Spanish Prayer Group Ministry</p>	<p>Praise, Worship, and Religious Education in Spanish with occasional guest speakers.</p> <p>Time: Fridays at 7pm in the church.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: All ages welcome.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Benito / Deacon Javier ramirezjv1@aol.com</p>
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<p>50 Plus Club</p>	<p>Senior adults who gather for prayer, fellowship, lunch, and a program.</p> <p>Time: Twice in the Fall and Twice in the Spring on Wednesdays at 11:30am. Contact ministry leader for more information.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: All those 50 years old and older.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Sister Teresa teresawalsh@annunlord.com</p>
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Youth Ministries

Boy Scouts

The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law.

Time: Monday at 7pm in cafeteria

Talent and Gifts: A scout is at least 10 years old or has completed the fifth grade but not yet 18 years old. Youth protection required.

Ministry Leader: Barry Densmore densmorebj@gmail.com
256-318-2095

Cub Scouts

The Cub Scouting program has 10 purposes related to the overall mission of the Boy Scouts of America – to build character, learn citizenship, and develop personal fitness: 1. Character Development, 2. Spiritual Growth, 3. Good Citizenship, 4. Sportsmanship and Fitness, 5. Family Understanding, 6. Respectful Relationships, 7. Personal Achievement, 8. Friendly Service, 9. Fun and Adventure, 10. Preparation for Boy Scouts

Time: Most Sundays at 3pm in cafeteria.

Talent and Gifts: Any boy in the first grade through fifth grade is welcome to join. Adult leaders always welcome. Training and youth protection required.

Ministry Leader: Michael Bowling Aislingflux@bellsouth.net

Middle School Youth Group	A Catholic middle school youth ministry program providing a safe fun place for youth to find solid Catholic community, to get answers to their questions about faith, and most importantly, to experience Jesus in a profound and personal way. Evenings are filled with lots of fun, fellowship, and learning.	
	Time:	In the summer: Wednesdays 6-8pm. Youth Room. School year: Saturday 6:30-8:30pm. Youth Room.
	Talent and Gifts:	Cheerful, friendly, fully initiated adults wanting to make a positive influence in the life of a child and help them to understand the teachings of the Catholic Faith through fun and fellowship. Youth protection required.
	Ministry Leader:	Connie Schartung talent@annunlord.com

High School Youth Group	A Catholic high school youth ministry program leading teens closer to Christ. Teens also participate in activities to strengthen not only their faith life, but also help them develop lifelong skills such as participating in many events around the church, such as playing volleyball and capture the flag, volunteering at CCC, and participating in March for Life, North Alabama Work Camp, and Steubenville Atlanta. Dinner provided.	
	Time:	In the summer: Wednesdays 6-8pm. Youth Room. School year: Saturday 6:30-9:30pm. Youth Room.
	Talent and Gifts:	Cheerful, friendly, fully initiated adults wanting to make a positive influence in the life of a child and help them to understand the teachings of the Catholic Faith through fun and fellowship. Youth protection required.
	Ministry Leader:	Connie Schartung talent@annunlord.com

Youth Group (Spanish Speaking)	A Catholic high school and middle school program leading teens who only speak Spanish closer to Christ. Teens participate in activities to strengthen their faith.	
	Time:	Friday 7pm-9pm. Cafeteria.
	Talent and Gifts:	Cheerful, friendly, fully initiated adults wanting to make a Positive influence in the life of a child and help them to understand the teachings of the Catholic Faith through fun and fellowship. Youth protection required.
	Ministry Leader:	Felix Aviles, Pedro Silvero, Pedro Juan

Vacation Bible School and TotusTuus	Vacation Bible School is a week-long celebration of faith through song, prayer, arts & crafts, movies, drama, and scripture. Children ages 4 to 11 grow in their understanding of God's love. Each year brings a new theme through which lessons about Jesus Christ are shared. Totus Tuus is a week-long celebration in the evenings for youth 7 th -12 th grade offered every other summer.	
	Time:	One full week from 8am-12noon in June every summer. Totus Tuus: 7:30pm-9:30pm.
	Talent and Gifts:	Mature, welcoming, cheerful, creative volunteers ages 12 and up are welcome. Youth protection required.
	Ministry Leader:	Patrice Lappert patricelappert@gmail.com

Hospitality

Bereavement Food Committee

This special ministry helps those going through difficult times in their lives. Volunteers provide a light lunch after the funeral and offer an opportunity for the family of the deceased to be embraced and supported by our parish family and friends.

Time: Varies as needed. Lunch for family and friends served either in Gathering Space or Meeting Room A.

Talent and Gifts: Anyone who enjoys cooking and/ or serving others.

Ministry Leader: Sister Teresa teresawalsh@annunlord.com

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Support group of families with children/young adults who are physically, mentally, or emotionally challenged.

Time: Mass, dinner, and activities are offered once a year in the Fall for families with a physically or mentally challenged family member. Contact ministry leader for more information.

Talent and Gifts: All families wishing to join this support group are welcome.

Ministry Leader: Therese Harrison (256) 784-5343
Sister Teresa teresawalsh@annunlord.com

Ministry to the Sick Homebound / Hospital Visitation	<p>This ministry is devoted to following Christ's example of reaching out to the lonely and sick by providing visits to the elderly and homebound/ hospitalized in our area. These visits remind those that are sick or homebound that the parish is concerned for them. They also provide encouragement during these difficult days with the inclusion of communion and prayer. Volunteers call and set up a time to visit with the parishioner, keeping them in touch and connected with their parish family</p>	
	Time:	If you have an hour a week, you can provide a much-needed connection for these cherished ones
	Talent and Gifts:	Anyone who would like to share some quality time with an elderly or sick parishioner.
	Ministry Leader:	Sister Teresa teresawalsh@annunlord.com

Wine and cheese	<p>Come join in fun and fellowship to encourage and strengthen the family-friendly atmosphere at Annunciation of the Lord Catholic Church.</p>	
	Time:	Third Saturday of every month in Gathering Space after the 5pm Mass
	Talent and Gifts:	All are welcome to help the hospitality team encourage fellowship of the parish. Smiling volunteers needed.
	Ministry Leader:	Hospitality Team Leader Hospitalityteam@annunlord.com

Service

Building and Grounds Volunteers	<p>We are looking for parishioners to help with the upkeep of our parish buildings and property.</p> <p>Time: Time varies</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Experience with carpentry, painting, plumbing, electrical, landscaping, or general maintenance. Please let us know if you are professionally trained in these areas.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Arvel Childers facilitiesmgr@annunlord.com</p>
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Chasuble/ Alb Cleaning	<p>The chasuble is the outermost liturgical vestment worn by the priest for the celebration of the Eucharist.</p> <p>The chasuble is seen as the “yoke of Christ” and reminds the priest that he is “another Christ” in the sacrifice of the Mass and to “put on the new man, who according to God is created in justice and holiness of truth” (Ephesians 4:24).</p> <p>Additionally, the chasuble symbolizes the “seamless garment” worn by Christ when he was led to his crucifixion. This further accentuates the connection between the priest, the Mass, and the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. A common ornamentation of the chasuble is a large cross on the back or front of the vestment to further cement the symbolism. The color of this vestment is coordinated with the symbolic color of the liturgical season or feast.</p> <p>Time: Chasubles are inspected every other month and taken to Dry cleaners if needed. Albs are inspected monthly and washed, dried and ironed if needed.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Enjoys making sure Chasubles are presentable for mass.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Ministry Leader needed.</p>
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Christmas Angel	The youth group makes Christmas Angel Cards that have a suggested item needed for in the CCC toy room. The toy room is available to all children in need.	
	Time:	Every November/ December
	Talent and Gifts:	Anyone who would like to donate an item for a less fortunate child.
	Ministry Leader:	Connie Schartung talent@annunlord.com

Church Cleaning	Volunteers needed to help with picking up paper and litter after weekend masses, replacing prayer candles, replacing pamphlets in pews, tidying missalettes, and any other things to make the church look neat and tidy.	
	Time:	Rotating monthly Schedule. An hour or two on Mondays and Fridays.
	Talent and Gifts:	Anyone who likes to keep things neat and tidy, change out prayer candles, and do little chores around the church.
	Ministry Leader:	Anne Palmer 256 353-2667 ext. 101

Cleaning Altar Server Albs	Altar server albs are cleaned every other month or more often if needed.	
	Time	Check Albs once a week and clean the ones that are dirty.
	Talent and Gifts:	Enjoys washing clothes and occasional ironing and mending as needed.
	Ministry Leader:	Carolyn Stuckey

Clerical Work	Help out in the church office if Church Secretary is on vacation.
	Time: Varies depending on secretary schedule
	Talent and Gifts: This volunteer opportunity is for those who enjoy speaking with others, answering the phone, and taking messages.
	Ministry Leader: Anne Palmer: parish@annunlord.com

Event Set up/ Clean up	Volunteers needed to help set up/ take down chairs and tables for events.
	Time: As needed.
	Talent and Gifts: Anyone capable of lifting chairs and tables.
	Ministry Leader: Sister Teresa teresawalsh@annunlord.com

Gift Shop	Located in the room adjacent to the front office waiting room. The gift shop carries rosaries, holy cards, Bibles, medals, crucifixes and more. Volunteers needed to help. Training will be given.
	Time: Rotating schedule after weekend masses and 11am-2pm two days a week.
	Talent and Gifts: Adults who enjoy meeting and assisting parishioners in a relaxed environment.
	Ministry Leader: Margaret Hooper mhhmah@aol.com

<p>Money counters</p>	<p>Money counters are a group of volunteer parishioners that count the contributions collected at the weekend Masses and prepares contributions for deposit into the parish bank account. This process involves sorting and counting coins, paper currency, and checks from regular and special collections and from candle offerings. Training provided.</p> <p>Time: Mondays at 8am.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Adults who enjoy counting money. Membership is by invitation from the pastor, but all are welcome to inquire about volunteering to be a part of this ministry.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Jenny Brown bookkeeper@annunlord.com</p>
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<p>Natural Family Planning</p>	<p>Building joyful marriages by teaching Natural Family Planning (NFP), couple to couple. The Couple to Couple League (CCL) is an international, Catholic, non-profit organization dedicated to promoting and teaching fertility awareness (natural family planning) to married and engaged couples.</p> <p>Time Times Vary. Contact Ministry leader.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Everyone welcome who would like to learn more about NFP through the CCL.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: David Birchmier: dave44birch@gmail.com John and Jenise Filiatrault: hartfils@bellsouth.net</p>
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Saint Vincent DePaul	<p>Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (or "Vincentians") are men and women who strive to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to individuals in need. It is this personalized involvement that makes the work of the Society unique. This aid may take the form of intervention, consultation, or often through direct dollar or in-kind service.</p>
	<p>Time Times vary. (See below)</p>
	<p>Talent and Gifts: To be able to help with any one of the following: (1) Home visitation team (2) Food Pantry hour worker (Thursdays from 10-11am) (3) Answer calls from those in need on Wednesday from 10am - 12 noon (4) Shoppers' Club which keeps the pantry stocked (5) Provide other in-kind service.</p>
	<p>Ministry Leader: Anne Werling: AWonthego@charter.net</p>

Sanctuary Cleaning	<p>This special ministry helps to keep our church beautiful and welcoming. On a weekly basis, volunteers team up to do a light cleaning of the sanctuary, altar, confessional, and gathering space and change the holy water in the fonts.</p>
	<p>Time: Serve on a rotating schedule, roughly once every couple of months.</p>
	<p>Talent and Gifts: Anyone who takes pride in keeping things neat and tidy and who would like to work behind the scenes to maintain a beautiful, clean sanctuary.</p>
	<p>Ministry Leader: Linda Thurston thurlmt@hotmail.com</p>

Small Altar Linens	<p>Cleaning the corporals and the purificators used at mass is a very special job. It takes great care to wash the blood of our Lord off the linens and dispense of it properly. You can very proud to know the linens you have washed, dried, and ironed are now being used again in service of our Lord. Training offered.</p>	
	Time:	<p>Volunteers commit to approximately one month a year. Every Monday the small linens are collected and carefully cleaned and returned by Friday</p>
	Talent and Gifts:	<p>Anyone interested in a very extraordinary volunteer job of serving our Lord.</p>
	Ministry Leader:	<p>Linda Thurston thurlmt@hotmail.com</p>

Large Altar Linens	<p>Meticulous care is given the altar cloth and other large linens used for mass. Every week the large linens for the main altar, chapel altar and tabernacle altar are checked for wax and stains and kept immaculately clean and pressed and ready for the sacrifice of the Mass. Training offered.</p>	
	Time:	<p>Weekly</p>
	Talent and Gifts:	<p>This ministry is for those who takes great reverence and care in maintaining a beautiful and spotless table for the sacrifice of the Mass.</p>
	Ministry Leader:	<p>Anne Chandler</p>

Events

I Promised You the Moon

Dinner and fun event for couples and singles in honor of Valentine's Day.

Time: Scheduled around Valentine's Day

Talent and Gifts: Couples and singles are all invited to this fun event. Register early. Limited space. Knights of Columbus supplies the meal. Participants contribute wine, hors d'oeuvres, or desserts.

Ministry Leader: Sister Teresa teresawalsh@annunlord.com

Holiday Dinner and Dance

A time to enjoy a festive dinner and dance and socialize with other parishioners.

Time: January 6, 2018 after the 5pm mass.

Talent and Gifts: All are invited. Bring a dish to share.

Ministry Leader: Sister Teresa teresawalsh@annunlord.com

Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration	<p>Each December our parish celebrates the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe with music, dances native to the Aztec tribes, hymns, the rosary and the dramatization of the story of the apparitions of Our Lady to a poor Indian named Juan Diego. Our Lady appeared to Juan Diego dressed in the royal Aztec colors on the spot outside the city of Mexico, where the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe stands today. You are warmly invited to enter into this wonderful celebration of faith and culture with our Latino brothers and sisters. Knowledge of Spanish is optional. The celebration begins at 5:00 a.m. on Saturday, Dec.9th at Annunciation of the Lord</p> <p>Time: Saturday December 9th 2017 5am- 11am at Annunciation of the Lord Church. Mass will also be celebrated on the feast day Tuesday December 12 at 6am</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Everyone welcome</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Father Wyman Vintson 256 353-2667 ext. 131 padre@annunlord.com</p>
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Parish Fun Night	<p>Fun social event of playing games, learning something new, or just having a great time with other parishioners.</p> <p>Time: Monthly fun event.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: All are invited.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Leader needed. teresawalsh@annunlord.com</p>
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Seafood Festival	<p>Food, Fun, and Car Show. This is one of the biggest Fundraiser for St. Ann School.</p> <p>It is a fun family event of cooking and serving seafood for Decatur and surrounding communities. Great way to meet others and feel a sense of accomplishment. Volunteers always needed from months in advance to the day of the event.</p>
	<p>Seafood Food, Children’s Activities, Car Show, Bake Sale, Live Music and lots of FUN!!!!</p>
	<p>Time: Saturday in April or May from 10am-6pm</p>
	<p>Talent and Gifts: All talents needed.</p>
	<p>Ministry Leader: John Spurlock jonathanwspurlock@gmail.com</p>

Unity Festival	<p>Newly forming festival showcasing all the diverse cultures of our parish.</p> <p>Each group will cook and serve dishes and organize activities unique to their country or region of their heritage.</p>
	<p>Time: Saturday in the Fall</p>
	<p>Talent and Gifts: All are invited.</p>
	<p>Ministry Leader: Hospitality Team Hospitalityteam@annunlord.com</p>

Evangelization Ministries

Apostolate for Family Consecration

We all need a break from the craziness of life sometimes. Spend a weekend deepening your relationship with God and your family through the sacraments, prayer, relaxation, family activities, and much more! You will grow as a family and get to know others that are striving to walk this journey of life in order to reach eternity. There's something for everyone and you'll be sure to build memories that will last a lifetime.

Time: Every Summer at Camp Tekakwitha

Talent: All families are invited to experience God in nature without distractions.

Ministry Leader: Patrice Lappert Patricelappert@gmail.com

Guadalupe Missionaries

Bible Study and prayer group in Spanish

Time: Wednesday 7-9pm in small nursery

Talent: Everyone welcome

Ministry Leader: Jose Orta 256 822-2545

Prison Ministry

This is a very gratifying ministry where parishioners visit the local prison, Decatur Work Release (DWR), and help the prison inmates understand the teachings of the Catholic Church and how to apply those teachings to their own lives and current situation. Usually at least half of the inmates attending will not be Catholic, consequently this ministry also helps those inmates who would like to join the Catholic church prepare to receive the sacraments.

Time: Meets twice a, week at DWR: Saturday mornings 10:00-11:00, Communion Service followed by discussion on selected topics. Once a month Confession is held followed by Mass. Monday evenings 5:30- 6:30, Communion Service followed by teaching from the Catechism

Talent and Gifts: Willingness to learn, present and discuss the teachings of the Catholic Church to individuals who range from knowing very little about Catholicism to those who spend a significant time studying our faith. Annual training from the Alabama Department of Corrections is required.

Ministry Leader: John Poole: john.poole@fedex.com

St. Paul Street Evangelization

Saint Paul Street Evangelization is a grassroots, non-profit Catholic evangelization organization, dedicated to responding to the mandate of Jesus to preach the Gospel to all nations. They provide training and materials to help missionaries accomplish this mandate.

A team of at least two evangelists choose a place with pedestrian traffic. Examples of suitable locations include art fairs, farmer markets, street corners or public parks.

The evangelists set up a sandwich-board sign and a table with assorted pamphlets, holy cards, CD's, rosaries, medals etc. The evangelists then say a prayer invoking the Holy Spirit to guide their efforts for the day and ask them to be courageous, humble and docile to His promptings. The evangelists then simply wait for passersby to draw near to their table and offer them a smile, offer to answer any questions, offer to pray with them or invite them to take any material they may be interested in.

Time: Varies

Talent: Anyone who enjoys getting out into the community and evangelizing.

Ministry Leader: Patrice Lappert patricelappert@gmail.com

Pastoral Plan

Building Team	<p>Welcomes anyone interested in helping develop a plan to fulfill the next phase of the master plan that calls for a permanent Church and a multi-purpose facility (offices, meeting space, and gym)</p> <p>Time: Meetings vary but range from once a month to quarterly.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Anyone with an interest in the building of a new church and other structures.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Charlie Follin: ctf1006@gmail.com</p>
Faith Formation Team	<p>Welcomes anyone interested in providing parishioners of all ages ongoing opportunities to renew, enrich, and learn about the faith.</p> <p>Time: Meetings vary but range from once a month to quarterly.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Anyone with an interest in helping with faith enrichment Programs</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Amy Anderson: aanderson0908@aol.com</p>
Finance Council	<p>This is an advisory board which aids the Pastor in the administration of parish funds and resources, encourages and inspires current and new parishioners to increase offertory giving to meet and expand current ministries, pays down the current building debt, and funds future construction projects.</p> <p>Time: Monthly meetings</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Board membership is by invitation from the pastor, but all are welcome to inquire about volunteering to be a part of this ministry or to nominate someone.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Father Ray Remke: Parish@annunlord.com</p>

Hospitality/ Fellowship Team	The Hospitality team seeks to make our church family a welcoming place for all and to foster an atmosphere where people can grow closer to others in their faith community.	
	Time:	Meetings vary but range from once a month to quarterly.
	Talent and Gifts:	Anyone with an interest in finding ways to foster a welcoming atmosphere at Annunciation of the Lord.
	Ministry Leader:	Cathryn Schartung-Doud: Hospitalityteam@annunlord.com

Liturgy Team	The goal of this ministry is to cultivate a deeper understanding, engagement, and reverence for the liturgy.	
	Time:	Meetings vary but range from once a month to quarterly.
	Talent and Gifts:	Anyone with a desire to work with others to enhance the understanding, engagement and reverence of the liturgy.
	Ministry Leader:	Don Hutchings: hutch621@bellsouth.net 256 350-4212 Patrice Lappert: Lappert@charter.net

Marketing Team	The purpose of this ministry is to improve marketing and communications internally to the parish community in general and among the various parish groups as well as externally to the broader community.	
	Time:	Meetings vary but range from once a month to quarterly.
	Talent and Gifts:	Anyone with an interest in the marketing and communication for our parish.
	Ministry Leader:	Jenny Brown: bookkeeper@annunlord.com Scott Brown: scott.brown@decaturdaily.com

Pastoral Council	<p>Advisory board to the Pastor in all matters relating to spiritual, educational, social, financial, and maintenance operations.</p> <p>Time: 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6:15pm.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Anyone with experience in one or more of the above areas who is interested in serving in an advisory role. All new members go through a discernment process.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Father Ray Remke parish@annunlord.com</p>
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Talent Team	<p>The goal of this ministry is to cultivate a culture of stewardship and a deeper understanding of “A Life of Stewardship” with our parish community. The team seeks to clearly communicate to parishioners the diverse ministries that are available and to encourage them to join a ministry that best matches up with their interests and talents.</p> <p>Time: Meetings vary but range from once a month to quarterly.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Anyone who enjoys assisting others and would like to serve by pointing out the ministries that would utilize their talents and help them find personal fulfillment in their ministry.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Connie Schartung Talent@annunlord.com Elizabeth Schroer schroer3@bellsouth.net</p>
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Unity Team	<p>The purpose of this ministry is to promote an appreciation of the diverse ethnic communities within the Church, and a desire to enrich each other’s lives both spiritually and culturally.</p> <p>Time: Meetings vary but range from once a month to quarterly.</p> <p>Talent and Gifts: Anyone with an interest in developing unity at our parish. Members representing every ethnic community in our parish are welcome.</p> <p>Ministry Leader: Stephen Doud stephen.c.doud@gmail.com</p>
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