

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church



PARISH OFFICE

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Hours: Mon.—Fri. 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
(Closed for lunch 12:30 - 1:00 pm)

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FORMED.ORG

Access free Catholic books, programs and recordings using our parish code:

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ST. ANDREW'S SCHOOL

PRE-SCHOOL—8TH GRADE

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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YOUTH MINISTRY

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PASTOR

Rev. Christopher J. Mould
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Rev. Joseph D. Bergida
Rev. Robert L. Ruskamp

SUNDAY MASSES

Vigil Mass: Saturday @ 5:30pm
7:30 am, 8:45 am, 10:30 am (Latin),
and 12:30 pm

DAILY MASSES

Mon.- Fri. 6:30 and 8:45 am
(No 6:30 am on Federal Holidays)
Saturday 8:45 am
Thursday 7:00 pm
1st & 3rd Thurs. Traditional Latin Mass
All other Thurs. Novus Ordo Latin Mass
Preceded by Novena/Benediction at
6:30 pm
First Fridays 7:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Thursday 5:30-6:30 pm
Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Masses: Vigil Mass 7:30 pm
Holy Day 6:30 am, 8:45 am,
5:30 pm, 7:30 pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday 8:00 - 9:00 pm
Friday 9:30 am - 5:00 pm
1st Fridays 9:30 am - 7:00 pm
To volunteer to adore email:
roseofsharon325@gmail.com

PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Registration forms are available on our website www.st-andrew.org, in the church vestibule pamphlet rack, or at the parish office.

SICK CALLS

Please notify the parish office for visits and/or Communion calls to the sick and shut-ins.

MARRIAGE

Our wedding guidelines are available on our website: www.st-andrew.org. Please call the Parish Office to request a marriage application. The diocese requires that arrangements must begin at least six (6) months prior to the desired wedding date. **Parish registration is required.**

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are held on Sundays at 2:00 pm in the Holy Family Chapel. Please call the parish office to make arrangements.

SACRAMENTAL SPONSORS

Information and forms are on our website: www.st-andrew.org. One Class attendance within 2 years is REQUIRED for parents and ALL those asked to be **Godparents or Confirmation Sponsors**. Classes are held on the 3rd Friday of each month in the Padre Pio Room at 7:30 pm.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please submit requests via email to bulletin.notice@st-andrew.org no later than 9:00 AM on the Monday prior to the next weekend's bulletin unless otherwise noted.

Mass Intentions For The Week



Sun. Nov. 19	7:30 am	Kieran Donahue
	8:45 am	Helen Paquette†
	10:30 am	People of the Parish
	12:30 pm	Matthew Buonocore
Mon. Nov. 20	6:30 am	Robert & Gloria Russell†
	8:45 am	Shimshon Goliath Antar†
Tues. Nov. 21	6:30 am	Ellen Russell†
	8:45 am	Robert Driscoll†
Wed. Nov. 22	6:30 am	Christine Cohen
	8:45 am	Bartholemew Gray†
Thurs. Nov. 23	6:30 am	NO MASS
	8:45 am	Fr. Gary Soria†
	7:00 pm	NO MASS
Fri. Nov. 24	6:30 am	James B. Pretz†
	8:45 am	All Souls
Sat. Nov. 25	8:45 am	Peter Nguyen
	5:30 pm	Tao Tran†
Sun. Nov. 26	7:30 am	James Gordon†
	8:45 am	Sheila Rutland†
	10:30 am	The Kaza Family
	12:30 pm	People of the Parish

† Rest in peace

Collections

November 12—\$29,397

The second collection this weekend will benefit the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

This program of the United States Catholic Bishops provides funding for groups that make lasting change and uplift the poor in the United States. CCHD's grants improve education, support economic development, and create affordable housing in low-income neighborhoods.

Parish Office Closed

The Parish Office will be closed on Thursday, November 23 & Friday, November 24th in observance of Thanksgiving.

Theological Questions

Last week's question: What are the various names for the sacrament of "Penance"?

"Those who approach the sacrament of Penance obtain pardon from God's mercy for the offense committed against him, and are, at the same time, reconciled with the Church which they have wounded by their sins and which by charity, by example, and by prayer labors for their conversion."

It is called **the sacrament of conversion** because it makes sacramentally present Jesus' call to conversion, the first step in returning to the Father from whom one has strayed by sin.

It is called **the sacrament of Penance**, since it consecrates the Christian sinner's personal and ecclesial steps of conversion, penance, and satisfaction.

It is called **the sacrament of confession**, since the disclosure or confession of sins to a priest is an essential element of this sacrament. In a profound sense it is also a "confession" - acknowledgment and praise - of the holiness of God and of his mercy toward sinful man.

It is called **the sacrament of forgiveness**, since by the priest's sacramental absolution God grants the penitent "pardon and peace."

It is called **the sacrament of Reconciliation**, because it imparts to the sinner the love of God who reconciles: "Be reconciled to God." He who lives by God's merciful love is ready to respond to the Lord's call: "Go; first be reconciled to your brother."

New Question:

Why is there a sacrament of Penance for sins committed after Baptism?

See next week's bulletin for the Answer



PARISH GIVING TREE

Our Parish giving tree will be displayed in the Church vestibule beginning today, November 19. Please select a tag from the tree, purchase the gift or gift card, and return the unwrapped gift to the Monsignor Hanan Hall after Sunday Masses or to the Parish Office during the week.

All donations must be returned by December 11.

If there is a delivery deadline on your tag, gifts MUST be received by the parish on or before that date. Late donations will not be able to be delivered to the child for whom the gift was intended.

We are helping the following charities this year: Our Neighbor's Child, Catholic Charities, Missionaries of Charity, as well as families in our parish community.

Thank you in advance and may God bless you for your generosity.



In Baptism we are reborn as children of God, made members of His Church and heirs to the Kingdom.

Please remember that a baptismal date can only be scheduled when all paperwork is complete and received in the Parish Office. Without exception, all paperwork must be received in the Parish Office at least one week prior to the intended Baptism date. The baptism booklet and form may be found on our website: www.st-andrew.org. Please call Laurel in the Parish Office at 703-817-1770 with any questions.

Please note there will be no baptisms on Sunday, December 24th or Sunday, December 31st.

Our next class is **Friday, December 15, at 7:30 p.m.** Please call the Parish Office at 703-817-1770 to register. All parents and ALL those asked to be Godparents or Confirmation Sponsors are required to attend this class.

College students—home for Christmas?? If you have been asked to be a godparent or Confirmation sponsor, plan to attend the December 15th class while you are in the area.

Contemporary Choir ... is looking for more members. Rehearsals are Thursday evenings 7:30—9 p.m. in the School music room. All are welcome, singers and guitarists are especially needed. We sing at the 8:45 a.m. Mass on Sunday mornings.

For more information, contact pattylaing@verizon.net. Not sure about making a permanent commitment? Join us for Advent and Christmas!



Christmas Children's Choir

The St. Andrew's Christmas Children's Choir is forming now. Weekly rehearsals begin Sunday, November 26 at 10:30 am in the school music room and continue each Sunday of December from 10:30-12 noon. An afternoon rehearsal in the church will be held on Tuesday, December 19, from 4—6 p.m. Singers and Instrumentalists grade 2 and above are welcome. RSVP to pattylaing@verizon.net with your contact information and your child's grade level (please put "Children's Christmas Choir" in the subject line). Hall monitor volunteers are needed for rehearsals (must be compliant with the Diocesan Office of Child Protection).

Instrumentalists - please let Patty know you are coming so your music may be prepared in advance.

Please Pray for....

The Holy Father's Monthly Prayer Intentions:

For November—Christians in Asia

That Christians in Asia, bearing witness to the Gospel in word and deed, may promote dialogue, peace and mutual understanding, especially with those of other religions.

Our beloved Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the soul of James Pretz and the souls of all the faithful departed.

Those who are Ill and their families and caregivers; especially Jimmy Bray, Carol Brosnan, Paula Ann Cerami, Rich Flaherty, Kevin Flanagan, Chad Fones, Jean Gump, Viktor Heintz, Carol Hoffman, Isaiah Raphael Jordan, Kevin Kelly, Msgr. Frank Mahler, Michael Munsell, Alina Neas, Kathleen O'Hearn, Tom Remington Sr., William Rice, Avis Scholfield, and Fr. Bert Woolson.

For all those involved in our Nation's security and our local safety.

For our Military

Please remember to pray for our parishioners serving our country, and their families. Let us pray especially for Angela Kim and David Paine.

If you have a relative serving in harm's way and would like to have his/her name included on our prayer list, or if your loved one has returned safely, please contact the Parish Office.

Prayer of the Faithful

Anyone who would like to have a family member remembered in the Prayer of the Faithful, either sick or recently deceased, please call the Parish Office at 703-817-1770.

Join the Parish Choir

Join the parish choir for Advent through the Midnight Mass on Christmas, participating with current choir members and guest singers. This choir sings at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sundays. Rehearsals begin Wednesday, November 29th at 7:30 p.m., in the music room of the school. Rehearsals will continue on the following Wednesdays through December 20. To join or if you have questions, email Bill Miller, Choir Director at Bill2400@aol.com.

Thank you ...to the St. Andrews PTO, Scouts, CYO tennis team, and Knights of Columbus for helping with the Beautification Day. Hundreds of donated flower bulbs were planted, the parking lot rosary was repainted, and the overgrown trees next to the playground were cleaned out. The church grounds will be stunning next spring!

PARISH EVENTS

- November 26 *Children’s Christmas Choir Rehearsals begin*
- November 27—30 *Parish Mission for the Feast of Saint Andrew*
- November 30 *Feast of Saint Andrew the Apostle*
- December 2-3 *After all Masses: Religious Education Bake Sale
“Make Space for Santa” Consignment Sale*



Advent Wreath, Candle & Calendar Sale

St. Andrew School’s 8th grade class will be having their annual Advent wreath candle and calendar sale after all Masses in Monsignor Hannan Hall this weekend - first Sunday of Advent December 3rd.

Christmas Cards for Sale

The Knights of Columbus are selling Christmas cards that depict scenes from the nativity beginning Sunday, November 19th after all Masses. If you want more information or to place an order, contact Salvador Ochoa at salmirochoa@yahoo.com or Tom Reynolds at uscpcop@msn.com.

Make it a Merry Christmas for someone special!

Are you, your company or group looking for a family or a child for whom to purchase gifts this Christmas? As we have done for many years now, we will once again be helping families in the Western part of our Diocese. We have asked for the list of families even earlier this year so that you may take advantage of pre-holiday sales. The families we help have been identified as truly needing help this Christmas. This year we have a foster child who moves from one living arrangement to another, three little girls who are being raised by a single mom—many of the situations are dire and beyond sad. In most cases the choice of paying bills or buying extras is no choice at all. Many of these families are two-parent families trying hard to survive.

Donations of *unwrapped gifts must* be delivered to St. Andrew Church **NO LATER THAN December 11** in order to be delivered to the families for Christmas.

By sponsoring a family, you may purchase one gift or everything for a child or family. The decision is yours and there is no donation too small; all will brighten the life of a sweet little face! Your past generosity has overwhelmed us and also makes us confident we will be able to provide for all the families requesting our help. If you don’t have time to shop, but would like to help, we are more than happy to do the shopping for you. If you would like more information, please contact the parish office at 703-817-1770 or jbahr@st-andrew.org.

Religious Education :

- Nov. 19 MSOT with Fr. deLadurantaye on “Greed”
- Nov. 20/21 No RE Classes. Happy Thanksgiving!
- Nov. 27/28 RE Classes meet*
(note: classes will end at 6:30 p.m. on Monday and at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday due to the parish mission)
- Nov. 28 Book Club—10:00 a.m. in the St. John Paul II Room
- Dec. 2/3 Bake Sale after all Masses



Make Space for Santa Sale—Donations Needed!

The St. Andrew School PTO is collecting toys, books, DVDs, children’s dress clothes, and baby items for a "Make Space for Santa Sale" which will be held after all Masses December 2-3rd. Donations may be dropped off at the school office or on the day of the sale. Questions? Contact Crystal McCliggott at crystalmac7@gmail.com.

Christmas Cards for Veterans

St. Andrew’s Trail Life Troop is collecting Christmas cards to deliver to veterans this season. Please stop by the parish hall after all Masses this weekend through December 3rd to choose a card to write to our veterans. Parishioners are invited to join Trail Life to deliver the cards and visit the veterans at the Armed Forces Retirement Home in DC, on December 9th from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Donations of candy and sugar-free candy are also being accepted. For more information contact Anita McCaskey at anita.mccaskey@verizon.net or 703-862-0712. God bless our veterans!

High School Placement Test For 8th Graders: December 2 & January 6

Eighth grade students attending public schools or non-Catholic private schools who are interested in attending Catholic High Schools in the Diocese of Arlington are required to take the High School Placement Test (HSPT) offered on **Saturday, December 2** or on **Saturday, January 6, 2018**. Students must fill out an HSPT Registration Form (available under “Frequently Asked Questions” under Schools at <http://www.arlingtondiocese.org/>), and submit to the test site by November 30 for the December test.

High School Youth Ministry

What are YOU thankful for?



NO YOUTH GROUP

Saturday, November 25

Have a Blessed Thanksgiving!

cym.standrew@gmail.com



St. Nicholas' Day Bake Sale

After all Masses
December 2nd and 3rd

Kids Activity: Edible Manger Scene!

Please drop off baked goodies in the kitchen

For more information please contact
Mike at standrewprolife@gmail.com or Sarah at ssalmon@st-andrew.org



Eucharistic Adoration

Did you know that the word Eucharist comes from the Greek work, Eukharistia, which means Thanksgiving, and Gratitude? Let it be among the most precious of all gifts that we are "thankful" for.

Father in Heaven, Creator of all and source of all goodness and love, please look kindly upon us and receive our heartfelt gratitude in this time by giving thanks. Thank you for all the graces and blessings you have bestowed upon us, spiritual and temporal, for our faith and religious heritage. Our health, the love we have for one another, our family and friends. Dear Father in your infinite generosity, we thank You for the food that nourishes our body, and the Eucharist that nourishes our soul! Amen.

On behalf of Eucharistic Adoration we wish you a most Holy and Blessed Thanksgiving!

Ushers Wanted...Our parish is in need of additional ushers for weekend Masses. Recent news events remind us of the importance of being vigilant and prepared. Men and women are invited to volunteer. If your background is in law enforcement, military, safety and security, we would especially ask you to consider volunteering your time. Ushers do not have to serve every week - personal calendars are taken into account. If you are unable to volunteer at this time, we would ask you to identify yourself to the parish office as a member of law enforcement. If interested, please contact Frank Bonsiero, Usher Coordinator, at bonsiero@aol.com.



St. Andrew's Book Club

Did you know our parish has a BOOK CLUB? All are welcome to join the group on Tuesday, November 28th at 10:00 a.m. in the St. JP II Room. The book St. Athanasius by F.A. Forbes will be discussed. Even if you have not read the book, come see what this club is all about. You are sure to enjoy good books and warm friendships.

CYO Tennis Season Comes to an End

Forty nine children from our Parish School and Religious Education program played CYO Tennis this fall. Our "Aces" (grades K-3) practiced on Friday afternoons with our instructional coaches from RJ Tennis. Our Wimbledon I Team of 4th & 5th graders finished in 9th place in the Diocesan playoffs and our US Open I Team of 5th-8th graders placed 13th out of 23 teams. Thanks to all of our players, coaches and families for a great season!

Saint Andrew the Apostle Feast Day 40 Hour Mission

Please join us in celebrating the Feast Day of Saint Andrew the Apostle by participating in our 40 hour Mission November 27 – November 30.

As we prepare to celebrate the feast day of Saint Andrew the Apostle, we will have a guest speaker, Father Stephen J. Schultz, Adoration of the Holy Eucharist, a first Class Relic of Saint Andrew the Apostle, and more.

All events will take place in the Church.

We hope you can attend and please bring your friends!



Information about our Mission

Monday, November 27th:

6:00 PM–12:00 Midnight: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
First class relic of Saint Andrew will be on display.
7:00 PM: Guest Speaker Father Stephen J. Schultz

Tuesday, November 28th:

9:30 AM–12:00 Midnight: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
First class relic of Saint Andrew will be on display.
7:00 PM: Guest Speaker Father Stephen J. Schultz

Wednesday, November 29th

9:30 AM–12:00 Midnight: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
First class relic of Saint Andrew will be on display.
7:00 PM: Guest Speaker Father Stephen J. Schultz

Thursday, November 30th

9:30 AM–6:30 PM: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
First class relic of Saint Andrew will be on display

6:30 PM Benediction

7:00 PM Mass

After Mass, Celebration Party in the Parish Hall and Veneration of the first class relic of Saint Andrew the Apostle

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