

St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church



PARISH OFFICE

6720 Union Mill Road
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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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Parish Office Fax 703-817-0928
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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

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Principal Mrs. Mary Baldwin
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YOUTH MINISTRY

Coordinator Mrs. Bethany Rogers
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PASTOR

Rev. Christopher J. Mould
PAROCHIAL VICARS
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. Dec. 3	7:30 am	People of the Parish
	8:45 am	Eileen Brown†
	10:30 am	Raphael & Roy Godwin†
	12:30 pm	Edgardo Castro†
Mon. Dec. 4	6:30 am	Robert McCallum†
	8:45 am	Barbara Taylor
Tues. Dec. 5	6:30 am	Lee & Tom Toterhi†
	8:45 am	Francis & Shirley Moynihan†
Wed. Dec. 6	6:30 am	William Scarridi†
	8:45 am	Ryan Donahue
Thurs. Dec. 7	6:30 am	Richard Woolson†
	8:45 am	Evelyn Quidayan Ereso†
	7:30 pm	Stephen Buonocore
Fri. Dec. 8	6:30 am	Anna & John Bahr†
	8:45 am	People of the Parish
	5:30 pm	Helenita Manning†
	7:30 pm	Jose & Connie Soria†
Sat. Dec. 9	8:45 am	Mary Salmon
	5:30 pm	Marguerite Olson†
Sun. Dec. 10	7:30 am	Lois Adams†
	8:45 am	People of the Parish
	10:30 am	Grace Brosnan†
	12:30 pm	Bill Hummel

† Rest in peace

Collections

November 26—\$29,611

The second collection next weekend will benefit the Catholic Charities Christmas Collection. Thank you for your continued generosity.

On behalf of the Little Sisters of the Poor, thanks for your support to help them provide for the needs of the elderly entrusted to their care. The parishioners of St. Andrew the Apostle remain in their daily prayers.

Theological Questions

Last week's question:

In the sacrament of Penance, what are the three acts of the penitent?

The acts of the penitent are to be contrite of heart, to confess one's sins, and to do penance.

New Question: What is meant by contrition for our sins?

See next week's bulletin for the answer

First Sunday Devotions

Please join us today, December 3, in the church, to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Prayer begins at 3:00 pm and concludes at 4:00 pm. All are welcome. Sponsored by the Legion of Mary.



Feast of the Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation Mass Schedule

Thursday, December 7- Vigil Mass 7:30 p.m.

Friday, December 8

6:30 am, 8:45 am, 5:30 pm & 7:30 pm

Novena Prayer to St. Andrew

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in piercing cold.

In that hour, vouchsafe, O my God! To hear my prayer and grant my desires, through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His Blessed Mother. Amen.

Reciting this special novena prayer fifteen times each day from the Feast of Saint Andrew (November 30) until Christmas Eve is a simple yet beautiful way to celebrate the Advent season.

Advent Day of Prayer Saturday, December 9

Fr. John Cregan will be leading the retreat at San Damiano in White Post, VA. The day begins at 9:30 a.m. and will conclude by 3:00 p.m. with Mass. Cost is \$30, including lunch. To register, contact Heather at 540-868-9220 or at h.esparza@arlingtondiocese.org.



In Baptism we are reborn as children of God, made members of His Church and heirs to the Kingdom. We welcome the newest members to our Parish family:

*Eleanor Lizbeth Smith
Samantha Sophia Stashick*

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.

Parish Giving Tree

Our Parish giving tree is now in the Church vestibule. Please select a tag from the tree, purchase the gift or gift card, and return the unwrapped gift to the Monsignor Hannan 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.

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

Parish Penance Service

Plan to attend the Parish Penance Service **Thursday, December 14th at 7:30 p.m.** Priests from the Diocese will be here that evening for confessions. There is no better way to prepare for the coming of our Lord at Christmas.



Blessing of Baby Jesus Crèche Figures We invite all our parish families to bring their crèche figure of the baby Jesus to the Mass they attend on the **third Sunday of Advent (Dec. 17/18)** for a special Blessing.

Please Pray for....

The Holy Father's Monthly Prayer Intentions:

For December—The Elderly

That the elderly, sustained by families and Christian communities, may apply their wisdom and experience to spreading the faith and forming the new generations.

Our beloved Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Viktor Heintz, Jerome Jareb, Mariet Gammad, Mary Sue Laing, 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, Adam Deer, Rich Flaherty, Kevin Flanagan, Chad Fones, Jean Gump, Carol Hoffman, Isaiah Raphael Jordan, Kevin Kelly, Msgr. Frank Mahler, Ron and Margaret Menard, 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.

"O LORD, you are our father...we are all the work of your hands..." How is God trying to mold you? Is it to be of service to Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Call Father J.D. Jaffe at (703) 841-2514, or write: j.jaffe@arlingtondiocese.org.

Novena for Miscarriages, Infertility and Infant Loss

Bishop Burbidge will be praying a novena to Our Lady of Guadalupe from December 4-12, for all who have experienced the pain and sorrow surrounding infertility, miscarriages, and infant loss. If you would like to join him in praying the novena, text "novena17" to 84576 or sign up to receive email alerts at www.arlingtondiocese.org/novenawithbishop2017



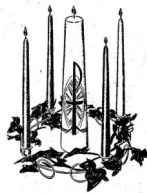
Altar Servers

Please sign up to serve for the Christmas Masses on the scheduling sheet located in the altar server's sacristy.

PARISH EVENTS*

December 2-3	Religious Education/Pro-Life Bake Sale & Make Space for Santa Consignment Sale
December 9	Children's St. Nicholas Party 11:45—2:00 p.m.
December 10/11	Giving Tree Donations Due Date
December 14	Parish Penance Service 7:30 p.m.
December 17/18	Blessing of Baby Jesus Creché Figures at all Masses
December 23	Church Decorating 9:30 a.m.

**Please see the Advent/Christmas calendar for a schedule of daily Masses, confessions, etc.*



Advent Wreath, Candle & Calendar Sale

This is the FINAL WEEKEND for the St. Andrew School 8th grade class Advent wreath, candle and calendar sale. Stop by Monsignor Hannan Hall after all Masses.

Christmas Cards for Sale

The Knights of Columbus are selling Christmas cards after all Masses that depict scenes from the nativity. 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 :

Dec. 2/3	Bake Sale after all Masses
Dec. 4/5	RE Classes meet
Dec. 11/12	RE Classes meet
Dec. 14	Parish Penance Service
Dec. 18/19	RE Classes Meet
Dec. 19	Book Club 10-12 noon



Make Space for Santa Sale This Weekend!

Stop by Monsignor Hannan Hall this weekend after all Masses for the "Make Space for Santa Sale" sponsored by the St. Andrew School PTO. This consignment sale will feature toys, books, DVDs, children's dress clothes, and baby items. Donations may be dropped off on the day of the sale.



**Children's St. Nicholas Party
December 9**

The Knights of Columbus Council will be hosting its annual "Lunch with Santa," Children's St. Nicholas Party on Saturday, December 9th. All children of the parish are welcomed to have lunch with Santa and listen to Santa tell the story about the first Christmas. Children should be seated in Monsignor Hanna Hall at 11:45 am to welcome Santa when he arrives at 12:00 noon. If you require additional information please contact Tom Reynolds at uscpcop@msn.com or Al Grimmig at algrimmig@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 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!

<div data-bbox="97 199 235 325" data-label="Image"> </div> <div data-bbox="267 199 747 231" data-label="Section-Header"> <p>Director of Religious Education</p> </div> <div data-bbox="235 241 824 745" data-label="Text"> <p>St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church is seeking applicants for a part-time Director of Religious Education for grades K-8. Applicants should be Catholics in good standing, experienced in Catholic education, with strong organizational, planning and communication skills. The Director will interface with the parish priests, parish and school staff, parents, and volunteers. Candidate must have a bachelor's degree and prior experience in either a religious education or Catholic school setting. The Director will need to be onsite Monday and Tuesday afternoons/evenings. Additionally, some extra evenings and weekend work will be required. To apply, send a cover letter, resume, salary requirements, and a list of references to khouser@st-andrew.org.</p> </div>	<div data-bbox="1023 199 1250 231" data-label="Section-Header"> <p>Ushers Needed</p> </div> <div data-bbox="836 241 1521 661" data-label="Text"> <p>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.</p> </div>
<div data-bbox="97 777 722 808" data-label="Section-Header"> <p>The Mother of Mercy Bereavement Group</p> </div> <div data-bbox="97 808 824 966" data-label="Text"> <p>Will not meet at its normal time in December. The group invites you to attend a gathering at Bob Evans in Chantilly on Sunday, December 10th at 2:00 p.m. Those who wish to join us or have a question please feel free to contact Colleen Morretta 703-830-4673.</p> </div>	<div data-bbox="982 703 1372 735" data-label="Section-Header"> <p>Casino Knight Thank You</p> </div> <div data-bbox="836 735 1521 1071" data-label="Text"> <p>The Knights of Columbus offer our sincere appreciation to everyone who attended, sponsored and donated to our recent "Casino Knight." It was a fun filled night of blackjack, poker, roulette, and horse racing. Our \$500 Grand Prize winner was parishioner Leslie McCullough who donated her winnings back to the Knights of Columbus. Thank you, Leslie! The earnings from this event amounted to just over \$1,700 and will be fully donated to the hurricane relief effort. Thanks again everyone!</p> </div>
<div data-bbox="97 987 576 1050" data-label="Section-Header"> <p>St. Raymond of Peñafort Lessons & Carols: December 10</p> </div> <div data-bbox="97 1071 824 1386" data-label="Text"> <p>Please join us at 7:00 p.m. for a program of beautiful Advent music and Scripture readings, called "Lessons and Carols." Weaving together prophetic readings from the Old Testament and pre-nativity readings from the Gospels, the readers lay out God's breathtaking plan for the birth of Our Savior. The choir adds to the atmosphere of joyful expectation by leading us in popular hymns and a few complicated choral pieces. Afterwards, everyone will gather for seasonal refreshments and Christian fellowship. All are invited to attend. (Snow Date is Sunday, December 17th.)</p> </div>	<div data-bbox="836 1102 1521 1386" data-label="Text"> <p>Blessed Christmas Wafers, a centuries' old Christmas Vigil tradition....will be available from the Saint Vincent de Paul Society at the Knights of Columbus Christmas tree trailer at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church in Fairfax. Sales are weekdays from 4-8 p.m., Saturdays from 9:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m. and Sundays from 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m. A \$4 donation per wafer package is requested. Proceeds will benefit the Saint Vincent de Paul Society.</p> </div>
<div data-bbox="97 1407 714 1470" data-label="Section-Header"> <p>Days of Recollection for Men and Women Discerners</p> </div> <div data-bbox="97 1470 824 1680" data-label="Text"> <p>Could Christ be calling you to the priesthood or religious life? Take a step to find out. The Office of Vocations will hold a day retreat for men on Saturday, December 16 and a day retreat for women on Sunday, December 17. Both run from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. and are open to those 17 years and older. Please register by Friday, December 8. Contact: 703-841-2514 or vocations@arlingtondiocese.org.</p> </div>	<div data-bbox="836 1407 1096 1438" data-label="Section-Header"> <p>Catechist Classes</p> </div> <div data-bbox="836 1459 1521 1816" data-label="Text"> <p>Have you ever wished you had a better understanding of our beautiful Catholic Faith? Will you be making a New Year's resolution to learn more about your faith in the coming year? Well this is for you! Adult classes for 2018 will be available for you on Saturday mornings at St. Paul Chung Catholic Church in Fairfax, Virginia. Once you have completed this series of training, you will also a certificate as a certified catechist for the Diocese of Arlington. For a registration form with dates contact Delores Nelson bakhita3@me.com or bakhita3@icloud.com. Thank you and God bless you!</p> </div>
<div data-bbox="97 1711 803 1774" data-label="Section-Header"> <p>Youth Music Festival at Bishop O'Connell High School: December 30</p> </div> <div data-bbox="97 1774 824 1984" data-label="Text"> <p>All 6th—8th grade students are invited to be a part of the 4th annual Youth Music Festival on Saturday, Dec. 30 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The day includes music clinics, performance and much more. This event is free, but a reservation is necessary. For more information and to register, visit www.bishopoconnell.org/festival.</p> </div>	



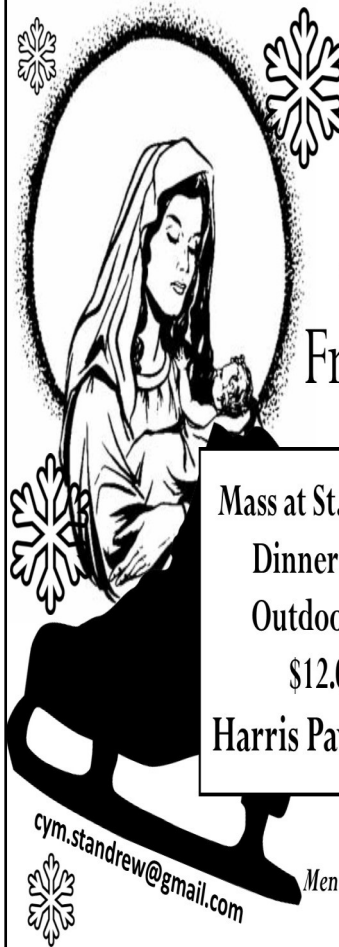
St. Nicholas' Day Bake Sale

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 standrewprofile@gmail.com or Sarah at ssalmon@st-andrew.org



Middle School Youth Ministry

*Celebrate the Holy of Day Obligation
as a family with Mass, Dinner and
Outdoor Ice Skating! All are welcome!*

Friday, December 8

Mass at St. Andrew the Apostle: 5:30pm

Dinner at Foster's Grille: *7:00pm

Outdoor Ice Skating: 7:00-9:00pm

\$12.00 (Includes Skate Rental)

Harris Pavilion, Old Town Manassas

*Fundraiser from 4pm-10pm

Mention "St. Andrew the Apostle Youth Group"

High School Youth Group



Annual Christmas Movie Night

Saturday, December 9

6:30pm-8:45pm

Padre Pio Room

Bring a \$-Store Gift to Exchange!

Bring new/used winter hats or gloves for the homeless!

Barnes and Noble Book Fair December 12

Please plan to join our school community on Tuesday, December 12th for a wonderful evening of Christmas music and shopping at the Barnes and Noble store in Fair Lakes. All book fair purchases benefit our school. If you cannot attend, you can still support the book fair by shopping online at bn.com/bookfairs from **December 12-17** and use code **12092508** at checkout. Please contact Narcisa Zhicay at narcisa1121@hotmail.com with any questions.

Thanks for your support of St. Andrew School!



Help Decorate the Church for Christmas: December 23

Please join us to help decorate the Lord's House for the celebration of His Birth. No experience necessary!

We will decorate the church on Saturday, December 23rd immediately following the 8:45 a.m. Mass and Rosary. Those in need of service hours are welcome to join us. Questions? Call the Parish Office at 703-817-1770.

