



# Saint Andrew Parish

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“As a mother comforts her child,  
so will I comfort you.” *Isaiah 66:13*

## SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday (Vigil) 4:00pm  
Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am, & 5:30pm

## DAILY MASSES

Monday through Friday  
9:00am in the chapel.

## RECONCILIATION

Confessions are heard in the Church on Saturday from 3:00pm to 3:45pm or by appointment. Call the rectory. 773-525-3016.

## ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Hospitals no longer inform parishes about a patient's religious preferences. Please call the rectory directly for the Anointing of the Sick or Communion for the homebound. 773-525-3016.

## BAPTISMS

Baptisms are held on the first and third Sunday of the month after the 10:00am Mass. Call the rectory to schedule your child's baptism. 773-525-3016.

## WEDDINGS

Wedding planning should begin more than 6 months prior to the proposed date. Call the rectory to begin the process. 773-525-3016.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Mass Intentions for the living and the dead can be offered at your request. Please come to the rectory to offer a Mass stipend.

## ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration is regularly scheduled for the first Friday of every month at 6:30pm . Come and join in sacred prayer for an hour.



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## Learn

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## Love

Our mission is fulfilled when we enter the world and in the presence of our families, friends, co-workers, and communities, we are more capable of loving one another, as we have been loved.



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# Pastoral Letter

by Deacon Eric Sorensen



When I was growing up the 4th of July was *the* family event. We lived facing a small lake out in the country. By the 4th, a month after school closing, it was becoming a bit lonely. Yet each 4th my parents always invited friends and extended family to come and visit and celebrate the fireworks. And celebrate we did in the freedom of being *One Family*.

Today, we see so many different views of freedom; often as a statement of self-exaltation with *my way* being an absolute way. With this view our "society has become a mass of individuals placed side by side, but without any mutual bonds," (*The Gospel of Life, p 37*) going against our Declaration of Independence; a freedom that is all for one and none for all. A freedom not of unity, but leading to chaos. Not God's way, but man's way.

*"And celebrate we did in the freedom of being One Family."*

Pope John Paul II said, "God gives everyone freedom, a freedom which possesses an inherently relational dimension." Indeed, this was the joy of our celebration. Our willingness to come and *share together*: the BBQ, the swimming, sailing, and lawn sports, the evening stars, and the barking of our dog at the fireworks. A freedom that magnified our unity and love as one people within the *Family of God*.

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## Theology on Tap

**Who:** Young Adults in their 20s & 30s

**When:** 6:45-8:30pm, July 11, 18, 25, and August 1

**Where:** Mrs Murphy's Irish Bistro, 3905 N Lincoln Ave

**Details:** The North Center Theology of Tap is proud to present this summer speaker series in partnership with the Ravenswood Catholic Young Adults. More info at [www.standrew.org/gather/meet-other-young-adults/](http://www.standrew.org/gather/meet-other-young-adults/)



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## North Side Kairos Retreat

**Who:** Teens entering Junior year of high school through Freshman year of college

**What:** Four day Kairos retreat

**When:** Friday, August 9 to Monday, August 12, 2019

**Where:** Bellarmine Retreat House

**Details:** Join youth from parishes around Chicago for this retreat held once a year. Kairos is usually a part of Catholic high school experiences. This retreat is offered for those who do not attend Catholic high school.

### Young Adults 20s & 30s

Hangouts are on hiatus for the summer, but we will continue to get together for fun events - stay connected by checking out our messages at [www.standrew.org/gather/meet-other-young-adults/](http://www.standrew.org/gather/meet-other-young-adults/)

**Upcoming Event:** Join us at **Theology on Tap**, Mrs. Murphy & Son's Irish Bistro, 3905 N Lincoln Ave, July 11, 18, 25 and Aug 1. Doors and bar open at 6:45pm, light fare at 7:00pm, and speaker begins at 7:30pm. See you there!

### Teens & High School

Teens in grades 8-12 are encouraged to gather with our Youth Group in the Social Hall on the first and third Sundays of the month. Join us for fun, friendship and faith.

[www.standrew.org/gather/join-our-youth-group](http://www.standrew.org/gather/join-our-youth-group)

**Upcoming Event:** Join high school students from across the nation this fall for the National Catholic Youth Conference! To express interest in attending, contact [megan@standrew.org](mailto:megan@standrew.org).



# You're Invited...

## Theology on Tap - Summer 2019

For Young Adults in their 20s and 30s! Come join us for our North Center Chicago grouping of Theology on Tap. With Catholics from local parishes, we'll meet at Mrs. Murphy and Son's Irish Bistro and share some refreshments in food, drink and spirit!



Mrs. Murphy and Son's Irish Bistro is at 3905 North Lincoln Ave.

All gatherings start on Thursday evenings at 7:00pm with free appetizers and cash bar. The presentations will begin at 7:30pm  
Speakers include:

July 11 - **Katie DeVries**: "Why Bother with the Church - Especially Now?"

July 18 - **Chelsea Piper**: "City Spirituality: Learning to Pray as a Young Adult"

July 25 - **Clarissa Aljentera**: "Stop Throwing Shade: Navigating Healthy Social Media and Tech Boundaries in Relationships"

August 1 - **Dan Masterton**: "What Bunch of Characters! A Chance to Marvel at Community and Story"

### BIRTHDAYS

George Ahlgrim	Gail Hoban	Eva Nehring
Layla Amine	Jocelyn Hoffman	Kevin O'Connell
Amy Boin	Jack Ingallineru	Adeline O'Donnell
Steven Boin	Orla Joy	Harrison Oldham
Elizabeth Braxton	James Kahler	Colleen Papke
Briana Carroll	Owen Kane	Emilia Rodriguez
Kathleen Carroll	Kay Kezele	Elba Rodriguez
Quinn Collins	Andrew Kiser	Rita Sanabria
William Considine, Jr.	Cindy Lamping	Laura Scheland
Michelle Dayton	Steven Lugo	Kathleen Sellman
Steven Dixon	Bradley Martins	Elizabeth Shanahan
William English	Daniel McCarthy	Sara Spalding
Diana Espaldon	Duncan McGreal	Clifford Sullivan
Jacquelyn Freeman	Carolyn Mills	Matthew Thornton
Rebecca Goodrich	Neil Miran	Piper Welsh
William Graham	Brian Morris	Liam Yee
Brooke Haudan	Alina Mozden	Madeline Zolna

## PARISH CALENDAR

July 7	8:00am 10:00am 5:30pm	Mass Mass Mass
July 8	9:00am	Mass
July 9	9:00am 7:00pm	Mass Guitar Group
July 10	9:00am 7:00pm	Mass North Side Kairos Meeting
July 11	9:00am	Mass
July 12	9:00am	Mass
July 13	1:00pm 4:00pm	Private Party Mass
July 14	8:00am 10:00am 5:30pm	Mass Mass Mass
July 15	9:00am	Mass
July 16	9:00am 7:00pm	Mass Guitar Group
July 17	9:00am	Mass
July 18	9:00am	Mass
July 19	9:00am	Mass
July 20	4:00pm	Mass
July 21	8:00am 10:00am 5:30pm	Mass Mass Mass



# Learn

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## Scripture Reflection by David Heimann

The First Reading today invites us to "rejoice at the sight of Jerusalem." It is an invitation to abundant joy. The Psalm today invites us to proclaim, "Let all the earth cry out to God with joy." Perhaps that sentiment reflects where you are today, perhaps not.

I recently asked in prayer for God to "help me to understand joy." It was a prayer that began out of the insight that we live in an age where there is more pleasure available than at any other point in history, but all of our pleasures are not bringing us joy. In fact, the world often seems devoid of joy.

As I pursued the topic more and more, I discovered my somewhat misplaced yearning. I sped read through books on the value of laughter on the scientific side of things and the presence of humor in the Bible on the theological side. In the end, I didn't really understand more or less about joy.

So how could I cultivate joy if I couldn't understand it?

Therein lay my trespass and that of our culture. We think that everything is a product which we can manipulate. Farmers learn to squeak a few more ounces of crops out of every acre of land. Sales associates

try to make the next quota. Managers try to increase productivity. Joy doesn't work like that.

Having spent the better part of the day on this mad quest, I had dinner, sat on my couch with a cup of coffee and said a prayer as I watched a delightful little squirrel wander from tree to tree. For the first time that day, I felt joy.

If we look to our faith tradition, joy is known as one of the "Fruits of the Spirit" and that is where we can begin to understand joy more fully. Even if I have an apple tree or an orange tree, I can't make "fruit" happen. All I can do is care for the tree and put it in the right relationship to the sun and the soil and water so that fruit emerges. "Fruit" is a desired byproduct of the fundamental health of the tree.

The same is true of "joy." I can't make joy happen. I can however care for the foundational health of myself in relationship to God and others which anticipate the potential for joy to happen. Joy is a byproduct of being rooted in God and healthy in my relationship to others. When I am fully connected to who I am, that is when joy, the fruit of the spirit, appears with an abundant harvest.



# Learn at Home, for Individuals & Families

## Care for God's Creation

As the weather turns warm, we spend more time outside. The north side of Chicago is blessed with beautiful parks, tree-lined streets, and extensive beaches along Lake Michigan. From water sports to little league, visits to our manicured zoo and walks through native plantings, there is something for everyone.

Our beautiful planet is a gift from God, which God puts both under our control and in our hands. (Genesis 1:28). We have dominion over the earth, but how often does that dominion lead to domination? When humanity focuses on productivity and profit, the earth suffers. The land is scarred, the seas are polluted, and the air we breathe is heavy with the fumes of industry.

To ensure that there really is "something for everyone," it is one of the pillars of Catholic Social Teaching that we practice Care for God's Creation. Fair distribution and preservation of natural resources ensures that not only is there enough to go around, but that we are able to pass on God's gift to the next generation. Our care for the planet is a demonstration of compassion and care for one another. "Everything is connected. Concern for the environment thus needs to be joined to a sincere love for our fellow human beings and an unwavering commitment to resolving the problems of society." (*Laudato Si*, 91).

### Things to do at home:

**Read:** Encyclical letter, *Laudato Si'* by Pope Francis

**Pray:** *The Canticle of Creation*, by St Francis of Assisi

**Watch:** *Chasing Ice*, a documentary film about climate change, available on Netflix.

**Do:** Make an inventory of how you are using water at home, and try to improve your rate of consumption.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK TO READ & PRAY AT HOME

# JULY

Sunday <b>7</b>	First Reading Second Reading Gospel Mass Intentions 8:00am 10:00am 5:30pm	Is 66:10-14c Gal 6:14-18 Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 +Lillian Ledvina +Helen Alvarado; and +Aurora Vinzons Our departed Parishioners
Monday <b>8</b>	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Gn 28:10-22a Mt 9:18-26 Our departed Parishioners
Tuesday <b>9</b>	First Reading Gospel Mass Intention	Gn 32:23-33 Mt 9:32-38 Our departed Parishioners
Wednesday <b>10</b>	First Reading Gospel Mass Intention	Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a Mt 10:1-7 Our departed Parishioners
Thursday <b>11</b>	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5 Mt 10:7-15 Our departed Parishioners
Friday <b>12</b>	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Gn 46:1-7, 28-30 Mt 10:16-23 Our departed Parishioners
Saturday Vigil <b>13</b>	First Reading Second Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Dt 30:10-14 Col1:15-20 Lk 10:25-37 Our departed Parishioners
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For daily readings, please visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)



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# Looking to Become Catholic?

[Inquire about participating in the Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults \(RCIA\)](#)

Saint Andrew attracts people from all over the country and world who come to live in this neighborhood. Because of this extraordinary juncture, many have questions about becoming Catholic or completing initiation through Adult Confirmation. If you or someone you know is seeking answers about Faith and communion with the Catholic Church, Saint Andrew parish is here to help. Have them visit [www.standrew.org/rcia](http://www.standrew.org/rcia) or contact David Heimann our Pastoral Associate at [David@standrew.org](mailto:David@standrew.org).

The inquiry process is now open and will continue until September for the upcoming Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA). Please share this information with anyone you know who may be interested.

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## Gym Modernization Project - July Update

The Vicar has officially APPROVED the Gym Modernization Project!!! We are thrilled and work is being scheduled with the trades and has begun this week!

The east side bleachers have been removed!!! This has been a long awaited project for a few years and will create more room on the east balcony also allowing for fewer safety concerns. The contract for painting the gym has been signed and during the week of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, the existing basketball hoops and equipment will be demo'd and removed.

Design discussions are well underway. Not only do we want the gym to be more modern as it relates to equipment and technology, but we also want it to look fresh and updated all the while still feeling like Saint Andrew!

The following is a running list of things we can provide status on.

We established an internal Saint Andrew "Gym Modernization" committee  
We were assigned a Project Manager in late March

The PM has been to the Saint Andrew Gym (mid April) and has been given the scope of work (replace 6 existing basketball boards with new electronic ones, relocation of east bleachers, make present bleachers motorized, installation of safety padding, sanding and refinishing the gym floor, electrical upgrades and painting of gym walls)

An approved electrician has been to the gym (late April) to quote the electrical requirements – proposal received

All proposals for the scope of work have been received – floor refinishing, bleachers, basketball backstops and painting of the gym walls

Proposals have been reviewed by the Project Manager, Father Sergio and the Gym Modernization committee

Recommendations have been made by the Project Manager

The bid and scope of work has been reviewed by the Vicar and APPROVED!!!

Design discussions are underway

East side bleachers will be removed this week (6/24)

Contracts are being sent to each trade to schedule work



We will continue to communicate our progress via Flocknote eBulletin's, sign up at [www.flocknote.com/StAndrewChicago](http://www.flocknote.com/StAndrewChicago) for more information. Thank you for your continued support!

# Love

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## Pray the Angelus

The bells of the Church ring at noon as a sign to everyone to stop and pray, being mindful of the gift of the Incarnation and the reception of that gift through Mary. This is when Catholics traditionally pray the Angelus. Not everyone works in the neighborhood and not everyone can hear the bells, but we can notify you and invite you to pray the Angelus with us through our Flocknote group! Receive a daily text message at noon to invite you to pray by signing up at <https://StAndrewChicago.flocknote.com/PraytheAngelus>



## Greater Chicago Food Depository

The next volunteer session at the Greater Chicago Food Depository will be on Saturday, July 13, 2019 from 8:30am to 11:15am. Volunteers package food which will be sent to local Chicago food pantries. Your help is needed! Please contact Nancy Holland at [neh213@gmail.com](mailto:neh213@gmail.com) to sign up to volunteer.



## Sign Up for E-Giving

Our parish is blessed by many generous people who support the mission of Saint Andrew through weekly or monthly Sunday offertory. We hope to enhance that gift by making those sacrificial contributions regular and automatic. It keeps us from getting behind in times of the year when many parishioners travel and are away. And giving just got that much easier!

Simply text "Donate" to 773-345-7560 from you smart phone to give today! Automatic contributions can also be given through our website at [www.standrew.org/give](http://www.standrew.org/give).



# Get Involved

## STEWARDSHIP OF GIFTS

Saint Andrew is a community of disciples from all over the city, county, and world who make the Lakeview neighborhood their home. We gather to learn about and make known God's love and promise of salvation so we can transform the world through our everyday actions.

We invite you to share in the responsibility for care and maintenance of this community by generously contributing of our Time, Talent and Treasure.

**Time** - We take time to pray and to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ.

**Talent** - We offer our skills and talents for the organization success of our community.

**Treasure** - We contribute generously from our financial resources for the wellbeing of our parish.

## VOLUNTEER

### Religious Education Catechists and Aides -

Consider sharing your faith with our young people - you'll be surprised how much you will learn! Training is available, and team-teaching is encouraged, so nudge that friend who's great with kids and join us!

### Podcast Readers -

We are looking for readers to help us with the one of the last five chapters of our podcasts for One Book One Parish. Contact [megan@standrew.org](mailto:megan@standrew.org) to learn more.

### Coaches for Flag Football -

Saint Andrew Athletics is looking for flag football coaches for this upcoming season!

Please contact Mr. Pope at [matthewpope@gosaintandrew.com](mailto:matthewpope@gosaintandrew.com). Go Bulldogs!

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

### Enrich - Expand - Grow

To Teach Who Christ Is

Through May, 2019

<b>Income</b>	1,501,461
Interest on Income	17,293
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>1,518,754</b>
Consulting Operating Expense	180,000
Archdiocesan Contribution	147,600
Church Lighting (Actual)	223,200
Church Lighting (Consultant)	10,480
Church Windows (Actual)	156,520
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>717,800</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>800,954</b>

## PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

### May, 2019 Offering

Registered Households	1897
<b>Envelopes Collection</b>	<b>8,091</b>
Households Using Envelopes	149
<b>Automated Giving</b>	<b>18,274</b>
Individuals Giving Electronically	153
<b>Loose Cash</b>	<b>4,148</b>
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>30,513</b>
Monthly Budgeted Expenses	<b>38,500</b>
<b>EASTER, April 21, 2019</b>	
Envelope Collection and Loose	19,165
Automated Giving	5,255
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>24,420</b>



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## FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

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## NEW TO THE PARISH?

Welcome! We're glad you are with us! Whether you are just visiting or are settling down in Chicago and looking for your spiritual home, we are glad you are with us! Let us know how we can serve you!



Register with our parish online at [www.standrew.org](http://www.standrew.org), call us at 773-525-3016. Or scan the QR code to the left.

## STEWARDSHIP COMMISSION

Welcome Committee:	Missi Mannion
Annual Stewardship Appeal:	George Ghattas
Annual Catholic Appeal:	Chris@standrew.org
Capital Campaign Committee:	Julie@standrew.org
Facilities Committee:	Jose & Athena Medero
Parish Fundraising:	Julie@standrew.org
5k Race	Dede Soriano
Date at the Lake	Ben Whipple
Wearin' the Green	Mary Boustany
Children's Garage Sale:	Carlyn McGreal
Fish Fry:	Nicci Fagan

To contact any of the individuals above or volunteer for the events, please email Julie at [Julie@standrew.org](mailto:Julie@standrew.org).

## SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMISSION

Greater Chicago Food Depository	Nancy Holland
Meals with a Heart	Stephanie Mewborn
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<b>International Sister School/Parish —</b>	
One Heart Uganda:	Kimberly Arndt
Parish to Parish	Fr. Matthias Kakooza
<b>Local Sister School/Parish —</b>	
St. Thomas of Canterbury/ St. Mary of the Lake Pantry	Betty Grassi

## CONNECT WITH US

Saint Andrew keeps in touch with our friends and parishioners through *Flocknote*. Receive our weekly e-bulletin and chose to receive periodic emails from groups within the parish that you want.

*Please note that enlisting in Flocknote is different than being registered in the parish.*

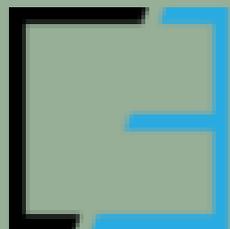
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SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

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# Theology on Tap

THEOLOGICAL CENTER OF CHICAGO  
THEOLOGY ON TAP



## Learn it. Grow it. Serve it.

Starting in July, the North Center Group of Catholic Churches will be offering a Theology on Tap experience like never before. In the comfort of Mrs. Murphy and Sons Irish Bistro, you will experience the Holy Spirit in new and exciting ways as guest speakers help you engage with the reality of:

### Living Your Faith Everyday #lyfe

**JUL 11** | Katie DeVries

#### Why Bother with the Church- Especially Now?

Have you ever wondered what difference it makes if you are Christian, and a member of a particular church? If you are Catholic, has that made a difference in your life? Join us for a discussion about what good church is and does, and who God is calling each of us to be.



**JUL 18** | Chelsea Piper

#### City Spirituality: Learning to Pray as a Young Adult

Many of us want to pray, know we should pray are told to pray but have no idea how to do it. How does a young adult go beyond the memorized childhood prayers to cultivate a relationship with Jesus? This discussion will invite participants to broaden their prayer habits.



**JUL 25** | Clarissa Aljentera

#### Stop Throwing Shade: Navigating Healthy Social Media and Tech Boundaries in Relationships

The dignity of each person calls us to be present in our conversations and in our actions. Social media can sometimes prevent us from having a genuine encounter. Evaluate and examine how your own social media presence of tweets, posts, shares, likes and swipes effects relationships around you.



**AUG 1** | Dan Masterton

#### What a Bunch of Characters! A Chance to Marvel at Community and Story

TV and movies offer us characters to whom we can relate. As movies like *Marvel Cinematic Universe* and shows like *Parks and Rec* give us casts of characters with huge, interwoven stories, the invitation to connect and reflect is even stronger. These monster casts and arcing stories are an opportunity to look closer at what makes community and story so compelling. Join the conversation as we think more carefully about our communion in the Church, with the Saints and how our stories can bring us together. We are all a bunch of characters.



### Join the Conversation on Thursday evenings in July

Each Thursday, we will meet at Mrs. Murphy and Sons Irish Bistro at 3905 North Lincoln, Chicago, IL 60613. Adult Beverages and appetizers are available. We'll begin gathering at 6:45. Appetizers, sponsored by the Ravenswood Catholic Young Adults (RCYA) group will be served starting at 7:00pm. Our presentation will begin at 7:30.