



Saint Andrew Parish

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“The stone which the builders rejected has become the
cornerstone. By the Lord has this been done.”

Matthew 21:42

Parish Information

If you need to make contact with the parish staff, please call 773-255-3016 and leave a message.

Contacting Parish Staff:

All Saint Andrew Parish buildings are **closed to the public**.

Meanwhile, the parish staff is working remotely with periodic check-ins. If you need to make contact with the parish staff, please call 773-525-3016 and leave a message. Someone on staff will check voicemails every half hour from M-F 8:00am to 8:00pm and on Saturday and Sunday from 8:00am to 2:00pm.

Celebrate the Feast of Saint Francis with a Blessing of the Pets

The feast of Saint Francis of Assisi is celebrated on October 4 every year. We invite you to bring your beloved pet to the front steps of Saint Andrew Parish this **Sunday, October 4, 2020 at 10:30am**. Your canine, feline, or other furry companion has assisted you through this time of the pandemic. Now they can have a safe and socially distanced blessing to be reminded of the love God has for all creations through the blessing given by Deacon Mark.

Please remain distanced from one another on the steps and sidewalk of the church for the blessing.



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Pastoral Letter

by David Heimann, Pastoral Associate



“Look toward the Holy Spirit and be aware of how you are being sustained.”

I awoke this morning (Friday morning) to hear the harrowing tale that was instantly snagged by media outlets from both sides “The president has tested positive for COVID.”

It is a sign that this disease does not discriminate. It can and will infect anyone. Even though politics is a lightning rod in most conversations today, this announcement was a reminder for us as Christians to put party affiliation aside and look at the humanness of each other. No matter who the president is and however we feel about him, it is consonant with our beliefs that we pray for him and his recovery.

It also gave me pause to think about the impact of what we have been through these last 6 months.

So many deaths, so many closures, so many missed interactions, and so many changes to the way that we do things. Later this morning, I met with our 8th grade class who had the opportunity to go to Mass last Wednesday during a school Mass. Some of them commented “I had forgotten what to do.” Another reminder of how this virus has impacted us all.

But I am looking toward signs of hope. Even as I remain cautious in my social interaction and I am concerned that rates of infection are increasing. I am grateful that we have learned how to do things safely. Tomorrow (Saturday morning) we will begin holding the first of seven celebrations of First Communion. Children from our parish have been waiting since May to come to church and receive Holy Communion and we’ve learned how we can do that safely with their families present and many guests will watch from a distance via our live stream.

To me, this is a sign of the Holy Spirit constantly in our midst, sustaining us and bringing us to fullness of life. We have changed and adapted because of the harvest of wisdom that the Spirit engendered within us. The Spirit touches our hearts and minds and inspires us to make changes and act in ways that are more in character with love and less in character with fear.

My day began in shock with the announcement of the President and I do hope and pray for everyone’s sake that he will recover well. By praying, I have felt a new fruit of the Spirit in my life today. As the world around us seems chaotic, we can make it through. We can follow the promptings of the Holy Spirit, who guides us even in the most difficult situations.

I invite you in the chaos that you find in the week ahead to stop and pray. Look towards the Holy Spirit and be aware of how you are being sustained. Trust in the promptings of the Spirit, and the Spirit will lead you on.

God Bless,
David Heimann



Come See What Educational Excellence Looks Like!



Saint Andrew School



**Pre-school to 8th Grade
Virtual Admissions Sessions
9 am**

**Join us for a
Virtual Admissions Session!
(773) 248-2500
www.GoSaintAndrew.com**

October 13th

February 9th

November 10th

March 9th

December 8th

April 13th

January 12th

May 11th

Spirit. Study. Service.

Saint Andrew School is known for:

- Pre-School for 3 year olds
- Junior Kindergarten for 4 year olds
- Full day Kindergarten program
- Small class sizes
- A rigorous core curriculum tailored to each student
- Art, Music, Spanish, Technology and PE
- Catholic values for life: Spirit. Study. Service.
- Dedicated teachers who love children
- A strong athletic program
- Before + After school care
- A vibrant family community



Live Stream Sunday Mass

Saint Andrew has invested in the video and audio systems necessary to live stream Mass. We did this because we knew we would have guests from around the country and around the world who would not be able to attend first communions, funerals, weddings, baptisms and confirmations. Now that the equipment is in place, we are also glad to provide live streaming of our Sunday Mass.

Every week, you can find the current live stream of the 9:00am Sunday Mass at www.standrew.org/sundaymass. Let us keep one another in prayer!

Congratulations to Saint Andrew

Congratulations to Saint Andrew School which was recognized as a 2020 National Blue Ribbon School by the Department of Education.

The National Blue Ribbon Schools Program recognizes public and private elementary, middle, and high schools based on their overall academic excellence or their progress in closing achievement gaps among student subgroups.

This is the second time that Saint Andrew School has received a National Blue Ribbon making it one of the few multiple award winners in Chicago. Visit www.gosaintandrew.com to learn more about the school and the award.

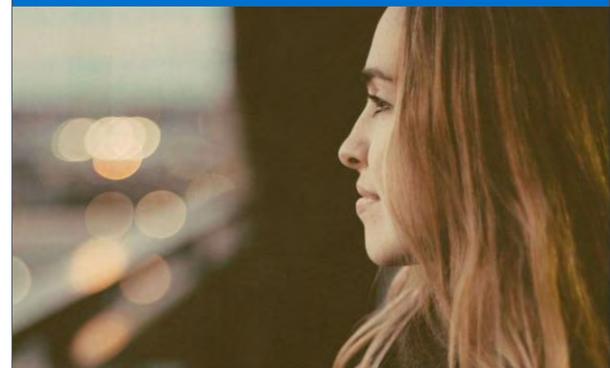
Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Saint Andrew is starting the process for adults who wish to join the Catholic church. If you know someone who is curious about Catholicism, would like to join the church from another Christian denomination, or would like to inquire about Baptism as an adult, let them know about the Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Please direct them to our webpage <http://www.standrew.org/learn/rcia/> to find out more.

Sunday Mass Live Stream

Sunday
October 11, 2020
9:00am



Learn at Home, for Individuals & Families

October: The Month of the Rosary

Many of us have particular connections to the rosaries in our homes - they once belonged to a deceased grandparent, they were a gift at First Eucharist, or might have been blessed by a special priest, bishop, or even a pope! The beads are made of plastic, wood, stone, or precious jewels and metals. The origins of the rosary are hard to determine. While some point to Saint Bernard and others to Saint Dominic as particular carriers of the tradition, many more are familiar with the appearance of Our Lady of Fatima, and the message of peace she bore to three shepherd children in a world plagued by war and violence. Take time this month to meditate on the prayers and mysteries of the rosary. The time you spend in close conversation with God, Mary, and Jesus, guided by the power of the Holy Spirit, is never time wasted.

To Do at Home:

Watch: Apparitions at Fatima, film by Daniel Costelle (1992, Portuguese)

Read: The Rosary: Keeping Company with Jesus and Mary, an excellent, short book by Karen Edmisten

Do: Donate your extra rosaries to our Religious Education students at mass or in the Rectory. Draw a rosary with your children, and let them color the beads. Put your rosary in your purse or briefcase to pray during your lunch break this week.

Pray: The rosary! Surprise!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK TO READ & PRAY AT HOME

Masses will be said privately for the intentions listed below.

OCTOBER

Saturday Vigil 03	First Reading Second Reading Gospel	Is 5: 1-7 Phil 4: 6-9 Mt 21: 3-43
Sunday 04	Mass Intentions	+Sandra Burns,+Loretta Ferenzi, +Robert Ledvina, and +Antonio Seranilla
Monday 05	First Reading Gospel	Gal 1: 6-12 Lk 10: 25-37
	Mass Intentions	+Our departed Parishioners
Tuesday 06	First Reading Gospel	Gal 1: 13-24 Lk 10: 38-42
	Mass Intentions	Our departed Parishioners
Wednesday 07	First Reading Gospel	Gal 2: 1-2, 7-14 Rom 8: 15bc
	Mass Intentions	+Sergio Romo, Sr. and +Francisco Acosta
Thursday October 08	First Reading Gospel	Gal 3: 1-5 Lk 11: 5-13
	Mass Intentions	+Margurite Gaughan
Friday 09	First Reading Gospel	Gal 3: 7-14 Mt 18: 1-5, 10
	Mass Intentions	Our departed Parishioners
Saturday Vigil 10	First Reading Second Reading Gospel	Is 25: 6-10a Phil 4: 12-14, 19-20 Mt 22: 1-14
Sunday 11	Mass Intentions	Our departed Parishioners

For daily readings, please visit www.usccb.org



PRAYER INTENTIONS

We would ask you to keep the following people and intentions in your prayers.

For the health and wellbeing of all who are recovering from the effects of COVID-19 including the ill, the deceased, and those suffering job loss.

That government leaders find the wisdom and strength to lead our country, states, and municipalities to overcome racial discrimination and injustice.

For the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed including Sandra Burns, Loretta Ferenzi, Robert Ledvina, and Antonio Seranilla

If you would like us to keep a particular intention in the prayers of the parish, please submit your request to www.standrew.org/prayers You can also submit a request for the pastoral staff to light a candle in the church using this link. We will include your intentions in this bulletin when possible and the pastoral staff will personally pray for these intentions before the Blessed Sacrament.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Enrich – Expand - Grow	
Income	1,677,030
Interest on Income	25,978
Total Income	1,703,008
Consulting Operating Expense	180,000
Archdiocesan Contribution	196,800
Church Lighting (Actual)	250,517
Church Lighting (Consultant)	10,480
Church Windows (Actual)	156,520
School Addition (Actual)	17,030
Total Expense	811,347
Balance	891,661

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

August 2020 Offering	
Envelopes Collection	10,745
Automated Giving	24,558
Loose Cash	671
Total Offertory	35,974
Monthly Budgeted Expenses	38,500
Annual Catholic Appeal	
2020 Goal	34,114
Amount Pledged	71,267
Amount Paid	51,587
Balance Due	19,680

