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FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - MARCH 5, 2017



Welcome

The Saint Andrew's Roman Catholic Church mission is to spread the love of Jesus Christ through active ministry, inclusive worship and charitable works for our community and the world. We invite all who live in our area to join our parish community by calling the Parish Center or by seeing one of the priests.

COME WORSHIP WITH US

On the Lord's Day

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:15 PM
7:00 PM (Spanish Mass)
Last Sunday of Each Month 4:30 PM (Filipino Mass)

Daily

Monday - Saturday 9:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 PM
Sunday 9:30 AM - 10:15 AM

Devotions

Eucharistic Adoration Thursdays 9:30 AM—3:00 PM (Chapel)
Rosary and Holy Hour Thursdays @ 7:00 PM (Chapel)
Rosary Saturdays 6:00 PM (Spanish)
Monday - Saturday 9:45 AM (Chapel)

OUR PARISH FAMILY

New parishioners may register by calling the Parish Center. Current parishioners should notify us of any changes in their status such as births, deaths, marriages, change of address, etc. Registration is a prerequisite for receiving the Sacraments.

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Our website has been updated and contains a link to our Facebook page. Go to www.standrewcc.com St Andrew's Church (Facebook).
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Monday, Wednesday

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Saturday

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MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Those who are sick, homebound or in the hospital are a vital part of our parish family. Please call the Parish Center to arrange for reception of the Eucharist and Anointing of the Sick.

SAINT ANDREW CHURCH, WESTWOOD

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

- Monday, March 6**
9:00 AM Anna & John Harty - The Sok Family
- Tuesday, March 7**
9:00 AM For the Sick of the Parish
- Wednesday, March 8**
9:00 AM For our Confirmation Candidates
- Thursday, March 9**
9:00 AM For our First Eucharist Candidates
- Friday, March 10**
9:00 AM For the Deceased Members of our Parish
- Saturday, March 11**
9:00 AM Robert Sauer - The Sok Family
5:00 PM Doris Behrends - St. Andrew's Staff
- Sunday, March 12**
8:00 AM Helen & Pete Finnegan - Their Family
10:30 AM Arthur Ryan - The Trimm Family
12:15 PM Josephine Croce - Aunt Connie
7:00 PM Mary Ellen Cammarata - Her Aunt & Sister

Those who have pre-arranged a Mass intention, are invited to present the gifts of bread and wine during that celebration. On the Lord's Day and Holy Days, please inform the usher.

If there is anyone you would like to add /remove, please call the Parish Center at 201-666-1100.

“To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven.” Ecclesiastes 3:11

“A time to be healed”

For those who are ill, especially: Msgr. Thomas McCarthy, Gilda Gilmartin, Barbara & Dave Stewart, Chris Napoli, Joan Shaw, Robert Lebron, Craig Carosella, Leonora Paul, Rosemary Giordano, Michael Bodtman, Olivia Lifrieri, Cathy Wojcicki, Corey Rooney, Naomi Barbaretti, Lee Ann Fernino, Daniel Swift, Tara Abbott, Deyanira Pineda and Octavio Galvez, Grace Skuches, Kathleen S., Joey Bulger, Shannon Casey, Mary Pulver, Miriam and Ali, Irwin, Christopher P. Marra, Ada Binder, Elizabeth Krone, Mary Rebish, Patricia Massey, William Quinn, Nancy DeMeola, Terry Rekow, Pauline Olds, Vincent Ficarra, Kay Vanderhoof, Roselaine Fernino, Susan McShane, Mclean Ambrogio, Anna Meehan, Ed Marlow, Carol Petrucelli, Lia A., Richard Mastrangelo, Marguarite O'Brien, Judy Murtagh, Fr. Ward Moore, Denise Robertson, Jim Ferris, Diane Mariconti, Lucrezia, Joseph & Amelia G. Luongo, Lois Re, Jorge Barquest, Joan Casey, Barquest Family, Edward Heinz, Pasquale Germinario, Rosolino Salerno, Joan Tursi, Kathleen S., Billie Evans, Jessica Livingstone, Carmina Sclafani, Lurdes Salazar.

“A time for peace”

For those serving in the Armed Forces, especially: Alma & Michael Baffa, Dillon Heyliger and Jeffrey Gum.

“If today, you hear his voice...”

For those studying for the priesthood, especially:
Pedro Soriano, our parishioner.
Paul Zeller, our parishioner, Diaconate candidate.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Monday, March 6**
Religious Education 3:45 PM (Parish Ctr.)
Charismatic Prayer Group 8:00 PM (MPR)
- Tuesday, March 7**
Choir Practice 7:30 PM (Church)
- Wednesday, March 8**
Little Angels 9:30 AM (Gym)
ESL 7:15 PM (3rd Fl)
Liturgy Committee 7:30 PM (Conf)
- Thursday, March 9**
Eucharist Seminar. 1:00 PM (MPR)
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 AM - 3:00 PM (Chapel)
Spanish Women's Group 6:00 PM (MPR)
Rosary and Holy Hour. 7:00 PM (Chapel)
Food Pantry 7:30 PM (Church Hall)
Basketball 7:00-9:00 PM (Gym)
- Friday, March 10**
Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM (Church)
Spanish Youth Group 6:30 PM (MPR & 3rd Fl)
- Saturday, March 11**
Men's Cursillo 8:00 AM (MPR)
AA Meeting 10:30 AM (Church Hall)
Reconciliation 4:00 PM (Church)
(Carport Entrance)
Basketball 9:00 AM—1:00 PM (Gym)
- Sunday, March 12**
Children's Liturgy of the Word 10:30 AM (Church)
Basketball 1:00-4:00 PM (Gym)


REMINDER

ALL DAILY MASSES ARE IN THE CHURCH DURING LENT.

PRAYER INTENTION FOR THIS WEEK

Please join with us in praying one OUR FATHER per day for our service men and women.

TEENS - YEAR II CANDIDATES

 Interviews for Year II candidates will be held this week on Wednesday, March 8.

If you are scheduled for an interview on this day, you will receive a reminder email. If you have any questions regarding the interviews or Confirmation, please call the Teen Office at 201-664-6777 Ext. 209.



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 12

1st Reading: Genesis 12:1-4a
2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Pastor's Letter

Dear Parish Family,

We are now in the Season of Lent which began on Ash Wednesday and ends with Easter Sunday. It is a 40-day period, not counting Sundays, in which we Catholics traditionally focus special time for Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving. During this holy season, we are reminded of the value of repentance. We invite all our faithful to avail themselves of the Sacrament of Reconciliation as we all need God's mercy and forgiveness for our sins.

I would like to remind everyone about our Lenten Regulations (as per the Code of Canon Law and Archdiocesan guidelines):

1. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the days of fast and abstinence from meat. There is a limit of one full meal on these days for all ages between 18 and 59 inclusive.
2. All Fridays in Lent are days of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. All who reached 14 years are bound to abstain totally from meat.
3. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.
4. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of Penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
5. On weekdays of Lent, there is no obligation to fast. However, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.
6. The time for fulfilling the Easter Duty extends from the First Sunday of Lent, March 5, to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, June 11. All who have received their First Holy Communion are bound to receive at least once a year during the Easter Season.

I hope these Lenten regulations will guide us in our observance of Lent more fully, and, hopefully, will deepen our faith even more as we participate in Christ's suffering, passion and death.

For our Lenten Schedule of Services here at St. Andrew's, please take a copy of the small pamphlet **Lent 2017** located at the rear of the Church. Please note that you will find our Lenten Schedule on the back page of the pamphlet.

God bless you all.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Alex



The Season of Lent

*"God's mercy transforms Human Hearts ...
it enables us ... to become Merciful in Turn."*

~ ~ Pope Francis ~ ~



Love the Lord
your God
with all your Heart
with all your Soul
with all your Strength
and with all your Mind
and Love your neighbor
as you Love yourself.

Luke 10:27

2017 SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL

If you have not yet made a pledge to the Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal, there is still time. Just complete a pledge envelope and drop it in the collection basket, or bring it to the parish office. If you have already made a contribution, thank you.

LA SEMANA DESPUES DEL FIN DE SEMANA DE PROMESA:

Si usted no ha hecho su promesa al Llamado Annual para Compartir Las Bendiciones de Dios 2017, aun hay tiempo. Solo complete un sobre de promesa y depositelo en la canasta de colecciones o traigalo a la oficina de la parroquia. Si ya ha hecho una contribucion, gracias!

ARCHDIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

The annual tradition of honoring couples in the Archdiocese who will be celebrating their 5th, 25th or 50th wedding anniversaries in 2017 continues this spring. Liturgies will be celebrated by Cardinal Tobin at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart on Sunday, April 30, at 3:00 PM for those celebrating 5 and 25 years of marriage and on Sunday, May 7, at 3:00 PM for those celebrating 50 years of marriage. If you would like to attend, please register in the parish office. There is no fee.



Being Alone with God

Recollect your conscience before you sleep:
what did I do or resist doing to please God today?

Silence is an eternal aspect of God: if you do not experience it, you do not know God.

Church Stewardship

Our stewardship commitment to support the work of the parish and its ministries shows our appreciation to God for the gifts we have been provided and our willingness to share those gifts.

HUMAN CONCERNS

ITEM OF THE WEEK: TOMATO SAUCE



ADDITIONAL FOOD PANTRY ITEMS: juice, tomato sauce, pancake mix, canned fruit, toilet paper, toiletries, crackers, tuna.

SUPERMARKET GIFT CARDS ARE ALSO WELCOME.

CLOTHING BIN OPEN: We ask that clean, ready-to-use clothing, shoes, towels and bed-linens **ONLY** be placed in it. **Do not leave any items outside the bin or the Church garage doors.** Due to limited space, we are **ONLY** able to accept clothing, small toys, children's books, kitchen, and baby items at the garage on Mondays from 6:30 – 8:00 PM and Tuesdays from 1:00 – 2:30 PM.

WANTED: Volunteers are needed on Mondays, 6:30 - 8:00 PM and Tuesdays, 1:00 – 2:30 PM.

Catholic Women's Conference

The conference will be held on Saturday, March 11 from 8:00 AM-3:30 PM at Seton Hall University, 400 S. Orange Ave, South Orange. The main speakers are Mother Olga of the Sacred Heart and Lisa Hendey. The theme is "Alive in Christ as Missionary Disciples." The \$25 fee includes continental breakfast and lunch. Visit rcan.org/womenscommission for registration and more information.

HOLY THURSDAY: WASHING THE FEET

Fr. Alex will wash the feet of 12 parishioners who represent our diverse community at the Mass of the Last Supper on Holy Thursday, April 13 at 7:30 PM. As the sacramental image of Christ in the Eucharist, our celebrant leads us in this symbol of love, humble service, and our call to serve one another as followers of Jesus. If you would like to volunteer to have your feet washed this year, please contact Marge Pronovost at 201-358-8917 or Mike Fitzsimmons at 201-666-1800. All are welcome.

WESTWOOD FOR ALL AGES

The Westwood Library and Westwood for All Ages invite you to our first Senior Birthday Party Sunday, April 2 from 2:00-5:00 PM at the Westwood Library. All are welcome to attend and those turning 80, 90 or 100 in 2017 will receive special recognition. RSVP by calling 201-664-0583.

**FOR THE RIDE HOME
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT**

1st Reading: Isaiah 49:14-15
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 4:1-5
Gospel: Matthew 6:24-34



Adult Question: Do you serve two masters? If so, what can you do to stop and serve only God?

Child's Question: What do you worry about? What can you do to stop worrying and rely on God?

St. John's Academy News

THE 8TH GRADE FASHION SHOW was held on February 13 at the Estate at Florentine Gardens. All of our students looked stunning.

THE RED AND WHITE TRICKY TRAY GALA - Tickets are on sale for the gala to be held on April 5, 2017 at The Rockleigh Country Club. Please contact Brenda Laux at Chewie07675@yahoo.com for details.



**FROM THE UPPER ROOM -- TO THE CROSS --
TO THE GRAVE -- TO THE UPPER ROOM**

A TIME OF REFLECTION

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2017, ST. ANDREW'S PARISH CENTER
10:45 AM – 3:00 PM

Fr. Phil Latronico, Chaplain of the Community of God's Love, Rutherford will present a program on "Jesus' Walk of Salvation and Its Effect on My Daily Life."

Please brown-bag your lunch. Beverages, fruit and desserts will be provided. Register by Sunday, March 26. Call Viola at 201-666-5697 or Joan at 201-666-1934.

LENTEN PRAYER

Lent is a time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. There is nothing tricky about prayer. It is simply tuning into God's presence – and God is always present. Not simply alongside me, but within me at the deepest part of who I am.

I never have to get God's attention. I have God's total attention always, everywhere. I never have to make an appointment with God. I am "first on the list." My appointment is always "right now." When I call God, I never get voice mail, it is direct. To draw near to God, I don't have to travel anywhere. God does all the traveling. I don't have to figure out the right words to get started. God is already speaking to me. All I have to do is turn off the "mute" button.

The reason I pray is to become more "who I am." I am made in the image and likeness of God. When I pray, I become more and more like God. Try it. You can use words if you wish, but you can also just sit quietly with God. It's a fine way to spend a few minutes.

An **EVENING OF IRISH SONGS** BY ANTHONY KEARNS of the Irish Tenors will be held on Saturday, April 1 from 7:00-9:00 PM at Immaculate Heart Academy 500 Van Emburgh Ave., Washington Twp. Tickets: Concert - \$25, VIP - \$100 (with a cocktail reception with Anthony Kearns). The concert benefits Julia's Butterfly Foundation, which assists terminally and chronically ill children. To purchase tickets: www.juliasbutterflyfoundation.tix.com.

ACTION ALERT Requests from U.S. BISHOPS

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has asked for support from the faithful on two issues: Ask President Trump to Sign an Executive Order Respecting Religious Freedom and write Congressmen and Senators urging support for the Conscience Protection Act of 2017 (H.R. 644, S. 301).

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