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OFFICE AND CHURCH HOURS

The Parish Office is open Monday-Friday, 9:00 AM-4:00 PM. The Church is open daily 6:00 AM-8:30 PM. For more information, visit www.standrewparish.cc.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:30 PM Sunday - 7:30 AM, 9:15 AM, 11:00 AM Weekdays - 6:30 AM & 8:30 AM Saturday Morning - 9:00 AM

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 3:15-4:15 PM or by appointment at 614-451-4290

To learn more about **SACRAMENTS**, call the Parish Office or visit our website, www.standrewparish.cc and select "Sacraments and Prayer."

For **ANOINTING OF THE SICK**, please contact a priest at the Parish Office.

We welcome **NEW MEMBERS!** To register or learn more about St. Andrew Parish, please contact our office by phone, or email Jen Wenzke at jwenzke@standrewparish.cc.

OUR MISSION

St. Andrew Church is a community of Catholics committed to serving God by living our faith. We exist to fulfill the mission of the Roman Catholic Church at the local level by continuing the saving work of Christ. We accomplish this through the celebration of the sacraments, proclaiming and living the Gospel, reaching out to others in justice and charity, and providing all parishioners abundant spiritual, educational, and social opportunities to be known as a faith-filled, engaged, and generous parish.



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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday:	May 11, Vigil, The Ascension of the Lord
4:30 p.m.	Michelle Doyle
Sunday:	May 12, The Ascension of the Lord
7:30 a.m.	Mary and Ted Rondinella
9:15 a.m.	Mothers of the Pardi/Pieper Family
11:00 a.m.	For the People of St. Andrew Parish
Monday:	May 13, Weekday Mass
6:30 a.m.	Gilia lafolla
8:30 a.m.	Bill Harder
Tuesday:	May 14, Weekday Mass
6:30 a.m.	Special Intention
8:30 a.m.	Polly Kubalak
Wednesday	: May 15, Weekday Mass
6:30 a.m.	Mary Ferencik
8:30 a.m.	John Germaine
Thursday:	May 16, Weekday Mass
6:30 a.m.	Pat Cantwell
8:30 a.m.	Special Intention
Friday:	May 17, Weekday Mass
6:30 a.m.	Margaret Rosmarin
8:30 a.m.	Shirley Pappa
	May 18, Weekday Mass MASS BECAUSE OF THE ORDINATION MASS Vigil, Pentecost Sunday
4:30 p.m.	Gregson Ochab
Sunday:	May 19, Pentecost Sunday
7:30 a.m.	For the People of St. Andrew Parish
9:15 a.m.	Norma Johanni
11:00 a.m.	John Germaine

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Esme Lina Lee, daughter of Benjamin and Angela Tobias James Goare, son of Austin and Kellie Emma Lynn Dusenbery, daughter of James and Jessica

UPCOMING MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE

On Saturday, May 18, there will be no 9:00 a.m. daily Mass. On this day, St. Andrew Parish is blessed to host the Diocese of Columbus Ordination Mass and we will be preparing the church throughout the day. Please keep the newly ordained clergy members in your prayers.

This change is for ONE WEEK ONLY. The 9:00 a.m. Mass will return on Saturday, May 25.

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

On Saturday, May 18, the Priesthood Ordination Mass for the Diocese of Columbus will take place at St. Andrew Church at 10:00 a.m. Bishop Fernandes will ordain five men as Priests in the solemn Rite of Ordination. The candidates are Tyler Carter, Michael Haemmerle, Daniel Colby, Jason Fox, and David Johnstone.

St. Andrew is pleased and honored to host this very important and solemn event in our Diocese of Columbus! Please be aware that there is no 9:00 a.m. parish Mass on Saturday, May 18. The church will be in use to prepare for the Ordination Mass, which begins at 10:00 a.m. Please note: The Ordination is a Diocesan event, not a parish event.

The ordination of priests for the Diocese is a happy occasion. It gives us hope and fills us with gratitude that our church is blessed with priestly vocation, and that these men being ordained will devote their lives to ministering to God's people. It causes us to give thanks also for those who have supported their vocation and helped make their ordination possible: their parents, families, teachers, pastors, mentors, and all who encouraged them and prayed for them. And also all those, who like many of you, have supported priestly vocations through your donations to The Appeal or the special collection for seminarian support "A Good and Growing Need." We see all of those efforts and sacrifices bearing fruit as these men are ordained and begin their priestly service. I also call upon you to continue to support priestly vocations in the Diocese of Columbus, through prayer, encouragement, and especially through your generous gifts to The Appeal 2024.

This weekend, we celebrate Mother's Day, when we revere our mothers and those who have a maternal role in our lives. We honor them and their holy vocation of motherhood. May God bless and consecrate all mothers, living and deceased, and give them honors and rewards befitting their dignity and importance!

Your Pastor,

Msgr. Stephan Moloney



ST. ANDREW SCOUTS FLAG RETIREMENT CEREMONY

SCOUTS

SUNDAY, MAY 19 // 5:00-5:30 P.M. REED ROAD PARKING LOT

The Scouts of St. Andrew will demonstrate their appreciation for our chartered organization and parishioners with a flag retirement ceremony. ALL are welcome to attend this special event! Scouts will be accepting any American flag that you would like to have appropriately retired. A box for donations is in the church parlor. Or, arrange to have your flag picked up by contacting Jim Galvin at **powelloh@ tutoringclub.com** or 614-397-8930.

KNIGHTS NEWS

Council #11275 will hold its next membership meeting on Monday, May 13. The meeting will be held at the Bryce Eck Center and begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. Come early as we pray the Rosary at 6:30. Join us for fellowship as we discuss upcoming events!



Any male 18 or older and a practical Catholic can join the Knights of Columbus. If you're interested in learning more about us, please join us at our next meeting!



FRIDAY, MAY 24 6:00 PM - DOORS OPEN 7:00 PM - PLAY BEGINS NUGENT PARISH HALL

Cost is \$25/person and includes food, soft drinks and euchre. All skill levels are welcome. Win cash prizes! **Participants must be 21 and older**.

For more information or to register, contact Joe DelTosto at 614-371-7901 or **jdelto43@gmail.com**.

Proceeds support K of C charities.

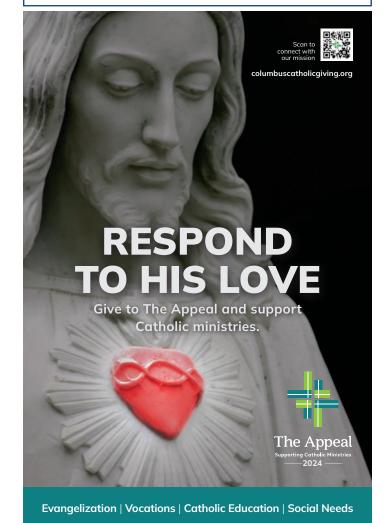
SUNDAY OFFERING

	APRIL 28	YTD
ACTUAL	\$ 17,670	\$ 1,450,492
BUDGET	\$ 32,212	\$ 1,417,308
LAST YEAR	\$ 27,748	\$ 1,490,054

Thank you to all who are responding generously to our financial need. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

We encourage you to consider Online Giving, which is safe, secure and convenient. To sign up, visit osvhub. com/st-andrew-parish/funds or contact Business Manager Thomas Conigy at tconigy@standrewparish. **cc** or 614-451-4290, ext. 6.





FACILITIES AND ROOM RESERVATIONS AT ST. ANDREW PARISH: If you would like to reserve one of the meeting spaces or halls at St. Andrew Parish, please contact Jen Wenzke, jwenzke@standrewparish.cc, or Greg Price, gprice@standrewparish.cc. The event calendar can be viewed at standrewparish.cc/calendar.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Please join us for Eucharistic Adoration on Tuesdays from 6:00-9:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration is simply the act of being in Christ's real presence while the Eucharist is on the altar. Adorers may stay as briefly or as long as they would like. At 8:45 p.m., Adoration concludes with Compline (end of day

prayers) followed by Benediction. Make time to be in Christ's presence and open yourself to the graces that flow from the Eucharist!

Weekly Adoration Hosts: Parish Council (first Tuesday); St. Vincent de Paul (second Tuesday); Women of St. Andrew (third Tuesday); Men of the Parish (fourth Tuesday); First Called Youth Ministry (fifth Tuesday).



WELCOME OUR BLESSED MOTHER **INTO YOUR HOME AND YOUR HEART!**

During the month of May, we pay special honor to our Blessed Mother. In 1965, Pope Paul VI shared, "During this month, Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration.

In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance."

We ask you to prayerfully consider welcoming the pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima into your home to pray the Rosary with your family.

A new schedule has been posted! Each week begins on Saturday at 5:30 p.m. and ends on the following Saturday

at 4:30 p.m. Statue drop-off and pick-up is in the St. Andrew Chapel in the chairs. Use the QR code here or our SignUpGenius page 🐺 to view upcoming available dates and learn **h** more at tinyurl.com/ourlady2024.



For more information, contact Deb McEllistrem at 614-309-4645 or dmcellistrem@yahoo.com.

BLOOD DONORS ARE NEEDED!



Our next Blood Drive will be Thursday, May 23, from 1:00-6:00 p.m. in the Nugent Parish Hall. If you would like to schedule an appointment to give blood at St. Andrew Parish, visit RedCrossBlood.org, sponsor

code: SACC, or call 1-800-733-2767. We also have a need for helpers to sign up as substitutes for registration and snack table. If you would like to be added to the list, call the Parish Office at 614-451-4290.

DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR): Congratulations to our St. Andrew School and Parish First Communicants who received Jesus in the Eucharist on Saturday, May 4. First Communicants returned for May Crowning on Sunday, May 5. It was a beautiful procession following the 11:00 a.m. Mass to crown the Blessed Mother in the Grotto. Many thanks to all who attended to honor Mary, the Mother the Jesus.

The last PSR session for the school year was May 8. We ended the year with a closing liturgy and Msgr. Moloney offered a special blessing for our eighth grade students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Many of our students have been attending PSR since first grade. Catechists and volunteers were also recognized for their many years of devoted service to parish youth.

REGISTRATION FOR ST. ANDREW PSR 2024-2025 opens on Wednesday, May 15, for current families. Space is limited, so please make sure the information on file for your family is current with the Parish Office and the Department of Religious Education. This year, registration information and forms will be sent via email, so it is imperative that we have your correct email on file.

For more information about registration, contact DRE Tina White at **twhite@cdeducation.org** or 614-451-2855.

FIRST CALLED YOUTH MINISTRY (FCYM) is open to school and PSR students who are in middle and high school. FCYM's focus is to support parents in their mission of passing on the Catholic faith. FCYM meets on Sundays from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. at the Bryce Eck Activity Center unless otherwise noted.

FCYM IS LOOKING FOR ADULT VOLUNTEERS to help plan and implement programming for the 2024-2025 year. Planning will begin this summer. FCYM volunteer requirements include: love Jesus, participate in Mass, and enjoy sharing the faith with our young parishioners! Protecting God's Children compliance is also required.

LOOKING FOR FAMILY FUN THIS SUMMER? Check out the Living Word Outdoor Drama in Cambridge, Ohio. This one-of-a-kind center offers programs that share the Gospel of Jesus Christ through the presentation of outdoor dramas and other wholesome family productions. The 2024 season runs from June 14 through September 27. Friday, June 21, is TEEN NIGHT. All kids ages 19 and younger will receive FREE admission. For more information and to view the current schedule, visit https://livingworddrama.org/.

For information about FCYM or to become a volunteer, contact Maria Moore at **mmoore@standrewparish.cc**, 614-459-1402.



LAST DAY TO DONATE: FRIDAY, MAY 17

Drop off your diaper donations in the parlor or at the designated collection area in the school. Most needed diapers in 2024 are sizes 4-6.

CONTACT:

Jim Holsinger, 614-394-7202 or jimholsing@yahoo.com



"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it." - John 1:5

STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE July 19-21 // Franciscan University of Steubenville

This incredibly powerful encounter with Jesus is designed for teens ages 13-19. Join other Catholic youth to hear inspiring talks from nationally renowned ministry team leaders.

The cost is \$260/person, scholarships are available. Visit **www.steubenvilleconferences.com/youth/** for additional details.

For more information, email Youth Minister Maria Moore at **mmoore@standrewparish.cc.**

ENCOUNTER THE REALITY OF OUR EUCHARISTIC LORD

TUESDAY, May 14 // 7:15-8:30 PM // PARISH HALL

All parishioners are encouraged to join us for a repeat of last fall's Eucharist Revival small group study sessions. This adapted seven-session series will immerse you in the kerygmatic proclamation (Sessions 1–4) and unveil God's saving work in the Eucharist (Sessions 5–7).

Session 6: The Story of the Eucharist – The story of the Eucharist can be traced throughout Scripture. From Genesis to the present day, this session explores how the Cross is the new Tree of Life, and the Eucharist is its fruit.

Each session includes prayer, a video, and small group discussion. The main lesson is drawn from content created by the Augustine Institute.

For more information, contact Kathy Miller at **kathy.** miller725@gmail.com.

MILLIONS OF MONICAS

MONDAY, MAY 20 // 6:00-7:00 PM // CHURCH

All women of the parish are welcome join the Millions of Monicas Prayer Ministry.



Millions of Monicas is a group of women who come together in prayer to lift up our children of all ages. Many of us have children who struggle with their Catholic faith or have left the faith entirely.

For information about Millions of Monicas, visit **www. millionsofmonicas.com.** For information about this St. Andrew prayer ministry, contact Amy Tague at **amyliss14@gmail.com**.

PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS HAVE BEGUN! Please consider service in this important role in our Parish! The purpose of the 12-member council is to advise and assist the Pastor in matters of importance to the Parish, provide strategic planning, and foster communication and coordination among parish organizations. We will accept nominations/applications now through Friday, June 21. Elections will be held at the end of June. If interested, complete and return the Nomination/Candidate Application included in this bulletin or fill out the nomination form online at **tinyurl. com/SAP-Council-2024**. For more information, contact Gene Perry at **gene.perry@outlook.com**.

LITURGICAL VOLUNTEERS

SAT, MAY 18: Vigil, Pentecost Sunday

4:30 PM Mass	
Kris Pellissier	EMHC-B - B1
Dee Pellissier	EMHC-B - B2
Tim Terveer	Lector - A
Wini Chuidian	Lector - B
Ava Busch	Altar Server
Samantha Zarick	Altar Server

SUN, MAY 19: Pentecost Sunday

7:30 AM Mass
Deb McEllistrem
Elizabeth Carpenter
Colin Bellantis
Randy Doherty
Mary Jaminet
VOLUNTEER NEEDED

EMHC-B - B2 Lector - A Lector - B Altar Server Altar Server

EMHC-B - B1

EMHC-B - B1

9:15 AM Mass

Debbie Caranna Deborah McGlumphy Linda Daley Herm Mollmann Lindsay Kaleta Tom Levenick Debby Murphy Mary Kasberg John Schechter Joel Kasberg Josh Woods

11:00 AM Mass

Corso Padova David Hiser Jim Macklin Mike Stuhldreher Matthew Stuhldreher Ben Stuhldreher EMHC-B - B2 EMHC-B - B CHOIR EMHC-C - C1 EMHC-C - C2 EMHC-C - C CHOIR EMHC-C - C3 Lector - A Lector - B Altar Server Altar Server

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To volunteer, visit **www.rotundasoftware. com/ministry/standrewcolumbus**, or use the QR code here. If you need help with your username or password, contact the Parish Office, 614-451-4290.



BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Send requests by Monday at 10:00 a.m. for the following weekend. Include a brief description, date, time, location, contact name, and send to **bulletin@standrewparish.cc**. Bulletin requests may be edited for clarity or space.

ePOST WEEKLY EMAIL: To subscribe, contact Mary Beasecker, **mbeasecker@standrewparish.cc**. The ePost includes information about upcoming parish events and activities. To submit information, email Mary before Noon on Mondays. ePOST submissions may be edited for clarity or space.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. ANDREW SCHOOL

St. Andrew School has several job openings for the 2024-2025 school year.

Full-Time:

- Fifth Grade Social Studies and ELA Teacher
- Intervention Specialist

If interested in these full-time positions, contact Principal Joel Wichtman at jwichtma@cdeducation.org.

Part-Time:

- Intervention Team Aide, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
- Classroom Aide, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

If interested in either of these part-time positions, contact Principal Joel Wichtman at

jwichtma@cdeducation.org.

• Part-time After School Care Assistant, 2:45-6:00 p.m. If interested, contact After School Care Director Kyletta Scheirmann at kscheirmann@cdeducation.org.

ARE YOU COMPLIANT TO VOLUNTEER AT ST. ANDREW PARISH?



If you are 18 years or older and interested in volunteering with youth activities at St. Andrew

Parish, you must attend a PROTECTING GOD'S CHILDREN training session, provide a clear background check, sign the code of conduct and complete a volunteer application before you can volunteer. For full details, visit www. standrewparish.cc/parish-involvement/volunteers/.

To register for a training session through the Diocese of Columbus, visit **www.virtusonline.org.** Upcoming Virtus Protecting God's Children (PGC) sessions:

- May 16: Columbus Session (via ZOOM), 6:00 p.m.
- May 18: Christ the King, 9:00 a.m.
- May 22: Our Lady of Perpetual Help (Grove City), 6:00 p.m.

For more information, contact Mary Beasecker at 614-451-4290 or mbeasecker@standrewparish.cc.

DONUT SUNDAY IN JUNE!

The St. Andrew Hospitality Ministry is hosting Donut Sunday on June 2 in Nugent Parish Hall after ALL morning Masses. Stop by and learn about this



new ministry and upcoming activities

while enjoying a donut and juice, coffee or tea. Ministry leaders will be available to answer questions and take your contact information if you would like to consider joining the ministry.

SPRING/SUMMER CLOTHING DRIVE

JUNE 1 & JUNE 2 // MCCOY ROAD PARKING LOT



The annual Society of St. Vincent de Paul Spring/Summer Clothing Drive is scheduled for the first weekend in June! Look for the white truck and team of volunteers in the McCoy Road parking lot before and after Masses. We accept bagged,

clean, gently used (or new) items, including women's and men's summer clothing. We especially need children's clothing and new towels. Please hold winter clothes for the SVdP fall clothing drive. All items are delivered to the SVdP Free Clothing Center downtown.

AROUND THE DIOCESE

MUSEUM OF CATHOLIC ART AND HISTORY'S GALA, "A Night at the Statehouse," is scheduled for Tuesday, May 21, 5:30-7:30 p.m., at the Ohio Statehouse, 1 Capitol Square (parking is available in the capitol's underground parking garage for approximately \$5). The evening features a presentation by the Most Reverend Bishop Earl K. Fernandes, a keynote address by retired U.S. Congressman and Catholic man Pat Tiberi, great food and beverages, fine music, and more. Tickets are \$100 for individuals, \$175 for couples. Make an impact by joining us for this event. For more information or to RSVP, email theresa@catholicmuseum.org.

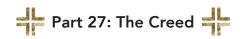
MEN'S DAY OF REFLECTION AT THE JOSEPHINUM: Columbus Catholic Men's Ministry and the Pontifical College Josephinum will host "The Eucharist: Sacrament of Truth and Love," a day of reflection for men, from 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 1, at the Josephinum. Facilitated by Father Peter Fegan, OP, Josephinum assistant professor and spiritual director, the event will include two conferences, the Rosary, outdoor Stations of the Cross, the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Mass, as well as breakfast, lunch, and a tour of the seminary. For more information and to register online, visit pcj.edu/ mensdayofreflection.

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ST. ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL	
Nomination/Candidate Application	
 Candidate Eligibility Requirements: Must be a registered member of St. Andrew Parish Must have received the Sacrament of Confirmation 	
 Parish Council Member Expectations: Serve a three-year term beginning in July of the year elected Attend at least nine of the twelve regular meetings per year Serve on Parish Council subcommittee(s) on an assigned basis Be compliant with the Diocesan Safe Environment Policy within six weeks of election 	
Name:	
Address: Zip:	
Phone: (cell or home) Email:	
I have been a registered member of St. Andrew Parish since:	
I received the Sacrament of Confirmation at (Parish Name):	
Family Information:	
Parish Organizations I am involved with:	
What skills/experience would you bring to Parish Council?	
What would you like to accomplish on Parish Council?	
Primary Focus: Community Building Greater Involvement Hospitality	
Nominees should email this form to Gene Perry at gene.perry@outlook.com by June 21.	



"Do This in Remembrance of Me" A Step-By-Step Walk Through the Mass



"I believe in one God..." We all likely recognize these words as the beginning of the **Creed** which we say together after the homily. Besides needing to stand up and stretch our legs after the homily, why do we have the **Creed**?

What is the Creed?

According to the glossary of our *Catechism*, a creed is "a brief, normative summary statement or profession of Christian faith, e.g., the Apostles' Creed, the Nicene Creed. The word 'Creed' comes from the Latin *Credo*, meaning 'I believe,' with which the Creed begins" (CCC, Glossary, s.v. "Creed"). As we will see, a creed is a collection of core truths in which we believe. As the Catechism teaches, there have been many professions of faith that have come from Church Councils or from certain individuals. "None of the creeds from the different stages in the Church's life can be considered superseded or irrelevant. They help us today to attain and deepen the faith of all times by means of the different summaries made of it" (CCC, no. 193). The Catechism continues that two creeds have a special place in the Church's life: the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed. "The Apostles' Creed is so called because it is rightly considered to be a faithful summary of the apostles' faith" (CCC, no. 194). "The Niceno-Constantinopolitan or Nicene Creed draws its great authority from the fact that it stems from the first two ecumenical Councils (in 325 and 381). It remains common to all the great Churches of both East and West to this day" (CCC, no. 195). Although either the Apostles' Creed or the Nicene Creed can be used in the Mass, many of us probably most often hear the Nicene Creed being used.

A Statement of Faith and Renewal of Belief

How did the Creed enter the Mass? As the Diocese of Peoria instructs, "The Creed, or Profession of Faith, stems from the Ancient Church. This statement of belief was not originally written to be recited at Mass; it was rather intended as a prerequisite 'contract' for adult baptism. One would profess these essential truths of the faith before being admitted into the Church through baptism. Eventually, the Creed would be inserted into the Mass as it is today" (*A Study of the Mass*, p. 9). Fr. Guy Oury says, "The Fathers of the Church recommended that Christians recite [the Creed] daily, morning and evening, as a renewal of their faith and safeguard against doctrinal error" (*The Mass*, p. 71). How many of you say the Creed when you get out of bed each morning?! Jokes aside, the Fathers of the Church were really on to something here. Because the Creed is a great summary of the truths of the Faith, especially the Holy Trinity (more on that to come), knowing the Creed is a wonderful way to know some of the basics of the faith and to keep them fresh in our minds and hearts.

For Reflection:

- 1. Per Father Luke's advice, consider beginning and/or ending your day by reciting the Creed prayerfully.
- 2. Consider gathering with others to study the Creed, using the Catechism or another resource. One option is to study one line of the Creed each week in preparation for participation in Mass on Sunday.



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