



SAINT ANDREW PARISH

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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: June 8 Vigil, Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. Mark Wozniak

Sunday: June 9, Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Shirley Pappa
 9:15 a.m. Heimo Langer
 11:00 a.m. For the People of St. Andrew Parish

Monday: June 10, Weekday Mass

6:30 a.m. Nancy Crumrine
 8:30 a.m. Living and Deceased Members
 of the Reider/Thoman Families

Tuesday: June 11, St. Barnabas

6:30 a.m. Mary Ferencik
 8:30 a.m. Peg Casto

Wednesday: June 12, Weekday Mass

6:30 a.m. Joe and Louise Karam
 8:30 a.m. Richard Schumacher

Thursday: June 13, St. Anthony of Padua

6:30 a.m. Mary and Ted Rondinella
 8:30 a.m. John Germaine

Friday: June 14, Weekday Mass

6:30 a.m. Cecilia Kohrmann
 8:30 a.m. Teresa Johnson

Saturday: June 15, Weekday Mass

9:00 a.m. Nancy Crumrine

Vigil, Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 p.m. For the People of St. Andrew Parish

Sunday: June 16, Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 a.m. Janet Emerine
 9:15 a.m. Duane Palmo
 11:00 a.m. T.J. Duffy

BAPTISM

Audrey Elise Hutchins,
 daughter of Kristopher and Emily

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILIES OF...

Donald "Red" Frizzell
 Judith Dotter



THANK YOU!

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Clothing Drive last weekend was a great success. Our thanks to all who donated. Items will be distributed, free of charge, to those in need at the SVdP Clothing Center downtown. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

This Sunday, June 9, is the Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. The last three Sundays have been solemn feast days (Pentecost, Trinity, and Corpus Christi), so it feels good to have an "ordinary" Sunday once again. During this time, green vestments are worn (green is the color of trees and fields in the summer and symbolizes hope), and we listen to and learn from the teaching of Jesus in the Gospels.

I will be taking my annual vacation beginning Sunday evening and continuing through Friday, June 21. I will be away from the parish and spending these days at my home in Ada, Ohio. I will spend some time with family members, do some housecleaning and organizing, and also some relaxing. I'm hoping for good weather as my house is not air conditioned!

I will be sending out a follow-up letter to parishioners in a few days regarding the Appeal 2024. The purpose of the letter is to thank all those who have pledged or contributed to the Appeal, and invite and urge those who have not yet donated to do so in an effort to reach our goal. We are already more than halfway to our goal, and believe me, I am very grateful to all those who have contributed, and I hope many more will do so soon.

Perhaps you saw or heard the announcement that Bishop Fernandes has appointed me as Vicar Forane of the Northwest Columbus Deanery, and that two priests, Fr. Bill Hahn and Fr. Mike Hartge have both been appointed Vicars General, effective July 9. This means that, come July, I will no longer hold the office of Vicar General, and I will no longer have to split my time between St. Andrew and the Chancery Office of the Diocese. I was named Vicar General in November 1997, and I began working full-time in the Chancery way back in July of 1988. After 36 years of service, 27 of them as Vicar General, I am very happy to step down from the office. As you know, I have had two "full-time" jobs for a long time, and it will be very nice indeed to be able to devote my time and efforts entirely to St. Andrew Parish.

I wish you all a happy and safe summer!

Your Pastor,

Msgr. Stephan Moloney



THURSDAY, JUNE 13
BRYCE ECK CENTER - KELLY HALL
 Euchre at 10 a.m. // Bingo at 11 a.m. // Lunch at Noon

The luncheons are a great way to catch up with old friends and forge new friendships with seniors within our St. Andrew Parish community. If you are 55+ and a registered parishioner, come and join the fun! There is no cost. **For more information**, contact Pat Carroll, 614-459-1402 or pcarroll@standrewparish.cc.

CALLING ALL KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS!

MONDAY, JUNE 17
6:30-8:00 PM // PARISH HALL



All are welcome to our monthly Knit & Crochet meeting. We have needleworkers of all levels. Please bring your own knitting needles (size 7 or 8) and/or crochet hooks (size G or H). Each monthly meeting includes fun and laughter while we make items for those in need. Easy patterns are provided and experienced knitters and crocheters are available to answer questions and provide guidance. For more information, contact Darla Reed at drdjreed@outlook.com.



PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS ARE UNDERWAY!

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.

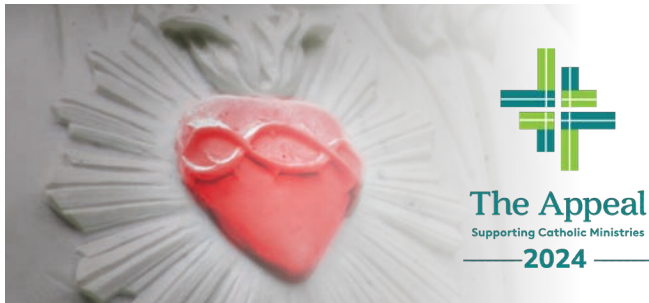
We will accept nominations/applications now through Friday, June 21. Elections will be held at the end of June. If interested, complete and return the online nomination/candidate application form found at tinyurl.com/SAP-Council-2024. For more information, contact Gene Perry at gene.perry@outlook.com.

SUNDAY OFFERING

	MAY 26	YTD
ACTUAL	\$ 22,214	\$ 1,583,250
BUDGET	\$ 32,212	\$ 1,546,154
LAST YEAR	\$ 33,707	\$ 1,617,755

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. 106.



ST. ANDREW PROGRESS REPORT THROUGH JUNE 5:

Pledged:	\$ 118,768.00
Collected:	\$ 76,608.00
Remaining:	\$ 144,805.80
Goal:	\$ 221,413.80

THANK YOU TO ALL who have made a gift or pledge already. If you haven't yet made your gift to this year's Appeal, please consider doing so in the days ahead. Your gift, regardless of amount, is vital to the success of this diocesan-wide campaign. The Appeal supports essential ministries, formation, Catholic education, and social outreach efforts. Money in excess of our goal will be returned to the Parish.

Pledge envelopes are available in the pews. Feel free to drop them in the collection basket with your pledge or donation, or mail them to The Appeal, 197 E. Gay Street, Columbus, OH 43215. Make checks payable to The Diocese of Columbus and include "St. Andrew Parish - Appeal" in the memo section. You may also pledge online at www.columbuscatholicgiving.org/appeal or scan the QR code.



EUCCHARISTIC 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).



The Power of Eucharistic Adoration - Bishop Barron's Sunday Sermon



BISHOP BARRON AND THE POWER OF EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

As part of his Sunday Sermon video series, Bishop Robert Barron explains in perfect detail how powerful and important Eucharistic Adoration is. Through Adoration, we can be filled with spiritual warmth, spiritual light and spiritual protection. If you'd like to check out this video, visit [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com) and in the search bar enter, "Bishop Barron The Power of Eucharistic Adoration."

PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

The Parish Office will have new hours during the months of June and July. The office will be open Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Fridays from 9 a.m. to Noon. If you need to visit the office or meet with a staff member, please call beforehand at 614-451-4290.

KNIGHTS NEWS

FINAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

Council #11275 will hold its last meeting of this fraternal year on **Monday, June 10, 7 p.m. at the Bryce Eck Center**. Brother Knights are invited to arrive early as we pray the Rosary at 6:30 p.m. We will be presenting the slate of officers for the next fraternal year, which will be voted on at this meeting. Join us for fellowship and refreshments after the meeting!



Men 18 and older and a practical Catholic can join the Knights of Columbus. If you're interested in learning more about us, join us at our next meeting or contact Grand Knight Pat Carroll at pcarroll13@yahoo.com.

ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC: St. Andrew Knights will hold the annual picnic on **Sunday, June 23, from Noon-4:00 p.m., at the Thompson Park North Shelter**. All active and prospective Knights and their families are invited for food and fun! If you are considering becoming a Knight, this is a great opportunity to meet other Knights and learn more about the council. If you plan to attend, please bring the following:

- Last names A-M – a side dish to share
- Last names N-Z – a dessert to share

The Council will supply the main dishes and soft drinks/water! Please RSVP either to Grand Knight Pat Carroll at 614-209-4403 or at pcarroll13@yahoo.com or to Deputy Grand Knight Tom Dailey at 614-216-5092 or at tpdailey3@gmail.com if you are planning to attend.

CATHOLIC CITIZENSHIP ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS ANNOUNCED: Council #11275 announced the winners of the annual essay contest for St. Andrew eighth grade students. The theme of this year's essay was "How can the church evangelize in the digital age?" We received 49 entries! From the many excellent submissions, we were able to select three winners:

- 1st place** - \$250 to Valeria Del Toro
- 2nd place** - \$150 to Anthony Crowley
- 3rd place** - \$100 to Cavanagh McClatchy

Thank you to all 8th grade students who participated!

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.

DEPT. OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION (PSR) UPDATE:

Registration information for the 2024-25 PSR school year has been mailed to families that were enrolled last year. All registration information is also available on the parish website at tinyurl.com/SAP-PSR-2024.

Classes for grades one through eight begin on Wednesday, Sept. 4, from 4:30-5:45 p.m.

For more information, contact:

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WELCOME OUR BLESSED MOTHER INTO YOUR HOME!

There are many sign-up opportunities to have the Blessed Mother statue in your home for prayer and devotion. Each week begins on Saturday at 5:30 p.m. and ends the following Saturday at 4:30 p.m. The statue is dropped off and picked up each week in the St. Andrew Chapel. Visit our SignUpGenius page at tinyurl.com/ourlady2024 or use the QR code to view upcoming available dates and learn more. For more information, contact Deb McEllistrem, 614-309-4645 or dmcellistrem@yahoo.com.



WOULD YOU LIKE TO VOLUNTEER AT THE FESTIVAL? Online sign-ups are now available. Volunteer today at tinyurl.com/standrewfestival2024 or use the QR code.

For more information, contact Volunteer Chair April Smith at 513-324-7357.



IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BECOME A FESTIVAL SPONSOR, contact Melanie Houts at **Melanie.Houts@gmail.com** or 614-595-5335. For details or to register as a sponsor online, visit tinyurl.com/FestSponsorRegistration.

FESTIVAL 2024: FRI, AUG 16 • SAT, AUG 17 • 5PM-MIDNIGHT

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. ANDREW SCHOOL

St. Andrew School has several job openings for the 2024-25 school year.

Full-Time:

- Spanish Teacher (grades K-5)

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.



NEW! MEN'S WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY SERIES

THE FIRST AND SECOND BOOKS OF THE MACCABEES

Fridays // 7:00-8:00 a.m.

Parish Office LL Meeting Room

Learn more about the Maccabees, martyrdom, intercession, and persecution in this 31-week Bible Study series for men of all ages! Commentary by renowned Bible teacher Scott Hahn will be used, together with time-tested interpretations from the Fathers of the Church. No homework or reading is required between meetings. This new series runs weekly through January 2025. Hot coffee is provided. For more information, contact John Schechter at 614-565-0824 or jedwardschechter@gmail.com.

JOIN US IN THE GARDEN: The Garden Club meets **every Monday from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.** (weather permitting). Club members maintain the perennial garden by the grotto, the garden in front of the Parish Office, and the canna flowers in the McCoy Road parking lot throughout the spring and summer.

Each week, we meet near the flower garden with the swing. You can come as often as your schedule allows. Bring your own garden gloves and hand tools. For more information, contact Karen Bruns at kbruns145@gmail.com or 614-216-4694.



LITURGICAL VOLUNTEERS

SAT, JUN 15: Vigil, 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM Mass

Stuart Sprigler	EMHC-B - B1
Rita Medaglia	EMHC-B - B2
Pamela Sprigler	Lector - A
Judy Kjellandar	Lector - B
Jacob Pickney	Altar Server
Vienna Mendieta	Altar Server
Henry Green	Altar Server

SUN, JUN 16: 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 AM Mass

Mary Kaminski	EMHC-B - B1
Linda Daley	EMHC-B - B2
Colin Bellantis	Lector - A
Cathy Covarrubias	Lector - B
Mary Jaminet	Altar Server
Vivian Templeman (Sub req.)	Altar Server

9:15 AM Mass

Tom Levenick	EMHC-B - B1
Mike Luckett	EMHC-B - B2
Bette Jo Feeney	EMHC-B - B CHOIR
Jayne Frilling	EMHC-C - C1
Jeff Wenzke	EMHC-C - C2
Suzanne Meyers	EMHC-C - C3
Mary Kasberg	Lector - A
Jim Macklin	Lector - B
Jaxson Arnett	Altar Server
Joseph Kaleta	Altar Server
Ave Holowchak	Altar Server

11:00 AM Mass

Mike Plahuta	EMHC-B - B1
MaryAnn Sylvester	EMHC-B - B2
Ann Pratt	Lector - A
Marty Majka	Lector - B
Parker Maurer	Altar Server
Agatha Foley	Altar Server
Kolbe Krzeczowski	Altar Server

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.

The First-Ever National Eucharistic Pilgrimage



Just as crowds followed Christ throughout his earthly ministry, our nation will process with our Eucharistic Lord from the North, South, East, and West edges of the United States in a historic, cross-country Eucharistic pilgrimage. Thousands will encounter the power of God in an unprecedented way, and an outpouring of healing grace will remind our world that the same Jesus who gave sight to the blind and life to the dead is active today in our midst!

The four branches of the pilgrimage will converge at the 10th National Eucharistic Congress in a powerful symbol of unity. Prepare your heart—and walking shoes—for our national Emmaus moment.



SCAN TO LEARN MORE!
eucharisticcongress.org

**If I but touch his cloak
I shall be cured.**

MATTHEW 9:21

SAINT ELIZABETH ANN SETON ROUTE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION JUNE 24 - JUNE 30, 2024

<p>MONDAY JUNE 24 St. Joseph Catholic Church, Somerset 8:00 am All Day Eucharistic Adoration 7:00 pm Mass with Bishop Earl K. Fernandes 8:00 pm Eucharistic Procession</p>	<p>FRIDAY JUNE 28 St. Charles Preparatory School, Columbus 5:30 pm Arrival Time 6:00 pm Mass with Bishop Earl K. Fernandes (Bilingual)</p>
<p>TUESDAY JUNE 25 St. Francis de Sales Parish, Newark 4:00 pm Eucharistic Procession Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Newark 5:15 pm Eucharistic Adoration St. Francis de Sales, Newark 6:30 pm Picnic Dinner</p>	<p>SATURDAY JUNE 29 St. Paul the Apostle Parish, Westerville 9:00 am Eucharistic Adoration 10:00 am Mass with Bishop Earl K. Fernandes 11:00 am Eucharistic Procession 12:00 pm - 2:00 pm Vocational Fair in the Klinger Center</p>
<p>WEDNESDAY JUNE 26 Seton Parish, Pickerington 9:00 am All Day Eucharistic Adoration 6:00 pm Mass 7:00 pm Eucharistic Procession 8:00 pm Picnic Dinner</p>	<p>SUNDAY JUNE 30 St. Joseph Cathedral, Columbus 12:30 pm Mass (Bilingual) with Bishop Earl K. Fernandes 2:00 pm Eucharistic Procession 2:30 pm Picnic Dinner</p>
<p>THURSDAY JUNE 27 Christ the King, Columbus 6:00 pm Eucharistic Adoration 7:00 pm Mass (Spanish) with Bishop Earl K. Fernandes 8:00 pm Picnic Dinner</p>	<p>For more information and to register, go to www.columbuscatholic.org/revival</p>



FINISH THE RACE

Wednesday, June 26 at 6:00 p.m.

Monsignor Nugent Parish Hall

St. Andrew parishioners are invited to an evening of faith, fellowship, and education in **funeral planning**. This special gathering will focus on how to plan your funeral properly and ensure your final wishes are carried out regarding your charitable legacy. **All are welcome to attend!**

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RSVP by June 19 to Dan Kurth
dkurth@catholic-foundation.org or 614-499-6976





The Mass

“Do This in Remembrance of Me” **A Step-By-Step Walk Through the Mass**

Fr. Luke Spannagel

✦ Part 30: Intercessions ✦

We likely recognize the phrases “We pray to the Lord” and “Lord hear our prayer” from the General Intercessions at Mass. After the Creed, as a conclusion to the Liturgy of the Word, the community prays together, asking God for various needs. This part of the Mass has several names, including the **Prayer of the Faithful, General Intercessions, Universal Prayer, or Petitions.**

As the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* teaches, “In the Universal Prayer or Prayer of the Faithful, the people respond in some sense to the Word of God which they have received in faith and, exercising the office of their baptismal Priesthood, offer prayers to God for the salvation of all. It is desirable that there usually be such a form of prayer in Masses celebrated with the people, so that petitions may be offered for holy Church, for those who govern with authority over us, for those weighed down by various needs, for all humanity, and for the salvation of the whole world” (*GIRM*, 69).

Of course, praying together as Christians has been part of our life from the beginning. As Charles Belmonte notes, “To pray for the needs of the Church and of the world is an early Christian custom. St. Paul admonishes Timothy, one of his disciples: ‘First of all, then, I ask that supplications, prayers, petitions, and thanksgivings be offered for everyone, for kings and for all in authority, that we may lead a quiet and tranquil life in all devotion and dignity.’ (1 Tim 2:1-2)” (*Understanding the Mass*, p. 104). Thus, it shouldn’t surprise us that this part of the Mass stretches all the way back to those earliest descriptions of the Mass, including the one by St. Justin Martyr (+165 AD).

The Church United in Prayer

The names “General Intercessions” and “Universal Prayer” instruct us on the composition of these prayers. They are prayed in a general way for wide-ranging needs, typically following a pattern of praying for the needs of the Church, for public authorities and the salvation of the world, for those burdened by any kind of difficulty, and for the local community. Often, the final intercession will include prayers for the deceased. While these prayers are envisioned to be “general,” the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal* does note that for a particular celebration like a Confirmation or a wedding, “the series of intentions may be concerned more closely with the particular occasion” (*GIRM*, 70). After the series of petitions, the Prayer of the Faithful ends with the concluding prayer said by the priest, asking God to accept our petitions.

As the name “Prayer of the Faithful” indicates, from the earliest times the baptized members of the congregation (the faithful) took part in this prayer (those who weren’t yet baptized were dismissed after the readings and homily so that they could further study and prepare to be received into the Church). In a wonderful way, the Prayer of the Faithful highlights one of the great privileges we have as God’s people: being able to join together in asking God for what we need. Having just listened to God’s Word and professed together our Faith through the Creed, we are then standing united together in faith as we ask God for what we need. Jesus has told us that our prayers are powerful when even two agree on what to pray for (Matthew 18:19). Just imagine how powerful our prayer is when the whole Church is joined together in union. It is amazing to think about!

For Reflection:

1. Take time to reflect on Matthew 18:19, which Father Luke alludes to above: “Again, [amen] I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father.” Consider your experience of praying with others for particular needs, and bring these insights to your next participation in Mass.
2. Prepare your heart to enter fully into the Prayer of the Faithful, or Universal Prayer, by considering how you desire to pray for the world at this time. Listen attentively to the prayers of the congregation and unite your heart to this universal prayer.

Source: www.eucharisticrevival.org/blog





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