

ST. ANDREW PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

St. Andrew Parish 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 in order to be known as a faith-filled, engaged, and generous parish.

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BULLETIN DEADLINE – MONDAY at 10:00 a.m.

Please include contact information with phone number and email address. Bulletin notices may be in writing, faxed to 614-451-8300, mailed, dropped off, or emailed to bulletin@standrewparish.cc. Email will be acknowledged.

E-POST DEADLINE – WEDNESDAY at 10:00 a.m.

Please include contact information with phone number and email address. Only information pertaining to St. Andrew Parish and School will be published in the e-post. Email mbeasecker@standrewparish.cc.

Mass

Intentions



Saturday: 4:30 p.m.	Vigil of First Sunday in Advent Tom Melvin
Sunday: 7:30	December 2 – First Sunday in Advent Carlo and Maria Lombardi and Angelo and Theresa Cassucio
9:00	William J. and Marjorie B. Kelly
10:30	The People of the Parish
Noon	Jack Hoeller
Monday: 6:30	December 3 – St. Francis Xavier Patricia Melfi
8:30	Dr. Saunders
Tuesday: 6:30	December 4 – St. John of Damascus Richard Conie
8:30	Ralph Lortz
Wednesday: 6:30	December 5 – Advent Weekday Edmund and Barbara Herb
8:30 (asm)	George and Sally Nardi
Thursday: 6:30	December 6 – St. Nicholas Marie Piper
8:30	Erv Gora
Friday: 6:30	December 7 – St. Ambrose Deceased of Joseph and Lane Family
8:30	Judi Jacobs
	Vigil of Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Raquel Padro
7:00 p.m.	
Saturday: 9:00	December 8 – Feast of Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mary Dono
11:00	Mary Rita Paskell
	Vigil of Second Sunday in Advent Robert and Anna Mae Jones
4:30 p.m.	
Sunday: 7:30	December 9 – Second Sunday in Advent John Holonitch
9:00	Heimo Langer
10:30	Pat Melaragno
Noon	The People of the Parish

+++ BAPTISMS +++

Emma Rose McAllister, daughter of Justin and K.C.
 Lucas Martin Minarsch, son of Mattias and Raquel
 Oliver Fredrick Schauer, son of Austin and Carli

+++ REST IN PEACE +++

Richard Abbruzzese, parishioner
 Ruth Boyles, mother of parishioner Lisa Gallagher



PASTOR'S COLUMN

Dear Parishioners:

Today is the first Sunday of Advent and the beginning of a new liturgical year. The season of Advent is a time of preparation for the feast of Christmas, the Nativity of our Lord. I repeat, Advent is a time of preparation for Christmas. Too often, people begin celebrating Christmas before Christmas, during Advent. Advent is a semi-penitential season. It is a time of waiting, of patience, of silence, of austerity, but the abundance of holiday parties, gift exchanges, lavish banquets and social merrymaking tend to drown out the quiet, prayerful, peaceful season of Advent. By the time Christmas arrives, we are tired of it already. Let me suggest that we observe the season of Advent by keeping its spirit all throughout these weeks leading up to December 25. Let us prepare our hearts and spirits through quiet prayer, mild penance, and patient waiting. Our celebration of the Christmas feast will be much more meaningful and rewarding if we keep the spirit of Advent.

I want to thank everyone who participated in the #iGiveCatholic on November 27, which was "Giving Tuesday." This was the first time that St. Andrew Parish participated in this event, and I am happy to say that, thanks to those who generously donated to benefit St. Andrew Parish, we will receive at least \$11,630! As I told you previously, these donations are designated for the future renovations of St. Andrew School. This was definitely a worthwhile effort and I thank all donors for their generosity! May God bless you all!

Your pastor,
Msgr. Moloney

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Mary is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses will be Friday, December 7 at 7:00 p.m., Saturday, December 8 at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

HOLIDAY BULLETIN DEADLINES

DECEMBER 22/23

Is Wednesday, December 12 at 10:00 a.m.

DECEMBER 29/30

Is Wednesday, December 19 at 10:00 a.m.

Please be sure to send information to bulletin@standrewparish.cc to be included. Thank you.

The Week Ahead In Our Parish!

- Tuesday** Teacher Luncheon, 11:00 a.m., PH
Adoration, 6:00-9:00 p.m., Church
- Wednesday** Men's Faith Sharing, 7:00 a.m., MPR
Chorister Practice, 3:00 p.m., Church
PSR & Reconciliation, 4:30 p.m., School/CH
RCIA, 7:00 p.m., MPR
- Thursday** Reconciliation Grades 3-4, 1:15 p.m., CH
Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p.m., Church
- Friday** Worthington Stamp Show, 8:00 a.m., PH
- Saturday** Men's Faith Sharing, 8:00 a.m., MPR
Worthington Stamp Show, 9:00 a.m., PH
- Sunday** Donut Sunday
CLOW, 10:30 a.m., MPR
Maronite Mass, 4:30 p.m., Church & PH
Scout Parent Meeting, 4:30 p.m., MPR
PSR & Reconciliation, 6:30 p.m., School/CH
High School Youth Group, 7:00 p.m., BEC

ST. ANDREW ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Bishop Robert Barron's: Reason, Faith and Science

This self study is accessible at ReasonFaithScience.com. Our last meeting will be December 10 from 7:30-9:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room. We will resume after the holidays on Thursday evenings at the same time and place. Start date to be announced.

WALKING WITH PURPOSE

December 5 and 12 from 7:30-9:00 p.m.

Bryce Eck Center

CATHOLICISM 101 FOR ALL ADULTS

December 9 and 16 from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Multipurpose Room

For more information about any of the Adult Faith sessions, please contact Suzie Emsweller, DRE at 614-451-2855 or semswell@cducation.org.



ADVENT GIVING TREE

This St. Andrew parish tradition represents a unique opportunity for our parish to participate as a community in giving to those in need. We will fulfill wishes for needy families served by **Crank's Creek Survival Center (red hearts)**, students at **St. James the Less (green crosses)**, Appalachian poor served by the **Missionaries of Charity (blue angels)**, infants and children served by the **Christ Child Society (yellow stars)**. Parishioners are asked to select an "ornament" or two from baskets near the trees at the entrances to the church and fulfill the wish.

Please affix the **red heart** or **yellow star** to the unwrapped gifts/packages going to Kentucky or to the Christ Child Society. Gift cards for St. James the Less and Missionaries of Charity should be placed in an envelope with the angel or cross attached. Please indicate the amount of the gift card for us! **ALL GIFTS NEED TO BE RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 16** to assure delivery by Christmas! All donations are greatly appreciated!

ADVENT CANDLES FOR SALE IN THE PARLOR

\$3.00 per set of 4, 10' taper candles

If you would like to purchase a set, please place \$3.00 (checks payable to St. Andrew Parish) in the envelope provided and place in the slot in the countertop beside the candles.



SUNDAY OFFERING

November 18

YTD

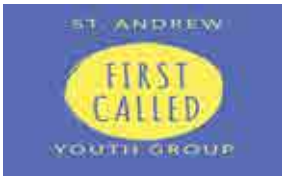
Actual	\$61,622	\$732,744
Budget	\$55,250	\$697,200
Last Year	\$54,161	\$668,781

You can eliminate receiving envelopes by using online giving. Available on our website or the OSV Online Giving App. Contact Ann Whiteman at awhiteman@standrewparish.cc.

Thank you for your support of St. Andrew Parish.



At the Eck Center – Senior drop-in card day
2nd Thursday of the month
 10:00 a.m. – Euchre
 11:00 a.m. – Bingo, Lunch to follow
4th Thursday of month, 10:00 a.m. – Euchre



FIRST CALLED YOUTH GROUP NEWS

High School: First Called Advent Night with the St. Andrew Preschool, **Sunday, December 2, 5:00-7:00 p.m.**

Middle School: Blaze, **Wednesday, December 5, 7:30-9:00 p.m.** at Bryce Eck.

There are a few spots available to join the First Called Youth Group for the Steubenville Conference June 14-16. If interested, register at tinyurl.com/firstcalledsteubie.

Please email Youth Ministry Coordinator, Andrea McClymont at amcclymont@standrewparish.cc with questions, and to join email list! Follow us @firstcalled!



December 9

After 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30 Masses

Nugent Parish Hall

Sponsored by SPICE (Special People in Catholic Education)



GIVE THE PERFECT GIFT!

Give Blood!

Tuesday, December 11 1:00-6:00 p.m.

Nugent Parish Hall

This Christmas Season, set aside some time to give more life by giving blood. Your donation can give a patient in need something to be extra thankful for this year. Please make your appointment for our Red Cross Blood Drive by visiting RedCrossBlood.org, sponsor code SACC or call 1-800-Red Cross. For more information, contact Rita Medaglia at 614-451-2930 or Joe Del Tosto at 614-371-7901.

PARISH COUNCIL CHRISTMAS GATHERING – All current and former Parish council Members are invited to a Christmas gathering on **Thursday, December 13 at 7:00 p.m.** in Nugent Parish Hall. Please come and enjoy the camaraderie, coffee, cookies and hot chocolate.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL

#11275 – Volunteers are needed to help with Christmas Tree sales. To sign up for a 2-hour shift, go to signup.com/go/XCKGSp.

The annual Christmas banquet is **December 6** at La Scala Restaurant. Cash bar is at 6:00 p.m. with dinner at 7:00 p.m. Dinner is family style with choice of Chicken, Pork or Lasagna. Cost is \$32.50 per person. Door prize drawings. RSVP to Bill Meyer at 614-451-6551 by December 4.

Trees, wreaths, and fresh roping!
 Proceeds support Parish/K of C charities
 Sponsored by
St. Andrew Council #11275
Knights of Columbus

St. Andrew Annual
CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

St. Andrew Athletic Field (South Entrance)
 Hours:
 Wednesday-Friday 5-7 p.m.
 Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
 Sunday 1 p.m.-5 p.m.
 Credit cards accepted

Sale ends Saturday, December 22!

THE ST. ANDREW SPICE ADVISORY BOARD would like to thank the following for sponsoring the Trivia Night held on November 17: Berwick Manor, The Buxton Inn, DeSantis Florist, Pedal Wagon of Columbus, Camelot Cellars, The Spa at River Ridge, Robb McCormick Photography, Candice Bonfante, Sam and Tom Calhoun (Berkshire Hathaway Calhoun Realtors), Columbus Craft Cocktail Tour Company, Schmidt's Restaurant, Roosters Restaurant, Matt the Miller Restaurant, Sunny 95, Jenny Fusco (HER Realtors), Houlihan's Restaurant, La Scala Restaurant, Cheesecake Factory, Roxy Plastic Surgery, COSI, CityScene, Rusty Bucket Restaurant, Homestead Beer Company, Anthony Thomas Candy Company, Columbus Zoo and Aquarium, and the Robert Raynes Family.



Advent

A Time of Waiting,
Hope & Joy

The Advent Season

Marking the beginning of the Church's liturgical year, the four weeks of Advent lead us to the celebration of Christmas. Advent's familiar sights and sounds stir in us a readiness to receive our savior, while sharpening our sense of the world's need for redemption and of the great mystery of God's becoming human for us.

Arrival of Christ

Advent is a Latin word meaning *the coming* or *arrival*. The season of Advent is a time to prepare to celebrate the three arrivals of Christ: his lowly birth in the past, his mysterious coming to the Christian community in the present, and his promised return as our judge at the end of time.

Advent and Christmas

Since Advent looks forward to Christ's Incarnation and birth, it is an appropriate way to begin the Church Year. However, Advent is not part of the Christmas season itself, but a preparation for it. Thus, Catholics do not sing Christmas hymns or use Christmas readings in the Mass until December 25th, the first day of the Christmas season.

Advent: Yesterday and Today

Advent was originally celebrated as a kind of "Lent" during the forty days before the feast of Christmas. Gradually, Advent developed its own distinctive character, retaining a slight penitential dimension but emphasizing our joy-filled hope in the coming of the Lord.

Today, these two aspects continue side by side. During the first part of Advent, the prophecies of Isaiah and John the Baptist remind us that we are waiting for God's coming and need to prepare. During the latter part of the season the focus shifts more directly on the events leading up to Jesus' birth. These twin perspectives give richness to our observance of Advent, leading us to introspection and renewal, and to the exuberant joy and celebration of Christmas.

Origins of Advent

Advent began sometime after the 4th century as a time of preparation for Epiphany—not in anticipation of Christmas. Epiphany celebrates the manifestation of Christ by remembering the visit of the Magi and the baptism of Jesus. At this time new Christians were baptized and received into the faith, and so the early Church instituted a 40-day period of fasting and repentance.

Later, in the 6th century, Pope St. Gregory the Great was the first to associate this season of Advent with the coming of Christ. Originally it was not the coming of the Christ-child that was anticipated, but rather, the second coming of Christ.

By the Middle Ages the Church had extended the celebration of Advent to the familiar format we know today. The early weeks are rich with the prophecies of Isaiah, reminding us to wait and prepare for the coming Messiah. Later, the pace quickens and we focus more directly on the events leading up to Jesus' birth.



MASS READINGS FOR ADVENT 2018

1st Sunday

Jeremiah 33:14-16
Psalm 25:4-5, 8-10, 14
1 Thessalonians 3:12—4:2
Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

2nd Sunday

Baruch 5:1-9
Psalm 126:1-6
Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11
Luke 3:1-6

3rd Sunday

Zephaniah 3:14-18
Isaiah 12:2-6;
Philippians 4:4-7
Luke 3:10-18

4th Sunday

Micah 5:1-4
Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19
Hebrews 10:5-10
Luke 1:39-45

The Three Arrivals of Christ

Jesus Comes in Human History

Our celebration of Christmas focuses on the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem. The Christmas crèche at home or in the church, Christmas pageants and liturgies all help us recall the moment Jesus was born as a human being to live his destiny as the Son of God and our redeemer.

Jesus Comes in Our Hearts

Alive and among us through the Holy Spirit, Jesus continually reaches out to us. Advent renews our desire for the daily coming of Jesus as we recall the story of our salvation and look forward to the coming of the kingdom. We “wait in joyful hope,” as the eucharistic liturgy says, for the coming of that kingdom.

Jesus Comes in Glory

The haunting melody and refrains of *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* serve to remind us of our longing for the completion of Christ's reign at the end of time. This season gives special meaning to the phrase from the Lord's Prayer, “thy kingdom come.”

ADVENT F • A • Q

What is the origin of the Advent Wreath?

The origin dates to pre-Christian Germany and Scandinavia where the people gathered to celebrate the return of the sun after the winter solstice. For us, the lighting of the Advent candles represents the promise of the coming of Jesus, the light of the world.

Why is the rose-colored candle lit on the third Sunday of Advent?

The third Sunday of Advent is known as *Gaudete Sunday* because in Latin, the first words of the opening antiphon for that day's Mass are *Gaudete in Domino semper* (Rejoice in the Lord always) from Philippians 4:4-5. On this Sunday a rose-colored candle is lit as a reminder that we are called to rejoice.

Was St. Nicholas Real?

Yes, St. Nicholas (270-343) was the Bishop of Myra (now Demre in southwest Turkey). He was imprisoned during Emperor Diocletian's persecution (303-5) and attended the first ecumenical council at Nicaea (325). Famous for his pastoral care, the many legendary stories of his charitable deeds became the basis for the figure of Santa Claus.

What is a Jesse Tree?

An ancient tradition revived in the mid-20th century as an Advent practice, the Jesse Tree represents the family of Jesse, father of King David. Each day of Advent a home-made ornament is added to the Jesse Tree, a small tree made of evergreen branches. These symbolic ornaments each represent a prophecy foretelling of Christ.

Around the Diocese

BEGIN YOUR ADVENT with several inspiring events at the Martin de Porres Center. "Mary's Role in Advent" retreat is **December 8 from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.** and will include Holy Day Mass, reflection, discussion and blessings led by Sr. Louis Mary Passeri. The \$20 fee includes lunch and refreshments. On **Sunday, December 9 from 3:00-4:30 p.m.** the Columbus Womens' Chorus will perform a joyous concert of seasonal music. The Center is located at 2330 Airport Drive. Visit martindeporres@oppeace.org or call 614-416-1910 for information or to register for the retreat.

BWHS ALUMNI BASKETBALL TOURNEY – Gather your team and join us for our annual holiday Ron Shay Alumni Basketball Tournament to be held on **December 30 at 1:00 p.m.** Pizza, wings, and refreshments will be offered in Dominican Hall following the games. We are looking for sponsors and players. If your class is interested in playing, contact Steve Devlin at sdevlin@dostalkirk.com. For more information, visit bishopwatterson.com and click on Alumni, Upcoming Events.

CHRISTMAS CATHOLIC CHARITIES COLLECTION – This annual collection on Christmas Day allows the diocese to meet a variety of basic needs directly and through diocesan agencies and organizations including J.O.I.N. (Joint Organization for Inner-City Needs), St. Stephen's Community House, Catholic Social Services, St. Francis Center, St. Lawrence Haven, St. Vincent Family Center, and the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. You can share in this important work by generously supporting the Catholic Charities collection this year. Please make checks payable to St. Andrew with envelope number and "CC" in the memo line.

CATHOLIC MAN OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS – Now is the time to nominate the men in the parish who through their daily actions, words and prayers, exemplifies the "good and faithful servant." The annual award will be presented on **Friday, February 1** at the Men's Luncheon. Nominations will be accepted through **Friday, December 28**. For a nomination form, visit catholicmensministry.com/cmoy. Email completed nomination form and up to five supporting testimonials to catholicmanoftheyear@gmail.com. Submit a nomination and let us know why your husband, father, son, uncle, brother or friend is the Catholic Man of the Year!

LITURGICAL ROLES – Feast of Immaculate Conception

December 7 – 7:00 p.m.

Servers Catherine Iveson, Rose Lombardi, Dominic Rubino

Lectors Mary Kasberg Tim Terveer

EM's B1 Kris Pellissier B2 Dee Pellissier
B3 Deb Murphy

December 8 – 9:00 a.m.

Servers Jimmy Jacob, Ryann Lucas, Stephanie Weiner

Lectors Marjorie Spellacy Cathy Covarrubias

EM's B1 Lorri Posani B2 Dave Shiddenhelm
B3 Darla Reed

December 8 – 11:00 a.m.

Servers Arav Fernandes, Morgan Grawe, Leah Hetteberg

Lectors Les Hess Sharon Hess

EM's B1 Madelon Palmo B2 Dick Stedman
B3 Libby Stedman

LITURGICAL ROLES SERVERS

Saturday, December 8

4:30 p.m. Davis Boone, Blasé Pignotti, Quinn Waldron

Sunday, December 9

7:30 Isabelle and Madeline Fisher, Shawna Hoffman-Long

9:00 Zachary Brown, Patrick Carpenter, Andrew Jaminet

10:30 Ethan Blatt, Gabrielle Martin, Lyla Stewart

Noon Celia and Izzy Probst, Alex Wildermuth

LECTORS

(If the Deacon is present, he will read the Petitions)

Saturday, December 8

4:30 p.m. Jim Macklin

Bill James

Sunday, December 9

7:30 Bob Woyach

Doug Kristof

9:00 Bob Wachunas

John Schechter

10:30 Lee Bolzenius

Victor Nduaguba, Sr.

Noon Carson Reider

Mark Yerke

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

*B2, B3 and C2 cleanse the sacred vessels.

The Deacon will serve in C3 when he is present.

Remember the Cantor and those unable to come forward.

Saturday, December 8

4:30 p.m. B1 Priest

C1 Vicky Macklin

B2 Patty Meyers*

C2 Lois Berwanger*

B3 Mary Kaminski*

C3 Theresa Dunlavy

B4 Stuart Sprigler

C4 Mike Plahuta

B5 David Hiser

Sunday, December 9

7:30 B1 Peggy Pardi

C1 Lynn Magnus

B2 Mark Pardi*

C2 Darla Reed*

B3 Andy Ryan*

C3 Martha Radtke

B4 Bob Slater

C4 Peggy Hoffman

9:00

B1 Priest

C1 Chuck Caranna

B2 Elizabeth Carpenter*

C2 Debbie K. Caranna*

B3 Kevin Carpenter*

C3 Deacon Tom Berg

B4 Maggie McGlade

C4 Dottie Chesebrough

B5 Bob McFadden

Bch David Tague

Cch Don McNeal

10:30

B1 Priest

C1 Laddie Waldegar

B2 Paula Volpe*

C2 Davie Varda*

B3 Mike Miller*

C3 Deacon Tom Berg

B4 Suzanne Meyers

C4 Claire Nduaguba

B5 Karen Wiegandt

Noon

B1 Priest

C1 Bette Jo Feeney

B2 Kate Diday*

C2 Maria Moore*

B3 Mike Koehler*

C3 Dan Dowler

B4 Gerry Willke

C4 Corso Padova

B5 Carolyn Kiss

GREETERS

Saturday, December 8

4:30 p.m. Carolyn Clausen

Sunday, December 9

7:30 Perry and Judy Gaal, June Slater

9:00 Jane Dickson, Iris Freisner and Sarah Gerken

10:30 **NEEDED**

Noon Massinople Family, Martha Barr

LEAD USHERS

Saturday, December 8

4:30 p.m. Edward Sprigler

Sunday, December 9

7:30 Bob Slater

9:00 Jerry Wozniak

10:30 Karl Schaab

Noon Dave Shiddenhelm