

ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

A community that is centered in Jesus,
gathers in worship, witnesses the Gospel, and
ministers to the spiritual and material needs
of the people.



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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 15, 2020

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily: 9am
(9am Thursdays: Communion Service)
Saturday Vigil: 5pm
Sunday: 9am, 11am and 12:30pm (bilingual)
Holy Days: 9am ONLY

MORNING PRAYER

8:45am

SACRAMENTS

Baptisms In English: Fourth Saturday each month at 2pm (except during Lent and August). To register, call for an appointment at the Parish House to arrange for Baptism. Birth Certificate is required.

Marriage Couples should speak with a priest or deacon at least six months before the desired wedding date.

Confessions Saturdays at 4:30pm or by appointment at the Parish House.

Eucharist for the Homebound Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring communion to the homebound. Call the Parish House to make arrangements.

For emergencies and to make arrangements for sick calls, wakes or funerals, call the Parish House at any time.

SACRAMENTOS

Bautismos En español: El tercer sábado de cada mes a las 2pm (excepto durante la Cuaresma y agosto). Para registrarse, llame para una cita a la Casa Parroquial y organizar el bautismo. Se requiere un certificado de nacimiento.

Matrimonio Las parejas deben hablar con un sacerdote o diácono al menos seis meses antes de la fecha de la boda deseada.

Confesiones Sábados a las 4:30pm o por cita en la Casa Parroquial.

Eucaristía en el Hogar Ministros de la Eucaristía están disponibles para llevar la comunión a los inválidos. Llame a la Casa Parroquial para hacer arreglos.

En caso de emergencia y para hacer los arreglos para visitas a los enfermos, velatorios o funerales, llame a la Casa Parroquial en cualquier momento.

PARISH HOUSE OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday: 9:30am to 4:00pm
Friday: 9:30am to 2pm
Saturday and Sunday: Closed

ALL ARE WELCOME! ¡TODOS SON BIENVENIDOS!

ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE PARISH, BROOKLYN, NY

REFLECTION

A theme for this Sunday's readings might be, "Things are not always what they seem." After all, who would expect the tap of a staff on a rock to cause water to flow from it? And who would expect someone to die for an unworthy person? And why on earth would Jesus, a Jewish man, ask for water from a Samaritan woman who was considered worthless and then proceed to have a lengthy theological discussion with her? What was she even doing at the well alone at noon? But none of those things was what they seemed. All of them were surprising revelations about God, God's miraculous power, God's selfless mercy, God's immeasurable love, God's unconditional acceptance and boundless generosity. Not only do we see God in remarkable ways, but we also see that the Samaritan woman is much more than she might have seemed to anyone who simply judged her for her five husbands and live-in boyfriend. Jesus saw beyond that and considered her worthy of their thoughtful conversation about faith. How often do we see beyond what seems obvious to see the heart and soul of a person? Let's give it a try this week and throughout Lent into Easter.

Pax Christi Metro New York!

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Fourth Sunday of Lent: 1 Samuel 16:1B, 6-7, 10-13A; Psalm 23:1-3A, 3B-6; Ephesians 5:8-14 and John 9:1-41

REFLEXIÓN

Un tema para las lecturas de este domingo podría ser: "Las cosas no siempre son lo que parecen". Después de todo, ¿quién esperaría que el golpeteo de un bastón en una roca haga que el agua fluya? ¿Y quién esperaría que alguien muriera por una persona indigna? ¿Y por qué Jesús, un hombre judío, pediría agua a una mujer samaritana que se consideraba inútil y luego tendría una larga discusión teológica con ella? ¿Qué estaba haciendo ella sola en el pozo al mediodía? Pero ninguna de esas cosas era lo que parecían. Todas ellas fueron revelaciones sorprendentes sobre Dios, el poder milagroso de Dios, la misericordia desinteresada de Dios, el amor incommensurable de Dios, la aceptación incondicional de Dios y su generosidad ilimitada. No solo vemos a Dios de manera notable, sino que también vemos que la mujer samaritana es mucho más de lo que podría haberle parecido a cualquiera que simplemente la juzgara por sus cinco maridos y su novio. Jesús vio más allá de eso y la consideró digna de su conversación reflexiva sobre la fe. ¿Con qué frecuencia vemos más allá de lo que parece obvio ver el corazón y el alma de una persona? Probemos esta semana y durante la Cuaresma hasta Pascua.

LECTURAS PARA LA PROXIMA SEMANA

Cuarto Domingo de Cuaresma: 1 Samuel 16:1B, 6-7, 10-13A; Salmo 23:1-3A, 3B-6; Efesios 5:8-14; y Juan 9:1-41

ATTENTION: PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR WEBSITE HAS BEEN CHANGED TO: www.standrewbrooklyn.com

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

SECOND COLLECTION - SUNDAY, MARCH 22

This collection provides funding for Catholic Relief Services, the USCCB Offices of International Justice and Peace, Migration and Refugee Services, and Pastoral Care for Migrants and Refugees, relief work of the Holy Father, and the Catholic Legal Immigration Network.

Bread for the World 2020 Offering of Letters Better Nutrition, Better Tomorrow

Last year, Bread for the World focused its annual Offering of Letters on global nutrition so that mothers and children could get the foods they need to lead healthy and fulfilling lives. Because of your advocacy, Congress passed legislation to increase global nutrition funding by \$5 million for a total of \$150 million. In 2020, Bread will again focus on nutrition. In addition to continuing our advocacy work around global nutrition, we will also turn our attention to those experiencing hunger in the United States. More than 820 million people in the world were hungry in 2018. Many of the world's children suffer from malnutrition or lack of proper nutrition. Today, 22 percent, or 149 million of the world's children are not growing as they should...49 million under the age of 5.

St. Andrew the Apostle is conducting its Offering of Letters after all the masses during the weekends of March 21-22 and March 28-29. There will be a table in the Gathering Space where volunteers will assist you in signing letters addressed to our representatives in the U.S. Senate and U.S. House of Representatives. Please verify which representative's district (Max Rose or Jerrold Nadler) you reside in prior to signing. We need volunteers to assist their fellow parishioners in signing the letters those two weekends. Please contact John Kemp at 917-589-5248 if you wish to help.

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS

Gluten-free hosts are available. Please mention your need to a Eucharistic Minister prior to the beginning of Mass.

A LENTEN LOOK AT THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

This Sunday our reflection and discussion on the Passion of Our Lord, according to Matthew continues. We are meeting after the 9am Mass in the Parish House living room for an hour that promises to be spiritually rewarding as we gain insight and understanding of the events in the life of Jesus from His Last Supper through His Crucifixion and Burial. You are invited to come and join the conversation.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GROUP FOOD PANTRY

Your donations to the pantry of non-perishable food is truly appreciated. Please place your donations in the baskets located in the Gathering Spaces. We still need mayonnaise, rice, cans of soup, tuna fish and tomato sauce. The next monthly distribution is on **Wednesday, March 18, from 9:45am to 10:45am**, in Kiernan Hall.

La próxima distribución de comida será el **miércoles, 18 de marzo, de las 9:45am a 10:45am.** La documentación no es necesaria.

PARISHIONER BEING HONOR AT LUNCHEON

Jane Kelly, a valued parishioner of St Andrew's, is being honored by the Kassenbrock Bros. Memorial Scholarship Fund on Sunday, March 22 at 1pm at the Bay Ridge Manor. Tickets can be purchased from Eleanor Petty, Parish Council member, for \$75. Eleanor can be reached at (718)680-3620

MOVIE NIGHT

Come and join the WAY Ministry for our monthly Movie Night on March 21st. Our feature film for March is "The Nun's Story". A young wealthy woman feels her life has no meaning and decides to join a convent of nursing sisters in 1920. Being spoiled all her life, Gaby finds it difficult to adjust to her new life and is always at odds with her mother Superior. Gaby is also struggling with the sacrifices she is asked to make, but in the end realizes that we all face challenges that leave us questioning God's will and path for us. This spiritual film is a perfect way to remember our sacrifices this Lenten Season.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

A BRIEF EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

Based on the Ten Commandments

**I am the Lord your God:
you shall not have strange Gods before me.**

*Have I treated people, events, or things
as more important than God?*

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
*Have my words, actively or passively, put down God, the Church
or people?*

Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.

*Do I go to Mass every Sunday (or Saturday vigil) and on Holy
Days of Obligation? Do I avoid, when possible, work that
impedes worship to God, joy for the Lord's Day and proper
relaxation of mind and body? Do I look for ways to spend time
with family or in service on Sunday?*

Honor your father and your mother.

*Do I show my parents due respect? Do I seek to maintain good
communication with my parents where possible? Do I criticize
them for lacking skills I think they should have?*

You shall not kill.

*Have I harmed another through physical, verbal or emotional
means, including gossip or manipulation of any kind?*

You shall not commit adultery.

*Have I respected the physical and sexual dignity
of others and myself?*

You shall not steal.

*Have I taken or wasted time or resources that belonged to
another?*

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

*Have I gossiped, told lies or embellished stories at the
expense of another?*

You shall not covet your neighbor's spouse.

*Have I honored my spouse with my full affection
and exclusive love?*

You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.

*Am I content with my own means and needs, or do I compare
myself to others unnecessarily?*

BOOK CLUB

The St Andrew's Book Club will resume meeting on Tuesday, March 24 in the Parish House at 7:30pm. All are welcome. The book for March is *The Dutch House* by Ann Patchett. The Book Club will continue to meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Parish house at 7:30pm. There are copies of the 2020 Book Club schedule in the Gathering Space.

The **Dominican Sisters of Amityville** invite you to donate new and unused items for our annual Beauty of the Spirit Luncheon. All proceeds from the event benefit the elderly and retired Sisters living in the Motherhouse. To arrange a drop off, please call the Advancement Office at 631-842-600 ext. 238. Thank you .

DO YOU WANT TO FAST THIS LENT?

In the words of Pope Francis

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
Fast from worries and have trust in God.
Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

LENTEN REGULATIONS REGLAMENTOS DE CUARESMA

Please remember that all Lenten Fridays are days of abstinence (no meat). Please join with all of our brothers and sisters throughout the world in these times of Penance during Lent.

Recuerde que todos los viernes de Cuaresma son días de abstinencia (no se come carne). Por favor únase a todos nuestros hermanos y hermanas de todo el mundo en estos tiempos de Penitencia durante la Cuaresma.

CALLED BY NAME: EXPLORING LAY MINISTRY IN OUR CHURCH TODAY

Tuesdays, March 24* 7pm to 8:30pm
Saint Ephrem Rectory Meeting Room

To register contact Lisa at St. Ephrem Rectory at 718-833-1010 or stephremreligiously@gmail.com BY Friday, February 28th.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND!

*The hours for this final session will be 6:30pm to 9pm—to include a Lenten dinner and movie, followed by discussion. Five LLF credits will be given upon completion of the course.

RCIA

Today we formally welcome Joshua Halsne to our parish community.

The days of Lent are the final Period of Purification and Enlightenment leading up to the Easter Vigil. Lent is a period of preparation marked by prayer, study, spiritual direction and prayers for RCIA candidates by the parish. The celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation will take place during the Easter Vigil Liturgy on Holy Saturday, when Joshua will receive the Sacraments. At that time he will be fully initiated into the Catholic Church.

FIRST RECONCILIATION RETREAT AND SERVICE

This is a reminder to all candidates in Spring 2020. Our retreat and service for your child's First Reconciliation will take place on Sunday, March 15th (11am to 2pm) and Saturday March 21st (11:30am to 1pm), respectively. If you have any questions, please contact Ann Smyth 718-680-1010 Extension 20.

RETIRO Y SERVICIO DE LA PRIMERA RECONCILIACIÓN

Este es un recordatorio para todos los candidatos en la primavera de 2020. Nuestro retiro y servicio para la Primera Reconciliación de su hijo tendrá lugar el Domingo 15 de Marzo (11 a.m. - 2p.m.) y el sábado 21 de Marzo (11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.), respectivamente. Si tiene alguna pregunta, comuníquese con Ann Smyth 718-680-1010 Extensión 20

Members of the Parish Council / Miembros del Consejo Parroquial —

Victor Cabanas, Maryann Coluccio, Maryellen Connolly, Maricela Eumana, Christine Kemp, John Kemp, Pierre Lehu, Annemarie Leyden, Senen Martinez, Maria Guadalupe Morales, Eleanor Petty, Yolanda Perez, Maria Saenz, Lois Seelandt and LaNell Schultheis. To contact any a Parish Council member, please leave a message at the Parish House office or send an email to PPCStAndrews@gmail.com. Para contactar a un miembro del Consejo Parroquial, deje un mensaje en la oficina de Oficina Parroquial, o envíe un correo electrónico a PPCStAndrews@gmail.com.

MARCH 15, 2020

ON THE CALENDAR

- Monday, March 16
7pm Jornada Meeting (KH)
- Tuesday, March 17
9:15am ESL Classes (KH)
7pm Dance & Movement Class (KH)
7pm Parish Council Meeting (PHDR)
- Wednesday, March 18
9:30am Miraculous Medal Novena (CHU)
9:30am Communion & Liberation (CHUU)
9:45am SVDP Food Distribution (KH)
6pm Communion & Liberation (PHDR)
7:30pm Women's Spirituality Group (PHLR)
- Thursday, March 19
9:15am ESL Classes (KH)
9:30am Rosary (CHU)
3:45pm Religious Ed Classes (KH, CHU)
7:30pm Via Crucis (CHU)
- Friday, March 20
9:30am Stations of the Cross (CHU)
3:30pm Girl Scout Meetings (KH)
7pm Religious Ed Classes (KH, CHU)
- Saturday, March 21
Offering of Letters-Bread for the World after 5pm Mass (GS)
9:30am Rosary (CHU)
10am Religious Ed Classes (KH, CHU)
11:30am Reconciliation Prayer Service (CHU)
1pm Set-up for Wills Workshop (KH)
2pm Wills Workshop (KH)
4:30pm Confessions (CHU)
7pm Movie Night (KH)
- Sunday, March 22
Offering of Letters-Bread for the World after all Masses (GS)
9:30am Bible Study (PHLR)
9:30am Religious Ed Classes (PHDR)
10:15am Rosary (CHU)
11am Children's Liturgy of the Word (PHLR)
12pm RCIA Meeting (PHLR)
5pm Jornada Receiving (KH)

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES

REMEMBER: **Your** attendance at a preparation retreat is mandatory on Saturday, March 28th, 12 Noon to 6pm.

CANDIDATOS DE CONFIRMACION

RECUERDE: Su Asistencia a un retiro de preparacion es **obligatoria** el Sabado 28 de Marzo, 12 del mediodia a 6pm.

The 2020 Census is easy, safe and very important!!

Every 10 years, the U.S. Census Bureau conducts a count of every person living in the United States. The 2020 Census helps determine how many representatives each state has in Congress. It informs how billions of dollars in federal funding will be allocated to communities for housing, schools, food assistance, transportation, health care, and other vital social services for the next 10 years. Your information is protected and never shared with law enforcement or any other agency, including ICE. Responses are used only to produce statistics. The Census Bureau does not disclose any personal information. It is short and easy to complete. It will NOT ask about citizenship, legal status, income, or social security number. Every household has the option to respond online, by phone, or by mail and in the language of their choice. Do not miss out on resources for yourselves and your communities. Be counted! For more information, Contact:
(Queens) Josefa Castro- Josefa.castro@ccbq.org
(Brooklyn) John.Gonzalez John.gonzalez@ccbq.org

¡El Censo 2020 es fácil, seguro y muy importante!!

Cada 10 años, la Oficina de Censo estadounidense conduce una cuenta de cada persona que vive en los Estados Unidos. El Censo 2020 determina cuantos representantes tiene cada estado en el Congreso. Esto sirve para informar como los mil millones de dólares en el gobierno federal serán asignados a comunidades para alojamiento, escuelas, ayuda de alimento, transporte, asistencia médica, y otra asistencia social vital durante los próximos 10 años. Su información es protegida y nunca compartida con ninguna agencia de seguridad incluso con la MIGRA (ICE). Las respuestas son usadas sólo para producir la estadística. La Oficina del Censo no revela ninguna información personal. El Censo es corto y fácil para completar; no preguntará sobre ciudadanía, estado legal, ingresos, o número de seguridad social. Cada unidad familiar tiene la opción para responder en línea, por teléfono, o por el correo y en la lengua de su opción. Para más información:
(Queens) Josefa Castro josefa.castro@ccbq.org
(Brooklyn) John Gonzalez John.gonzalez@ccbq.org

ESTATE PLANNING and ELDER LAW Saturday March 21, 2:30pm in Kiernan Hall

Parish Outreach Committee

Invites you to a presentation given by **Joanne Seminara, Attorney, parishioner, partner of the Elder Law firm of Grimaldi & Yeung LLP with offices in Bay Ridge**

Please join us and receive information valuable to you and your family. Invite family members to come with you. To register, please contact John Kemp, Chair of the Parish Outreach committee at 917-589-5248 or at johnkemp0621@gmail.com

DANCE & MOVEMENT CLASSES

Classes are Tuesday at 7pm in Kiernan Hall. Registration not required. No fees. Bring water and wear comfortable clothing.

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Vesuvio Restaurant and Pizzeria is a family-oriented restaurant at 7305 3rd Avenue, Brooklyn, NY, 718-745-0222. Vesuvio is participating in a 5% rebate campaign with St. Andrew the Apostle Church. Please present this coupon with your bill and St. Andrew's will receive 5% of your bill as a donation to the church. This coupon is only good for EAT IN dinners on "NON" holiday/special menu days.



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 14

5pm Michael and Grace Sanders

Sunday, March 15

9am Liana Siebel
11am John Faillace
12:30pm Elvira and Joseph Hudsick

Monday, March 16

9am BEYOND THE GRAVE: Mary A. Carman, Marina Tramontano, Charles LaCerra, Dalah Khouri, Natalino Guglielmetti, Murphy, Reid & Corbett Families

Tuesday, March 17

9am Martin (Marty) Stewart

Wednesday, March 18

9am Elvira and Joseph Hudsick

Thursday, March 19

9am Communion Service

Friday, March 20

9am Florencio Ombid

Saturday, March 21

9am Anton Srsich
5pm Margie and Angelo LaMalfa & Mary Kelly

Sunday, March 22

9am Rose Lutfy
11am Bernetta Cogan
12:30pm Elvira and Joseph Hudsick

OFFERINGS

BREAD AND WINE

In loving memory of
Anton Srsich
From the Srsich Family

ALTAR CANDLES

In Remembrance of
Joseph Mazzio
With much love from the Savattieri Family

IN OUR PRAYERS

Remember the sick of our parish in your prayers.

Scott Brown, Barbara Foss, Rosmarie Fostner,
Dorothy Marshall, Marion Mulligan

Pray for all those who have gone before us
marked with the sign of faith, especially
Rosemary Caruso

Remember our service men and women
serving around the world and the wounded.

PLEASE LET US KNOW

Please call the Parish House to let us know if there is someone who is sick and who you would like to be mentioned and prayed for at the Prayer of the Faithful at the Sunday Masses.

PRAYER NETWORK

The Prayer Network is a group of faithful individuals joined in private and/or communal prayer to pray for the needs of all whose petitions come to us. Some members also bring the Eucharist to the homebound. Additional volunteers have created comfort caps for children with cancer and prayer blankets, which members of the Prayer Network can bring to those whom we visit. The comfort caps are delivered by a member of the parish to children being treated at Ronald McDonald House and Memorial Sloan Kettering. Members of the Prayer Network pray the Rosary on Thursday and Saturday mornings at 9:30 a.m., and at 10:15 a.m. on Sundays. If you would like to join or learn more about our online and telephone ministry of prayer, or if you would like to ask for someone to be prayed for, to receive a visit, or to be brought a Prayer Blanket, please contact Maryann Polesinelli at 718-759-0848 or at marauderblueteam@aol.com

RED DE ORACIÓN

La Red de Oración es un grupo de fieles unidos en oración privada y / o comunidad para orar por las necesidades y por de todas las peticiones que nos llegan. Algunos miembros también llevan la Eucaristía a su hogar. Voluntarios adicionales han creado gorras de confort para niños con cáncer y mantas de oración, que los miembros de la Red de Oración pueden llevar a quienes visitamos. Los miembros de la parroquia entregan las gorras de confort a los niños que reciben tratamiento en Ronald McDonald House y Memorial Sloan Kettering. Los miembros de la Red de Oración rezan el Rosario los jueves y sábados por la mañana a las 9:30 a.m. y a las 10:15 a.m. los domingos. Si desea unirse u obtener más información sobre nuestro ministerio de oración en línea y por teléfono, o si desea pedir que se ore por alguien, que reciba una visita o que le traigan una Manta de oración, comuníquese con Maryann Polesinelli en 718-759-0848

OFFERINGS OF BREAD AND WINE, TABERNACLE CANDLE AND ALTAR CANDLES

There also remains some availability in 2020. These offerings are a special way to remember your deceased or a special occasion during one of the weeks of the year. The donation for each is \$25 for the week, and your intention is printed in the bulletin that week. Please visit the Parish House Office to register your intention.

OFERTAS DE HOSTIAS Y VINO, VELA DE TABERNÁCULO Y VELAS DE ALTAR

También queda algo de disponibilidad en 2020. Estas ofertas son una forma especial de recordar su difunto o un ocasión especial durante una de las semanas del año. La donación para cada uno es de \$25 por semana, y su intención se imprime en el boletín esa semana. Por favor, visite la oficina de la casa parroquial para registrar su intención.

ATTENTION ALL GROUPS AND COORDINATORS: Information for the bulletin must be submitted two weeks prior to the date you want the information in the bulletin. Pulpit announcements must be submitted by Wednesday for the coming Sunday. Send by e-mail to standrewrc6713@gmail.com or call the Parish House Office.