

## 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.



### Served by:

Rev. Gregory A. Stankus, Pastor  
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Sergio Sandí, Music Director

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT  
MARCH 22, 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

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## REFLECTION

In Sunday's first reading, God warns us not to judge from appearances. Interesting that the second reading makes reference to darkness which does not allow us to see, at least in the physical sense, and the Gospel focuses on a blind man who also cannot see, at least in the physical sense. Whether in the dark or physically blind, we are not able to judge from appearance, but St. Paul advises us to live in the light which allows us to see—and judge? And Jesus cures a blind man, enabling him to see—and judge? So what are we to make of this paradox? Could it be that we are to use our sight—or insight—in the light not to judge, but to see Christ's light and to use it to do God's will?

*Pax Christi Metro New York!*

## READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

**Fifth Sunday of Lent:** Ezekiel 37:12-14; Psalm 130:1-8; Romans 8:8-11 and John 11:1-45

## REFLEXIÓN

En la primera lectura del domingo, Dios nos advierte que no juzguemos por las apariencias. Es interesante que la segunda lectura haga referencia a la oscuridad que no nos permite ver, al menos en el sentido físico, y el Evangelio se centra en un hombre ciego que tampoco puede ver, al menos en el sentido físico. Ya sea en la oscuridad o físicamente ciego, no podemos juzgar por la apariencia, pero San Pablo nos aconseja que vivamos en la luz que nos permite ver y juzgar. ¿Y Jesús cura a un ciego, permitiéndole ver y juzgar? Entonces, ¿qué debemos hacer con esta paradoja? ¿Podría ser que debemos usar nuestra vista—o perspicacia— en la luz no para juzgar, sino para ver la luz de Cristo y usarla para hacer la voluntad de Dios?

## LECTURAS PARA LA PROXIMA SEMANA

**Quinto Domingo de Cuaresma:** Ezequiel 37:12-14; Salmo 130:1-8; Romanos 8:8-11; y Juan 11:1-45

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## URGENT MESSAGE FROM THE DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Given the continuing and growing concern about the spread of the COVID-19 virus, Bishop DiMarzio has determined that all public masses be cancelled in the Diocese beginning March 16th, until further notice. This includes weekday masses as well as Sunday. Funerals and Weddings will be permitted but should be limited to family members only.

The faithful of the diocese are reminded that the bishop has already issued a dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sunday.

The Faithful are urged to watch the celebration of the Eucharist on TV, as well. The celebrations are scheduled as follows:

**Saturday at 6pm: Vigil pre-recorded from Immaculate Conception in Jamaica (English)**

**Sunday at 11am: Live from St James Cathedral in Downtown Brooklyn, (English)**

**Sunday at 1:30pm: Pre-recorded from Co-Cathedral of St Joseph in Prospect Heights (Spanish)**

**NET-TV can be seen on Spectrum (Channel 97), Optimum (Channel 30) and FIOS (Channel 48). Viewers can also tune in online at [www.netny.tv](http://www.netny.tv)**

For those who have Mass intentions during this time period, Fr Greg will honor your Mass requests at a private Mass each day. Just know that your loved ones will be remembered at Mass that day.

When gathering, the faithful are urged to take the necessary precautions including hand washing, remaining at a safe distance from others and other safe practices, such as reception of Holy Communion in the hand.

The health of all the faithful of the Diocese is of utmost concern, so let us continue to pray to the Lord Who is a healer to protect us and bring about quickly an end to this present crisis.

**ATTENTION: PLEASE NOTE THAT OUR WEBSITE HAS BEEN CHANGED TO: [www.standrewbrooklyn.com](http://www.standrewbrooklyn.com)**

## CORONAVIRUS UPDATE FROM THE DIOCESE

The Centers for Disease Control has recommended to avoid social gathering of 10 or more people. For this reason, the following steps are being implemented:

- All public Masses are suspended.
- Churches may remain open for silent adoration. St Andrew's Church will remain open from 8am till Noon for private prayer.
- Reconciliation Monday is cancelled. Priests will be available for confessions, as needed.
- The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick may be administered as needed.
- Confirmations scheduled up until May 15 are to be postponed.
- First Communion celebrations should be postponed.
- All parish meeting should be cancelled as well as parish events.

## HOLY WEEK

As there will be no masses celebrated publicly on Palm Sunday, blessed palms will be left on tables in church.

The Chrism Mass will **NOT** be celebrated publicly in parishes. The Bishop will celebrate the Mass and the oils will be available for distribution. Holy Week Services and Liturgies will not be celebrated publicly in the parishes. Easter Sacraments for RCIA candidates and catechumens are postponed. The Mass of the Lord's Supper, the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion and the Easter Vigil will be celebrated by the Bishop and will be broadcast.

## LET US PRAY FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY THE CORONAVIRUS

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen.

# FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

## ON THE CALENDAR

- Monday, March 23  
7pm Jornada Meeting CANCELLED
- Tuesday, March 24  
9:15am ESL Classes CANCELLED  
7pm Dance & Movement Class CANCELLED  
7:30pm Book Club CANCELLED
- Wednesday, March 25  
9:30am Miraculous Medal Novena CANCELLED  
9:30am Communion & Liberation CANCELLED  
6pm Communion & Liberation CANCELLED
- Thursday, March 26  
9:15am ESL Classes CANCELLED  
9:30am Rosary CANCELLED  
3:45pm Religious Ed Classes CANCELLED  
7:30pm Via Crucis CANCELLED
- Friday, March 27  
9:30am Stations of the Cross CANCELLED  
3:30pm Girl Scout Meetings CANCELLED  
7pm Religious Ed Classes CANCELLED
- Saturday, March 28  
9:30am Rosary CANCELLED  
10am Religious Ed Classes CANCELLED  
11:30am Confirmation Retreat CANCELLED  
3:30pm Liturgy Committee Meetings CANCELLED  
4:30pm Confessions CANCELLED
- Sunday, March 29  
9:30am Bible Study CANCELLED  
9:30am Religious Ed Classes CANCELLED  
10:15am Rosary CANCELLED  
12pm RCIA Meeting CANCELLED

## 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.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAMS

All in-person parish religious education classes, all youth ministry classes and group meetings and all adult faith formation sessions will be cancelled until further notice.

### **DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN DEANERY 9 PARISHES ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES 2020**

Our Lady of Angels, Our Lady of Guadalupe, St Andrew the Apostle, St Anselm, St Bernadette, St Ephrem & St Patrick

**Qualifications:** For Catholics, high school age or older, who have already received Baptism & First Holy Communion. Contact your home parish for an interview and approval.

**Class Location:** St. Anselm Catholic Academy  
83rd Street and Fourth Avenue  
Enter through the rear door of the school  
Classroom is in the Msgr. Colbert Center

**All classes are Wednesdays 7:00pm—9:00pm**

Textbook: Inspired by the Spirit (Sadlier 2012)

**Dates:** April 15, 22, 29  
May 6, 13, 20, 27

Reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation is at the Candidate's Home Parish on Pentecost Saturday, May 30 at 5:00pm

For information contact: Bro. Robert Duffy, O.S.F.  
718-745-0077 or brotherduffy@hotmail.com

### **LENTEN PRAYER REQUEST FOR SAN ANDRES**

Lord, as we remember your sufferings and trials during this Holy season, keep us mindful of our brothers and sisters in San Andres Sajcabaja, Guatemala. We ask you to strengthen them in their faith and devotion in these difficult times, especially the young students who are the hope for the future. Through prayer, keep us united in your loving care.

The San Andres Committee

### **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, April 15, from 9:45am to 10:45am**, in Kiernan Hall.

La próxima distribución de comida será el **miércoles, 15 de abril, de las 9:45am a 10:45am.** La documentación no es necesaria.

### **OLAN GIRLS SWIMMING**

Join us for swim team tryouts! Team tryouts are held on an on-going basis. Girls between the ages of 5 and 11 who can swim at least 25 yards freestyle are preferred. For more information and to sign up for a tryout, email: olangirlscoyo@gmail.com

**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 22, 2020

**AN AFTERNOON TEA**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 18, 2:30PM, IN KIERNAN HALL**

*Along with our tea and a wonderful time, we'll have finger sandwiches, desserts, raffles and a 50/50.*

**\$10 per person**

*Children under 10 and adults over 80 are our guests.*

Invitations with response form are in the Gathering Spaces. To make a reservation, follow the instructions on the form or contact Ann Smyth at 718-680-1010 Ext. 20.

**UN "AFTERNOON TEA"**

**SÁBADO, 18 DE ABRIL, 2:30PM EN KIERNAN HALL**

*Con el té y un buen rato tendremos bocadillos, postres, rifas y un 50/50.*

**\$10 por persona**

*Niños menores de 10 años y adultos mayores de 80 años entran gratis.*

Formulario de Reserva están en las entradas de la iglesia. Para hacer una reserva, siga las instrucciones en el formulario

**FOR YOUR INFORMATION**

The Diocese of Brooklyn has initiated a program for all parishes for a plan to increase the weekly offertory collection (white envelope). Since we are still in the last year of our Generations of Faith Campaign, which did well (Please keep up your pledges so we can continue repairing our property), and since we need soon to start our Annual Catholic Appeal 2020, which has been raised by \$4000 this year, I have written the Bishop to postpone our involvement in the Increased offertory Program until next year. I'll let you know his response. Thank you for your generosity in all these campaigns and appeals-believe me, the monies are well used by our diocese but I know there is a limit to your (and my) generosity. In addition, September 2021 thru June 2022, we will be having celebrations for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our parish. I hope to use that time to promote additional fundraising to assure the future financial security of our parish. All I can do is ask for your continued help and goodness to your parish. May God bless you all. Fr Greg

**PARA SU INFORMACIÓN**

La Diócesis de Brooklyn ha iniciado un programa para todas las parroquias con la intención de aumentar la colecta semanal del ofertorio (sobre blanco). Dado que todavía estamos en el último año de nuestra Campaña de Generaciones de Fe, que funcionó bien (Por favor, mantenga sus promesas para que podamos continuar reparando nuestra propiedad), y dado que necesitamos comenzar pronto nuestra Campaña Católica Anual 2020, que ha sido aumentada por \$ 4000 este año, he escrito al Obispo para posponer nuestra participación en el Programa de ofertorio aumentado hasta el próximo año. Le dejaré saber su respuesta. Gracias por su generosidad en todas estas campañas y llamamientos, créanme, el dinero es bien utilizado por nuestra diócesis, pero sé que hay un límite para su (y mi) generosidad. Además, de septiembre de 2021 a junio de 2022, tendremos celebraciones por el 50 aniversario de nuestra parroquia. Espero usar ese tiempo para promover la recaudación de fondos adicional para garantizar la seguridad financiera futura de nuestra parroquia. Todo lo que puedo hacer es pedir su continua ayuda y bondad a su parroquia. Que dios los bendiga a todos. Don Greg

**ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BABY BOOK CLUB**

We are collecting books for babies to bring to NY Presbyterian's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. A **Baby Book Club** has been created to encourage parents, families, and visitors to read to their baby during their stay in the hospital. Reading provides important bonding time for the families, provides "language nutrition" these babies might miss out on, and is shown to reduce post-operative pain. Sometimes, due to medical circumstances, families are limited in what they can do for their baby; however, they can read and enjoy doing so.

The **Baby Book Club** will provide babies with access to the hospital's lending library and their first books to start their own collection for home. Babies sometimes have an extended stay at the hospital, so the current goal is to gift a book each week. Please have your children bring books to St. Andrews Religious Ed Program. Or send a donation through the link to the wish list.

<https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1SD6BXOW6BDFR...>

**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.

**GLUTEN FREE HOSTS**

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

**START WITH A SMILE AT [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com)**

Support St. Andrew the Apostle Church when you shop online. Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to St. Andrew's. It's easy to sign up. Go to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com). Then, before shopping, select "St. Andrew the Apostle Church" as the organization you choose to support. Make sure you pick **Brooklyn**. Once you sign up, shop on [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) to benefit your parish all year long. Your shopping experience remains the same as shopping at amazon.com.

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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.



## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### MASS INTENTIONS

**FR. GREG WILL SAY THESE MASSES  
PRIVATELY**

**Saturday, March 21**

Margie and Angelo LaMalfa & Mary Kelly

**Sunday, March 22**

Rose Lutfy  
Bernetta Cogan  
Elvira and Joseph Hudsick

**Monday, March 23**

Eufrosino Jimenez Jr and Robert Nunez

**Tuesday, March 24**

Samantha Palmiere

**Wednesday, March 25**

Elvira and Joseph Hudsick

**Thursday, March 26**

Communion Service

**Friday, March 27**

Rita Powers

**Saturday, March 28**

Patricia Maher  
William J. O'Brien

**Sunday, March 29**

Rev. Thaddeus J. Kazanecki  
Daus, Montemarano and Migliore Families  
Maria Morel

### 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.

### 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.

### OFFERINGS

#### BREAD AND WINE

In loving memory of  
Lauretta Kearns

From Mary Ellen and Bill Kearns

#### TABERNACLE CANDLES

In Loving memory of  
Natalino Guglielmetti

From the Guglielmetti Family

#### ALTAR CANDLES

In Loving memory of  
Natalino Guglielmetti

From the Guglielmetti Family

### IN OUR PRAYERS

#### Remember the sick of our parish in your prayers.

Scott Brown, Rosmarie Fostner,  
Dorothy Marshall, Marion Mulligan

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

Josefa R. Canales and Barbara Foss

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

### 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](mailto: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

**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](mailto:standrewrc6713@gmail.com) or call the Parish House Office.