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We will be streaming Mass on Sundays (9am, 11am and 12:30pm) and weekdays at 9am. Go to our website www.standrewbrooklyn.com. If you have any questions, please call our office 718-680-1010 Ex 10.

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 18, 2022

ALL ARE WELCOME! ¡TODOS SON BIENVENIDOS!

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily: 9am
(9am Fridays: Communion Service)
6:30pm Friday: en español
Saturday Vigil: 5pm (Except June, July and August)
Sunday: 9am, 11am and 12:30pm (Spanish)
Holy Days: 9am

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 at least six months before the desired wedding date.

Confessions Saturday at 4:30pm before 5pm Mass at Church

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 al menos seis meses antes de la fecha de la boda deseada.

Confesiones En la iglesia a las 4:30pm antes de la misa de las 5pm

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 1:00pm
Friday, Saturday and Sunday: Closed

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ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE PARISH, BROOKLYN, NY

REFLECTION - *Fourth Sunday of Advent*

It seems fair to say that most of the attention in Advent and at Christmas time, if not focused on Jesus, is on Mary, but Sunday's readings should really direct our attention to Joseph and the workings of God. Yes, Mary is the one bearing the Christ-child, but Joseph is the one with a huge dilemma: What to do about his betrothed when she is already pregnant and not by him? On one hand, we could say God created a serious problem for both Mary and Joseph. On the other hand, we can see how God steps in to make things right. First of all, of course, God knew Mary and Joseph well enough to have chosen them for this monumental responsibility, parenting Jesus. In particular, God knew Joseph would believe and follow a dream that was beyond remarkable. God could trust Joseph, and Joseph could trust God. We, too, need to remember that God is there for us to help us through crises that may seem insurmountable. We, too, need to develop our trust in God through thick and thin. God already believes in and trusts us to do what we have *been chosen to do*.

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REFLEXIÓN - *Cuarto domingo de Adviento*

Parece justo decir que la mayor parte de la atención en Adviento y en Navidad, si no se enfoca en Jesús, está en María, pero las lecturas del domingo realmente deberían dirigir nuestra atención a José y las obras de Dios. Sí, María es la que está dando a luz al niño Jesús, pero José es el que tiene un gran dilema: Qué hacer con su prometida cuando ya está embarazada y no de él? Por un lado, podríamos decir que Dios creó un problema serio tanto para María como para José. Por otro lado, podemos ver cómo Dios interviene para arreglar las cosas. En primer lugar, por supuesto, Dios conocía a María y José lo suficientemente bien como para haberlos escogido para esta responsabilidad monumental, criar a Jesús. En particular, Dios sabía que José creería y seguiría un sueño que era más que extraordinario. Dios podía confiar en José, y José podía confiar en Dios. Nosotros también debemos recordar que Dios está ahí para ayudarnos en las crisis que pueden parecer insuperables. Nosotros también necesitamos desarrollar nuestra confianza en Dios en las

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Christmas: Isaiah 52:7-10; Psalm 98:1-6; Hebrews 1:1-6; and John 1:1-18

LECTURAS PARA EL PRÓXIMO DOMINGO

La Navidades del Señor: Isaías 52:7-10; Salmo 98:1-6; Hebreo 1:1-6; y Juan 1:1-18

ON THE CALENDAR

Monday, December 19, 2022—**4th Sunday of Advent**
7-9pm Jornada Group Meeting (PH)

Tuesday, December 20, 2022
7pm Communion and Liberation
Choir Meeting (CHU)

Wednesday, December 21, 2022
9:30am Miraculous Medal Novena (CHU)
following 9:30am Mass
9:30-11am Communion and Liberation (PHLR)
9:45-11am: SVDP Food Distribution (KH)

Thursday, December 22, 2022
9:30am Rosary (CHU) after Mass
10-3pm Christmas Set-Up (CHU)
3:45-5:15pm Religious Ed Classes (CHU, KH)

Friday, December 23, 2022
10-3pm Christmas Set-Up (CHU)
6:30 - 7pm Misa en español
7-8:30pm Religious Ed Classes (CHU, KH)

Saturday, December 24, 2022 **Christmas Eve**
9:30 am Rosary (CHU)
5:00 pm Vigil Mass
10:00 pm Midnight Mass-Misa de la Nochebuena
(bilingual)

Sunday, December 25, 2022 **Christmas Day**
Masses at 9am, 11am, 12:30pm (bilingual)
10:15am: Rosary (CHU) after Mass
11:00am Mass
12:30pm Mass

OUR WEEKLY OFFERING

**FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION DECEMBER 8;
AND DECEMBER 10 AND 11**

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| ATTENDANCE: | 125 | 225 (RESPECTIVELY) |
| CONTRIBUTION: | \$940 | \$3,850 (RESPECTIVELY) |



ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Our goal in this year's Catholic Appeal is \$39,688. Even though this seems like a large bill, your support during the pandemic is needed more than ever to provide for the services only the diocese can give. We ask you to offer a gift to the 2022 Appeal. Our diocese provides for the feeding of the hungry, visiting and caring for the sick at home, in hospitals and in nursing homes, caring for the imprisoned, giving shelter to the homeless, welcoming immigrants, caring for the elderly, sharing our faith and educating our youth, forming deacons and priests, connecting our youth to the church, the services of Catholic Charities and much more.

If you have already made your pledge, Thank You. Remember, any monies pledged over our goal comes back to your parish. Pledge forms may have come to you in the mail or are available in the gathering spaces. You can also give online at annualcatholicappeal.org or by phone by texting ACA to 917-336-1255. No matter the amount, I ask you to provide your support as best you can. Thanks and God bless you.

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| Goal: | \$39,688 |
| Pledged: | \$45,463 |
| Paid: | \$43,513 |

Thank you for your continued support

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



PEACE

LESSONS and CAROLS

All are warmly invited to a bilingual service of scripture, prayer and song at St. Andrew the Apostle Parish, Sunday, December 18 at 3pm.

Escritura Oración y Canto

Todos están cordialmente invitados a este servicio bilingüe de escritura oración y canto en la Parroquia san Andrés Apóstol, el domingo, 18 de diciembre a las 3pm.

Equal Exchange – Fair Trade Coffee, Tea and Chocolate

The Fair Trade Ministry has held four (4) sales this fall – three at St. Andrew the Apostle Church and one at Our Lady of Angels (OLA) Church. Total sales to date have been \$3,473. The profits from these sales (\$1,134) are donated to the operating account of St. Andrew's.

This notice is also to recognize the hard work and efforts of Lois Seelandt and Megan Varon that have contributed to the success of this important ministry.

Equal Exchange – Café, té y café de comercio justo Chocolate

El Ministerio de Comercio Justo ha realizado cuatro (4) ventas este otoño, tres en la Iglesia de San Andrés Apóstol y uno en la Iglesia de Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles (OLA). Las ventas totales hasta la fecha han sido de \$3,473. las ganancias de estas ventas (\$1,134) se donan a la cuenta operativa de St. Andrew's.

Este aviso también es para reconocer el arduo trabajo y los esfuerzos de Lois Seelandt y Megan Varon que han contribuido al éxito de este importante ministerio.

PAZ



CARE FOR CREATION



IT'S NO COINCIDENCE THAT THE CELEBRATION OF THE NATIVITY OF JESUS HAS BEEN ASSIGNED A DATE FOLLOWING SO CLOSELY ON THE WINTER SOLSTICE (IN THE NORTHERN HEMISPHERE, AT LEAST), WHEN DAYLIGHT ONCE AGAIN BEGINS TO LENGTHEN. CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT!

ACTION FOR THE FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT: MONITOR YOUR ENERGY CONSUMPTION.

WATCH 'THE LETTER: A MESSAGE FOR OUR EARTH' AT 8 PM ON CHANNEL 13 THIS WEDNESDAY, DEC. 21.

CUIDADO DE LA CREACIÓN

NO ES CASUALIDAD QUE A LA CELEBRACIÓN DE LA NATIVIDAD DE JESÚS SE LE HAYA ASIGNADO UNA FECHA TAN PRÓXIMA AL SOLSTICIO DE INVIERNO (AL MENOS EN EL HEMISFERIO NORTE), CUANDO LA LUZ DEL DÍA VUELVE A ALARGARSE. ¡CRISTO, SÉ NUESTRA LUZ!

ACCIÓN PARA LA CUARTA SEMANA DE ADVIENTO: VIGILE SU CONSUMO DE ENERGÍA.

MIRE 'THE LETTER: A MESSAGE FOR OUR EARTH' A LAS 8 PM EN EL CANAL 13 ESTE MIÉRCOLES 21 DICIEMBRE.

BENSON RIDGE SENIOR SERVICES

Benson Ridge Senior Services is open to homebound older adults, aged 60 or over, and live in the Bensonhurst or Bay Ridge sections of Brooklyn. It is sponsored by Catholic Charities Neighborhood Services and funded with the NYC Department for the Aging. Services include case management, home delivered meals, homeware, housekeeping, friendly visiting, long-term care planning, assistance with benefits and entitlements, information and referral and caregiver support. Open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm. Telephone number is 718-680-3530. If you need assistance for yourself or someone else, please call and ask to speak to an intake worker.

Members of the Parish Council / Miembros del Consejo Parroquial — Raquel Isaza, Christine Kemp, John Kemp, Annemarie Leyden, Senen Martinez, Ann Smyth, Eleanor Petty, Alexander Rosado, and Lois Seelandt. 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.

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N** 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.



DECEMBER 18, 2022



POSADAS 2022

Invitamos a las familias de San Andrés a participar del 16 – 24 de diciembre en las tradicionales “Posadas”. Deseamos compartir con las familias el caminar que hizo la Sagrada Familia en busca de hospedaje. Este peregrinar nos recuerda que también nosotros caminamos con San José y la Virgen María a punto de dar a luz al Hijo de Dios. Y nos unimos a ellos por medio de la oración y el canto en la espera del nacimiento de Jesús. Cada Posada tiene un estimado de una hora de duración.

Los horarios son los siguientes:

Viernes 16 de diciembre a las 8:30 pm (en la Iglesia)
Sábado 17 de diciembre a las 7:30 pm (en la Iglesia)
Domingo 18 de diciembre a las 1:30 pm (en la Iglesia y Kiernan Hall)
Lunes 19 de diciembre a las 7:30 pm (en la Iglesia)
Martes 20 de diciembre a las 7:30 pm (en la Iglesia)
Miércoles 21 de diciembre a las 7:30 pm (en la Iglesia)
Jueves 22 de diciembre a las 7:30 pm (en la Iglesia)
Viernes 23 de diciembre a las 8:30 pm (en la Iglesia)
Sábado 24 de diciembre a las 7:30 pm (en la Iglesia)

POSADA 2022

We want families to join us in prayer and singing through the traditional “Posadas”. The nine posadas will unite us in prayer and journey with Saint Joseph and the Virgin Mary. The journey reminds us that we walk along them in the search for an Inn for the Sacred Family before receiving the birth of Jesus, the Son of God. Each Posada has an estimated duration of one hour.

Here is the schedule:

Friday December 16 8:30 pm (at Church)
Saturday December 17 7:30 pm (at Church)
Sunday December 18 1:30 pm (at Church and Kiernan Hall)
Monday December 19 7:30 pm (at Church)
Tuesday December 20 7:30 pm (at Church)
Wednesday December 21 7:30 pm (at Church)
Thursday December 22 7:30 pm (at Church)
Friday December 23 8:30 pm (at Church)
Saturday December 24 7:30 pm (at Church)



*Bienvenidos a la Familia de Dios en su Bautismo
17 de diciembre de 2022*

*Welcome into God's Family on their Baptism
December 17, 2022*

Sophia Vidals

Jaylani Chanel Escobar

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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 standrewc6713@gmail.com or call the Parish House Office.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 18

9am Fr. Gregory A. Stankus
11am Thom Schiera
12:30pm Eustergio Rodriguez

Monday, December 19

9am Mary O'Brien

Tuesday, December 20

9am Lorraine Sullivan-Thompson

Wednesday, December 21

9am R.I.P. Grandma

Thursday, December 22

9am Margaret Sullivan and Family

Friday, December 23

9am Communion Service

Saturday, December 24

9am Donna Paetzold (Happy Birthday in Heaven)
5pm Enrico Tramontano
Midnite Mass For the People of St. Andrews

Sunday, December 25 Christmas Day

9am Thomas Schiera
11am Mary Ellen Mann
12:30pm Rev. Gregory A. Stankus

MEMORIAL OFFERINGS FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 18, 2022—DECEMBER 24, 2022

BREAD AND WINE

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**Pray for all those who have gone before us
marked with the sign of faith especially,
Howard J. Rinchey and Catherine R. Baumer**

Remember the sick of our parish in your prayers.

Eydie Kitson, Joey Murphy, John Niedzielski,
Dorothy and John Lennon, Loretta Dunn,
Roy Olsen, Don Falserona and Dano Thomas

MASS AND MEMORIAL INTENTIONS FOR 2023

Please come to the Parish House office to arrange your intentions for 2023. Weekday masses are \$15. Sunday and feast day masses are \$20 and Memorials are \$25. Thank you for your support.

INTENCIONES DE MISA Y CONMERACION PARA 2023

Por favor venga a la oficina de la Casa Parroquial para arreglar sus intenciones para el 2023. Las misas entre semana cuestan \$15, los domingos y festivos cuestan \$20 y los memoriales cuestan \$25. Gracias por tu apoyo.

PRAYER NETWORK

The Prayer Network is a group of faithful joined in private and communal prayer to pray for the needs of all who ask. To add a name to our prayer list, or to learn more about the online and telephone system and the Prayer Shawl/Blanket and Comfort Cap Ministry, please contact Maryann Polesinelli at 718-759-0848.

RED DE ORACIÓN

La Red de Oración es un grupo de fieles unidos que se unen en oración privada y comunitaria; se ora por todas las necesidades que tienen los fieles y que lo soliciten. Para agregar un nombre a nuestra lista de oración, o para obtener más información sobre el sistema en línea y telefónico, y sobre el Ministerio de Manto de oración, Frazadas y Gorras de consuelo, favor de contactar a Maryann Polesinelli at (718) 759-0848.

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

The Caregivers Support Group meets at Our Lady of Angels the first Tuesday of each month, from 1pm to 2pm, in the Cavanaugh Room. If you need more information, please call Arleen at 718-238-9089. All Are Welcome!

Catholic Charities Parish and Community Outreach Service
Victor Guarino, Parish Advocate for Persons with Disabilities.
Contact: 917-583-2604 or e-mail: victorguarino49@yahoo.com
All information will be considered Personal and Confidential, shared only with Fr Kevin Abels.

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