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FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT + MARCH 22ND 2026

Weekend Masses
Sunday: 10am (English) & 12:30pm (en Español)

Weekday Masses
Daily: 9am, Tuesdays: 7pm en Español (at OLA),
Wednesdays: 7pm en Español (except July & August)

Holy Day Masses
9am (English), 7pm (en Español)

Morning Prayer
8:45am

Parish House Hours
Monday-Wednesday: 9:30am - 3:30pm
Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday: Closed

For emergencies and to make arrangements for sick calls, wakes or funerals, call (718) 836-7200 for the priest on call

Sacrament of Baptism
To register for Baptism, please schedule an appointment with Ann Smyth (standrewreledu@gmail.com or 718-680-1010 Ext. 20). Bring the child's birth certificate. Preparation classes are attended the second Saturday of the month (1pm in Spanish and 3pm in English). Classes will be held no earlier than one month prior to the scheduled baptism. Baptisms are celebrated with the community during masses at Saturday vigil or Sunday mornings. There will be no baptisms during the Lenten season.

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday at Our Lady of Angels 11am-12pm and 3:30pm-4:45pm; and at St Andrew by appointment (call 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.

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Closed: Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday

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A note from Fr Kevin:
The Parish Council and I are working on generating a database for any of our parishioners willing to volunteer their time at different events sponsored by the parish during the year. We need your help to assure that current and future parish events can take place so we can continue to build community among us! Signing up does not mean that you are committed to all or specific events. You can choose events to help with along the way. If you are interested in serving as a volunteer, please call the Parish office (718-680-1010) and leave your name and contact info and we will get back to you. Thanks in advance!

Nota del Padre Kevin:
El Consejo Parroquial y yo estamos trabajando en la creación de una base de datos para todos nuestros feligreses que deseen ofrecer su tiempo como voluntarios en los diferentes eventos patrocinados por la parroquia durante el año. Necesitamos su ayuda para garantizar que los eventos parroquiales actuales y futuros se puedan llevar a cabo y así seguir fortaleciendo nuestra comunidad. Inscribirse no implica comprometerse con todos los eventos ni con algunos específicos. Puede elegir eventos en los que colaborar durante el proceso. Si le interesa ser voluntario, llame a la oficina parroquial (718-680-1010) , deje su nombre e información de contacto y nos pondremos en contacto con usted. ¡Gracias de antemano!

Sunday, March 22nd, 2026
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

SATURDAY, March 21st
9:00 am Ronald Ellard +

SUNDAY, March 22nd
10:00 am Rose Lutfy +
12:30 pm Catechumens at Easter Vigil

MONDAY, March 23rd
9:00 am Eufrosino Jimenez and Robert Nunez +

TUESDAY, March 24th
9:00 am Rita Duhig +

WEDNESDAY, March 25th
9:00 am Joey Corbett +
7:00 pm El Señor Rolando Merino Gerrera +

THURSDAY, March 26th
9:00 am Margaret Muselli +

FRIDAY, March 27th
9:00 am Josephine Shea +

SATURDAY, March 28th
9:00 am Deacon Greg Dixon +

SUNDAY, March 29th
10:00 am Michael Migliore +
12:30 pm

The parish council will be hosting coffee pot Sunday on March 22nd. We are asking for help with setting up and organizing donations of snacks from savory to sweet. We are asking help from representatives from each group to please help. From liturgy, Catechist, youth, finance Girl Scouts both Spanish and English ministries. Please contact Eddie Cortés to volunteer or donate food, beverages etc, call, message or email me at 347~262-8091 , eddieplumb@gmail.com. Thank you and God bless you all for your help in thought, prayer, and action.

El consejo parroquial organizará el domingo de café el 22 de marzo. Solicitamos ayuda para organizar las donaciones de refrigerios, desde salados hasta dulces. Solicitamos la ayuda de representantes de cada grupo, desde liturgia, catequistas, jóvenes, finanzas y Girl Scouts, tanto en español como en inglés. Para ser voluntario o donar alimentos, bebidas, etc., por favor, contacte a Eddie Cortés. Llámame, envíeme un mensaje o un correo electrónico al 347-262-8091 o a eddieplumb@gmail.com. Gracias y que Dios los bendiga a todos por su ayuda en pensamiento, oración y acción.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Reconciliation Monday

Confession
Visit Our Lady of Angels or St. Anselm 2pm-4pm & 6pm-8pm

Holy Thursday

9am Morning Prayer
7:30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (bilingual)

Good Friday

9am Morning Prayer
3pm Liturgy of Lord's Passion (Visit Our Lady of Angels or St. Anselm)
4:00pm Seven Last Words (bilingual)
6pm Estaciones de la Cruz/Stations of Cross (bilingual)
7:30pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion (bilingual)

Holy Saturday

9am Morning Prayer
9:30am Blessing of Food Baskets
8pm Easter Vigil (bilingual)

Easter Sunday

10am Mass (English)
12:30pm Mass (Spanish)

Lenten Regulations

Abstinence – All the faithful who have reached 14 years of age are required to abstain totally from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting – All the faithful between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This practice involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Light sustenance may also be taken on two other occasions during the day.

Easter Duty– After they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, all the faithful are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season, unless for a good reason it is fulfilled at another time of the year. By special indult, in the United States, the period for fulfilling this precept has been extended to include the period beginning the First Sunday of Lent (February 22, 2026) to the celebration of Pentecost (May 24, 2026).

Solemnities during Lent: The solemnities of Saint Joseph and the Annunciation should be observed with proper solemnity even though it falls within the season of Lent.

Reconciliation Monday: Our diocese will once again celebrate Reconciliation Monday on March 30, 2026, the Monday of Holy Week. As in recent years, this initiative provides generous opportunity for the faithful to experience God's mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. After having reached the age of discretion, members of the faithful are bound to confess once a year grave sins which have not already been absolved

ON THE CALENDAR

**Church is open from 8:30am-1:00pm for private devotion*

MONDAY, MARCH 23
9am Mass
7pm Jornada Group Meeting (KH)

TUESDAY, MARCH 24
9am Mass

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25
ANNUNCIATION
9am Mass
9:30am Miraculous Medal Novena (CHU)
6pm Finance Committee (PH)
6pm Hora Santa/Rosario/Confesión
7pm Mass (Spanish)
8pm Viacrucis (CHU)

THURSDAY, MARCH 26
9am Mass
9:30am Rosary (Ch)
3:45pm Religious Education (PH/CH) Grades 1-5

FRIDAY, MARCH 27
9am Mass
9:30am Stations of the Cross
7pm Religious Education (PH/CH) Grades 7-8-HS

SATURDAY, MARCH 28
9am Mass
10am Religious Education (PH/CH) Grades
7pm OCIA (KH)

SUNDAY, MARCH 29
PALM SUNDAY
10am Mass
12:30pm Mass (Spanish)

Care for Creation

Weekly gesture (fasting): Practice fasting as an act of self-limitation, making space for
other forms of life as a sign of our commitment to protecting biodiversity—by offering
water to birds, avoiding harmful chemicals, or planting flowers that support pollinators. (Laudato Si' Movement: Return to the Heart)

Cuidado de la Creación

Gesto semanal (ayuno): Practica el ayuno como un acto de autolimitación, creando espacio para otras formas de vida como muestra de nuestro compromiso con la protección de la biodiversidad, ofreciendo agua a las aves, evitando productos químicos dañinos o plantando flores que favorezcan a los polinizadores. (Movimiento Laudato Si': Regresa al Corazón)

March 15, 2026

Attendance: 341
1st Collection: $2,824
2nd Collection (Catholic Relief): $321

Lent 2026 (Cumulative): $1,068
Easter 2026 (Cumulative): $735
Easter Flowers (Cumulative): $260

Online Giving (February 2026): $1,991

March 16, 2025 (last year)

Attendance: 388
1st Collection: $2794
2nd Collection (Catholic Relief): $418

Thank you for your generosity.
¡Gracias por su generosidad!

Annual Catholic Appeal 2026
Goal: $32,147.00
Pledged: $9,509.00
Received: $6,459.00

Annual Catholic Appeal
DIOCESE OF BROOKLYN

Grupo de Jornada / Jornada Group

The mission of our group is to give young people (age 12 and up) the tools to help themselves and others – "Youth helping youth". At the same time learning more about our Lord through: Bible discussions, group activities and community service. Please join us on Monday nights at 7pm at St. Andrew the Apostle Church. All are welcome!

La misión de nuestro grupo es brindar a los jóvenes (de 12 años en adelante) las herramientas para ayudarse a sí mismos y a los demás: "Jóvenes ayudando a los jóvenes". Al mismo tiempo aprendiendo más acerca de nuestro Señor a través de: discusiones bíblicas, actividades grupales y servicio comunitario. Acompáñenos los lunes a las 7pm en la Iglesia de San Andrés el Apóstol. ¡Bienvenidos todos!

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

March 29th, 2026
Reading 1: Isaiah 50:4-7
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24
Reading 2: Philippians 2:6-11
Gospel: Matthew 26:14—27:66

LECTURAS PARA EL PRÓXIMO DOMINGO

29 de marzo de 2026
Primera lectura: Isaías 50:4-7
Salmo responsorial: Salmo 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24
Segunda lectura: Filipenses 2:6-11
Evangelio: Mateo 26:14—27:66

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GROUP FOOD PANTRY

Your donations to the pantry of non-perishable food is truly appreciated. We are also in need of pasta, rice, hot cereal, jelly, coffee, tea, Jello and salad dressing. Please place your donations in the baskets located in the Gathering Spaces. Checks made payable to St. Andrew's
Food Pantry may be placed in the rectory mail slot or placed in the larger containers inside the door of the church. The next monthly distribution is on Wednesday, March 18th from 9:45am to 11am, in Kiernan Hall. ID is not necessary. Distribution is every 3rd Wednesday of the month.

Sus donaciones a la despensa de alimentos no perecederos son realmente apreciadas. También necesitamos pasta, arroz, cereales calientes, mermelada, café, té, gelatina y aderezo para ensaladas. Coloque sus donaciones en las canastas ubicadas en los Espacios de Reunión. Los cheques pagaderos a la Despensa de Alimentos de San Andrés pueden colocarse en la ranura de correo de la rectoría o colocarse en los contenedores más grandes dentro de la puerta de la iglesia. La próxima distribución mensual es el miércoles 18 de marzo, de 9:45 a.m. a 11 a.m., en Kiernan Hall. No es necesario un documento de identidad. La distribución se realiza el tercer miércoles de cada mes.

PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US MARKED WITH THE SIGN OF FAITH, ESPECIALLY

Mildred Ricciardi, Janice Randolph, Bartholomew Dixon, Lucille Grimaldi, Freddie Capobianco, Concetta Senese, Anna Serrano, Natalie Torres, Helen Byrne, Freddy Guaman, Jane Kelly, David Peckerman, Catherine T. Hanson, and Joseph Trupiano

REMEMBER THE SICK OF OUR PARISH IN YOUR PRAYERS

Lois Morvillo, Jan Chan Frick, Sheila & Anthony Romano, Michael James, Peggy Murray, Jay Conover, Rosa Anselmo Castillo, Roger Mumford, Cathy Ambrosini, Cristobal Rodrigues, Eydie and John Kitson, Karen Funaro, Lena Stagnitta, Marietta Curreri, Linda Villany, Brendan Woods, Owen Connely, Ciaran Connely, Denise Liotta, Theresa Branda, Honario Martinez, Florence Molloy, Paul William

Stations of the Cross/Estaciones de la Cruz

Friday (After 9:00AM Mass) with Fr. Kevin
February 20, 27, March 6, 13, 20, 27 (English)
Los Miercoles (despues de la Misa de las 7:00PM) con el P. Osmín
25 de Febrero; 4, 11, 18, 25 de Marzo ; 1 de Abril (Español)

Bread & Wine: In loving memory of Christopher Fredericks given by the Family

Altar Candles: In loving memory of Christopher Fredericks given by the Family

Tabernacle Candle: In loving memory of Christopher Fredericks given by the Family

A message from our Liturgy Committee ... The three pillars of Lent — **prayer, fasting, and almsgiving**

Fifth/Sixth Sunday of Lent March 22 and March 29

Responsorial Psalm - "With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of salvation"

"My God, My God, why have you abandoned me?"

RETURN TO THE LORD Opportunities

- Reconciliation Monday on MARCH 30 at St. Anselm and Our Lady of Angels Church at 2-4 and 6-8
- Reflect on your life and make your plan to participate in the MERCY of our GOD in the sacrament of Reconciliation

Un mensaje de nuestro Comité de Liturgia... Los tres pilares de la Cuaresma — **oración, ayuno y limosna.**

Quinto/Sexto Domingo de Cuaresma – 22 y 29 de marzo

Salmo Responsorial: "Del Señor viene la misericordia y la redención abundante." "Dios mío, Dios mío, ¿por qué me has abandonado?"

OPORTUNIDADES PARA VOLVER AL SEÑOR

- Lunes de Reconciliación el 30 DE MARZO en St. Anselm y Our Lady of Angels Church de 2–4 PM y 6–8 PM.
- Reflexione sobre su vida y haga su plan para participar en la MISERICORDIA de nuestro DIOS en el sacramento de la Reconciliación.

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