Saint Andrew The Apostle Roman Catholic Church

Brooklyn, New York

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

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + SEPTEMBER 13TH 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 June, 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.

St. Andrew The Apostle
Parish House: 6713 Ridge Boulevard, Brooklyn, N.Y. 11220
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Closed: Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday

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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, September 16th 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 16 de septiembre, 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.

Sunday, September 13th, 2026
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, September 12th
9:00 am Anne & Patrick Kerrigan +

SUNDAY, September 13th
10:00 am Concetta Senese +
12:30 pm Rene Tanchez +

MONDAY, September 14th
9:00 am Ann Lessing +

TUESDAY, September 15th
9:00 am Beyond the Grave + : Luigi Caiola, Timothy Downs, Alan Nehama, Rex & Rocco Cimorelli, Marie Santoro, Clara DiPeri

WEDNESDAY, September 16th
9:00 am Joe Flynn +

THURSDAY, September 17th
9:00 am Raffaele Alio +

FRIDAY, September 18th
9:00 am Joseph Flynn +

SATURDAY, September 19th
9:00 am Willie the Pizza Man Mariano, for his children and grandchildren +

SUNDAY, September 20th
10:00 am Michael Migliore +
12:30 pm Edward Vincent Cortes +

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JOIN US FOR OUR CHALLENGES

SEPTEMBER 20TH: A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH THE MASS
This course explores the biblical roots of the words and gestures we experience in the Liturgy and explains their profound significance

OCTOBER 5TH – 11TH "REBUILD MY CHURCH"
Join parishes throughout the country on an exploration of God's command to St. Francis of Assisi, to revitalize the Church through humility, poverty and devotion to the Gospel.

To join, visit hallow.com/parish, search the OLA zipcode 11209 and choose OLA-St. Andrews-St. Anselm's and follow the prompts. Or download the Hallow app.

Or use the QR code here:

Issues with app access? Contact parishsupport@hallow.app.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

September 13, 2026
Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 18:21-35

In my parish, there was once a new employee who frequently told me she was sorry for various imperfections in her work. It could be a little tiring. I finally told her, "You know, you don't have to say 'sorry' so often." She looked me right in the eyes and said, "Father, you're right. I'm sorry." Her ear-to-ear grin betrayed that she enjoyed the irony — and that she would keep asking for forgiveness as often as she needed it.

The Gospel reading this week proclaims to us that God, in Jesus, delights in numerous requests for, and the granting of, forgiveness. To Peter's question, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus responds, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times." In other words, Peter, stop counting.
Christian life should be marked by a commitment to frequent forgiveness. God never tires of forgiving us. His limitless love has overcome the power of vengeance, hatred, and division. We tap into that each and every time we ask for forgiveness or extend it to another.

How beautiful our hearts become when they become accustomed to frequent forgiveness! How joyful and attractive become our marriages, families, and parish communities! How light our souls feel when unburdened by the habit of keeping score.

Challenge: Name one thing, small or large, for which you could ask forgiveness from someone in your life. Then do it.

— Father John Muir

13 de septiembre de 2026
Vigésimo cuarto domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Mateo 18, 21-35

En mi parroquia, hubo una vez una empleada nueva que a menudo me pedía disculpas por diversas imperfecciones en su trabajo. Podía resultar un poco agotador. Finalmente le dije: «¿Sabes? No tienes que decir "lo siento" tan a menudo». Ella me miró directamente a los ojos y dijo: «Padre, tiene razón. Lo siento». Su sonrisa de oreja a oreja delataba que disfrutaba de la ironía, y que seguiría pidiendo perdón tantas veces como lo necesitara.

La lectura del Evangelio de esta semana nos proclama que Dios, en Jesús, se complace en las numerosas peticiones y en la concesión del perdón. Ante la pregunta de Pedro: «Señor, si mi hermano peca contra mí, ¿cuántas veces debo perdonarlo? ¿Hasta siete veces?», Jesús responde: «Te digo que no siete veces, sino setenta veces siete». En otras palabras: Pedro, deja de contar.
La vida cristiana debe caracterizarse por el compromiso de perdonar con frecuencia. Dios nunca se cansa de perdonarnos. Su amor ilimitado ha vencido el poder de la venganza, el odio y la división. Accedemos a ese amor cada vez que pedimos perdón o lo ofrecemos a los demás.

¡Qué hermosos se vuelven nuestros corazones cuando se acostumbran a perdonar con frecuencia! ¡Qué alegres y atractivos se tornan nuestros matrimonios, familias y comunidades parroquiales! ¡Qué ligeras se sienten nuestras almas al liberarse de la costumbre de llevar la cuenta de las ofensas!

Desafío: Identifica una cosa, pequeña o grande, por la que podrías pedir perdón a alguien de tu vida. Luego, hazlo.

— Padre John Muir

ON THE CALENDAR

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14
9am Mass
7pm Jornada Group Meeting (KH)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15
9am Mass

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16
9am Mass
9:30am Miraculous Medal Novena (CHU)
9:45am SVdP Food Distribution (KH)
6pm Hora Santa/Rosario/Confesión
7pm Mass (Spanish)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
9am Mass
9:30am Rosary (CH)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18
9am Mass

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19
9am Mass

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
Catechetical Sunday & Fair Trade Sale after all Masses
10am Mass (Cathechetical Blessing)
12:30pm Mass (Spanish)

Care for Creation/Season of Creation-Living Water

Almighty God,
As I am using water to wash myself, to drink and to live; I want to thank you for this most precious gift.
I bless water in your Holy Name and I ask you to bless it once more, so that we may continue to enjoy this gift.
You sanctified water even at the beginning of creation as Your Spirit hovered above the waters.
We become sanctified by baptism with water in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. theworkofgod.org/Library/catholic/water_prayer.htm

Cuidado de la Creación / Tiempo de la Creación: Agua Viva

Señor Dios,
Al usar el agua para lavarme, para beber y para vivir, quiero darte gracias por este don tan preciado.
Bendigo el agua en tu Santo Nombre y te pido que la bendigas una vez más, para que podamos seguir disfrutando de este don. Tú santificaste el agua desde el principio de la creación, cuando tu Espíritu se cernía sobre las aguas.
Nosotros somos santificados mediante el bautismo con agua en el nombre del Padre, del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo.

September 6th, 2026	**September 7th, 2025**
Attendance: 272	Attendance: 256
1st Collection: $2761	1st Collection: $6115
2nd Collection (Catholic University): $805	2nd Collection (Catholic University): $328

Online Giving
(August 2026): $2127

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

Annual Catholic Appeal 2026
Goal: $32,147.00
Pledged: $21,250.00
Received: $19,450.00
Donors 74

Annual Catholic Appeal
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Please prayerfully consider making pledge. Thank you to those who have already made a pledge.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC OR COMPLETING YOUR SACRAMENTS?

OCIA – Order of Christian Initiation of Adults
Are you an adult who would like to receive Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation, or complete the sacraments you have not yet received?
Our OCIA program will begin the last week of September. You are warmly invited to learn more about the Catholic faith and prepare for the sacraments.
English Sessions: Wednesdays, 7:00–8:00 PM
Spanish Sessions: Sundays, 9:00–10:30 AM
For information, please contact Rocia Castillo, Director of Faith Formation at Our Lady of Angels, at faithformation@ourladyofangels.church. She will be happy to welcome you, answer your questions, and explain the program.

¿ESTÁ INTERESADO EN SER CATÓLICO O COMPLETAR SUS SACRAMENTOS?

OCIA – Orden de Iniciación Cristiana de Adultos
¿Es usted un adulto que desea recibir el Bautismo, la Primera Comunión y la Confirmación, o completar los sacramentos que aún no ha recibido?
Nuestro programa de OCIA comenzará la última semana de septiembre. Le invitamos cordialmente a conocer más sobre la fe católica y prepararse para recibir los sacramentos.
Sesiones en inglés: Miércoles, 7:00–8:00 PM
Sesiones en español: Domingos, 9:00–10:30 AM
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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

September 20th, 2026
Reading 1: Isaiah 55:6-9
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18
Reading 2: Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a
Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16a

LECTURAS PARA EL PRÓXIMO DOMINGO

20 de septiembre de 2026
Primera lectura: Isaías 55, 6-9
Salmo responsorial: Salmo 145, 2-3. 8-9. 17-18
Segunda lectura: Filipenses 1, 20c-24. 27a
Evangelio: Mateo 20, 1-16a

English Classes begin in September

Fall English Classes begin on Tuesday, September 15 from 9:30 am – 11:00 am in the Parish House next to St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Church, Ridge and Senator. Classes meet every Tuesday and Thursday and end on November 19. All are welcome. There is no charge and materials are provided.

Questions, text or call LaNell Schultheis at 443-859-0243 or email at lanell.schultheis@gmail.com .

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

AJ DeLaurentis, Martin J. Lavelle, Joanne Goodman, James F. Clark, James O'Rourke, Sr. Maureen Bradshaw, Francesco Balistrieri, John Carlo Rossitto, Anne Vitabile, Eileen Schmidt, Suzanne Whiteaker, Frances Campbell, Martha Susana Quinga Rivera, Donna M O'Connor

REMEMBER THE SICK OF OUR PARISH IN YOUR PRAYERS

Daniel Meadows, Emily Willis, Frances Coralla, Eydie, John Kitson, Salvatore DiPeri, Richard Dodd, Joann Roberts, Rose and Mickey Baer, Russell Tonnesen, Jeanne Morton, Shaun O'Rourke

Bread & Wine: In loving memory of Carmine & Vincenza Squitieri by Lucille Squitieri

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