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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-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + SEPTEMBER 6TH 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
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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 6th, 2026
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, September 5th
9:00 am Richard Squitieri +

SUNDAY, September 6th
10:00 am Marguerite Moore +
12:30 pm Manuel, Maria, Zoila Corona +

MONDAY, September 7th
9:00 am Lawrence Dockery +

TUESDAY, September 8th
9:00 am Nympha and Patrick Kevin Cody's 53rd Wedding Anniversary

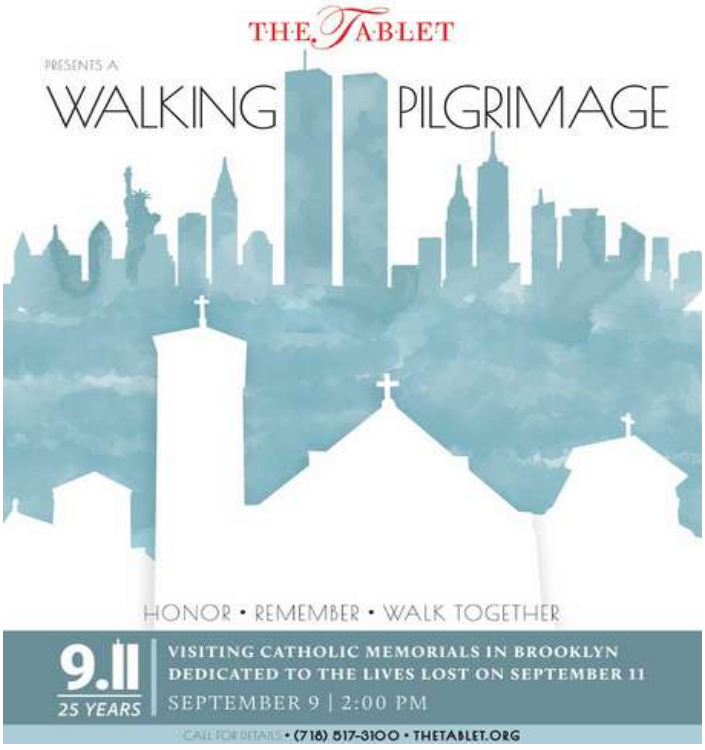
WEDNESDAY, September 9th
9:00 am Sonia & Emmett Houlihan +

THURSDAY, September 10th
9:00 am Caridad & Jose Santos +

FRIDAY, September 11th
9:00 am Carmine & Vincenza Squitieri +

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

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



PASTOR'S COLUMN

This week we commemorate the 25th Anniversary of the horrible attacks on our country. We continue to keep in prayer those who lost their lives, those who mourn their passing and those suffering from 9/11 illnesses. Let us continue to pray for peace in our troubled world and for the military men and women defending our freedom.

This weekend is the unofficial end of the summer season! I truly hope you were able to enjoy time with loved ones. We look forward to the start of a new pastoral year together. I have been blessed with all of you who are committed to the spiritual life of St Andrew! This truly is a special place where we all care for each other and use our gifts for the service of God's people. I want to welcome the newest member of the staff, Rosa Nava-Leon who will serve as Coordinator of Religious Education. We welcome Rosa and assure her of our prayers and support as she ministers to the families and children of our faith formation program.

I thank Ann Smyth for her years of service and dedication to the children and families of the parish. Ann is still remaining on as the Pastoral Associate and will continue to work with Rosa in her new role. This change allows Ann more time to commit to the parish as a whole. Please know that I am so grateful to Ann and her willingness to remain the Pastoral Associate of the parish. This was one of the best decisions I made coming to St Andrew. Knowing of her day to day involvement and hard work, she allows me to minister as pastor to all 3 parishes in Bay Ridge. We communicate often and meet once a week as well as with the various councils and groups in the parish! I look forward to continuing working with her in the years ahead.

Finally, this month in Care for Creation month. We continue to learn and find ways to care for this creation that God has entrusted to us. We are blessed to have a Care for Creation committee who reminds us of our common call to care for God's creation. I urge you to reach out to its members if you want to learn more about it!

Fr. Kevin

Happy 90th Birthday Shirley!

ON THE CALENDAR

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

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

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8
9am Mass

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9
9am Mass
9:30am Miraculous Medal Novena (CHU)
6pm Hora Santa/Rosario/Confesión
7pm Mass (Spanish)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10
9am Mass
9:30am Rosary (CH)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
9am Mass

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12
9am Mass
9:30am Anointing of the Sick - after Mass
9:30am Unción de los Enfermos
1pm Clase de preparación para el bautismo (español)
3pm Baptism Preparation Class (English)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13
Our Lady of Guadalupe Fundraiser after all Masses
10am Mass
12:30pm Mass (Spanish)

Care for Creation

It's the Season of Creation, and the theme is "Living Water".
Our Biblical text for this year is drawn from Ezekiel 47: 1- 12, which portrays God's life-giving water flowing from the temple of God. The river grows deeper and deeper restoring barren land, reviving waters, and sustaining flourishing ecosystems. The vision invites human responsibility: recognising ecological damage, embracing interconnectedness, we are called to immerse ourselves in the water, and actively safeguarding and working for the renewal of creation so that environmental healing and human well-being may flourish together. (seasonofcreation.org)

Cuidado de la Creación

Es el Tiempo de la Creación y el tema es «Agua Viva».
Nuestro texto bíblico para este año proviene de Ezequiel 47, 1-12, que describe el agua vivificante de Dios fluyendo desde el templo divino. El río se vuelve cada vez más profundo, restaurando tierras áridas, revitalizando las aguas y sosteniendo ecosistemas florecientes. La visión apela a la responsabilidad humana: al reconocer el daño ecológico y abrazar la interconexión, estamos llamados a sumergirnos en el agua y a trabajar activamente para salvaguardar y renovar la creación, de modo que la sanación ambiental y el bienestar humano florezcan juntos. (seasonofcreation.org)

August 30th, 2026
Attendance: 305
1st Collection: $2319
2nd Collection (Catch-Up): $5448

August 31st, 2025
Attendance: 257
1st Collection: $2312
2nd Collection (Catch-Up): $738

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

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
Para más información, comuníquese con Rocia Castillo, Directora de Formación en la Fe de Our Lady of Angels, al faithformation@ourladyofangels.church. Con mucho gusto le dará la bienvenida, responderá sus preguntas y le explicará el programa.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

September 13th, 2026
Reading 1: Sirach 27:30—28:7
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12
Reading 2: Romans 14:7-9
Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

LECTURAS PARA EL PRÓXIMO DOMINGO

13 de septiembre de 2026
Primera lectura: Eclesiástico 27, 30—28, 7
Salmo responsorial: Salmo 103, 1-2. 3-4. 9-10. 11-12
Segunda lectura: Romanos 14, 7-9
Evangelio: Mateo 18, 21-35

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

Office Moira Smith Block Party

Join us on September 12th at 74th Street and 5th Avenue as we gather to honor and remember Police Officer Moira Smith. The event will feature a special prayer service to commemorate her life and sacrifice. All are welcome to come together, pay tribute, and enjoy each other's company.

BODAS COMUNITARIAS 2026

Parroquia Nuestra Señora de los Ángeles

Bay Ridge, Brooklyn

Dios quiere bendecir su historia de amor

Sábado 24 de octubre de 2026

Santa Misa – 1:00 p.m.

Recepción inmediatamente después

Invitamos especialmente a:

- Parejas casadas solo por lo civil
- Parejas en unión libre
- Novios que desean casarse por la Iglesia

Donación: $100 por pareja

La parroquia cubrirá música, decoración, recepción y comida.

Inscripciones abiertas

Regístrese en la oficina parroquial.

Fecha límite: finales de abril de 2026

"Lo que Dios ha unido, que no lo separe el hombre." (Mateo 19,6)

Bread & Wine: In Loving Memory of Richard Squitieri by Lucille Squitieri

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