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.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + NOVEMBER 1ST 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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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, November 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 noviembre, 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, November 1st, 2026
THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, October 31st
9:00 am Martin John Lavelle +

SUNDAY, November 1st
10:00 am Giulia Cimorelli +
12:30 pm Aurelio & Elba Corona +

MONDAY, November 2nd
All Souls Day
9:00 am Stephen Fiumefreddo

TUESDAY, November 3rd
9:00 am Sylvia Carman +

WEDNESDAY, November 4th
9:00 am James & Louretta Kearns +
7:00 pm

THURSDAY, November 5th
9:00 am John Carman +

FRIDAY, November 6th
9:00 am Epifania Cordova Manoso +

SATURDAY, November 7th
9:00 am Ronnie Gorton +

SUNDAY, November 8th
10:00 am Douglas Habib +
12:30 pm Bisch & Walsh Families +

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

November 1, 2026
All Saints' Day
Matthew 5:1-12

At the end of her short life, my hero, St. Thérèse of Lisieux, found herself in a curious position. Audaciously, she was convinced that she would become a great saint and would be loved by many after her death. At the same time, she insisted that she was weak, impatient, and ordinary. She became arguably the greatest saint in modern times. How is it possible that an ordinary and imperfect person can also be a great saint?
On this All Saints' Day, Jesus overturns our assumptions about holiness. He says, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 5:3). The blessed are not the impressive or the self-sufficient, but the poor in spirit, the meek, the merciful, and the persecuted. These are not heroic traits by normal standards. They are signs of a heart that has learned to rely on God rather than itself. That's what St. Thérèse, and all the saints, are all about.
All Saints' Day is not a celebration of spiritual elites. Rather, it announces what grace can do in our ordinary lives. The saints are not those who avoid weakness or suffering, but those who allow these things to deepen their trust. What good news for us! The smaller and weaker we are, the more qualified we are to be great saints.

— Father John Muir

1 de noviembre de 2026
Solemnidad de Todos los Santos
Mateo 5, 1-12

Al final de su corta vida, mi heroína, santa Teresa de Lisieux, se encontró en una situación curiosa. Con audacia, estaba convencida de que llegaría a ser una gran santa y que, tras su muerte, sería amada por muchos. Al mismo tiempo, insistía en que era débil, impaciente y una persona común. Llegó a ser, posiblemente, la santa más grande de los tiempos modernos. ¿Cómo es posible que una persona común e imperfecta pueda ser, a la vez, una gran santa?
En esta solemnidad de Todos los Santos, Jesús trastoca nuestras ideas preconcebidas sobre la santidad. Él dice: «Bienaventurados los pobres en el espíritu, porque de ellos es el reino de los cielos» (Mateo 5, 3). Los bienaventurados no son aquellos que impresionan o que se bastan a sí mismos, sino los pobres en el espíritu, los mansos, los misericordiosos y los perseguidos. Según los criterios habituales, estos no son rasgos heroicos; son, más bien, señales de un corazón que ha aprendido a confiar en Dios en lugar de en sí mismo. En eso consiste, precisamente, la vida de santa Teresa y de todos los santos.
La solemnidad de Todos los Santos no es una celebración de élites espirituales. Al contrario, proclama lo que la gracia puede obrar en nuestra vida cotidiana. Los santos no son quienes evitan la debilidad o el sufrimiento, sino aquellos que permiten que estas experiencias profundicen su confianza. ¡Qué buena noticia para nosotros! Cuanto más pequeños y débiles seamos, más capacitados estaremos para llegar a ser grandes santos.

— Padre John Muir

ON THE CALENDAR

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

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND
9am Mass
7pm Jornada Group Meeting (KH)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD
9am Mass
9:30am No - English Classes (PH)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH
9am Mass
9:30am Communion and Liberation (PH)
9:30am Miraculous Medal Novena (CHU)
6pm Hora Santa/Rosario/Confesión
7pm Mass (Spanish)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH
9am Mass
9:30am Rosary (CH)
9:30am English Classes (PH)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6TH
9am Mass
9:30am Adoración al Santísimo Sacramento
9:30am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass
7pm Religious Education (CH) Grades 7-HS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH
9am Religious Education (PH/CH) Grades
9am Mass

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8TH
10am Mass (Confirmation Candidate/Family Blessing) (CH)
11am Candidate/Family Blessing Refreshments (PH)
11am Scripture Sharing (KH)
12:30pm Mass (Spanish) Candidate/Family Blessing Refreshments (PH)
1:30pm Bible Study (Spanish) (KH)
1:30pm Candidate/Family Blessing Refreshments (PH)

Care for Creation

When you cast your vote, make sure that your candidate is one who will work to ensure a livable climate for the generations to come--to, in the words of Pope Francis, "...uphold high principles and think of the long-term common good."

Cuidado de la Creación

Al emitir su voto, asegúrese de que su candidato sea alguien que trabaje para garantizar un clima habitable para las generaciones venideras; alguien que, en palabras del Papa Francisco, «defienda principios elevados y piense en el bien común a largo plazo».

October 25th, 2026
Attendance: 285
1st Collection: $3048
2nd Collection (All Souls): $505

October 26th, 2025
Attendance: 285
1st Collection: $2920
2nd Collection (All Souls): $425

Online Giving (September 2026): $2107

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

Annual Catholic Appeal 2026
Goal: $32,147.00
Pledged: $24,490.00
Received: $23,664.00
Donors 74

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

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

November 8th, 2026
Reading 1: Wisdom 6:12-16
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
Reading 2: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

LECTURAS PARA EL PRÓXIMO DOMINGO

8 de noviembre de 2026
Primera lectura: Sabiduría 6, 12-16
Salmo responsorial: Salmo 63, 2. 3-4. 5-6. 7-8
Segunda lectura: 1 Tesalonicenses 4, 13-18
Evangelio: Mateo 25, 1-13

St. Andrew Confirmation Candidates 2027

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

Frances Campbell, Martha Susana Quinga Rivera, Donna M O'Connor, Salvatore Diperi, Rachal Smorte, Virginia Mercado, Rose Baer, Teresa Medina, and Selestino Comejo, Stephen Fiumefreddo, Richie O'Brien, Leighton Brown, Josefina Negron, Bruce Cappiello, Virginia Mercado, Colleen Kilkenny

REMEMBER THE SICK OF OUR PARISH IN YOUR PRAYERS

Daniel Meadows, Emily Willis, Frances Coralla, Eydie, John Kitson, Richard Dodd, Joann Roberts, Mickey Baer, Jeanne Morton, Shaun O'Rourke, Mary & Rosa, Peggy Murray, John Kindja, Robert Noone, Teddy Collazo, Mary Soto, Gretchen

Pastor's Column

Dear Friends,

Next Sunday I look forward to blessing our confirmation candidates at the 10am Mass with the sponsors and family. Please continue to keep them in your prayers.

Also next Sunday after the 10am Mass I will be having Bible Study in Kiernan Hall. All are welcomed.

— Father Kevin

Columna del pastor

Queridos amigos:

El próximo domingo, durante la Misa de las 10:00 a. m., tendré el gusto de impartir una bendición a nuestros candidatos a la Confirmación, junto con sus padrinos y familiares. Por favor, sigan teniéndolos presentes en sus oraciones.

Asimismo, el próximo domingo, después de la Misa de las 10:00 a. m., ofreceré un estudio bíblico en el salón Kiernan Hall. Todos están invitados.

— Padre Kevin

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 Rocio Castillo-Siegel, **Director of Faith Formation at Our Lady of Angels,** at f**aithformation@ourladyofangels.church**. She will be happy to welcome you, answer your questions, and explain the program.

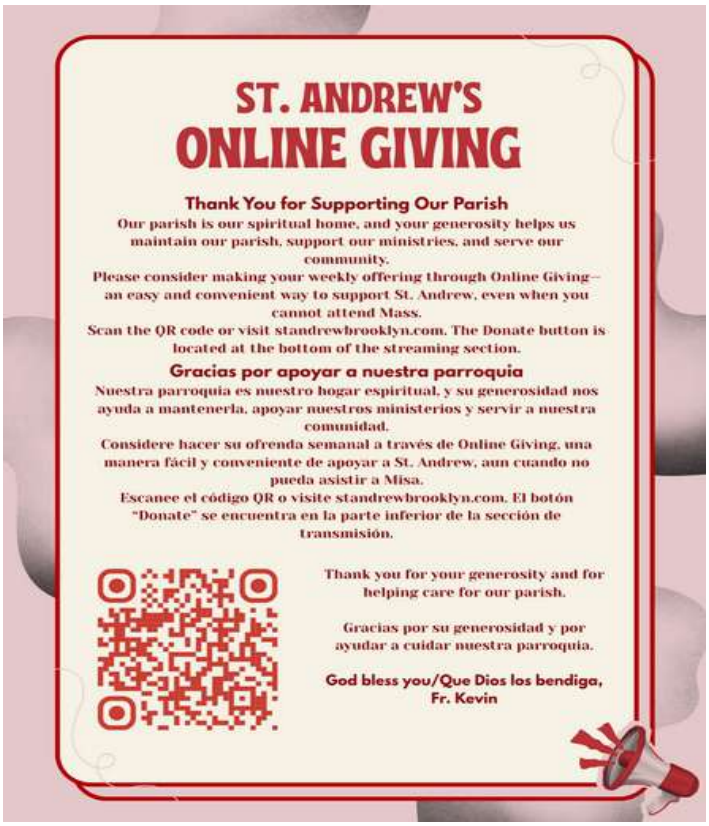
¿ESTÁ INTERESADO EN SER CATÓLICO O COMPLETAR SUS SACRAMENTOS?

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 Rocio Castillo-Siegel, **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.



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