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-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME + OCTOBER 4TH 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, October 21st 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 21 de octubre, 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, October 4th, 2026
TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, October 3rd
9:00 am Michael Ingersoll +

SUNDAY, October 4th
10:00 am Philomena & Kenneth De Groote +
12:30 pm Teresa Medina y Selestino Cornejo +

MONDAY, October 5th
9:00 am Louis Kupniewski +

TUESDAY, October 6th
9:00 am Martin Lavelle +

WEDNESDAY, October 7th
9:00 am Richard O'Niel +
7:00 pm Rosario Rodriguez +

THURSDAY, October 8th
9:00 am Shirley Kennedy

FRIDAY, October 9th
9:00 am John Durkin +

SATURDAY, October 10th
9:00 am Michael R. Rindone +

SUNDAY, October 11th
10:00 am Joachum Guarino +
12:30 pm Martha Susana Quinga Rivera +

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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

October 4, 2026
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
Matthew 21:33-43

Have you ever felt like your attempts at prayer are a waste of time? I have. Early in my priesthood, I noticed that my prayer life was weakening. Awe and eager expectancy of contact with God had given way to routine. I gradually spent less and less time praying. Nothing dramatic had happened, but my attitude toward God had changed, and I was losing the desire to pray.

Jesus' parable of the insane vineyard tenants speaks into this kind of experience. He says the landowner "leased it to tenants and went on a journey" (Matthew 21:33). The key to this message is that the vineyard does not belong to those who work it — they are entrusted with it. But little by little, they view it as their possession, and ungrateful entitlement follows. The servants sent by the owner are treated as intrusions. Even the owner's son becomes a means to their delusional self-will. The central tragedy is not violence but the forgetfulness that spawns it. They need reminding how lucky they are to be given so much.

Eventually, God sent friends to remind me that my relationship with Him and my prayer time are not my possessions, but rather God's tremendous gifts to me. Perhaps you are feeling discouraged for some reason or other these days in your walk with God. Ponder this parable and let it be a gentle reminder that you and I are fortunate stewards, and God is the generous giver. This allows us to rediscover the beauty of the vineyards in our lives and to remain energetic in cultivating his gifts.

— Father John Muir

4 de octubre de 2026
Vigésimo séptimo domingo del tiempo ordinario
Mateo 21, 33-43

¿Alguna vez has sentido que tus intentos de oración son una pérdida de tiempo? Yo sí. Al principio de mi sacerdocio, noté que mi vida de oración se estaba debilitando. El asombro y la expectativa entusiasta de encontrarme con Dios habían dado paso a la rutina. Poco a poco, dedicaba cada vez menos tiempo a la oración. No había ocurrido nada dramático, pero mi actitud hacia Dios había cambiado y estaba perdiendo el deseo de orar.

La parábola de Jesús sobre los insensatos viñadores aborda este tipo de experiencia. Él dice que el dueño de la viña «la arrendó a unos viñadores y se marchó de viaje» (Mateo 21, 33). La clave de este mensaje es que la viña no pertenece a quienes la trabajan; se les ha confiado. Pero, poco a poco, empiezan a verla como una posesión propia, lo que deriva en una actitud ingrata de creerse con derecho a todo. Los criados enviados por el dueño son tratados como intrusos. Incluso el hijo del dueño se convierte en un medio para satisfacer sus delirantes caprichos. La tragedia central no es la violencia, sino el olvido que la engendra. Necesitan que se les recuerde la suerte que tienen de haber recibido tanto.

Con el tiempo, Dios envió amigos para recordarme que mi relación con Él y mi tiempo de oración no son posesiones mías, sino dones inmensos que Dios me ha concedido. Quizás te sientas desanimado por alguna razón en tu caminar con Dios durante estos días. Reflexiona sobre esta parábola y deja que sea un suave recordatorio de que tú y yo somos administradores afortunados, y que Dios es quien da generosamente. Esto nos permite redescubrir la belleza de las viñas en nuestras vidas y mantenernos llenos de energía al cultivar sus dones.

— Padre John Muir

ON THE CALENDAR

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 5
9am Mass
7pm Jornada Group Meeting (KH)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6
9am Mass
9:30am English Classes (PH)

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8
9am Mass
9:30am Rosary (CH)
9:30am English Classes (PH)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9
9am Mass
7pm Religious Education (CH) Grades 7-HS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10
9am Religious Education (PH/CH) Grades
9am Mass
9:30am Anointing of the Sick - after Mass
9:30am Unción de los Enfermos
11am Liturgy Commitee Meeting (PH)
1pm Clase de preparación para el bautismo (español)
2pm Baptism (Spanish - Jasmine)
3pm Baptism Preparation Class (English)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11
10am Mass
12:30pm Mass (Spanish)

Care for Creation--St. Francis!

October 4, a Sunday this year, marks the 800th anniversary of the passage of St. Francis of Assisi from earthly life.
"I believe that St. Francis is the example par excellence of care for the vulnerable and of an integral ecology lived out joyfully and authentically." (Pope Francis, Laudato Si', 10)

¡Cuidado de la Creación: San Francisco!

El 4 de octubre —que este año cae en domingo— se conmemora el 800.o aniversario del tránsito de San Francisco de Asís de la vida terrenal.
«Creo que San Francisco es el ejemplo por excelencia del cuidado de los vulnerables y de una ecología integral vivida con alegría y autenticidad». (Papa Francisco, *Laudato si'*, 10)

September 27th, 2026	**September 28th, 2025**
Attendance: 365	Attendance: 300
1st Collection: $2318	1st Collection: $3841
2nd Collection (Catch Up): $1785	2nd Collection (Catch Up): $236

Online Giving
(August 2026): $2127

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Annual Catholic Appeal 2026
Goal: $32,147.00
Pledged: $21,990.00
Received: $20,592.00
Donors 74

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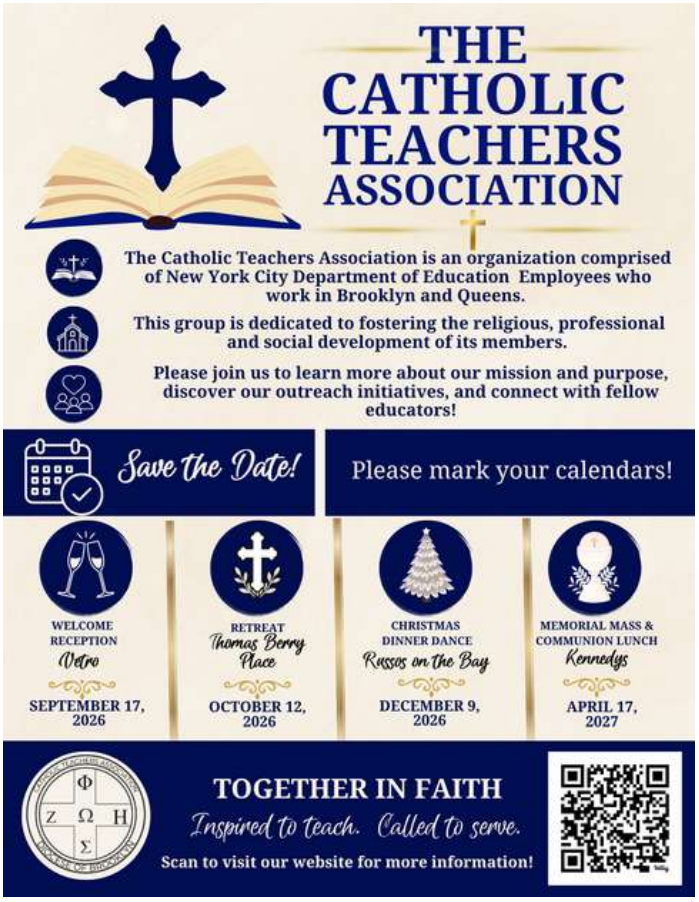
Please prayerfully consider making pledge. Thank you to those who have already made a pledge.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

October 11th, 2026
Reading 1: Isaiah 25:6-10a
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Reading 2: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20
Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

LECTURAS PARA EL PRÓXIMO DOMINGO

11 de octubre de 2026
Primera lectura: Isaías 25, 6-10a
Salmo responsorial: Salmo 23, 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Segunda lectura: Filipenses 4, 12-14, 19-20
Evangelio: Mateo 22, 1-14



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

Frances Campbell, Martha Susana Quinga Rivera, Donna M O'Connor, Salvatore Diperi, Rachal Smorte, Virginia Mercado, and Rose Baer

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

Bread & Wine, Tabernacle Candle, Altar Candle: Congratulations to my son Paul & wife Irene as they celebrated 30 years married on September 21. Here at St. Andrews. Love, Patricia Corbertt

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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