



# Saint Andrew Parish

GATHER • LEARN • LOVE



“Thus says the LORD, all you who are thirsty,  
come to the water.” *Isaiah 55:1*

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# Parish Information

*If you need to make contact with the parish staff, please call 773-255-3016 and leave a message.*

## Contacting Parish Staff:

All Saint Andrew Parish buildings are **closed to the public**.

Meanwhile, the parish staff is working remotely with periodic check-ins. If you need to make contact with the parish staff, please call 773-525-3016 and leave a message. Someone on staff will check voicemails every half hour from M-F 8:00am to 8:00pm and on Saturday and Sunday from 8:00am to 2:00pm.

## Join us for Mass! - Sunday Mornings

The church has reopened for Sunday Mass at 9:00 am for the next several weeks.

**All attendees must have a reservation and to participate and must adhere to the policies found at [www.standrew.org/reopening](http://www.standrew.org/reopening)**

Reservations can be made by visiting our website at [www.standrew.org/reopening](http://www.standrew.org/reopening) or calling 773-525-3016 and leaving a message. Reservations are not complete until a confirmation call or email has been sent to you. Thank you for your help in keeping our time of worship safe!

## Volunteer for the Church Reopening – More Volunteers needed!

The parish needs several more volunteers in church reopening efforts. Volunteers must meet the following criteria: Must be between the ages of 18 and 65, Not have any underlying health conditions. (ex. diabetes, cancer treatments, etc). the ability to participate in online training through webinars, and the ability to attend and participate in liturgical.

Volunteers will be divided into the following teams: **Set-up team, Greeting team, Clean-up team.** To express interest in volunteering, please go to <http://www.standrew.org/post/volunteer-reopening> or contact the parish staff by emailing us at [info@standrew.org](mailto:info@standrew.org) or call 773-525-3016

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## Parish Staff

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# Pastoral Letter

by Deacon Eric Sorensen



*"What will separate  
us from the  
love of Christ?"*

As we complete the fifth month of struggling with COVID, I find that I have been really challenged by the Facts versus the Truths. I am constantly confronted by all sorts of facts that seem to add only more confusion and not comfort. I have this tremendous yearning for some truth. But how can the truth clarify this chaos; as the facts are indeed overwhelming?

We have all these facts. Minorities and at-risk-individuals are disproportionately dying from COVID. People are marching for justice, because Black Lives Matter. People are suffering from hunger due to their loss of employment. Masks help to prevent the spread of COVID. There is a great political divide on how to govern cities, states and our nation. Children learn better in a classroom with a teacher. We will not know the length of our immunity when we are vaccinated. We want this disturbance in our lives to end, NOW!

Yet confronted with all these facts, we have also witnessed truths. Our first responders, nurses, doctors, and support staff have all selflessly given their lives to the sanctity of all lives. As Laurent Duvernay-Trardif, doctor and Super Bowl champ, stated, "There is something more important than playing football. If I am to take risks, I will do it caring for patients."

We have witnessed truth in the willingness of people to recognize and to protect the dignity of human life. With our voices and actions we are demanding justice and respect for all our neighbors who are oppressed, and who are threatened by unimpeded COVID. In this we are striving to fulfill the Golden Rule: do until others as you would have them do until you.

There is truth in the love we share with those in need. As St Paul states, "Your plenty at the present time should supply their need, so that their surplus may one day supply your need, with equality as a result." (2 Cor 8:14) We are offering God's mercy, in "what you have done to the least of my brothers and sisters you have done to me." (Mt 25:40)

From all these facts we uncover truths that lead to a higher truth that we are our brother's and sister's keepers. In the sum total of all these truths we are striving for the common good of all people. We are making it possible for all men and women to achieve the perfection of their humanity. Their perfection as realized within the kingdom of God.

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## Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Saint Andrew is starting the process for adults who wish to join the Catholic church. If you know someone who is curious about Catholicism, would like to join the church from another Christian denomination, or would like to inquire about Baptism as an adult, let them know about the Rites of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Please direct them to our webpage <http://www.standrew.org/learn/rcia/> to find out more.

## Religious Education for Grades K-8?

Looking to pass the Catholic Faith on to your child? Saint Andrew has a program for your family! The Saint Andrew Religious Education program is now accepting new registrations for the 2020-2021 academic year. Be sure to review the schedule, become familiar with the approach and schedule, and register at [www.standrew.org/re](http://www.standrew.org/re)

Thank you for your interest in teaching your child about God's love for them!

## Join the Reopening Team

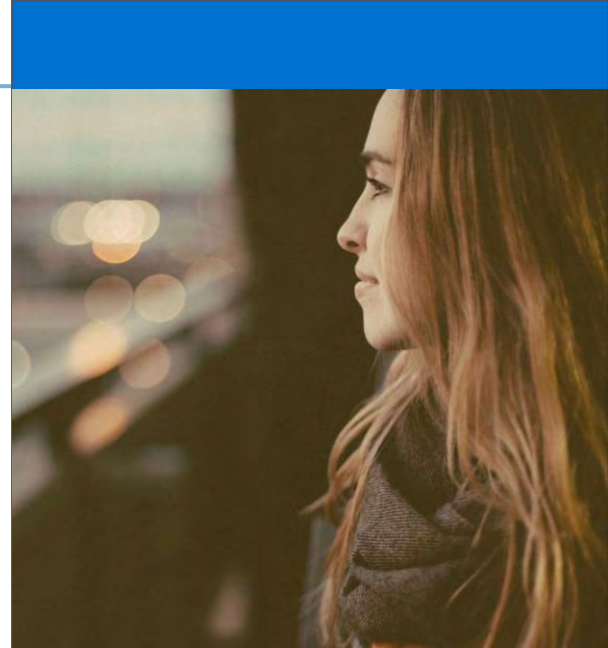
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- Must be between the ages of 18 and 65
- Not have any underlying health conditions. (ex. diabetes, cancer treatments, etc)
- the ability to participate in online training through webinars
- the ability to attend and participate in liturgical gatherings of less than 45 people.

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# Learn at Home, for Individuals & Families

## Decoding Christian Symbols

You may have seen one or two of these symbols before, but have you ever wondered what they mean? Take a moment to find out!



Alpha and Omega are the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet, and represent the beginning and the end (just as one might say, “from A to Z”). In Revelation 22:13, Christ refers to himself as the Alpha and Omega, the first and last of all creation.



Crossed keys are a pair of keys that overlap and interlock, creating an "X." In the Bible, Jesus gives these “keys of heaven” to St. Peter (Matthew 16:19). It’s not unusual to see this symbol in ecclesiastical heraldry or papal coats of arms.



The Chi-Ro cross is another symbol that takes its meaning from the Greek alphabet. In Greek, the symbol “X” stands for “CH,” while the symbol “P” stands for “R.” These letters are an abbreviation of “Christ,” and so appear frequently on tabernacles.



The Marian cross is a combination of the letter “M” and a cross. It represents Mary’s presence at the foot of the cross where Jesus died. You can find this image on the Miraculous Medal as well as Pope John Paul II’s coat of arms.

You don’t have to search far and wide to find these symbols, either! Look closely and you’ll see each of them in our church. Try to spot all four at an in-person mass this summer.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK TO READ & PRAY AT HOME

Masses will be said privately for the intentions listed below.

### AUGUST

Saturday Vigil <b>01</b>	First Reading Second Reading Gospel	<b>Is 55:1-3</b> <b>Rom 8:35, 37-39</b> <b>Mt 14:13-21</b>
Sunday <b>02</b>	Mass Intentions	+Vicky Grogan and +Robert Ledvina 70th Anniversary Blessings for James and Geraldine Coyne
Monday <b>03</b>	First Reading Gospel	<b>Jer 28:1-17</b> <b>Mt 14:22-36</b>
	Mass Intentions	+Our departed Parishioners
Tuesday <b>04</b>	First Reading Gospel	<b>Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22</b> <b>Mt 14:22-36</b>
	Mass Intentions	+Our departed Parishioners
Wednesday <b>05</b>	First Reading Gospel	<b>Jer 31:1-7</b> <b>Mt 15: 21-28</b>
	Mass Intentions	Our departed Parishioners
Thursday <b>06</b>	First Reading Gospel	<b>Dn 7:9-10, 13-14</b> <b>Mt 17:1-9</b>
	Mass Intentions	+Our departed Parishioners
Friday <b>07</b>	First Reading Gospel	<b>Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7</b> <b>Mt 16:24-28</b>
	Mass Intentions	Our departed Parishioners
Saturday <b>08</b>	First Reading Second Reading Gospel	<b>1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a</b> <b>Rom 9:1-5</b> <b>Mt 14:22-33</b>
Sunday <b>09</b>	Mass Intentions	+Melvin Chua

For daily readings, please visit [www.usccb.org](http://www.usccb.org)



## PRAYER INTENTIONS

We would ask you to keep the following people and intentions in your prayers.

For the health and wellbeing of all who are recovering from the effects of COVID-19 including the ill, the deceased, and those suffering job loss.

That government leaders find the wisdom and strength to lead our country, states, and municipalities to overcome racial discrimination and injustice.

For the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed including Vickie Grogan, Sarah Urbanowski, Ed Ahern, Joyce Haderlein, Colleen O'Malley, Isabella Schuch and Jack Stanton

If you would like us to keep a particular intention in the prayers of the parish, please submit your request to [www.standrew.org/prayers](http://www.standrew.org/prayers) You can also submit a request for the pastoral staff to light a candle in the church using this link. We will include your intentions in this bulletin when possible and the pastoral staff will personally pray for these intentions before the Blessed Sacrament.

### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

#### Enrich – Expand - Grow

Income	1,677,030
Interest on Income	25,978
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>1,703,008</b>
Consulting Operating Expense	180,000
Archdiocesan Contribution	196,800
Church Lighting (Actual)	250,517
Church Lighting (Consultant)	10,480
Church Windows (Actual)	156,520
School Addition (Actual)	17,030
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>811,347</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>891,661</b>

### PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

#### July 2020 Offering

<b>Envelopes Collection</b>	9,381
<b>Automated Giving</b>	22,542
<b>Loose Cash</b>	365
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>32,288</b>
Monthly Budgeted Expenses	<b>38,500</b>
<b>Easter 2020</b>	
Envelopes	5,323
Electronic	12,085
Loose	75
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,483</b>

