



Saint Andrew Parish

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“Thus says the Lord, ‘They shall eat
and there shall be some left over’.”

2 Kings 4:44

Parish Information

Parish Office Now Open:

The parish office is now open on **Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 8:00am to 4:00pm and Sunday mornings from 9:00am to 12:00 noon**. Parishioners may stop by to make prayer requests, pay Mass stipends, or seek assistance. Please wear masks when entering the office and remain socially distanced. Our staff remains available via our remote office from 8:00am to 8:00pm Monday through Friday and from 8:00am to 2:00pm on Saturday and Sunday.

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

Mass Schedule and Current Guidelines:

All are welcome to join us for Mass at the following times:

Saturday Vigil - 4:00pm, Sunday Morning - 9:00am and 11:00am.

COVID MASS Expectations

Our Safety Team will be there this week to welcome you to Mass. We are continuing to follow the guidelines set out by the Archdiocese for the safe celebration of Mass during the pandemic.

- We will offer hand sanitizer for individuals as they enter church but will not do so before Communion. Please bring your own hand sanitizer if you wish.
- Masks are only required by individuals who have not been vaccinated.
- We continue to space the seating so that a minimum distance is kept between attendees.
- **We have returned the hymnals to the pews and once again invite parishioners to sing. Please use your own hand sanitizer before and after using the hymnals.**

Thank you for your patience as we take steps back to our normal procedures for celebrating Mass.

Parish Staff

Pastor: Rev. Sergio Romo

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Pastoral Ministry Assistant: Kascha Sanor

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Engineer: Alfred Benkiser

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Pastoral Letter

by Megan Daigle, Pastoral Ministry Assistant



*“In Jesus’ hands,
the little we have
to offer is more
than enough. But
only in his
hands.”*

Dear Parish Family,

This Sunday concludes my first week back at Saint Andrew after four months of maternity leave. My husband and I are so grateful for all the support we have received from Father Sergio, the parish staff, and all the volunteers, who gave me the opportunity to spend this time away with our baby girl.

I have to say, I have never been so tired in my life. My mind, body and soul feel like they have been worked harder than ever before. Just when I think I might have a chance to rest, something or someone else vies for my attention. And I never feel like I have enough to give! In a recent conversation with my spiritual director, I told her I was having trouble putting words to the situation. I said, “I just feel like I don’t have enough.. I’m operating from a place of-- what’s the word I’m looking for?” “Scarcity,” she said.

Well that sounds familiar.

In today’s gospel Jesus performs a miracle - the only miracle which appears in all four gospels - to provide enough food to feed thousands of people. It does not escape me that in this context Jesus and his disciples were looking for a little rest. They had been teaching and curing in towns and villages for weeks at a time and this was supposed to be their chance to take a break. But the crowds have followed Jesus to hear his voice and to seek his touch. They are hungry. You may know the story - the disciples only have five loaves and two fish. It’s not enough to feed the thousands. They, too, are operating from a place of scarcity.

And what happens? Jesus takes what they have to offer, blesses it, and creates an abundance. In his hands, the little we have to offer is more than enough. But only in his hands.

What are you running short on? Time? Energy? Patience? If you are running short, that means you have a little, right? So what does it mean to offer up the little patience we have, the little time we have, to God? To say, “God - this doesn’t feel like enough. I need more. Please show me how to trust that you will nourish me, sustain me, and create an abundance in my life.”

Remember: it is the only miracle that appears in every gospel.
Give what you have and trust in the Lord.

Vivere nell’abbondanza! (Live a life of plenty!)
Megan



Lectors Needed - Proclaim the Word of God!

As Saint Andrew Parish begins to normalize its liturgical celebrations, we are in need of parishioners to assist in our Sunday worship.

Specifically, we do not have enough Lectors to serve at Mass during the month of August.

If you are interested in reading and proclaiming the Word of God during Sunday Mass, please contact us at info@standrew.org or call 773-525-3016 to express interest. Thank you!



Save the Date! - Fall Fling 2021

Saint Andrew will host the 19th Annual Fall Fling this **September 18, 2021**. The full day event will start with a 9-hole golf outing at Sydney Marovitz Golf Course in the afternoon followed by a dinner party and live entertainment. Keep watching for more details throughout the summer. If you are interested in joining the Fall Fling committee, please email Julie Richards at julie@standrew.org.



Help Feed the Hungry

Join volunteers from Saint Andrew on **Saturday, July 31, 2021** from 8:30am to 11:15am at the Greater Chicago Food Depository to sort food items that will be distributed to food pantries serving the hungry throughout Chicagoland. Your volunteer time and help feed hundreds of people! Contact Nancy Holland at neh213@gmail.com to express interest. Volunteers must be 11 years of age and up. 11 - 15 year-olds must be accompanied by and parent.



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Learn at Home, for Individuals & Families

Can Ordinary Time be Special?

Ordinary time. It just seems so, well, ordinary!

In church terms, *ordinary time* doesn't mean unimportant or commonplace. Instead, it simply means that the weeks are numbered - the Latin word *ordinalis*, where the term originates, refers to a numbered series. In church terms, use of the term is pretty recent, having been introduced with Vatican II in 1970.

What can we do to make sure that ordinary time isn't just ordinary? Without the excitement of Christmas or the preparations for Easter we may have time for some longer-format projects around the home:

Focus on the Scriptures

Now is a great time to really focus on the scriptures that we hear at Mass each week. Ordinary time can be a time of growth in learning about and knowing Jesus. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' website, usccb.org, is the best online resource for the weekly readings (look for the "Daily Readings" link). Loyola Press offers the Sunday Connection, which provides useful background and activities to better understand the upcoming Sunday readings (loyolapress.com, look for the "Sunday Connection" link).

Study the Saints

Saints are a great way to show your family how to live a life that shines through a relationship with Jesus...and that makes ordinary time a great time to begin a family tradition of reading the stories of the saints on a regular basis. There are many children's books about the saints, and even some coloring books that feature the lives of saints! Or watch a movie: Fr. James Martin, SJ has penned a list of his top 10 movies about saints (also on loyolapress.com - use the search box to search for "movies about saints" to find his list)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK TO READ & PRAY AT HOME

Masses will be said privately for the intentions listed below.

JULY/AUGUST, 2021

Sunday 25	First Reading Second Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	2 Kgs 4: 42-44 Eph 4: 1-6 Jn 6:1-15 +Melina Joy Silvestre Orillaza
Monday 26	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Ex 32: 15-24, 30-34 Mt 13: 31-35 Our departed Parishioners
Tuesday 27	First Reading Second Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Ex 33: 7-11, - 34: 5b-9, 28 Mt 13: 36-43 Our departed Parishioners
Wednesday 28	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Ex 34: 29-35 Mt 13: 44-46 +Our departed Parishioners
29	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Ex 40: 16-21, 34-38 Jn 11: 19-27 Our departed Parishioners
Friday 30	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Lv 23: 1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37 Mt 13: 54-58 Our departed Parishioners
Sunday AUGUST 01	First Reading Second Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Ex 16: 2-4, 12-15 Eph 4: 17, 20-24 Jn 6: 24-35 Our departed Parishioners

For daily readings, please visit 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 +Melina Joy Silvestre Orillaza

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Enrich – Expand - Grow	
Income	1,846,7317
Interest on Income	32,396
Total Income	1,879,126
Consulting Operating Expense	180,000
Archdiocesan Contribution	196,800
Church Lighting (Actual)	250,517
Church Lighting (Consultant)	10,480
Church Windows (Actual)	157,120
School Addition (Actual)	17,030
Total Expense	811,947
Balance	1,067,180

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

May 2021 Offering	
Envelopes Collection	12,038
Automated Giving	25,725
Loose Cash	2,378
Total Offertory	40,141
Monthly Budgeted Expenses	38,500
ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL 2021	
Goal	33,945
Amount Pledged	44,945
Amount Paid	41,455
Balance Due	3,140





2021 Financial Report for Wearin' the Green

Revenue	\$241,832
Expenses	\$ 21,822

Net Revenue – with Cubs Charities Matching Gift	\$220,010
Net Revenue – w/o Cubs Charities Matching Gift	\$195,010

Thank you Saint Andrew for all your support! It was a very challenging year but this Parish and School came together to not only make it financially successful but memorable all at the same time!

A very special THANK YOU to the entire WTG committee for their tireless effort and enthusiasm! We couldn't have don't it without your tremendous teamwork!

Thank you Kascha Sanor!

During the last few months, you may have noticed a new face gracing the church as you entered Saint Andrew Parish for Sunday Mass.

Kascha Sanor has been serving as our Pastoral Ministry Assistant during the parental leave of Megan Daigle who returns this week to assume her normal duties.

During Kascha's time on staff, we had weekly changes to the protocols that allowed parishioners to gather and worship. She always channeled the Holy Spirit in her adaptability and calming presence. Not only did she assist our Safety Team in keeping the church safe, but she also helped to cultivate the talents of the team to maintain a welcoming presence for all in our community. We are grateful for her generous contribution.

Kascha has begun a new assignment working full time with the Congregation of Saint Joseph as their Director of Social and Environmental Justice as well as completing her Masters of Divinity at Loyola University. We wish her well and many blessings as she moves onward in her journey. Send her a note of thanks at Kascha@standrew.org



Her last day will be Wednesday, July 28, 2021.

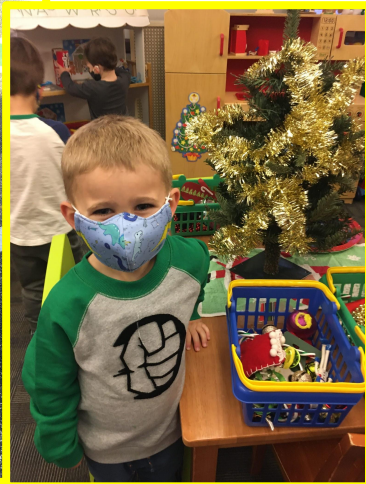


Saint Andrew School



Saint Andrew School Introduces Full Day Pre-School for 3 and 4 Year Olds, With Options for Half Day Programs!

Contact Anne Japsen in
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for more information!



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