



Saint Andrew Parish

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“Love never fails.”
1 Corinthians 13:8

Parish Information

Parish Office Hours:

The parish office is open seven days a week. Hours are Monday through Friday 8:00am to 7:00 pm and Saturdays from 9:00am to 2pm and Sundays from 9:00 am to 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.

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

Mass Schedule & Confessions:

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

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

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available on Saturdays at 3:00pm in the main church.

Current Safety Measures:

The Archdiocese has instructed parishes to comply with the City of Chicago's indoor mask mandate.

All worshipers, regardless of vaccination status, are required to wear masks while inside the church. Our Safety Team will provide masks for those entering the church who do not have one.

Thank you for helping to keep a safe environment at Saint Andrew so that all can worship.

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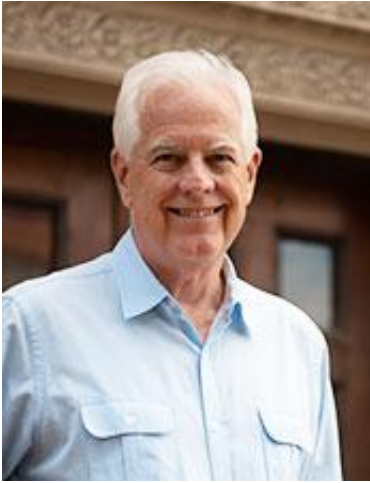
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Pastoral Letter

by Al Ackerman, Principal



“We put aside what is best personally in favor of developing children and families to be the best that they can be.”

Hello Everybody!

As we launch the beginning of Catholic Schools Week with our traditional Super School Sunday it is a good time to consider the question of why Catholic Schools matter. What is it about a Catholic School education, and a Saint Andrew education specifically, that matters in the lives of not only our students, but in the lives of our teachers and our families. At Saint Andrew I can say without reservation that the secret to success at Saint Andrew School is the climate and culture that we generate; a climate where all are included and a culture that values people for their contributions.

This language taken from our Blue Ribbon application sums up Saint Andrew School: 'Saint Andrew has been described as more than a school, but a way of life. It is the expression of self-sacrificing, good-hearted people that make the community of Saint Andrew so special. Our Spirit- Study- Service values are woven into every facet of life. Saint Andrew School's mission is to provide a caring, safe and supportive environment that instills Catholic values for each student. Our goal is to focus on the whole child; promoting individual academic success, developing spiritual awareness, building character and encouraging service for the common good. The teachings and the examples of our Lord, Jesus Christ, in the Catholic tradition are the foundation for student growth.'

The families at Saint Andrew School truly 'walk the walk'. They sacrifice for their children and help our teachers share the values of our Spirit Study Service message. From the classrooms where learning is made fun, to the social gatherings where friendships are made and cultivated; from the sports we all enjoy, to the faith that we all love, Saint Andrew families demonstrate their commitment not only to their children, but to each other. People often remark to me how Saint Andrew gives a small town feel to life in a big city. This is so true, we share the joys and the sadness of raising children; we all experience the same challenges, we all have the same highs and the same lows. The community of Saint Andrew School provides an outlet for sharing whether at school drop off/pick up or by volunteering for one of our committees that enhance life at Saint Andrew.

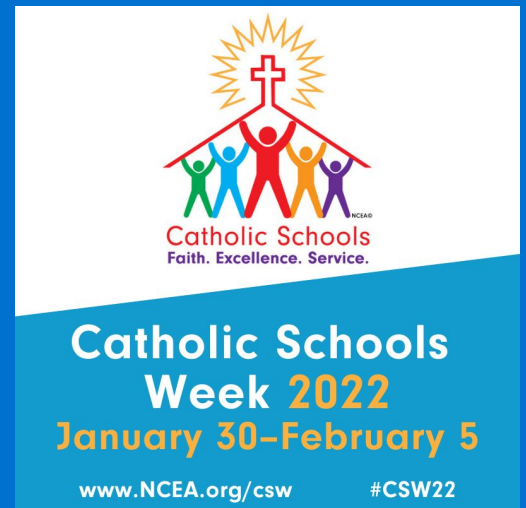
Saint Andrew School teachers are at the center of educating our students, not just in the development of their intellect, but in the development of their heart as well. A brilliant mind without a compassionate heart does not round out a complete person. Our goal for each student is to develop the whole child, body and soul. The ability to talk and learn freely about God, developing a personal relationship with His son Jesus Christ and learning to call upon the Holy Spirit to help us through life's challenges. Teachers at Saint Andrew see children as a gift from God and go beyond what their public colleagues do to recognize the full potential of each child.

Why do Catholic Schools matter and why specifically Saint Andrew School? Because together we put aside what is best for us personally in favor of developing children and families to be the best that they can be.



Celebrate Catholic Schools Week!

Catholic Schools Week begins **Sunday, January 30, 2022**. All week long, our parish school will be holding events to highlight the importance of Catholic education. This nation-wide celebration marks the beginning of planning for the 2022-23 school year. Families seeking to have their child enrolled in a Catholic School next year should take this opportunity to find out what a Catholic School offers and how to register your child at www.gosaintandrew.com



Volunteer to End Hunger

Join volunteers from Saint Andrew on **Saturday, February 12, 2022 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.



Donate to the Women's Center

The Church always advocates the sacredness of all life. Many women facing crisis pregnancies need support if they are to bring their unborn child to full term. The last few weeks we have held a baby bottle fundraiser for the Women's Center of Greater Chicagoland who assists women in these crisis. The support given by many parishioners over the last few weeks has been tremendous. Many have returned the baby bottles that were handed out at Mass with with change, dollars, and checks. If you still have a bottle it is not too late to give! Please return the bottles to the rectory. Thank you very much!



Learn at Home, for Individuals & Families

The Church: Community in the Spirit

The Church is a community - a community of people who profess the same belief in one God, led by the same Spirit, with a common mission: to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ's redeeming sacrifice. "We are all one..." but are we all the same?

We are all members of the Body of Christ. Just as the Body of Christ is one body, it is made up of different parts. In the same way, we serve different functions in the church, whether we are part of the laity, consecrated religious, or serving as clergy. Within these three groups we also serve in different ways. Some consecrated religious are devoted to prayer and contemplation, while others serve in missions around the world. Clergy might serve locally as pastors of a parish or at a high office in the Vatican. Lay people serve the church in their secular work (have you heard of "water-cooler evangelization?"), as well as when they become involved in parish life, from teaching Religious Education to serving on the Social Concerns Commission.

The same Spirit works uniquely in each of us for the benefit of all, sometimes even when bestowing the same gift! For example, someone may be a great public speaker and choose to become a priest, while another person with the same gift might become a lawyer defending social justice issues.

Ideally, a vocation is chosen when an individual shares their gifts while following the promptings of the Holy Spirit. As Frederick Buechner puts it, "The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet."

No matter where the Spirit leads us, we are called to offer the best of ourselves to make the world a better place for everyone else.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK TO READ & PRAY AT HOME

Masses will be said privately for the intentions listed below.

JANUARY 2022

Sunday 30	First Reading Second Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	+Jer 1: 4-5, 17-19 1 Cor 12: 31 - 13:13 Lk 4: 21-30 +Marietta Castillo Cavanez, +Levy Castillo Jalbuena and +Colleen O'Malley
Monday 31	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	2 Sm: 15: 13-14, 30, 16:5-13 Mk 5: 1-20 +Leuvina C. Jalbuena and +Colleen O'Malley
Tuesday 01	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	2 Sm 118: 9-10, 14b, 24-25, 30-19:3 Mk 5: 21-43 Our departed Parishioners
Wednesday The Presentation of the Lord 02	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Mal 3: 1-4 Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2: 21-40 Our departed Parishioners
Thursday 03	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	1 Kgs 2: 1-4 10-12 Mk 6: 7-13 Our departed Parishioners
Friday 04	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Sir 47: 2-11 Mk 6: 14-29 Our departed Parishioners
Sunday 06	First Reading Second Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Is 6: 1-2a, 3-8 1 Cor 15: 1-11 Lk 5: 1-11 +Thomas Cooney Family and +The Dockery Family and +Marietta Castillo Cavanez

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 +Marietta Castillo Cavanez, Levy Castillo Jalbuena and +Colleen O'Malley

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Enrich – Expand - Grow	
Income	1,855,847
Interest on Income	32,764
Total Income	1,888,980
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	1,077,033

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

December. 2021 Offering	
Envelopes Collection	7,264
Automated Giving	30,942
Loose Cash	2,311
Total Offertory	41,517
Monthly Budgeted Expenses	38,500
CHRISTMAS 2021	
Envelopes	11,449
Loose Cash	3,270
Automated Giving	13,090
Total Christmas Giving	27,809



Saint Andrew School



Preschool to 8th Grade Admission Sessions

9am

February 8th

March 8th

April 12th

May 10th

Join us for an
Open House on
November 18th at 6pm!
(773) 248-2500
www.GoSaintAndrew.com



Spirit. Study. Service.

- 2013 & 2020 National Blue Ribbon School
- 3 & 4 year old Full Day Preschool programs
- Full Day Kindergarten program
- A rigorous curriculum tailored to each student
- Art, Music, Spanish, Technology and Phys. Ed.
- Catholic values for life: Spirit. Study. Service.
- Before + After school care
- A vibrant family community

