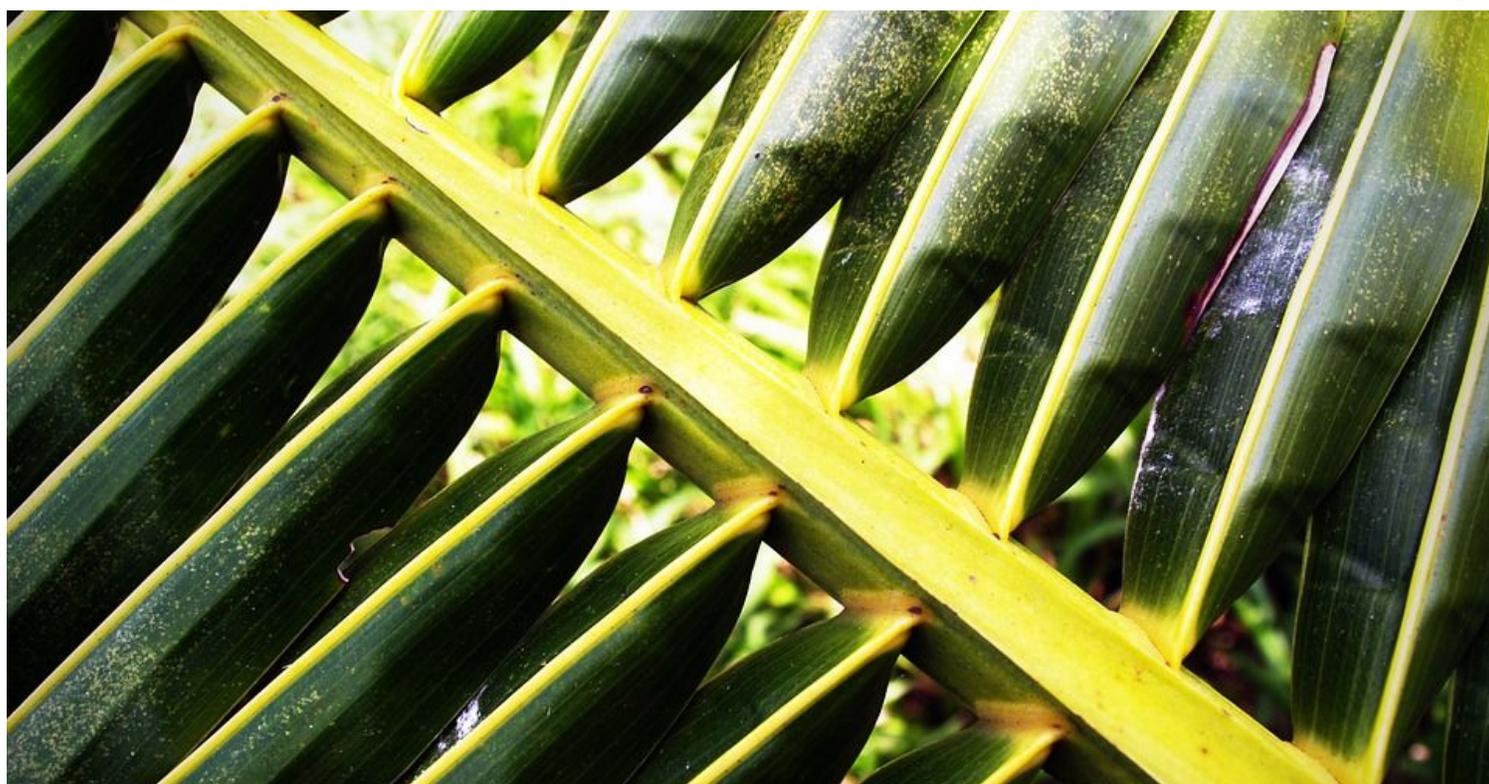




Saint Andrew Parish

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“The whole multitude of his disciples began to praise God aloud with joy for all the mighty deeds they had seen.” Luke 19:37

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 773-525-3016 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.

Holy Week Schedule

Palm Sunday - Saturday, April 9 at 4 pm and Sunday, April 10 at 9 & 11 am

Holy Thursday - April 14 - Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00pm
Adoration from 8pm to Midnight

Good Friday - April 15 - Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 3:00pm

Holy Saturday - April 16 Blessing of Easter Baskets - 11:00am
Easter Vigil - 8:00pm

Easter Sunday - April 17 at 9 & 11am

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Pastoral Letter

by Deacon Mark Purdome



“We don’t yet know the next chapters in salvation history - the ones that we are currently experiencing.”

Surprise!

We’re often surprised when unexpected things happen. But we may have lost our sense of surprise about Palm Sunday, because we know the story so well. But let’s take a look at some of the things that should surprise us:

- Look at the emotional contrast. We go from the triumphant entry into Jerusalem to the apparently disastrous downfall of the crucifixion. That’s a pretty surprising emotional range for a single liturgy.
- Look at the subtext of the story. Wrapped up in the story of our salvation is a national, political struggle. This isn’t a play that takes place in an imaginary time and space, but a real struggle for the hearts and minds of people in one of the oldest and most influential cities in the world.
- Look at the characters. We know many of the main players, but they do some surprisingly different things than we might expect. Jesus accepts the title of King, but then rides into town on a donkey in a decidedly non-regal fashion. Words of faith are placed in the mouth of a criminal who Jesus forgives, even in the midst of his own human anguish. And a Roman soldier, not typically expected to be compassionate toward a condemned prisoner, has the capstone line, the ultimate declaration of Jesus as a sacrifice: “this man was innocent beyond doubt.”
- Look at the betrayals. Not just Judas, because this is a story of secret police in a garden, public corruption, and midnight raids. Jesus is betrayed by the once adoring crowds as well, which is shocking because we don’t see anyone step forward and try to prevent the barbaric crowd from turning on Jesus.
- Look at the denials. It is easy to shake our heads at Peter, once a strong friend but now afraid to stand up and support him at his time of need.

This is a rich, complex story, but one that may have grown too familiar, too distant for us to really consider the impact. But of all of the surprises in this story, I think most of all we need to be surprised that we don’t know how this story ends. Sure, we know that the passion results in resurrection. But we don’t yet know the next chapters in salvation history - the ones that we are currently experiencing. Since Jesus is alive, and the Spirit is working in our lives, the story continues, and we are a part of it, if we let the Spirit work in our lives.

As we enter Holy Week, be open to being surprised. Perhaps we can look at a family member with a new lens, or reestablish a relationship with a friend who has grown distant. Perhaps we can surprise ourselves with a renewed faith, a restored sense of purpose, and a refreshed sense of hope.

Surprise!

Deacon Mark



REBOOT: Update Your Spirituality

Our popular spirituality program for adults returns this Spring. **REBOOT: Update Your Spirituality** will be held on Thursday nights for 6 weeks starting **Thursday, April 21, 2022**. If you need to start learning, need a booster, or just a refresher on the Catholic Church's trove of spiritual treasure, join us for this 6 weeks faith-enrichment program. To find out more and to register visit www.standrew.org/reboot



Holy Thursday Collection - Ukraine

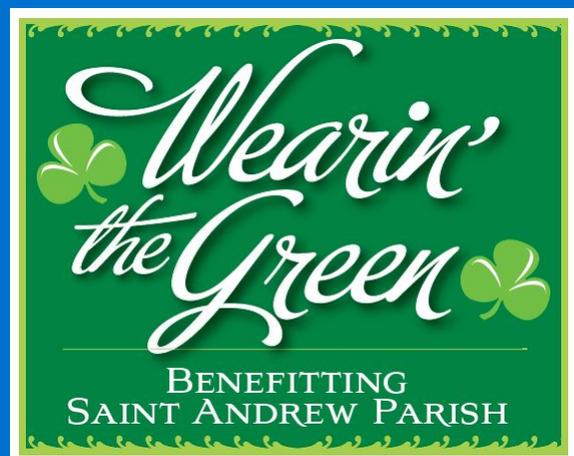
During our Lenten Journey, the customary practice is to gather the surplus from our fasting and offer it as alms at the conclusion of Lent. To this end, the Holy Thursday collection will be given to Catholic Relief Service and their humanitarian relief efforts to support refugees from the crisis in Ukraine. There is no need to wait until Holy Thursday to donate. You can contribute to the [Holy Thursday fund](#) before and after. Thank you for your generosity.



Join us for Wearin' the Green

Saint Andrew's annual fundraiser "Wearin' the Green" will be **Saturday, April 20, 2022**. The proceeds from the evening go to ensuring that Saint Andrew's mission continues in the Lake View neighborhood. There will be fun, open bar, dining, and our live and silent auction. Don't miss this chance to be a part of and support Saint Andrew!

To purchase tickets, [click here](#) (if viewing online) or visit www.standrew.org





Easter: Our Homecoming

It is quite remarkable that none of the stories of the resurrection of Jesus actually recount his coming out of the tomb and how he was raised by God from the dead. But, we do have stories about what happened to his disciples. Easter created in them a sense of belonging and the awareness that instead of living for themselves, they were being called to a mission that would be nothing less than changing the course of history. This is a story we need in our time. Today, many people question the meaning and purpose of life and their identity as human beings. They live with the feeling of alienation, being disconnected from others, a community or past traditions. They feel abandoned in a world of hostile challenges and aimless pursuits.

Easter offers an antidote to these feelings of malaise. It provides a resounding answer to the questions about our meaning and purpose in life by drawing us out of our isolation and inviting us to live within the story of God's love for us – a love that knows no bounds. The message of Easter is simply this: Even though we killed the Son of God, God has not abandoned us. On the contrary. God raised Jesus so that he could come back from the dead to be with us, reminding us that we too are God's sons and daughters. God never abandons us and we should never abandon one another. Easter is our coming home to be God's family.

As we celebrate Christ coming back from the dead to be with us, there is a special joy in being able to return to our parish communities this year after two years of separation due to the pandemic. I urge you to experience that joy. It is the joy the first disciples experienced in being reunited with each other after being scattered in fear and division with the death of Jesus. It was a homecoming in which Christ, who first brought them together along the shores of Galilee, was now calling them to be with him and with each other in a new way.

I invite you to look upon this Easter as new homecoming after being separated by the pandemic. This Easter, discover once again the presence of Christ as your parish community gathers for the Eucharist. Let Easter be a new opportunity to share with your fellow parishioners the experience of having a common purpose, identity and call to leave behind fear and death and make a difference in the world. Take up with fresh energy the task of making disciples, building community and inspiring witness through service in a Church that acts as a field hospital in a suffering world. We need to come together to encounter Christ anew and to rediscover who we are as an Easter People who make a difference in the world. It is in making a difference in the world that we find the answers to the questions about the meaning and purpose of life and our identity. And we do this together, as the disciples of Christ who are raised from the death of fear and isolation to live in relationship with each other, in community. Our parishes depend on each of us to make the personal commitment to form that community of disciples that acts as field hospital for one another and the world. So, as I urge you to return to your parish for in-person worship beginning this Easter, think of it as a homecoming, in which we gather to celebrate Christ rising from the dead because we too have risen from the dead. Happy Easter.

Most Rev. Cardinal Cury

Archbishop of Chicago



Learn at Home, for Individuals & Families

The Forty Days of Lent

The Bible is filled with significant numbers, like 3, 7, 12, and 40. Have you ever wondered why Lent is connected to the number 40?

In the bible, the number 40 is mentioned quite a bit. During the flood, it rains for 40 days and 40 nights on Noah's ark. Moses spends 40 nights on Mt. Sinai. The Jewish people wandered for 40 years in the desert. Goliath taunts the Israelites for 40 days. Jesus fasts for 40 days in the desert. So, consider: What do these events have in common?

They are times of waiting, testing, suffering... and they are all followed by a time of rejoicing. After the flood, the world has been given fresh to humanity. God gives Moses laws of love. The Jewish people are brought to their promised land. David beats Goliath. And Jesus begins his ministry.

Whenever we hear the number "40," we might want to focus on the time of suffering, but God is using this time to prepare us for some "glorious unfolding." We have certainly had our fair share of waiting in the last year, and wonder what God may have in store for us at the end of this pandemic. What might God be asking you to consider, change, or examine as we prepare for that glorious unfolding? And what marvelous calling may the Holy Spirit move us toward when we arrive in that place?

Things to Do at Home:

Pray: Take the 40 second challenge: Start with 40 seconds of daily prayer, and increase the same amount every day.

Do: Establish a new tradition to countdown to Easter with your family. Design a special calendar for kids to mark off, or light a candle each night at dinner to mark the days.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK TO READ & PRAY AT HOME

Masses will be said privately for the intentions listed below.

April 2022

Sunday 03	First Reading Second Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Is 43: 16-21 Phil 3: 8-14 Jn 8: 1-11 +Phillip Meer Castillo, +Amanda Fildes+Lorraine Hansen +Marte Vinzons and +Rosy Cavajal
Monday 04	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Dn 13: 41c-62 Jn 8: 12-20 Our departed Parishioners.
Tuesday 05	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Nm 21: 4-9 Jn 8: 21-30 Our departed Parishioners
Wednesday 06	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Dn 3: 14-20, 91-92, 95 Jn 8: 31-42 +Matt King
Thursday 07	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Jn 17: 3-9 Jn 8: 51-59 +Thomas Cooney Family and Dockery Family
Friday 08	First Reading Second Reading Mass Intentions	Jer 20: 10-13 Jn 10: 31-42 Our departed Parishioners
Sunday 10	Procession First Reading Second Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Lk 19: 28-40 Is 50: 4-7 Phi; 2: 6-11 Lk 22: 14 - 23:56 +Sarah (Sally) Cunningham, +Brian Conneely and +Julio C. Ramirez

For daily readings, please visit www.usccb.org





Highlights of Wearin' the Green



Saint Andrew Foy School of Irish Dance

Chicago Fire Department Bagpipers

Dinner by Chef Giuseppe Tentori & Boka Catering

Champagne Bar and Lounge Area

Bourbon Bar and Lounge Area

Faces of Saint Andrew 2022

Photo Booth

Live Auction, Silent Auction, & Paddle Raise

Sign-up Parties & Teacher Experiences

Golden Getaway Raffle

Winner's Choice Raffle

Live Music by Hello Weekend

Don't Miss Out!!! Buy your tickets now at

www.WearinTheGreen.com

APRIL 30TH 5PM-11:30PM

CHILDREN'S GARAGE SALE

Mark Your Calendars for the
Saint Andrew Children's Garage Sale
Saint Andrew Gymnasium
1658 West Addison, Chicago, IL 60613
Saturday, May 14, 2022
8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m

DONATIONS NEEDED!!!!

Donation Drop Off Dates and Times

(Drop off location at 1658 West Addison
Saint Andrew Gymnasium)

Sunday, May 8 from 10:00am – 12:00pm

Monday, May 9 from 2:45pm - 4:00pm

Tuesday, May 10 from 2:45pm – 4:00pm

Wednesday, May 11 from 2:00pm – 3:00pm

Thursday, May 12 from 11:45 – 1:00pm

Friday, May 13 from 2:45 – 4:00pm

*Please note: First donation date is the week of
the sale!

Donations can include:

- Gently used clothing (except underwear), shoes, coats for infants to pre-teens
- Maternity wear
- Baby gear (except car seats)
- Toys, games, puzzles and books
- Nursery and children's furniture (except drop-side cribs)
- Halloween costumes and holiday outfits
- No car seats of any kind
- No drop-side cribs

We are looking for volunteers for donation collection, set-up and the sale. Times are flexible and children are welcome. Please contact Julie Richards at julie@standrew.org.

Admission to the sale is \$1 donation and sales are cash or credit card.
All proceeds benefit Saint Andrew Parish. Unsold items will be donated to charity.

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
- 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 +Phillip Meer Castillo, +Amanda Fildes+Lorraine Hansen +Marte Vinzons and +Rosy Cavajal

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Enrich – Expand - Grow	
Income	1,881,117
Interest on Income	35,663
Total Income	1,916,780
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)	148,560
Total Expense	943,477
Balance	973,303

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

February 2022 Offering	
Envelopes Collection	7,613
Automated Giving	21,133
Loose Cash	2,180
Total Offertory	33,926
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

March 8th

April 12th

May 10th

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



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