



# Saint Andrew Parish

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“Jesus said ‘Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something’ So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish.” John 21:6

# 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 3pm 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:

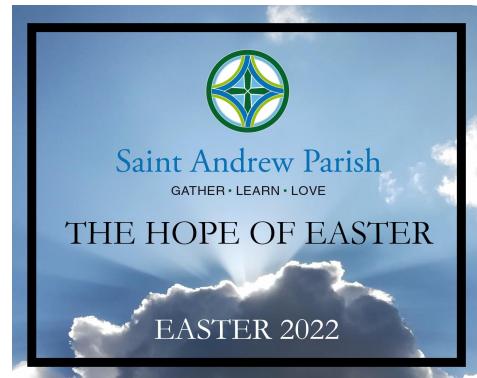
All are welcome to join us for Mass at the following times:

**Saturday Vigil - 4:00pm (except April 16) , Sunday Morning - 9:00am and 11:00am.**

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

## Easter Continues! Happy Easter!

Christ is Risen: The world below lies desolate  
Christ is Risen: The spirits of evil are fallen  
Christ is Risen: The angels of God are rejoicing  
Christ is Risen: The tombs of the dead are empty  
Christ is Risen indeed from the dead, the first of the sleepers,  
Glory and power are his forever and ever.  
— St. Hippolytus of Rome



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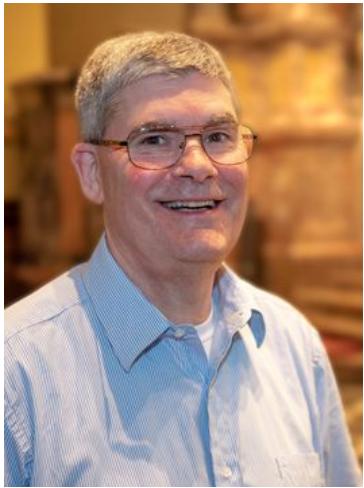
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# Pastoral Letter

by Deacon Eric Sorensen



*Yes,  
we are Easter  
people, for  
the Lord has risen.  
Let us rejoice  
in the Lord  
and  
be glad...Always!*

We witnessed the joy of the risen Christ on Easter. After mass our granddaughters attended an easter egg hunt, but were not allowed to open their eggs until they arrived at our place. They greeted us with big hugs, but quickly ran to the living room and began to open their treasures on the rug. One was a colored beaded bracelet with white beads spelling out Jesus. Another was a colored Cross necklace. As each precious treasure was opened, bracelets and crosses appeared on their arms and around their necks. Soon each adult was presented a cross necklace to wear, amongst squeals of joy. And as we sat done for our Easter feast, they led us in prayer, first signing themselves with the sign of the Cross. Yes, the joys in the Cross through the risen Christ.

We are still celebrating this Easter joy, as the season extends for fifty days until Pentecost, June 5. In our faith we celebrate these days as *one feast day*, indeed as one '**great Sunday**'. (St Athanasius) "Fifty days of 'dwelling in' the paschal mystery! Fifty days of surrendering in joyful faith and love, as the Spirit of God take possession of our lives!" (Nathan Mitchell) But really?

Perhaps our Easter baskets and clothes are already stored away for next year's Easter. Yet, we are reminded in John's Gospel that the celebration is hardly over. This is the third time Jesus appears to the disciples, and Peter in great joy *jumps into the sea*. The risen Christ presents an invitation to them to come and feast with him. This feast reminds us of our own Eucharistic meal, as Jesus always extends to us his invitation to celebrate in his hospitality at each mass. Just as the disciples joyously gathered to celebrate in his hospitality, so we too continue to gather and share in his Eucharistic feast...joyfully!

But, a full fifty days of festive celebration? Well, not fifty days for partying. Instead, "an invitation to explore more deeply 'the weather of the heart,' to awaken our memory of God's presence and power in our lives; to look more closely at all the rich and varied textures of creation." (Nathan Mitchell) The Paschal candle is burning bright before us in our sanctuary. It is our symbol of faith of the presence of the risen Christ among us. A reminder of our Baptismal joy, becoming children of God, and being hugged as God's beloved sons and daughters...'in whom I am well pleased.'

Our granddaughters have returned this past week, during this 'great Sunday'. Again, with big hugs and squeals of joy, they came and sat down to a feast of grandma's treats. And where was the cross? They signed themselves, just as we do at the beginning and end of every mass, as we do for every feast we celebrate at home, and upon the foreheads of those we love. Yes, we are Easter people, for the Lord has risen. Let us rejoice in the Lord and be glad...**Always!**

The Joy of Easter Blessings without end!



## Children's Garage Sale Needs Your Help!

Our Annual Children's Garage Sale will take place on **Saturday, May 14, 2022 from 8:00am to 11:30am**. You may find an item you are looking for or you may be looking to unload items no longer needed. We are seeking donated items and have multiple collection times from May 8 to 13. Read page 6 of the bulletin for more details on items needed and drop off times. Contact Julie Richards if you have questions [julie@standrew.org](mailto:julie@standrew.org)

To Volunteer click [HERE](#)



## Become a Minister of Care

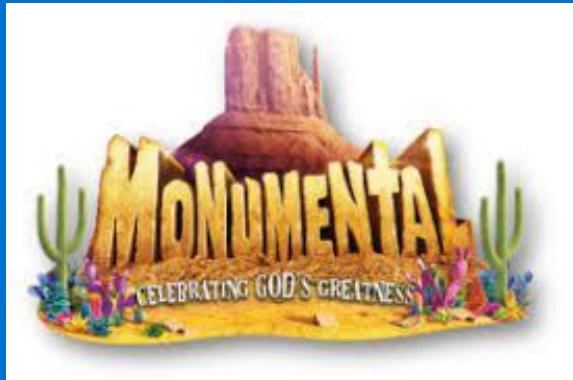
After being put on hold during the COVID-19 pandemic, Saint Andrew Parish is recommissioning its Ministry of Care team and looking for volunteers. Help serve older parishioners who cannot leave to come to church by bringing them Holy Communion and providing short communion services. In particular, we are looking for volunteers who can help bring Communion to the residents of Artis on Ashland Avenue every other Thursday.

Contact Deacon Mark to express interest in volunteering for this important ministry by emailing him at [Mark@standrew.org](mailto:Mark@standrew.org)



## Vacation Bible School - July 18-22

This Summer, Saint Benedict and Saint Andrew will host a 5-day Vacation Bible School from July 18-22, 2022. Vacation Bible School is for rising kindergarteners thru rising 4th graders. the Program will take place in-person on the campus of Saint Benedict Parish Monday through Friday and participants will sing, learn about scripture stories, talk about the saints and grow in faith. Participants will be in small groups, led by our parish youth ministry volunteers. This 3.5 hour day will run from 9:00am-12:30pm. The fee is \$80. per child and \$150. for a family. [Click here](#) to register.



# Learn at Home, for Individuals & Families

## The Easter Season

Pop quiz! Which season is longer: Lent or Easter? Most of us are familiar with the 40 days of Lent, and might think that Easter only lasts one day. But the Easter season officially lasts 50 days!

When we are gathered for mass, we see and hear these changes in the liturgy: the deep purple vestments give way to bright white, the Gloria is sung again, and the bareness of the altar would be covered in beautiful flowers. These signs tell us Jesus is risen!

The Easter season does not end with Jesus' return to heaven, on the Ascension of our Lord. He promised his disciples that he would send an "advocate," which is sometimes translated to "helper." This promise was the gift of the Holy Spirit, which instructs and guides us individually and as a church to grow in love and knowledge of God. We celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost Sunday, which officially concludes the season. (That's this weekend!)

But if the Holy Spirit is still with us, does Easter really end? Maybe not. Saint Augustine once said, "We are an Easter people, and Alleluia is our song!"

### At Home with Emmaus ([Luke 24:13-35](#))

The gospel story of the Road to Emmaus provides us with ways to celebrate the Easter season. We can...

... read the Old Testament, and discover the scripture Jesus "opened" to the disciples. Try [Dt 18:15](#), [Psalm 22:1-18](#), and [Isaiah 53](#)

... go for a walk. Invite Jesus to meet you on the road, especially if your heart feels heavy.

... bake bread; Jesus revealed himself in the breaking of it. [Here are 50 quick breads](#). Hey! That's one for every day of Easter!

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

Masses will be said privately for the intentions listed below.

### May 2022

Sunday <b>01</b>	First Reading Second Reading Gospel  Mass Intentions	<b>Acts 5: 27-32, 40b-41</b> +Rev 5: 11-14 Jn 21: 1-19  +Philip Meer Castillo and +Levy C. Jalbueva
Monday <b>02</b>	First Reading Gospel  Mass Intentions	<b>Acts 6: 8-15</b> Jn 6: 22-29  +Leuvina C. Jalbuera.
Tuesday <b>03</b>	First Reading Gospel  Mass Intentions	<b>1 Cor 15: 1-8</b> Jn 14: 6-14  Our departed Parishioners
Wednesday <b>04</b>	First Reading Gospel  Mass Intentions	<b>Acts 8: 1b-8</b> Jn 6: 35-40  Our departed Parishioners
Thursday <b>05</b>	First Reading Gospel  Mass Intentions	<b>Acts 8: 26-40</b> Jn 6: 44-51  +Thomas Cooney Family and Dockery Family
Friday	First Reading Second Reading  Mass Intentions	<b>Acts 9: 1-20</b> Jn 6: 52-59  Our departed Parishioners
Sunday <b>08</b>	First Reading Second Reading Gospel  Mass Intentions	<b>Acts 13: 14, 43-52</b> Rev 7: 9, 14b-17 Jn 10: 27-30  +Diane Iverson, + Mary E. Kingsley, +Leo Swiatkowski and +Aurora Vinzons

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



# 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](mailto: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 +Philip Mer Castillo and +Levy C. Jalbuena

### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

### PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

## Enrich – Expand - Grow

Income	1,881,117
Interest on Income	35,663
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>1,916,780</b>
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
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>943,477</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>973,303</b>

## March 2022 Offering

Envelopes Collection	5,348
Automated Giving	20,108
Loose Cash	2,439
<b>Total Offertory</b>	<b>27,895</b>
Monthly Budgeted Expenses	38,500
<b>EASTER, 2022</b>	
Envelopes	7,835
Loose Cash	3,034
Automated Giving	7,832
<b>Total Easter Giving</b>	<b>18,701</b>



# Saint Andrew School



Preschool to 8th Grade  
Admission Sessions  
9am

May 10th



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- Full Day Kindergarten program
- A rigorous curriculum tailored to each student
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- Before + After school care
- A vibrant family community

