

GATHER - LEARN - LOVE



"Them I will bring to my holy mountain and make joyful in my house of prayer." *Isaiah 56:7*

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 checkins. 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

Reservations can be made by visiting our website at 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 worship safe!



Congratulations to Deacon Falasiko Matovu

Deacon Falasiko Matovu has been living at Saint Andrew this summer and will be assigned to the parish for the coming year. He was ordained as a transitional deacon this past Wednesday, August 12, 2020.

He plans on being ordained a priest next summer for his home diocese in Uganda. Please keep in in prayer. We give thanks and praise to God for the gift of Deacon Falasiko and his calling to serve the church.

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Pastoral Letter by David Heimann, Pastoral Associate



"Our ministry of education has not stopped."

Dear Parish Family,

As we move into the middle of August, Saint Andrew begins to look and feel different. Parents and children begin to center themselves on the return to school. It is now clear that the pandemic will have a lasting effect on what schools look like and that affects Saint Andrew in more than one way.

Undoubtedly, the most common way that a parishioner interacts with their parish at any age is through some form of a parish's educational ministries. A parish after all is a community of disciples (followers/learners) and learning is central to what a disciple does.

And even as the pandemic lumbers along and the parish cannot exercise the ministry of worship as widely as we once did, our ministry of education has not stopped.

This week, our the faculty of our school will return from their summer break to begin preparations for the opening of our school. New safety procedures and practices await them. Just after Labor Day, our Religious Education program for grades K-8 and the preparation for the sacraments will begin. And our youth group continues to have virtual meetings where our teens deepen their sense of community and trust in God.

All during the pandemic, adult parishioners met in our REBOOT: UPDATE YOUR SPIRITUALITY groups which transferred to Zoom meetings. These groups will begin again after Labor Day. We are also starting education programs for those who wish to become Catholic.

All of this is to say that mission which unites us as a parish hasn't stopped because of the pandemic. Some have enve said to me that the pandemic has demonstrated how important our community is.

I certainly miss seeing everyone on Sundays. I certainly miss being able to attend Mass with others and to receive the Eucharist, but taking these things away from me (for a short time) didn't end my relationship with God. I'm still learning about God's love for me and I'm learning how to echo that love in new ways.

I hope you find the same truth and that you'll connect with Saint Andrew parish as we enter into a new season of learning. Whether a child, a teen, or an adult, we are all here to support one another as we learn more about God together.

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

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



REBOOT: Update Your Spirituality

If you are feeling that the things you were taught years ago about God and faith aren't holding up as an adult living through COVID-19, you're not alone! *REBOOT:* Update Your Spirituality is Saint Andrew's 6-week adult spirituality course that invites adults to have a deeper conversation about faith as adults.

REBOOT will meet on Tuesday nights from 7:00pm to 8:30pm via Zoom starting September 15, 2020 and ending on October 2020. Find out more and register at www.standrew.org/reboot

Join the Reopening Team

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
- the ability to attend and participate in liturgical gatherings of less than 45 people.

Volunteers may serve in multiple areas or on a particular team. To express interest in volunteering, please contact the parish staff at info@standrew.org or call 773-525-3016.





Learn at Home, for Individuals & Families

Heavenly Music

"Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives." (Matthew 26:30)

Have you ever wondered where our tradition of music comes from? As with many of our traditions, Christian music has its roots in Jewish psalms and antiphons. It was likely one of these arrangements the apostles sang together the evening before Jesus was crucified. St. Paul also encourages the early church to "[address] one another [in] psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and playing to the Lord in your hearts" (Ephesians 5:19).

The music we choose to worship with is as varied in style and tone as our own personalities. Some people may find Gregorian chant, such as these recordings by the Benedictine Nuns of St. Cecelia's Abbey, to be uplifting. Taizé Prayer, a meditative form of evening worship that originated in Taizé, France, utilizes mantra songs in communal worship. You can join them live on Saturday evenings by clicking here.

Mass settings vary from one parish to another, and some parishes even change their mass setting seasonally. At Saint Andrew, we used musical arrangements according to the *Mass of Light*. Click here to listen to the the familiar notes of the Gloria - you may find yourself transported to your old pew!

Music is a wonderful gift that can bring healing to our hearts and minds. Whether you prefer to sit and enjoy a recording, or choose to make your own joyful noise, you are joined by the choirs of angels in heaven who praise without ceasing:

"Hosanna in the highest!"

READINGS FOR THE WEEK TO READ & PRAY AT HOME

Masses will be said privately for the intentions listed below.

AUGUST

Saturday Vigil 15	First Reading Second Reading Gospel	Is 56: 1, 6-7 Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 Mt 15: 21-28
Sunday 16	Mass Intentions	+Kim Mathers Heffernan
Monday 17	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	EX 24: 15-23 Mt 19: 16-22 +Our departed Parishioners
Tuesday	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Ez 28: 1-10 Mt 19: 23-30 +Our departed Parishioners
Wednesday 19	First Reading Gospel	Ez 34: 1-11 Mt 20: 1-16 +Fernando Vinzons, Jr.
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Thursday 20	First Reading Gospel	Ez 36: 23-28 Mt 22: 1-14 :
	Mass Intentions	+Our departed Parishioners
Friday 21	First Reading Gospel	Ez 37: 1-14 Mt 22: 31-40
	Mass Intentions	Our departed Parishioners
Saturday Vigil	First Reading Second Reading Gospel	Is 22: 19-23 Rom 11: 33-36 Mt 16: 13-20
Sunday 23		Anniversary Blessings for Daniel and Mary Soloman
	Mass Intentions	+Nancy Stanton

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 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 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

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Enrich – Expand	- Grow
Income	1,677,030
Interest on Income	25,978
Total Income	1,703,008
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
Total Expense	811,347
Balance	891,661

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