



Saint Andrew Parish

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“Then there appeared to them tongues as of fire,
which parted and came to rest on each one of them.”

Acts 2:3

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:

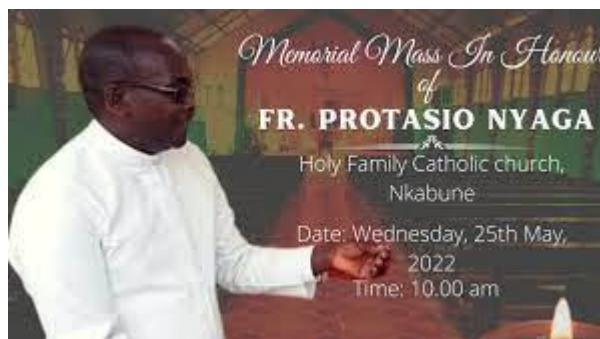
All are welcome to join us for Mass at the following times:

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

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

May he rest in peace:

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Fr. Protasio Nyaga from Kenya. He served at Saint Andrew for a brief period of time many years ago. He was in an auto accident in Kenya and passed away recently. His memorial Mass was on Wednesday, May 25, 2022. More details can be found on the Holy Family Catholic Parish, Nkabune Facebook page. May he rest in peace.



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Pastoral Letter

by David Heimann, Pastoral Associate



“After the traumatic repercussions of Jesus’ death and Resurrection, it took time to learn how to communicate once again.”

There is a lot of noise in our world.

That noise comes from both external and internal sources. Regardless of the stimulus for the noise, the end result is the same. Communication doesn’t take place.

That word “communication” is illusive. We tend to use it use to talk about as a “thing,” or a “subject.” It wouldn’t be unusual for us to hear a friend say, “I was a Communication Major in college,” or in our places of work to have a “Communication Department.” We expect them to handle the technology of websites, emails, pamphlets, and such. We treat “communication” like it is a thing.

But the word “communication” is also the word that we use when receive the Blessed Sacrament at Mass. The verb of our ritual action is that we “communicate” with God.

We’ve lost a sense of connection with that word in our sacred rituals and it takes a feast like Pentecost to help remind us.

At the heart of the feast of Pentecost is that divergent people were able to communicate with one another. No matter their background or the language, they could hear one another. The noise that separated them evaporated and the vitality of God’s Spirit was clear to them.

Like so many things in the Bible, we take the 20 second shorthand of the story which makes it seem like it was instantaneous, but in truth, it probably wasn’t. After the traumatic repercussions of Jesus’ death and Resurrection, it took time to learn how to communicate once again. It took time to overcome the noise that disrupted people from seeing fully the love and mercy of God.

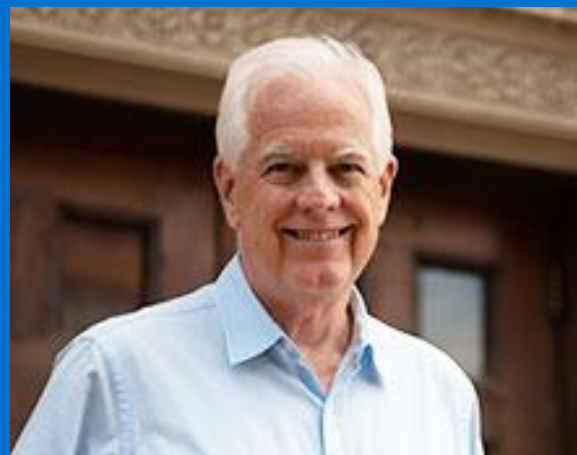
That should give us hope in our own day. We live in a very fractured time where multiple sides can’t hear one another and worse don’t even try. Politics doesn’t just attack the position or debate the opposition, it is a sport that degrades the person behind the position. Our fractured nature bleeds into our actions as well. Our city was waylaid with another 52 people shot last weekend and there is no end in sight to the violence. It has gotten that the noise is so loud, we can’t even hear instructions on how to turn down the volume.

But that’s where the Holy Spirit breaks in and where we can invite the Spirit’s kind and gentle counsel on this feast day. The miracle of Pentecost is not that we as Christians will learn to speak in different languages but rather that we will be able to hear. We’ll be able to penetrate through the noise, hear God’s word, and once again communicate with Him and each other.



Celebrating Mr. Allen Ackermann

For nineteen years in total and for thirteen years as principal, Mr. Allen Ackermann has served Saint Andrew School. He has lent his administrative expertise and leadership to enable the school grow significantly during that time. This year he is retiring and the Saint Andrew community will honor his service at Mass on **Sunday, June 5, 2022** at 9:00am with a reception in the gymnasium to follow. Please join us!



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.



Kairos Retreat for High School Students

Saint Andrew Parish is pleased to support our younger parishioners by partnering with the North Side Kairos which will take place from **Friday, August 19, 2022 at 9:00am to Sunday, August 21, 2022** in the afternoon. We are now accepting registrations for participants and leaders. Participants must be entering their Junior or Senior year of high school or exiting their Senior year. For more information, [read more....](#)



CHILDREN'S GARAGE SALE

Thank you to all that volunteered, donated, and shopped at this year's Children's Garage Sale! To all the middle and high school students who helped with set up and clean up, thank you!

A very special thank you to Gretchen Kren and Katie Kelly for their leadership in chairing the event!

A profit of over \$4,000 was raised for Saint Andrew Parish and School! The Salvation Army and Books4Cause gladly took any and all unsold items/books so the event was a win win!



FALL FLING

Call for volunteers!

Are you looking to get involved? You don't have to play golf or know anything about the game! Join a great committee and meet new people!

First committee meeting before summer break!

June 8, 2022 @ 7:30pm at Bitter Pops (3357 North Lincoln)

SAVE THE DATE:

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2022

SAINT ANDREW PARISH FALL FLING EVENT

Email Julie Richards for more information - julie@standrew.org

Learn at Home, for Individuals & Families

Waiting for the Holy Spirit

“He enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for ‘the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak’ ” (1 Acts 1:4).

In other words: “Ready... set... NOT YET!”

If we were one of the apostles, we might have had a hard time with the concept of waiting. Ours is not a very patient culture - we are used to instant gratification, and speaking what’s on our mind and in our hearts.

Sometimes this is an admirable quality, but it can also lead to impulsive behavior. We can imagine some of Jesus’s apostles were excited, particularly after Jesus rose from the dead. They wanted to get out there and proclaim the good news.

Waiting? No one has time for that! Why does Jesus want them to stay still? He needs to give them something... an advocate: the Holy Spirit. In some books of the Bible, the Spirit is also referred to as the feminine image of Wisdom. (Proverbs 1:20, 8:1-3)

How often do we wait for Wisdom? When we get excited - be it in overwhelming joy or righteous indignation - do we take the opportunity to pray for guidance before we respond? Each one of us has access to this same Holy Spirit through the sacraments we receive and by virtue of our inheritance as children of God.

Maybe we need to spend some time sitting with it while carefully waiting for the spirit of Wisdom to whisper in our ear. Spend some time at home this week inviting the Holy Spirit to be part of your decisions. Pause, reflect, consider what Wisdom might have to say before you make plans. I’ve heard she’s worth the wait!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK TO READ & PRAY AT HOME

Masses will be said privately for the intentions listed below.

June 2022

Sunday Pentecost Sunday 05	First Reading Second Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Genesis 11: 1-9 Ez 37: 1-14 Jl 3: 1-5 +Dagmar Alvarez.
Monday Mary, Mother of the Church 06	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Gn 3: 9-15 Jn 19: 25-34 +Our departed Parishioners
Tuesday 07	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	1 Kgs 17: 7-16 Mt 5: 13-16 Our departed Parishioners
Wednesday 08	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	1 Kgs 18: 20-39 Mt 5: 17-19 Our departed Parishioners
Thursday 09	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	1 Kgs 18: 41-46 Mt 5: 20-26 Our departed Parishioners
Friday 10	First Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	1 Kgs 19: 9a, 11-16 Mt 5: 27-32 Our departed Parishioners
Sunday Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity 12	First Reading Second Reading Gospel Mass Intentions	Prv 8: 22-31 Rom 5: 1-5 Jn 16: 12-15 +Dagmar Alvarez and +Rev. John A. Farry

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
- 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 **+Dagmar Alvarez**

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Enrich – Expand - Grow	
Income	1,883,220
Interest on Income	36,004
Total Income	1,919,224
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)	149,310
Total Expense	944,227
Balance	974,997

PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

April 2022 Offering 3 Weeks	
Envelopes Collection	8,140
Automated Giving	16,408
Loose Cash	2,227
Total Offertory	26,775
Monthly Budgeted Expenses	38,500
EASTER, 2022 April 17, 2022	
Envelopes	9,535
Loose Cash	3,129
Automated Giving	7,832
Total Easter Giving	20,496

