St. Andrew Church

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We welcome the opportunity to serve you.
Parish Office hours are: Monday - Friday, 9:30am to 2:30pm.
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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph ~ December 31st, 2023

ST. ANDREW MASS SCHEDULE:
SATURDAY: 5:15pm
SUNDAY: 8:00am, 10:45am (Family Mass)
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY: 9:00 am

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:
Classes: 1st-4th Grade at 9:30 am on scheduled Sunday mornings. 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th Grades at 7:00 pm on scheduled Wednesday nights.

OUR VISION STATEMENT:
We, the community of St. Andrew, are called and empowered through our Baptism to share in Jesus' mission of building the Kingdom of God.
Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to worship as a community, develop lay leadership and serve the needs of others.
Our prayer is that our dedication to Jesus' mission will be manifested in harmony, growth and love.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:
By the grace of God, we bring Jesus' Good News to Life.

QUEEN OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY MASS SCHEDULE:
SATURDAY: 4:00pm
SUNDAY: 9:30am

RECONCILIATION:
EVERY1ST, 3RD AND 5TH
SATURDAY: 4:15-4:45pm or BY APPT

BAPTISMS:
Baptisms are celebrated the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. Parents are required to attend two preparation meetings. Please call the Parish Office for an appointment.

MARRIAGES:
Parishioners arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the ceremony and before arranging the social plans.

DEVOTION:
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on First Friday, immediately following the 9:00 am Mass until 10:30am.

PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY:
Hours by appointment only.

THE THEME

We are all destined to live in families; Jesus was no exception. Jesus' family, like most of ours, was not a family of great privilege. They fulfilled the ritual requirements of Judaism and returned to their simple lives in Nazareth. There, we can presume, they followed the sometimes difficult call to honor, love and respect one another. . .Just like us.

THE READINGS

GENESIS 15:1-6; 21:1-3: The word of the Lord came to Abraham in a vision.

HEBREWS 11:8, 11-12, 17-19: "Through Isaac descendants shall bear your name."

LUKE 2:22-40: The favor of God is upon Jesus, presented in the temple.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS -

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6th, 2024

5:15PM Mass ***Priest Fr. Peter***
Lector – J. Holden
E.M.'s – J. Kane Zaykowski

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7th, 2024

8:00AM Mass ***Priest Fr. Peter***
Lector – A. Bagnoli
E.M.'s – B. Ploeger

10:45AM Mass ***Priest Fr. Peter***
Lector – R. Kiselyak
E.M.'s –L. Koehne

Moving? Remember to notify us of address or telephone number changes so that our records are always up to date.

MASSES AND SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS REQUESTED BY

MONDAY, JANUARY 1, 2024
NUMBERS 6:22-27; LUKE 2:16-21
8:00 AM ***For the People of the Parish***
10:45 AM ***For the People of the Parish***

TUESDAY, JANUARY 2, 2024
1JOHN 2:22-28; JOHN 1:19-28
MATTHEW 10:17-22
9:00 AM ***For the People of the Parish***

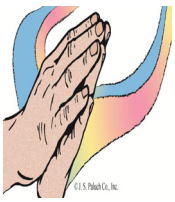
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2024
1JOHN 2:29-3:6; JOHN 1:29-34
9:00 AM ***For the People of the Parish***

THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 2024
1JOHN 3:7-10; JOHN 1:35-42
9:00 AM ***For the People of the Parish***

FRIDAY, JANUARY 5, 2024
1JOHN 3:11-21; JOHN 1:43-51
9:00 AM ***For the People of the Parish***

SATURDAY, JANUARY 6, 2024
1JOHN 5:5-13; LUKE 3:23-38
5:15 PM ***Bob Schmitz, Sr.*** **Rose & Don Hannigan**
Fred Kelsey **Rose & Don Hannigan**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 7, 2024
ISAIAH 60:1-6; MATTHEW 2:1-12
8:00 AM ***Robert Schmitz, Sr.*** **Cheryl & Bill Rozzi**
10:45 AM ***Kathleen McGreevy***
Margaret, Stephen & Tom
Fred Kelsey **St. Andrew**
Anthony Remkus **Justin & Fellow Bus Drivers**



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Most recently: *Nora Cosgrove, Barbara King, Gloria Bennedetto, Rachel Brown, Rita A. Smith, Charlie Greene, Anita Brown, Kathy Delaney, Joe Ploeger, Bob O'Neil, Jerry Grandenetti, Alexander Perricone, Erena Gay O'Brien, Cheryl McMahon, Joseph Santacroce, Lauren Haropolus, James Burke, Leo Green, Paul Fitzpatrick, Joseph Vernice, Melaine Buttonow, Tom Flanagan, Charles Holden*

From Fr. Peter's Desk
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Dear Parish Family:

In our First Reading from Genesis, as well as our Second Reading from Hebrews, we hear how Abraham and Sarah held onto God's Faithful promise to them of descendants and land. Both were advanced in age, but they went out "dwelling in tents", not knowing where they were going. They died seeing neither the promised multiplication of descendants nor the promise land. "Faith is the realization of What is hoped for and evidence of things not seen" (Hebrews 11).

In our Gospel reading, Joseph and Mary offer in the Temple for Jesus' birth a "a pair of turtledoves or two young pigeons." Such a offering is prescribed in Leviticus 12 for the poor who cannot afford a lamb or a sheep. Despite what Joseph and Mary went through and Simeon's pronouncement that "you yourself a sword will pierce", The Holy Family goes on to do the hard work of raising and parenting Jesus. Our Blessed Mother goes on to watch Him be crucified. Their lives were not easy yet they endured and kept their promises to God.

My brothers and sisters in Christ, our three readings today give us an example of enduring faith and love of God, in good times and in bad.

Let us always follow the example given to us not only the Holy Family but also by those who came before them and gave of themselves unceasingly for the Glory of God! May God bless us with courage and strength to persevere in all circumstances, knowing that we are His beloved!

On behalf of Fr. Manuel and the entire staff, may God continue to bless you and your families throughout this New Year.

God Bless You All,
Fr. Peter

Stewardship Reflection

This upcoming year, let us open our hearts and minds to the Lord and let Him guide us.

Living Stewardship

As we enter the new year, make a resolution to deepen your prayer life. Adopt a new spiritual practice, like praying the Rosary daily, attending a weekday Mass or going to confession monthly.

Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary

Weekly goal for 12/24/23:	***$6,400.00***
Sunday Collection for 12/24/23:	***$2,544.00***
Votive Candles for 12/24/23:	***$ 73.00***
Faith Direct Weekly Donations:	***$1,805.00***
Total for 12/24/23:	***$4,422.00***

Lord, Hold these men and women in your loving hands and protect them as they protect us and bless them for their selfless acts. We pray for peace in our world and an end to war. Amen.

Serving in the armed forces:

James Calfa, Michael Borgese, Clint Kelly, Rudy Lunk, Cheryl Scarlato, Darryl Treadwel, Peter Wojciechowski, Russell Little, Maddie Martin, Dylan Kaminski, Zachary North, Ryan S.Gioel, Victoria Selkirk, Connor Doughty Gallagher, Andrew W. Tilton, Cole Yardley, Matt Seel, Mitchell Mavellia, Barney Ales

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Office of Religious Ed Announcements

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! We received many hats, gloves and scarves for the poor children of NYC, and these items were brought into NYC. Your generosity and kindness will help to make the holidays a bit warmer for many.

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Faith Direct

With the dawn of the new year, we continue to rejoice in the birth of our Lord and Savior. I am blessed and thankful for all the gracious gifts that you provided to our parish in the past year. Your prayers support and monetary gifts allow us to continue to spread the Gospel and share God's message of love and peace. I prayerfully ask that you consider using our secure and easy-to-use electronic giving program. To enroll, please visit **faith.direct/NY296** or call Faith Direct Customer Service at 866-507-8757. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

God Bless You,
Fr. Peter

Parish Memorials

St. Andrew's offers different types of memorials which can be donated in memory of a deceased family member or friend, or for the intentions of living individuals for special occasions.
The memorials are as follows:
Bread and Wine: The donation to sponsor the Bread and Wine is either $25.00 for a week or $100.00 for the month
Altar Flowers: The donation to sponsor the Altar Flowers is $150.00 for the week.

The Bread and Wine offered at the Sacrifice of the Mass during the Month of January was given in Loving Memory of Rita M. Smith from Angelo Bagnoli

Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille is a practical program for married couples facing difficult challenges. It is not a marriage retreat, or counseling. You will not be asked to share the personal details of your story. Is your marriage tearing you apart? Do you feel hurt and angry? Is your marriage heading in the wrong direction? Retrouvaille can help. The next weekend is January 19-21, 2024 at The Immaculate Conception Seminary, Huntington. To register or for more information call 1-800-470-2230, HelpOurMarriage.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

St. Andrews Church Mass Schedule:
Daily Mass: Monday-Friday at 9:00AM
Saturday Evening Vigil Mass: 5:15PM
Sunday: 8:00AM and 10:45AM
Parish phone #: 631-725-0123

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary (Bridgehampton) Mass Schedule:
Saturday Evening Vigil Mass: 4:00PM
Sunday: 9:30AM (English)
And 11:00AM (Spanish)
Parish phone #: 631-537-0156

Thank You/Giving Tree

A big Thank You to all who took part in our Giving Tree Program this year. Your generous response was greatly appreciated!

The Rosary Group

Daily, after the 9AM Mass in the church we pray the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Every Tuesday, after the 9AM Mass, in the church we meet to pray the Miraculous Medal Novena followed by the Rosary and Chaplet. Also on Saturdays at 9:30AM we meet to pray the Rosary. All are welcome.

With Every Woman,

For Every Child.

2023 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL
DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

One Family – Journeying together in Communion, Participation and Mission

"Advent, then, is a time for overturning our perspectives … for letting ourselves be surprised by the greatness of God's mercy,"
-Pope Francis

Pause and Reflect this Advent Season

During the Advent Season we are called to slow down during the frenetic season of shopping, visiting friends and family, baking, wrapping gifts and perhaps even studying for finals.

Are you still struggling to get a unique present for someone special? Consider a gift for all seasons – a donation to the Catholic Ministries Appeal. It's a special gift that touches the lives of over 600,000 people by supporting programs that allow us to build of community of faith, hope and love in our diocese and beyond.

How does the **Catholic Ministries Appeal Care for God's People**? It supports programs that help to feed people in our community each year through Catholic Charities and our Parish Outreach programs, providing food and nutrition to more than 15,000 people.

Have you tried Text-to-Give to make a donation! It's fast and secure.

Go to the following link to find your parish's keyword:
bit.ly/3VFrMCE
TEXT your parish's Keyword To:
(516) 271-3338

Please consider donating to the Appeal and making a difference in someone's life.

Make checks payable to: Catholic Ministries Appeal

Parish _____ Pledge: $_____

Name _____ Down payment: $_____

Address_____

City, State, Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Signature: _____ Date:_____

To make a donation, you can also visit **CatholicMinistriesAppeal.org**
or call us at **516-678-5800 ext. 296**

St. Andrew R.C. Church 2023 Holiday Schedule

Please note we will have our usual Sunday 8:00AM & 10:45AM Masses on Sunday, December 31st.

New Year's Schedule

New Year's Eve
Sunday, December 31st
5:15PM

New Year's Day
Monday, January 1st, 2024
8:00AM & 10:45AM