



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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17th Sunday In Ordinary Time ~ July 26th, 2026

ST. ANDREW MASS SCHEDULE:

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Classes: 1st-8th Grade at 9:30 am on scheduled Sunday mornings.

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:

EVERY 1ST, 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.

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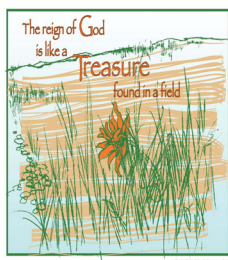
Parishioners arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the ceremony and before arranging the social plans.

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

In today's first reading we will hear a conversation between God and King Solomon. Imagine that God says to you, "Ask something of me and I will give it to you." What would you ask for? Let us calm our minds to hear Solomon's response and then ask God to show us what we need today to become the men and women we are called to be.

THE READINGS

1KINGS 3:5, 7-12: King Solomon prays for wisdom.

ROMANS 8:28-30: All things work for good for those who love God.

MATTHEW 13:44-52: The kingdom is like a treasure.

-SCHEDULE OF EVENTS -

SATURDAY, August 1st, 2026

5:15PM Mass *Priest Fr. Manuel*
Lector – L. Gotko
E.M.'s – J. Markowski

SUNDAY, August 2nd, 2026

8:00AM Mass *Priest Fr. Manuel*
Lector – S. Miller
E.M.'s – B. Ploeger

10:45AM Mass *Priest Fr. Manuel*
Lector – M. Smyth
E.M.'s – A. Opel



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Most recently: Nora Cosgrove, Barbara King, Gloria Bennedetto, Rachel Brown, Anita Brown, Joe Ploeger, Bob O'Neil,

Jerry Grandenetti, Alexander Perricone, Cheryl McMahon, Lauren Haropolus, James Burke, Leo Green, Paul Fitzpatrick, Joseph Vernice, Melaine Buttonow, Tom Flanagan, Michael Myers, Grayson Danielski, Amy Showers, Sam Gehrig, Craig Kollegger, Karel DeBoer, Kenny Hadden, Mary Ann Keller, Terri McMahon, Gail Euvino

MASSES AND SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK

MASS INTENTIONS REQUESTED BY

MONDAY, JULY 27, 2026

JEREMIAH 13:1-11; MATTHEW 13:31-35
 9:00 AM *Irene Hughes* *Bill Hughes*

TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2026

JEREMIAH 14:17-22; MATTHEW 13:36-43
 9:00 AM *For the Intentions of a Parishioner*
St. Andrews

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29, 2026

JEREMIAH 15:10, 16-21; JOHN 11:19-27
 9:00 AM *Carol Martino* *St. Andrews*
Rich Flood *Maryann*

THURSDAY, JULY 30, 2026

JEREMIAH 18:1-6; MATTHEW 13:47-53
 9:00 AM *For the People of the Parish*

FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2026

JEREMIAH 26:1-9; MATTHEW 13:54-58
 9:00 AM *For the Intentions of the Carney Family*
St. Andrews

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1, 2026

JEREMIAH 26:11-16, 24; MATTHEW 14:1-12
 5:15 PM *Nancy Lynch* *Family*
Anna Savene Rosenthal *Johanna Caleca*

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2, 2026

ISAIAH 55:1-3; MATTHEW 14:13-21
 8:00 AM *Ann & Pat McKenna* *Peggy*
Deacon Jack McKenna *Peggy*
 10:45 AM *Ralph Salamone* *Family*
Intentions for Anthony J. Bardinelli
St. Andrews

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



From Fr. Peter's Desk

17th Sunday In Ordinary Time

Dear Parish Family:

In our First Reading from the Book of Kings, the Lord invites Solomon to ask for whatever he wants. Although a mere youth, Solomon is wise enough to ask for an understanding heart so that he can govern God's people wisely. The Lord is pleased with Solomon's request and grants him a heart so wise and understanding so that he will always know what is right and just.

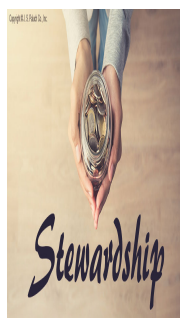
Although St. Paul does not use the word "understanding", he provides us with insight to God's eternal plan for our salvation. God knows us from all eternity. Therefore, God called us, justified us, and glorified us in Jesus Christ. The goal and purpose of our lives is to be glorified in and with the risen Christ.

In today's Gospel, Jesus delivers three parables that reveal the mystery of the kingdom of God Jesus asks "Do you understand all of these things."

Did they understand that the kingdom of heaven is so precious that you ought to sell everything in order to attain it? Did they understand that there will be a final judgment, a sorting of good and evil, at the end of the age? Where do we stand with those questions?

My brothers and sisters in Christ, in today's Gospel, Jesus uses parables to remind us what wisdom in faith looks like in practice. That discerning spirit is a muscle that people of faith are called to exercise; it aids us in our journey of discipleship. Let us pray for strength as we try to bring our faith into practice in our everyday lives.

**God Bless You Always,
Fr. Peter**



Stewardship Reflection

In today's Gospel, Jesus continues teaching us about the Kingdom of Heaven.

Living Stewardship

When we put ourselves at the service of God, we are like the merchant who sold all he had for the pearl of great price. We are showing, with our actions, that heaven is so important to us.

Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary

Weekly goal for 7/19/26:	\$7,200.00
Sunday Collection for 7/19/26:	\$6,796.00
Votive Candles for 7/19/26:	\$ 207.00
Parish Soft Weekly Donations:	\$1,805.00
Total for 7/19/26:	\$8,808.00



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, Eric Prime, Jr., Ava Yardley



The Bread and Wine offered at the Sacrifice of the Mass during the Month of July was given in memory of Rita A. Smith (2nd Anniversary) From Charles A. Corcione

ParishSOFT Giving

As of March 16, 2026 Faith Direct will no longer be able to be accessed. With the transition to ParishSoft Giving completed, all relevant data is now in ParishSoft Giving and donors should be logging in to ParishSoft Giving for all electronic records and information. Any questions or concerns, please reach out to Donor Support at 866-930-4774 Option 6 or email at donorsupport@parishsoft.com. We look forward to our continued partnership with ParishSoft Giving.

*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 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.

Retrouvaille

Retrouvaille a lifeline for Married Couples. If you want a better marriage, don't wait get help now. Retrouvaille's unique 3-phase program offers practical instruction on communication techniques designed to deepen closeness and intimacy in your relationship. The marriage you've always wanted is within reach-take the first step and claim it today! The next weekend is coming up September 25-27th, 2026 at the Immaculate Conception Seminary, Huntington, NY. Call 1-800-470-2230 with any questions.

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

2026 Catholic Ministries Appeal

Parish Goal **\$39,795.00**

Number of Donors **36**

Total Amount Pledged **\$21,105.00**

Pallottine Mission Appeal

Our Diocese authorizes a special collection once a year for the Pallottine Mission Appeal. As most of you know, our Pastor, Fr. Peter and Associate Pastor, Fr. Manuel, are priests of the Pallottine Community. We will hear about the missionary work of the Pallottines in India and take up a second collection at our Masses on August 1st and 2nd.





United for Life PRESENTS Life Rosary Retreat



**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 26, 2026
9AM - 5PM
Breakfast & Lunch
included**



**At the
Shrine of Our Lady
of the Island
258 Eastport Manor Rd.
Manorville, NY**



**Guest Speaker
Clare Hinshaw**

Young America's
Foundation (YAF)



RETREAT SCHEDULE

- 9:00-11:00 Coffee/Bagels-Intro w interactive faith filled activities
- 11:30-12:30 Mass
- 1-1:45 Lunch
- 1:45-3 Life Rosary
- 3-3:30 Divine Mercy Chap.
- 3:30-4:30 Guest Speaker
- 4:30-5 Conclusion

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join us
celebrate LIFE!
use code:
Religious ED 2026



Inviting all
pro-lifers to
join us!
\$10 Donation

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2025 - 2026 RELIGIOUS ED PROGRAM REPORT, St Andrew, Sag Harbor

This past year, 86 people participated in faith formation in the **St Andrew Parish**

Religious Education Program, including:

OCIA (full initiation into the Church, Easter 2026)	1 person
OCIA (Sacrament of Confirmation at Pentecost 2026)	2 people
Confirmation Program (middle and HS students, ant. Oct 2026)	11 students
First Communion (elementary students, May 2026)	15 students

Pope Leo xiv, an American Augustinian friar elected in May 2025, consistently emphasizes building unity and communion in the rich teaching and spirituality of the Catholic Church.

By imbuing our Religious Ed curriculum in God's *Holy Scriptures*, in the *Sacraments*, and most especially meeting the *faith witness* of catechists and our Parish community, we accompany our families and children on that path.

Building a religious education program in St Andrew's presents **blessings and challenges**: the culture of family life on the east end and our pastoral life is impacted by wide geographic spread of our community. Thus, parents continually balance their own personal, familial, & personal responsibilities in scheduling and transporting their children to and from school, sports, performance & arts activities, social experiences, as well as to the Religious Education Program.

These challenges impact "*the when, where, and how*" our religious ed program in St Andrew's is organized (in only four rooms available for classes).

However, the challenges are offset by the encouraging and inspiring support of our priests, pastoral staff, the amazing generosity of our catechetical volunteers, and the goodness of our parishioners.

Changes in the scope and process of the program, the curriculum and more direct communication with families that were enacted two years ago continue to show positive results. The changes were made as a response to patterns of low attendance in class and family engagement data.

So, we started the transformation by centering the program around the **Sunday 10:45 Family Mass in St Andrew's**. But, in order to bring the entire program to Sunday mornings, the curriculum we adopted needed to be more focused on the "**Three S's of Roman Catholicism**:"

- Salvation history*: rooted in reading and studying the Sacred Scriptures;
- "Systematics"*: the vocabulary of Trinity, Church, Sacraments, Holy Mass, etc.;
- Spirituality*: traditional prayers, Rosary, devotions such (as Stations of the Cross), *Lectio Divina* meditation, etc.

And this year, as a program-wide social justice service project to address critical food insecurity locally, our children and parents donated several hundred pounds of non-perishable food items to the Sag Harbor Food Pantry. Many thanks to parishioner (and Religious Ed Program parent) Michael Tracy for facilitating food deliveries!!

Our new simplified, dynamic, vocabulary-based, theme-centered, “hands on” approach enables our children and families to encounter our Lord and His Church in what is the best of our Catholic tradition. I think we can all agree there has been a positive impact in the engagement of the children and families in our parish and in the faith: **by regular attendance at the 10:45 Family Mass, the children and parents are accompanied by our entire parish in their journey of faith.**

No one person can execute a program of this scope. **I am forever thankful to the volunteer catechists** who share their faith with the children over hours of service. So, to Donna Izenberg, Margaret Smyth, Helen Chisolm, Cristina Follendelas, Betsy Remkus, Marguerite Basti, Lance Gotko, Carol Hyde and Paul Gereck: **Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!** Your witness to our faith, dedication, creativity, generosity, flexibility, and sense of humor are inspiring to me and is much appreciated.

Our priests, **Father Peter, Father Manuel, Pastoral Minister Robert and secretary Jeanne Brown** provide the spiritual guidance, support and pastoral leadership that enables the formation of us all into the Communion of the Body of Christ in the Church. We are so fortunate for these kind, holy men and their service to our community! Personally, I am most grateful for their generosity and patience with me in support of the children!

Please stay tuned and be sure to read our periodic announcements and emails going forward during the summer. Please be aware:

- We ALWAYS need more catechists (if interested, even part-time, PLEASE call us),
- The registration for 2026-27 will be open online in the parish website in August,
- We're looking to improve our information-sharing (including social media).

If you wish to offer assistance on any aspects of the program, please contact me.

Our sole purpose is to **support our parents in their role as “first and most important teachers” in the faith of the children.**

Parents, many thanks for trusting us in partnering with you in that role. It is an honor and blessing to know you and work with your children.

We are always grateful for the prayers and support of our wonderful parishioners!

Parents, don't forget to pray with your children and for all of us!!

Enjoy the summer! I hope to see you around and about Sag Harbor and Bridgehampton, at St Andrew's and QMHR, and especially at Sunday Mass!