ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

A community that is centered in Jesus, gathers in worship, witnesses the Gospel, and ministers to the spiritual and material needs of the people.

Served by:
Rev. Gregory A. Stankus, Pastor
Gregory Dixon, Deacon
Ann Smyth, Director of Religious Education
Carmen M. Ramirez, Asst. for Religious Education for Latinos
Susan Georgini, Coordinator of Parish Ministries
Patricia Corbett, Parish Secretary
Christine Kemp, Parish Secretary
Sergio Sandí, Music Director

Mass Schedule
Daily: 9am
(9am Thursdays: Communion Service)
Saturday Vigil: 5pm
Sunday: 9am, 11am and 12:30pm (bilingual)
Holy Days: 9am and 7:30pm (bilingual)

Morning Prayer
8:45am

Sacraments
Baptisms In English: Fourth Saturday each month at 2pm (except during Lent and August). To register, call for an appointment at the Parish House to arrange for Baptism. Birth Certificate is required.
Marriage Couples should speak with a priest or deacon at least six months before the desired wedding date.
Confessions Saturdays at 4:30pm or by appointment at the Parish House.
Eucharist for the Homebound Eucharistic Ministers are available to bring communion to the homebound. Call the Parish House to make arrangements.
For emergencies and to make arrangements for sick calls, wakes or funerals, call the Parish House at any time.

Second Sunday of Easter
Sunday of Divine Mercy
April 8, 2018

All are welcome! ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

Parish House e-mail: standrewrc@gmail.com Pastoral Planning Council e-mail: standrewppc@gmail.com
REFLECTION

On Thursday, a Jesus was betrayed and taken into custody for unstated crimes. Less than 24 hours later, the arrest turned into a death sentence to be carried out that very afternoon. Most of the disciples fled, including Thomas. He would have heard of the events of Good Friday secondhand, in shock over the death of Jesus. Sunday morning arrives with joy from a few disciples - Jesus is risen, but there is no persistent sight of him, only Mary Magdalene's quick moment in the garden and an empty tomb. The Apostles are gathered the next day, but Thomas is absent, returning to a jubilant report of the risen Lord. Again, Thomas has seen nothing.

The experience must have been surreal. Did Jesus really appear raised from the dead? Thomas insists, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

After his resurrection, Jesus' body is restored. Jesus retains his scars that we might know him. In our lives, we make our own mistakes, our own betrayals and compromises. In the resurrected Jesus, we see a God who does not forget his own sorrow. We are invited to meet him and place our hand on his own nail-scarred palm, the eternal sign of his everlasting mercy.

LEONARD BUTLER

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY


ON THE CALENDAR

Monday, April 9
7:30pm Jornada Meeting (KH)

Wednesday, April 11
9:30am Miraculous Medal Novena (CHU)
9:30am Communion & Liberation (CHU)
8pm Communion & Liberation (PHDR)

Thursday, April 12
9:30am Rosary (CHU)
3:45pm Religious Ed Classes (KH, CHU)

Friday, April 13
4pm Daisy and Brownies Girl Scout Meetings (KH)
5:15pm Junior and Cadette Girl Scout Meetings (KH)
7pm Religious Ed Classes, Gr. 6, 7 and 8 (KH, CHU)

Saturday, April 14
9:30am Rosary (CHU)
10am Religious Ed Classes, Gr. 1 to 5 (KH, CHU)
4:30pm Confessions (CHU)

Sunday, April 15
10:15am Rosary (CHU)
9:30am Religious Ed Class, Grade 2 (PHDR)
11am Children’s Liturgy of the Word (PHLR)
1:30pm NYU Langone Women’s Health Center Visit

CONTRIBUTIONS STATEMENT

Please call the Parish House if you would like to receive the statement of your contributions for the year 2017.

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ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GROUP FOOD PANTRY

Your donations to the pantry of non-perishable food is truly appreciated. Please place your donations in the baskets located in the Gathering Spaces. Especially needed are cans of pork and beans, macaroni and cheese, Carnation milk, condiments and pasta. The next monthly distribution is on Wednesday, April 18, from 9:45am to 10:45am, in Kiernan Hall. (There is no pick-up service from your home.) The próxima distribución de comida será el miércoles, 18 de abril, de 9:45am a 10:45am. La documentación no es necesaria.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Flyers are being distributed in the neighborhood giving false information about our food panty. Please know there is NO pick-up service from your home to our food pantry. Do not leave food at your front door.

BOOK AND FILM CLUB

TUESDAY, APRIL 24, IN THE PARISH HOUSE, 7:30PM

The book for the April meeting is The Second Mrs. Hockaday, by Susan Rivers. The book for the May meeting on May 22 is A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman. All are welcome!

WOUNDED PILGRIMS SUPPORT GROUP

NEXT MEETING: FRIDAY, MAY 4, 8PM TO 10PM

On the first Friday of each month, there will be a support group, “Wounded Pilgrims,” for those who have experienced abuse in the name of God. We meet in the Parish House living room from 8pm to 10pm. For questions or information, contact Maureen Griffo at 718-496-3091.
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

GENERATIONS OF FAITH
WE ARE IN YEAR 3 (OF 5)

Goal Amount: $380,000
Amount Pledged (over 5 years): $784,780
Pledged Amount paid to date: $308,079
Amount delinquent (please pay your pledge): $44,734
Amount paid to parish (for roofs): $83,000
Amount due to parish (for electrical): $51,415

In order to continue repairs on our parish buildings, we need you to continue your pledge promises for the next 2 years. If you have not taken a pledge for Generations of Faith and would like to help us repair our buildings by making a pledge, please contact Christine at the Parish House, Tuesdays thru Fridays - 12:30pm to 4pm. Please help. Thank you.

Fr. Greg

THANK YOU

The Outreach Committee of the Parish Council would like to thank all the parishioners of St. Andrew’s who participated in the Bread for the World 2018 Letter Writing Campaign. More than 475 letters were signed and collected over the weekends of March 10-11 and March 17-18. On behalf of the St. Andrew the Apostle faith community, John Kemp will be attending the Bread for the World Lobby Day in June and will hand deliver your letters to U.S. Senators Gillibrand and Schumer and U.S. Representatives Donovan and Nadler. Your letters have become part of a collective Christian voice urging our nation’s decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad.

Your part in advocating for the hungry and poor is one of the many ways that the parishioners at St. Andrew’s make their Christian faith manifest. We will update you over the coming months of the impact that your letters are having.

MOVIE NIGHT
SATURDAY, APRIL 21, 7PM IN KIERNAN HALL

Come, join the WAY Ministry for our monthly movie. This month’s feature is “The Other (4th) Wise Man.” Although this film is sometimes mistaken for a Christmas classic, it is a film that can be shown year round and for the entire family. This is a must see film that will warm your heart.

“The Other (4th) Wise Man” is a story written by Jerry Van Dike and is based upon Matthew’s Gospel, 25:36-40. It is about one man, Artaban, who saw the star in Bethlehem and decided to sell everything he had in exchange for three precious stones: a ruby, sapphire and pearl to give to the new born king. Despite many disappointing attempts to meet the Christ King, Artaban was always one step behind. Artaban spends most of his remaining wealth, the three stones to help the poor and unfortunate. Now old and on the verge of dying, Artaban believes he will never meet Christ and has nothing left to offer to him, so heeds for home. Little does Artaban realize that Christ has been with him all along the path of his life and is told so on Easter Sunday morning.

P. Greg

OPEN MASS INTENTIONS

July 8 Sunday 12:30pm
August 5 Sunday 12:30pm
August 8 Wednesday 9am
August 12 Sunday 9am, 12:30pm
August 15 Wednesday 7:30pm
August 19 Sunday 9am
August 28 Tuesday 9am
September 1 Saturday 9am
September 2 Sunday 12:30pm

Visit the Parish House Office to register your Mass intentions. The offering for an announced Mass is $15 for weekday Masses and $20 for Saturday evening. Sunday and holy day Masses.

Por favor, visite la oficina de la parroquia, en horario de oficina, para registrar sus intenciones para las misas. La ofrenda de una misa solicitada es de $15 para las misas entre semana y $20 para la noche del sábado, domingo y misas de días santos.

OF NOTE FROM THE WAY MINISTRY

Young Adult Retreat—Called to Hope, a springtime retreat for young working adults, singles and couples. Join us for an afternoon of fellowship, reflection and discussion with special guest speaker, Sister Maria Teresa, CFR, on Sunday, April 15, at 2:30pm; Mass at 5pm; discussion and pizza dinner at 6pm; Holy Hour at 7pm. Location: Most Precious Blood Parish, 32-23 36th St Astoria, NY. For more information and to register in advance: Qns1YA@gmail.com

PARISH COUNCIL: The members of the Parish Council are Maryann Coluccio, Christopher Famen, Jorge Gordillo, Christine Kemp, John Kemp, Annemarie Leyden, Lois Seelandt, Ray Wendt and Pierre Leu, the facilitator. To let the Parish Council know of your concerns, leave a message at the Parish House for any of the Council members.
PAX CHRISTI - PEACE OF CHRIST

The Pax Christi Committee gathered more ways for you to celebrate Earth Day on April 22. Events listed can be educational, volunteer opportunities, or just fun. See if there is an event that might inspire you to work to save the planet.

ST. ANSELM CHURCH, 83RD STREET/4TH AVENUE, BROOKLYN — Recycling event in the parking lot on Saturday, April 21, 11am to 3pm. Electronic and prescription drug recycling, and Goodwill.

THE MUSEUM OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK: Celebrates Earth Day on April 22 — http://www.mcny.org/event/earth-day-celebration

WATERFRONT ALLIANCE — A non-profit alliance to protect NY and NJ waterways and shore lines have aggregated members events. http://waterfrontalliance.org/

GOWANUS CANAL CONSERVANCY: Are sponsoring Earth Day planting and stewardship at the canal-side Salt Lot location — https://gowanuscanalconservancy.org/volunteer/

SCA, STUDENT CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION: Is celebrating its 60th anniversary by sponsoring 60 events across the US on Earth Day — four projects are in NYC — https://www.thesca.org/earthday

AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY: Special Earth Day Celebration April 22 — https://www.amnh.org/calendar/earthfest

FOLEY SQUARE RALLY: Rally in support of political action to save the Earth. Sponsored by the Sierra Club and United Action - Saturday, April 22, 2017, 12 noon, Foley Square at Worth and Centre Street — http://nyc.sierraclub.org/?event=earth-day-rally

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ROCK PAINTING IN KIERNAN HALL AFTER ALL Masses ON EARTH DAY, APRIL 22!

LET'S CREATE A PARISH "PEACE ROCKS!!" GARDEN! JOIN IN THE FUN OF THIS PARISH PROJECT!

The rocks you decorate will help make the "Peace Rocks!!" Garden - Rocks, markers, paints and brushes will be supplied - Acrylic paint and permanent marker will be used - Bring a smock or tee shirt to protect clothing - Write a peace-filled quote; or create a one-of-a-kind design; or follow a sample design; or just colorfully paint the rock - YOU CAN DO THIS! - The rock garden will be located in the space between the main church steps and the Parish House so we will be able to see it every time you come to church to remind us of our mission to create a peaceful world - When we have a peaceful world, our Earthly home becomes even more beautiful!

Would you like to help with this activity? Contact Christine Kemp at 917-589-5104 or chriskemp1014@gmail.com.

All of this is brought to you by St. Andrew's Pax Christi Committee
Maryann Coluccio, Maggie Dixon, Terry Febles, Christine Kemp and John Kemp

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MOBILE TECHNOLOGY CLASS
SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 2PM IN KIERNAN HALL

Come and join the WAY Ministry for a mobile technology class. Refreshments will be served. There is no cost for this class, but donations can be given to help offset the cost of printing off materials to be given.

SHAPE UP NYC

Free Zumba classes are offered on Wednesdays at Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Notre Dame Hall, 558 59th Street, Brooklyn. Last class: May 25. The classes are sponsored by the Faith Health Partnerships Family Health Center at NYU Langone

FOR YOUR INFORMATION / PARA SU INFORMACIÓN

There are some Saturday and Sunday evenings during the year when we are able to offer the Lower Church (Kiernan Hall) for private parties. The limit is 100 people and the times would usually be 6pm to 11pm. The cost is $1,000, including set-up, clean-up and lock-up. If anyone is interested, please speak with Fr. Greg.

Hay algunas tardes de sábado y domingo durante el año en los cuales podemos ofrecer la Iglesia de abajo (Kiernan Hall) para fiestas privadas. El límite es de 100 personas y las horas por lo general serían de 6pm a 11pm. El costo es de $1,000, incluyendo decoración, limpieza y cerrar la iglesia. Si alguien está interesado, por favor hable con el Padre Greg

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COUPON
Vesuvio Restaurant and Pizzeria is a family-oriented restaurant at 7305 3rd Avenue, Brooklyn, NY, 718-745-0222. Vesuvio is participating in a 5% rebate campaign with St. Andrew the Apostle Church.

Please present this coupon with your bill and St. Andrew’s will receive 5% of your bill as a donation to the church. This coupon is only good for EAT IN dinners on “NON” holiday/special menu days.
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April 7
5pm  William J. Carman

Sunday, April 8
9am  Mary Guarino (living)
11am  Maria
12:30pm  Germain Muniz Garcia

Monday, April 9
9am  Giovanni Inserro

Tuesday, April 10
9am  Nora Toscano

Wednesday, April 11
9am  Edmund and Dorothy Pepper

Thursday, April 12
9am  Communion Service

Friday, April 13
9am  Amada and Felix Bautista

Saturday, April 14
9am  Jane Gilliland
5pm  Alfred Fiorentino

Sunday, April 15
9am  Anne Lavelle
11am  Daus Montemarano and Migliore Families
12:30pm  Ivonne Anorve Jaimes

OFFERINGS

BREAD AND WINE
TABERNACLE CANDLE
ALTAR CANDLES
In loving memory of
Beata Carman, Judy Palmiere and Samantha Palmiere
from Beatrice Carman

IN OUR PRAYERS

Remember the sick of our parish in your prayers.
Trudy Burke, Stephanie Cioffi, Cathy Conyers, Sr. Jacinta Cullinan, Maria Teresa Esteves, Margaret Galligan, Brenna Gannon, Eileen Gavigan, Philip Georgini, Bob Gulbin, Eleanor Hagestad, David Johnson, John Kitson, Frank Mejia, Kathleen Moringiello, Bartley Regan, Caitriona O’Neill-Rifesser, Stephanie Piettek, Karen Ryan, Josefa Soler, Joan Stillwell, Leo Sweeney and Elina Mazzei Siebel

Pray for all those who have gone before us
marked with the sign of faith, especially
John Mulligan
and those remembered in our Easter Flower offerings

Remember our service men and women
serving around the world and the wounded.

PLEASE LET US KNOW

Please call the Parish House to let us know if there is someone who is sick and who you would like to be mentioned and prayed for at the Prayer of the Faithful at the Sunday Masses.

IN LOVING MEMORY / EN CARIÑOŚO RECUERDO

A special way to remember your deceased is to offer the hosts and wine, altar candles or tabernacle candle in their memory during one of the weeks of the year. The donation for each of these memorials is $25 for the week, and your intention is printed in the bulletin that week. Please visit the Parish House Office to register your intention for one of these special memorials

Una manera especial de recordar a sus difuntos es ofrecer las hostias y el vino, las velas del altar o las velas del tabernáculo en su memoria, durante una de las semanas del año. La donación para cada una de estas ofrendas es de $25 para la semana, y su intención se imprime en el boletín de la semana. Por favor, póngase en contacto con la oficina de la parroquia para registrar su intención de uno de estos actos de recuerdo especiales.

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS

Gluten-free hosts are available. Please mention your need to a Eucharistic Minister prior to the beginning of Mass.

ST. EPHREM SPIRITUALITY CENTER
935 BAY RIDGE PARKWAY, LOWER LEVEL, 718-921-9518

Bereavement Sessions: Mondays, April 9, 16, 23, 30; May 7, 14, 21. Exploring the Sunday Readings: Thursdays, April 19; May 3, 17; June 7.

ATTENTION ALL GROUPS AND COORDINATORS: Information for the bulletin must be submitted two weeks prior to the date you want the information in the bulletin. Pulpit announcements must be submitted by Wednesday for the coming Sunday. Send by e-mail to standrewrc6713@gmail.com or call the Parish House Office.