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TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - SEPTEMBER 17, 2017



Welcome

The Saint Andrew's Roman Catholic Church mission is to spread the love of Jesus Christ through active ministry, inclusive worship and charitable works for our community and the world. We invite all who live in our area to join our parish community by calling the Parish Center or by seeing one of the priests.

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PARISH CENTER OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY, WEDNESDAY
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM
TUESDAY, THURSDAY
9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
FRIDAY 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM
SATURDAY 9:00 AM to NOON

**TO REACH ONE OF OUR PRIESTS
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MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Those who are sick, homebound or in the hospital are a vital part of our parish family. Please call the Parish Center to arrange for reception of the Eucharist and Anointing of the Sick.

COME WORSHIP WITH US

On the Lord's Day

Saturday 5:00 PM
Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:15 PM
7:00 PM (Spanish Mass)
Last Sunday of Each Month 4:30 PM (Filipino Mass)

Daily

Monday - Saturday 9:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00 - 4:30 PM
Sunday 9:30 AM - 10:15 AM

Devotions

Eucharistic Adoration Thursdays 9:30 AM—3:00 PM (Chapel)
Rosary and Holy Hour Thursdays @ 7:00 PM (Chapel)
Rosary Saturdays 6:00 PM (Spanish)
Monday - Saturday 9:45 AM (Chapel)

OUR PARISH FAMILY

New parishioners may register by calling the Parish Center. Current parishioners should notify us of any changes in their status such as births, deaths, marriages, change of address, etc. Registration is a prerequisite for receiving the Sacraments.

OUR NEW AND IMPROVED WEBSITE

Our website has been updated and contains a link to our Facebook page.
Go to www.standrewcc.com St Andrew's Church (Facebook).
YOU CAN ALSO VIEW THE SUNDAY BULLETIN ON OUR WEBSITE.

SAINT ANDREW'S CHURCH, WESTWOOD

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

- MONDAY, September 18
9:00 AM Joan Ryan - Her Family
- TUESDAY, September 19
9:00 AM Aurelia Germinario - Laura Germinario
- WEDNESDAY, September 20
9:00 AM Joseph Sauer - The Sok Family
- THURSDAY, September 21
9:00 AM Juliann Franchina - Her Family
- FRIDAY, September 22
9:00 AM Catherine Dwyer - St. Andrew's Parish Staff
- SATURDAY, September 23
9:00 AM Casimir Tokarski - His Daughter
5:00 PM Elysha Leh (11 yr. old birthday) - Her Family
- SUNDAY, September 24
8:00 AM Elizabeth Krone - Dotty Voorhis
10:30 AM Gary Jones - The Nuara Family
12:15 PM Bert Bluhm (Living - Birthday)
- Joan & Don Weinpahl
7:00 PM Orlando Martinez - Saulo Espinosa

Those who have pre-arranged a Mass intention, are invited to present the gifts of bread and wine during that celebration. On the Lord's Day and Holy Days, please inform the usher.

If there is anyone you would like to add /remove, please call the Parish Center at 201-666-1100.

“To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven.” Ecclesiastes 3:11

“A time to be healed”

For those who are ill, especially: Msgr. Thomas McCarthy, Gilda Gilmartin, Barbara & Dave Stewart, Chris Napoli, Joan Shaw, Robert Lebron, Craig Carosella, Leonora Paul, Rosemary Giordano, Michael Bodtman, Olivia Liferieri, Cathy Wojcicki, Corey Rooney, Naomi Barbaretti, Lee Ann Fernino, Daniel Swift, Tara Abbott, Deyanira Pineda and Octavio Galvez, Grace Skuches, Kathleen S., Joey Bulger, Shannon Casey, Mary & Lou Pulver, William Quinn, Christopher P. Marra, Ada Binder, Mary Rebish, Frank Mills, Patricia Massey, Nancy DeMeola, Jody Soluri, Brian Fitzpatrick, Terry Rekow, Pauline Olds, Vincent Ficarra, Kay Vanderhoof, Roselaine Fernino, Susan McShane, Mclean Ambrogio, Lois Re, Anna Meehan, Ed Marlow, Carol Petrucelli, Richard Mastrangelo, Marguarite O'Brien, Judy Murtagh, Fr. Ward Moore, Jim Ferris, Denise Robertson, Diane Mariconti, Lucrezia, Barquest Family, Joseph & Amelia G. Luongo, Stan Varon, Joan Casey, Kathleen S., Edward Heinz, Pasquale Germinario, Rosolino Salerno, Helen Stipo, Timothy Lynch, Jessica Livingstone, Carmina Sclafani, Paul L. Clark, Lurdes Salazar, Robert Pisani, Ronnie Koppinger, Fred DeRobertis, Annette Pennington.

“A time for peace”

For those serving in the Armed Forces, especially:
Alma & Michael Baffa, Dillon Heyliger and Jeffrey Gum.

“If today, you hear his voice...”

For those studying for the priesthood/diaconate, especially:
Pedro Soriano, our parishioner, seminarian.
Paul Zeller, our parishioner, Diaconate candidate.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- MONDAY, September 18
Religious Education 3:45 PM (Parish Ctr.)
Charismatic Prayer Group 7:45 PM (MPR)
- TUESDAY, September 19
8th Grade Large Group 6:00 PM (Gym)
Choir Practice 7:30 PM (Church)
- WEDNESDAY, September 20
ESL 7:15 PM (3rd Fl)
- THURSDAY, September 21
Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 AM-3:00 PM (Chapel)
Spanish Women's Group 6:00 PM (MPR)
Rosary and Holy Hour 7:00 PM (Chapel)
Food Pantry 7:30 PM (Church Hall)
- FRIDAY, September 22
Spanish Youth Group 6:30 PM (3rd Fl. & MPR)
- SATURDAY, September 16
Men's Cursillo 8:00 AM (MPR)
AA Meeting 10:30 AM (Church Hall)
Reconciliation 4:00 PM (Church)
(Carport Entrance)
Spanish Prayer Group 6:30 PM (Chapel)
- SUNDAY, September 23
Filipino Mass 4:30 PM (Church)

ROSARIES NEEDED

Please donate any old, unused or broken rosary beads that you might have. Containers will be placed on the tables at the rear of the Church and outside the Chapel for your donations throughout the month of September. Many thanks for your support.

PRAYER INTENTION FOR THIS WEEK

Please join with us in praying one OUR FATHER per day for our parishioners and friends who serve in the military as well as for our police, firefighters and first responders who all serve to protect us.

WHAT IS DISCOVERING CHRIST?

Discovering Christ consists of seven weekly sessions and a retreat day. The weekly sessions include four components:

- a simple Sunday dinner and prayer time
- an inspirational teaching and a small group discussion.

The program will run from January 28 through March 18 with a Saturday retreat on March 3. The Sunday sessions will be held from 4:00-6:30 PM.

For more information, fill out the cards in the back of the church or at the parish center or visit www.standrewwcc.com.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

- 1ST READING ISAIAH 55:6-9
- 2ND READING PHILIPPIANS 1:20C-24,27A
- GOSPEL MATTHEW 20:1-16A



Pastoral Reflection

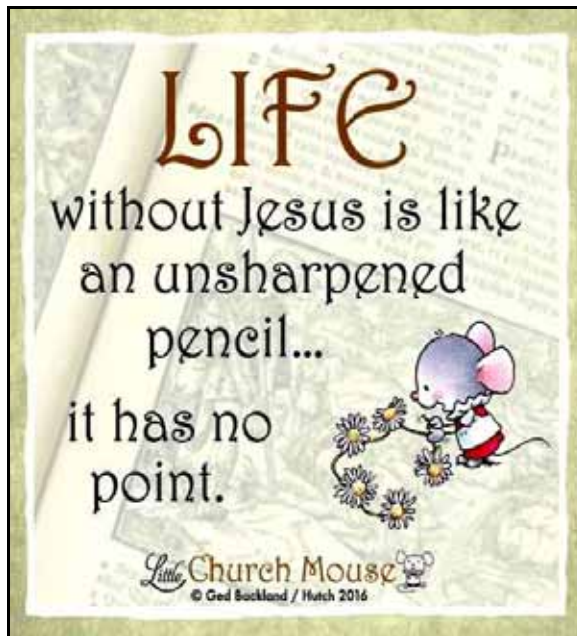
STOLEN LOAF OF BREAD

During the Great Depression, a New York City woman was caught stealing a loaf of bread. Mayor Fiorello LaGuardia, the colorful mayor of New York City often rode with police and firefighters to get a sense of his city. On the night the woman appeared in court, Mayor LaGuardia was serving as the judge.

She told him she had taken the bread because her daughter was sick and had been abandoned by her husband and her grandchildren were starving. The shopkeeper refused to drop the charges. He wanted the conviction to teach people a lesson. Mayor LaGuardia thought for a moment and told the woman he had to punish her because the law was quite clear. Her sentence was \$10 or 10 days in jail. But as he spoke, the mayor reached into his own pocket and drew out a \$10 bill. "Here is the \$10 fine which I now remit and furthermore, I am going to fine everyone in the room 50 cents for living in a town where a person has to steal bread so that her grandchildren can eat." The \$47.50 that was collected was given to the woman.

This incident is a real life example of the parable in Matthew: "A man who was going on a journey called in his servants and entrusted his possessions to them. To one he gave five talents; to another, two; to a third one—to each according to his ability." In this parable, Jesus is talking about the last judgement and how we will be accountable for how we use everything God gave us. We are supposed to use all our talents and possessions well. There is an important truth that lies at the core of everything: *Everything we have belongs to God.* That is the heart and soul of discipleship.

This is clear in the parable. The master entrusted his servants with his money, and they were to use it—not bury it or hoard it—on his behalf, to the best of their ability. Everything I have—my money, possessions, my abilities, my time, my talents, my opportunities—all belong to God. They are given to me so that I can use them well on God's behalf. This is a radical belief. O God, help me use your gifts well.



THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT

Rushing Breath of Love, you came into the Upper Room of the disciples long ago, calming their fears, encouraging their vision, and enlivening their ability to be people of valor, compassion and healing.

You come into the Inner Room of our lives today, offering us this same transforming love. Open what is closed within us. Breathe renewed confidence into our fatigued spirits. Send us forth with a passionate desire to be conveyors of your goodness, messengers of unconditional love by the way we think, speak and act. Amen.

Let's pause and pray:

- Lord, help me find the joy of your Spirit even and especially when things aren't going well...
- Help me find your consoling peace when I'm burdened with grief...
- Help me find my refuge in you when I feel I have no place to go...
- Help me find the gift of faith when my mind is filled with doubt...
- Help me know your wisdom when I don't know what to do...
- Help me find new hope in you when it seems all hope is gone...
- Help me find your grace and strength when I'm surrounded by temptation...
- Help me find your healing love when I'm angry and resentful...
- Help me know your presence when I'm feeling most alone... . Amen



RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS PROGRAM

The St. Andrew's RCIA program for 2017-18 is scheduled to begin on Monday, October 2. If you are not baptized, baptized in another Christian denomination, or a baptized Catholic who has not received the other sacraments of initiation (Eucharist and/or Confirmation), we invite you to participate in the RCIA program. If you are interested, or know someone who is interested, please complete one of the forms at the end of the pews and return it to the Parish Center. Thank you.

Our Stewardship Commitment

COLLECTION FOR THE WEEKEND OF: SEPTEMBER 9-10

Envelopes: 198.	\$ 6,738.00
Non-Envelopes	\$ 2,319.00
In-Church Total	\$ 9,057.00

OPEN HOUSE EVENTS

BERGEN CATHOLIC - ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 - 1:00-3:00 PM. Registration can be found on the Bergen Catholic website at www.bergencatholic.org. Any questions, email Matt Rosa, Director of Admissions, at mrosa@bergencatholic.org.

ST. JOSEPH REGIONAL HS, MONTVALE - ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 11:00 AM-2:00 PM. Prospective students (6th, 7th and 8th grade boys) and their families will gain information about St. Joseph's programs & faculty. SJR students will lead tours (beginning at 11:15 AM & 12:15 PM). For more information & directions please call 201-391-3300 or register at www.sjrmj.org.

PARAMUS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL - ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1:00-4:00 PM AND ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 7:00-9:00 PM. Paramus Catholic extends an invitation to 6th, 7th and 8th grade students and their parents to visit during one of their Open House events. The school is located at 425 Paramus Road in Paramus. For further information, please contact the Admissions Office at 201-445-4466 ext. 104.

St. John's Academy News

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2017-2018 STUDENT COUNCIL!

President: Natalie Pulido, Vice President: Jessica Sabino, Secretary: Jonathan Sirico, Treasurer: Thomas Staff, Executive Officer: Kyle Pasion

ST. JOHN'S PTG GOLF OUTING is on Monday, September 25 at the River Vale Country Club. **SPACES ARE STILL AVAILABLE.** For further information, please contact: Yash Risbud at 917-363-0740 or Sjagolfouting@gmail.com.

**HUMAN CONCERNS
ITEM OF THE WEEK: TOILETRIES**



ADDITIONAL FOOD PANTRY ITEMS: juice, tomato sauce, pancake mix, canned fruit, toilet paper, toiletries, crackers, tuna.

SUPERMARKET GIFT CARDS ARE ALSO WELCOME.

CLOTHING BIN OPEN: We ask for clean, ready-to-use shoes, clothing, towels and bed-linens **ONLY** be placed in it. **Do not leave any items outside the bin or the Church garage doors.** Due to limited space, we are **ONLY** able to accept baby & kitchen items, clothing, small toys & children's books at the garage on Mondays, 6:30-8:00 PM and Tuesdays, 1:00-2:30 PM.

WANTED: Volunteers are needed on Mondays, 6:30-8:00 PM and Tuesdays, 1:00-2:30 PM.

ST. ANDREW'S MEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT NOVEMBER 10 & 11

We invite all men to come and join us for our Cornerstone Retreat – 26 hours to share with other men a wonderful religious experience. We pray, listen, participate and eat together. We share our experience. If you would like more information, please contact Bob Ghia at 201-664-6038. Some words of encouragement from the Bible: "Come to me all you who labor and are burdened and I will give you rest."

Religious Education News

WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF CATECHISTS. If you love our faith and you would love to help pass it on to elementary grade children on Monday afternoons, call Maura in the Religious Ed office: 201-664-6777 or email her: reledu@standrewcc.com. Many Catechists feel they get more than they give.

Classroom Religious Ed begins Monday, September 18. Please keep all these families in your prayers.

If you are not registered, please contact the Religious Ed office immediately, Monday through Thursday between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM.

Summer Option 8th Graders

Our first large group gathering will be Tuesday, September 19 from 6-8 PM in the gym. Pizza will be served. We look forward to seeing you then!

**FOR THE RIDE HOME
TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

1ST READING: SIRACH 27:30-28:7

2ND READING: ROMANS 14:7-9

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 18:21-35

ADULTS: TO WHOM DO YOU FIND IT DIFFICULT TO SHOW MERCY AND FORGIVENESS?

CHILDREN: HOW DO YOU SHOW PEOPLE THAT YOU FORGIVE THEM?



ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE CLASSES are being held at the Parish Center on Wednesday evenings, 7:15-8:45PM. Classes are offered for beginners with little or no English language knowledge as well as for those who want to improve their English language skills. Volunteer Teachers Are Needed! If you are interested in volunteering to be an ESL teacher, please contact Margaret Breen at 201-265-9470 or maggiieb@att.net.

TEENS

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25 7:00 PM GYM
Meeting for Confirmation Year II candidates and their parents.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28 7:00 PM GYM
Parent/Teen Freshman Orientation Meeting

If you are new to the parish and wish to join our Youth Group or make Confirmation, please contact Alan at the Teen Office at 201-664-6777 Ext. 209.

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