

PARISH BULLETIN

Saint Andrew Catholic Community Week of January 31, 2021 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Office Hours: 8:00 AM - 12 1 - 5:00 PM Monday - Thursday

Confessions by appointment only

(Please make arrangements through the parish office)

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DECREE

Dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass has been extended by Bishop George Leo Thomas through

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

April 4, 2021

"While we recognize that many are eager to return to Mass in our churches, it remains important for those who are elderly and otherwise at risk to refrain from returning to public Liturgies until it is manifestly safe to do so. For all the faithful, especially those who are sick, at high risk of becoming sick, and their caregivers, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is hereby dispensed."

To Watch LiveStream This Sunday at 8AM Sunday Mass on our Youtube Channel Click Here

Act of Spiritual Communion

We are a Eucharistic people, and as Catholic Christians our Eucharistic celebrations represent "the source and summit" of our life as a community. Sadly, not all of us are able to gather physically for Mass, but we want to stay connected spiritually. Here is an *Act of Spiritual Communion* for you to pray as we join in "Unity" at St. Andrew's LiveStream Mass at 8 AM on our Youtube Channel:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. As though you were already there, I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you; do not let me ever be separated from you. Amen.

Adapted from St. Alphonsus Maria de' Ligouri

MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE Effective February 7, 2021:

Masses on Sunday: 8 AM and 10 AM

Due to overall low attendance at Masses, the 12 PM Mass has been discontinued.

Beginning February 7... next weekend... St. Andrew will be discontinuing the Noon Mass. During the past several months, we have been monitoring attendance at all 3 of our Masses, and on most Sundays, the 8 AM and 10 AM Masses have been at less than fifty percent of the allowable number of attendees... which is 100 people per Mass. However, the Noon Mass has been running even less than that... at less than forty percent of capacity. Even with the elimination of the Noon Mass, we anticipate capacity at the 8 AM and 10 AM Masses, will be around sixty percent, which will allow for growth in attendance. We hope those of you who especially have been used to attending the Noon Mass will understand. Of course, our plan is that

as the pandemic subsides and restrictions ease... we will one day return to the Mass times we had before the pandemic - 8 and 10:30 - with "extended liturgy" of coffee and donuts, between Masses. One day!

Calendar & Mass Intentions

January 31, 2021 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*8:00 AM Mass: + Jerry Biggs

10:00 AM Mass: + **George Zanotelli, Jr** 12:00 PM Mass: **People of the Parish**

Monday, February 1, 2021 Tuesday, February 2, 2021 Wednesday, February 3, 2021 Private Mass: + **Joe Norton**

Thursday, February 4, 2021 + **Thomas McManus**

Funeral Mass: 10:30 AM Maria Tripp

Private Mass:

Friday, February 5, 2021 Saturday, February 6, 2020

Calendar & Mass Intentions

February 7, 2021 - 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*8:00 AM Mass: + Scott Richter

10:00 AM Mass: People of the Parish

NO 12 PM MASS

Monday, February 8, 2021 Tuesday, February 9, 2021 Wednesday, February 10, 2021 Private Mass: + **Louis DeFreitas** Thursday, February 11, 2021 Private Mass: + **Patricia Byrne**

Friday, February 12, 2021 Saturday, February 13, 2020

Pray for

Willard Owens
Ed Horvath
Oliva Moya
Kent Farrell
Jim Contratto
Sandy Edwards
Juanita Bollmann

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August Botzenhardt Ronald & Maurine Adams Bob & Shirley Barrette Sr. Jeanne Burg Christa Borghoff

all those listed on our online PRAYER SITE list (www.standrewbc.org and select the PRAY FOR US tab), all deployed military serving our country, all the people who are ill and whose fears prevent them from seeing a doctor, for peace and an end to violence in our country, and for the repose of the souls of all your friends or loved ones who have recently passed away, especially **Sr. Charlotte Moser**, **OP**, a former member of our parish.

UPCOMING FUNERALS AT ST. ANDREW

Maria Tripp - Thursday, February 4, 2021 10:30 AM Funeral Mass 12:00 PM Burial at the VA Cemetery

Registration is not required to attend the Mass, but all COVID-related procedures must be followed: e.g. having your temperature taken upon arrival, wearing a mask at all times, etc.

Prayers for those affected by COVID-19

Continue to pray each day for all those with COVID-19 and the doctors, nurses, and workers who provide them care, and those suffering from the economic impact the pandemic. We especially pray for a successful rollout of potential vaccines to fight COVID-19.

Words to those feeling lost or depressed

Walk with the Lord when your heart needs company. Take His hand when you feel all alone. Turn to Him when you need someone to lean on.

He is the only one you can always rely on.

Scripture reflection from Jenifer Tuggle

Prayers for life

That each of us may be the Lord's prophets by speaking up for vulnerable people - both born and unborn - who cannot speak for themselves.

We INVITE you to continue to peruse the bulletin --

new information continues to be added,
along with the protocols, procedures, or events that have
been in effect throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.
This repetition of pertinent information allows you to have ready
access to the information each week.

PRAYER FOR THE NATION

Almighty God, You have given us this good land for our heritage. We humbly ask You that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of Your favor and glad to do Your will. Bless our land with honorable endeavor, sound learning and pure manners.

Save us from violence, discord, and confusion, from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties and fashion

into one united people the multitude

brought here out of many nations and tongues.

Endow with the Spirit of wisdom those to whom in Your Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that through obedience to Your Law we may show forth Your praise among the nations on earth.

In time of prosperity fill our hearts with thankfulness, and in the day of trouble do not allow our trust in You to fail.

Amen.

--by Thomas Jefferson, taken from "Prayers for Today," published by Leaflet Missal Co.

Scripture Readings - January 31, 2021

Sunday: Deuteronomy 18: 15-20/Psalm 95: 1-2, 6-7, 7-9/1 Corinthians 7: 32-35/Mark 1: 21-28

Monday: Hebrews 11: 32-40/Psalm 31: 20, 21, 22, 23, 24/Mark 5: 1-20 **Tuesday:** Malachi 3: 1-4, Psalm 24: 7 8, 9, 10/Hebrews 2: 14-18/Luke 2;

2-40 **Vednesday:** Hehrews 12: 4-7, 11-15/Psalm 102: 1-2, 12-1

Wednesday: Hebrews 12: 4-7, 11-15/Psalm 103: 1-2, 13-14, 17-18a/Mark 6: 1-6

Thursday: Hebrews 12: 18-19, 21-24/Psalm 48: 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 9, 10-11/Mark 6: 7-13

Friday: Hebrews 13: 1-8/Psalm 27: 1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc/Mark 6: 14-29

Saturday: Hebrews 13: 15-17, 20-21/Psalm 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mark 6: 30-34

Sunday: Job 7: 1-4, 6-7/Psalm 147: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6/1 Corinthians 9: 16-19, 22-23/Mark 1: 29-39

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Pope Francis' GOSPEL REFLECTION

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This Sunday's Gospel reading is part of a wider narrative called the "day in Capernaum." At the heart of today's reading is the event of the <u>exorcism</u> through which <u>Jesus</u> is presented as a powerful prophet in word and deed.

He enters the Synagogue of Capernaum on a Saturday and he begins teaching. The people are astonished by his words because they are not ordinary words. They do not sound like the ones they are accustomed to hearing. The Scribes in fact teach but without any authority. And Jesus teaches with authority. Jesus instead teaches like one who has authority, thus revealing himself as God's Emissary, and not a simple man who has to base his teaching solely on earlier traditions. Jesus has full authority. His doctrine is new and the Gospel says that the people commented: "A new teaching! with authority." (v. 27).

At the same time, Jesus reveals himself to be powerful also in deeds. In the Synagogue of Capernaum, there is a man who is possessed by an unclean spirit which manifests itself by shouting these words: "What have you to do with us Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God" (v 24). The devil tells the truth: Jesus came to destroy the devil, to ruin the demon, to defeat him. This unclean spirit knows the power of God and he also proclaims his holiness. Jesus rebukes him saying: "Quiet, and come out of him!" (v. 25). These few words from Jesus are enough to obtain victory over Satan, who comes out of that man "convulsing him and crying out in a loud voice", the Gospel says (v. 26).

This makes a strong impression on those present. Everyone is overcome by fear and asks themselves: "What is this?[...] He commands even the unclean spirits and they obey him." (v. 27). The power of Jesus confirms the authority of his teaching. He does not just speak with words, but he takes action. In this way, he manifests God's plan with words and with the power of his deeds. In the Gospel in fact, we see that in his earthly mission, Jesus reveals the love of God both through preaching and through countless gestures of attention and aid to the sick, the needy, children and sinners.

Jesus is our Teacher, powerful in word and deed. Jesus imparts to us all the light that illuminates the sometimes dark paths of our lives. He also transmits to us the necessary strength to overcome difficulties, trials and temptations. Let us consider what a great grace it is for us to have known this God who is so powerful and so good! A teacher and a friend who shows us the path and takes care of us especially when we are in need.

May the Virgin Mary, the woman of listening, help us to create silence around us and within us, in order to hear, through the din of the messages of the world, the most authoritative word that there is: that of her Son Jesus who proclaims the meaning of our existence and delivers us from all slavery, even that of the Evil one.

Offertory* July - September 2020

Actual: \$83,760.00 Budget: \$92, 890.00 Deficit: < \$9,130.00>

Parking Lot*
Total Donations: \$105,483.95
*results available quarterly

NEW PROCEDURE FOR 2020 DONATION LETTERS

Will you need a letter of your 2020 donations? Letters will be sent to parishioners by request ONLY each Monday beginning January 11, 2021. Please let us know by contacting the office or placing a note in the offertory basket. Thank-you.

Cindy Blatchford, Bookkeeper

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COMING UP IN THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2021

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS
Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada
FACES OF HUNGER

Sunday, February 17, 2021

As we begin the season of Lent on February 17th, Ash Wednesday, this special collection of almsgiving aids direct services to the poor in Southern Nevada.

ASH WEDNESDAY
Masses: 8 AM, 12 PM and 4 PM
Distribution of ashes at all Masses

Sanctuary Flowers

If you would like to commemorate or celebrate an event, a person, or a time in your life with sanctuary flowers (except during Lent), please contact the parish office. The flowers will symbolize your intention at the liturgies, and will be indicated in the bulletin on that Sunday.

The floral arrangement cost: \$100.

Flower arrangements by: BC Florist Owners: Kris & Dan Thompson

CSA

The 2020 campaign is closed! The total amount pledged for 2020 was \$66, 110.00 and \$62m 510.00 received from 110 families, exceeding our goal by 121%. All donor contributions that were received *after* January 22nd will be credited towards our 2021 CSA goal.

Thank-you for helping to make the CSA 2020 campaign successful, despite the pandemic and 10 months of 2020 in various states of closure or limitations of the congregations. Acknowledgement letters for tax purposes have been sent out to all 2020 stewardship campaign donors this past week of January 25, 2021.

We begin the Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA) 2021 "Strengthening One Another in the Faith" this month.

Breaking Open the Word

The next BOTW is on **Wednesday**, **February 3th**, **at 9 AM using Zoom** through an email invite on your computer or mobile device. If you signed-up or participated in previous Zoom Meetings, you will be sent on Monday afternoon the link to join this week's session. If you would like to join Breaking Open the Word and this is your first time, you will need to contact the parish office by email at standrewbc@gmail.com or 702-293-7500 for the link. **We still have space available. Please join us!**

Emergency Aid Collection Please do not bring to the Parish Hall See Updated Pantry Hours

Emergency Aid (600 Nevada Highway, Boulder City)
accepts non-perishable food donations.
Pantry Doors open at 8:30 AM and close at 11:45 AM:
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday
Open only on Saturdays following the 3rd Wednesday of the Month.

Food pantry is NOT open on Sunday or Wednesday)

3 4 Pantry Christian Center Church 571 Adams Blvd, Boulder City, NV 89005 Tuesday evenings -- 6 pm - 7 pm Sundays -- 12 pm - 1 pm

If you cannot get your donations to a pantry, please contact Jenifer Jefferies at 702-809-6209 text/call, or e-mail: jeniferj@cox.net. If you would like to make a monetary donation to the 3 4 Pantry (who works with Emergency Aid), make checks payable to the Christian Center Church – put food pantry in memo field.

Reaching Out - Going the extra mile

We are always looking for adults, teens, and children who would like to write cards or make their own cards, pictures, and drawings for the residents at our nursing homes. Even if you are not artistically talented, the residents appreciate all of them very much. If interested, please contact Linda Lysakowski at cvlinda@cox.net or 702-580-1448 and she will see that they get distributed to the nursing homes or facilities that are allowing mail to be delivered or sent.

St. Andrew Catholic Community 2021 Calendars

You can pick up a blessed calendar from the Parish Office during office hours Monday - Thursday.

Around the Diocese and Beyond

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Virtual Experience February 20 - 21, 2021

Enjoy and experience the Marriage Encounter in the comfort of your own home as we continue to practice necessary protocol and still enrich marriages. Give us a call for more details, to sign up and get suggestions on how to make the virtual experience something special and enriching. Wayne & Marcia Kessler, 702-283-3480 or 702-274-2846.

LENTEN VIRTUAL RETREATS

Carmelite Sisters of the Sacred Heart Retreat House Alhambra California

Promoting a deeper spiritual life among God's people.

Join us for a Virtual Weekend Retreat!

Our mission at Sacred Heart Retreat House is to promote a deeper spiritual life among God's people. A pandemic such as the COVID-19 can't stop the flow of God's grace. Amen? Amen!

Growing in Intimacy with God Virtual Retreat* February 5 – February 7, 2021 Father Jeremiah Shryock, C.F. R.

Join us on this weekend retreat of listening, love and letting go with Father Jeremiah Shryock, CFR. You'll find that as we let go and root ourselves in God's love, the world begins to make more sense. Your life gains a purpose. Form your mind and your heart as you grow in intimacy with God on this virtual retreat prepared for you by the Carmelite Sisters.

*Access to the retreat content will be available until March 7, 2021. Zoom sessions will not be recorded.

Link for more detailed information and to register for this event:

Click Here

The Passion: His Gift of Peace Virtual Retreat*

March 26 – 29, 2021

Sr. Regina Marie, O. C. D.

Cost: \$50

Our own Sr Regina Marie, O.C.D. guides us into Holy Week by taking a closer look at Jesus' interior peace, even as He carried His cross and was crucified. We invite you to ready yourself for Holy Week with this insightful weekend retreat looking at the Passion of Christ with a lens of peace and hope. Spend some time in communion with God, the Carmelite Sisters, and fellow retreatants as we dive deeper into the wondrous mysteries of God's love.

*Access to this retreat content will be available until April 25, 2021. Zoom sessions will not be recorded.

Link for more detailed information and to register for this event:

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RE Congress 2021 Quick Links

Register online for the 2021 RE Congress experience. The virtual event begins on Thursday, February 18 and concludes on Sunday, February 21.

Video Invitation to Attend RE Congress 2021: Click here

Here are some quick links to registration, information and more....

- Registration
- Schedule
- Keynote Presenters
- Speakers
- Workshops
- Youth Track
- Exhibit Hall (coming)

The registration fee is \$35. You must register by 8 am PST on Sunday, February 21, 2021. Registered participants will have access to all event content through March 21, 2021. Register online now at recongress.org/registration

Our 2021 Youth Track

This year, our Youth Day is a little different. For the 50th anniversary and with the gift of technology, we have made Youth Day available as a Youth Track during the weekend. Our Youth Coordinating Team has embraced the theme, Proclaim the Promise! They want to share with YOU God's Covenant in the Chaos. We invite you to join us for the Opening Event on Thursday at 6 pm. You can access the schedule here to learn more about what the weekend has to offer.

The Youth Track will be an interactive experience, including:

Social Media Challenges

- Witness Talks
- A Keynote Speaker for Each Day
- Skits
- Prayer Experiences
- Featuring Our Youth Choir!

Plus, you will be able to access ALL recorded workshops for the one registration fee of \$35.

Register now at www.RECongress.org

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