



BASILICA OF SAINT ANDREW

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DECEMBER 15, 2024 • THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water, but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." - Lk 3:16

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:30 pm
Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am,
and 11:30 am

Daily Mass

Monday–Friday
12:00 Noon

Church Hours

Monday–Friday
9:00–4:00 pm
Thursday until 7:00 pm
Saturday
10:00–4:00 pm

Office Hours

Monday–Friday
9:00–4:00 pm

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Confessions

Monday 12:45 pm–2:00 pm
Thursday 5:00 pm–6:45 pm
Saturday 3:30 pm–5:00 pm

Evening Prayer

Wednesday 5:30 pm

Adoration

Thursday 12:45 pm–7:00 pm

Rosary & Divine Mercy Group

Saturday 9:00–9:45 am

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Monday	(12:00 pm)	John Mumm †
Tuesday	(12:00 pm)	Skler Mortezaee
Wednesday	(12:00 pm)	Arturo Ybanez †
Thursday	(12:00 pm)	Mark Darnell
Friday	(12:00 pm)	Katherine Newton †
Saturday	(5:30 pm)	June Ann Vamenta †
Sunday	(7:30 am)	Charles Baez †
	(9:00 am)	The people of St. Andrew
	(11:30 am)	Beverly & Herbert Conley, Jr. †

† Indicates the Mass Intention is for the repose of the soul of the person(s) listed

**denotes Mass with incense

Please note: Incense is used after the Thursday Mass during Adoration

Online Contribution: Please consider making an online contribution supporting the Basilica of St. Andrew.



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Free account at Formed.org (Click "individuals", enter your email address, then select St. Andrew by Zip code (24016) to access your free account!)



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Prepare the Way of the King by Dr. Scott Hahn. Your Advent journey takes on new meaning as you prepare your heart for the Lord. (47 min audio)



Sacrificial Giving

Collection Report	Dec 1	Dec YTD
Sunday & Holy Days	\$26,229	\$673,317
Maintenance Fund	<u>5,319</u>	<u>55,926</u>
Total received	31,548	729,243
Total income budgeted	<u>39,120</u>	<u>666,120</u>
Better (Worse)	(7,572)	63,123

Thank you for your continued support!

Readings of the Week

Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (6)/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17

Wednesday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25

Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25

Friday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45

Next Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45



For pilgrims of hope - We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.



Genevieve Johnson, Heidi Dixon, Sherry Bowman, Sherry Bowman, Sebastian Schemmel, Leslie Acevedo, Amanda West, Martha Yengst, Pat Shelor, Karin Shelor, Charles Snyder, Jamie Seiple, Elaine Fletchall, Geneva Phillips, Diane Evans, Nellie Shelton, Chuck Bucklew, Jake West, Don Cox, Richard Whitney, Michael Halfmann, McKenzie Anderson, Brian Grinde, Emma Little, Laura Fleming, James C, Mary Ann Valenzuela, Roderick Plenge, Nick Leitch, Ray Sweeney, Colen Haga, Robert Zublionis, Pam Poole, James Steahly, Lucian Metayer, Linda Benda, Hans Rott, Carolyn Warner-Rakes, Ed Mayer, Karen Garnand, Anne Smith, Kevin Guardado, Dara Hawkins, Robin Roth, Stuart Hakanson, Anne Grace, Lourdes Alba, Mark Pyrak,, David Leonard, John Howard, Mary Ann Crock, Mary Bellino, Severina Cordero, Ellie Kaufman, Rani Wood, Barbara Farnum, Christine Smith, Virginia Warnack, Andy Clark, Cathy Flynn, Kohlton Griffith, Teri Burks, and Raine Walters.



As many of you have heard, Father Danny Cogut, the Pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Salem, has recently been diagnosed with cancer. We are certainly praying for his healing, and he has suggested that people might ask the intercession of Servant of God Frank Parater, who was a Richmond Diocese seminarian who died in Rome in 1920. We have Frank Parater prayer cards at the exits of the basilica, and we invite you to take one and pray to him for Father Danny's healing.

Please note: We will not have coffee and donuts after Masses on **Sunday, December 22** or **Sunday, December 29**.

We are collecting items for the residents of North Roanoke Assisted Living through December 22. Please place your donations in the boxes in the lower-level hallway. You can find out more on our website at:

<https://basilicaofstandrew.org/advent-collections>



It is wonderful to see parishioners using the votive candles and we want to encourage their use in offering prayers! **Just a notice and a reminder:** we are incurring a substantial expense in providing votive candles (approximately \$1 per candle or \$6,000 per year) so in addition to lighting candles as a sign that your prayers remain before the Lord, also consider making an offering to cover the cost and provide for the other ministries of the parish. And if you would please remember that you only need to light one candle for all your intentions rather than one for every intention, that will allow for all our parishioners to have candles available for their prayer intentions as well. *Thank you and God bless you!*



Join us for Evening Prayer on **Wednesday, December 18 at 5:30pm**. After Evening Prayer, stay for cookies and hot cocoa as we light the evergreen tree near the Jefferson Street entrance.



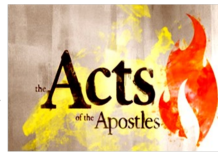
The St. Andrew Penance Service is at 7:00pm on **Tuesday, December 17**.



Remember in your prayers these parishioners and family members who are actively serving our country in the military: Mackenzie Rodgers, Brenna Rodgers, Jacob Kiltz, Cole Hartman, Maximilian Ochalek, James Cooper Fennell, Timothy Dayton, Katherine Dayton, Jonathan Dayton, Alex Boyer, Joe Nuñez, Stephen Kavanaugh, Patrick Bennett, Samuel Edward, Joseph Kelly, James Kelly, Jake Vogel, Mason Alexander, Reeve Alexander, Giovanni Allen, Molly Wharton, Lee Hansen, Elton Darren Lewis, Joel Brian, Matthew Allen Crofton, Joseph Lavinder, Chris Bennett, Gilman Fortin, Brendan Carroll, James Dilling, Reuben Flores, David Jacobs, Robert Clifford, Michael Joslin, Dillon Sims, Kyle Norris, Jarred Shockey, Will Klos, Mark Buchy, Frank Jacob Dowie, Joshua Davis, Marcus Ollie, Steven Jeremy Ayers, Jacob Brookshier, Ches Mitchell, Tommy Nichols, Allen Palumbo, Michael Nghia-Nguyen, Joseph Amos, Timothy Brady, Brian Conlan, Michael Dale Davis, John Downs, William Farmer, Josh Ford, Jamie Williams, John Hinkel, Stephanie Lynn Holliday, Anthony Huff, Jarrod Huff, Herbert Jones, Michael Keller, Jeffrey Robert Klein, Matthew McCorkel, Colin McGuire, Pamela T. Schmecht, Joe Spegele and Dustin Stewart.

Here is our weekly challenge:

- *Read* ~ Acts 13-14
- *Listen* ~ *The Bible in a Year Podcast*, Episodes 334-335
- *Consider* ~ In Acts 13, what was so attractive about Barnabas and Paul's message that "almost the whole city" showed up the following week? Why then were they driven out of town?
- *Act* ~ Paul says "through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God" (Acts 14:22). Give thanks for the tribulations you have faced.



Links to these and other resources are on our Bible Studies page at: basilicaofstandrew.org/bible-studies



Want to learn more about Catholicism? Interested in joining the Church? Want to get Confirmed?

Go to:

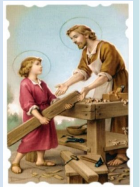
basilicaofstandrew.org/becoming-catholic-rcia and submit the contact information form or email Erik at emoledor@bofsa.org.

As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.
~Proverbs 27:17

Our Wednesday morning Men's Rosary group is on break until February 5.

Our Saturday Morning Men's Group will not meet on December 21 or December 28.

For more information, contact Phil at:
woodphil76@yahoo.com.



Our **That Man Is You** group is on break until February 5, when we will return for faith, fellowship, and breakfast on Wednesday mornings.

Contact Jordan at miller.jordanm@icloud.com.

The *Men of St. Andrew's (MenSA)* is taking a break in December but will be back to our regularly scheduled last Tuesday of the month meeting in January. Contact Erik Moledor at emoledor@bofsa.org with questions or to be added to our email list. *All men are welcome!*



SAMs (St. Andrew Moms): *SAMs is the umbrella group for different activities for Catholic Mothers (no matter your stage in motherhood: young mom, grandma, spiritual mom, mom-to-be) at St. Andrew in Roanoke.* If you'd like to receive emails and updates of upcoming **SAMs events**, please email Kris at kalevy63@gmail.com.



SAMs Playgroup meets at area playgrounds at 3:30pm on Thursdays in November. If you'd like to join the **SAMs playgroup**, email Maria at: samsplaygrouproanoke@goodlegroups.com

Join us for **Nursery meetups** with your little ones **every Tuesday in December (except Christmas Eve)** from 10:00-11:45am.



Dress in your holiday attire and join us for a **Cookie Swap and gift making event!** We will be making gifts and cards for the folks at Our Lady of the Valley then have a festive Cookie Swap.

Please bring four dozen of your favorite cookies, bars, brownies, scones, etc. to share. We will provide coffee, tea and refreshments. *Please bring your cookies to share on a platter and a container to take your swapped cookies home in.* We meet in the Social Hall on **Monday, December 16 at 9:00am.** Join us!!



Catholic Sprinkles

Sprinkles of Scripture, Catechism, crafts and activities to help build your Domestic Church!

(More ideas are on the St. Andrew's Web-Site under SAMs) **WEEK 3 ~ Let us Rejoice!**

December 15th

+ Happy Third Week of Advent! We call today "Gaudete Sunday." Our Liturgical color is PINK.

+ This week we are going to focus on putting HOPE, FAITH, JOY and PEACE into action.

HOPE (this activity can be done as a family or each person make their own): Make a paper chain of Hope! Cut out 15 strips of paper (1" x 4"). Write a different person's name on each strip that you'd like to pray for. Hang your chain(s) in your room or in a central place in the house. Beginning tonight, and every night after, ask Jesus to watch over the person on the first link in the chain. After you pray for that person, tear off the link. Each prayer gives HOPE to that specific person. Take all your prayers to Christmas Mass and pray one more time for them.

FAITH: Today either set up your Nativity set as a family or have your children draw a Nativity. Saint Francis was the first person to arrange a Nativity. He did this in 1223 at Midnight Mass with real animals! In your Nativity or picture, don't add baby Jesus until Christmas Eve. The Nativity is a wonderful way to remember that God sent us His son to be our Savior.

JOY: You are probably receiving packages and cards each day! Delivering mail in December can be quite cold and hard for our mail deliverers. Why not make them a thank you Christmas card and attach a candy cane or piece of Christmas candy to the card. You can even leave out a basket of goodies for all the delivery people to grab a snack or drink on the go! Make sure you have a "THANK YOU sign that includes "MERRY CHRISTMAS!" Spreading Christmas Joy is a wonderful gift to give!

PEACE: "Blessed are the peacemakers!" Today, work very hard on being kind, helpful, and letting things not get you upset when they don't go your way. Try hard to be the peacemaker in school, at home, and everywhere you go ~ smile, too! ☺



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

About Us

Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those in need in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, and patron, St. Vincent de Paul.



<https://bofsa.org/st-vincent-de-paul-society>

Join Us in the New Year

Business meetings are on the fourth Monday of each month at 5:30PM at St. Joseph's Furniture Closet

Evening prayer gatherings meet on second Monday of each month at 5:30PM in the Chapel

What We Do

This year the St. Andrew St. Vincent de Paul Society has served over 800 people through:

- prayer
- home visitations
- phone calls
- \$25000 in crisis aid for rent, utilities, and groceries
- over 600 pieces of furniture through St. Joseph's Furniture Closet.

Give the Gift of Prayer: Consider praying a Holy Hour with Our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration for the intentions of a friend, family member, or clergy member.



Spiritual Offering cards are available on the table set up in the commons during our regular Thursday afternoon Adoration time. After completing your Holy Hour, fill out the Spiritual Offering card and give it to the person you remembered in prayer for their encouragement and consolation.

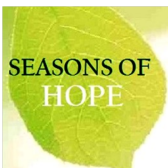
Eucharistic Adoration at the Basilica: During the *National Eucharistic Revival*, from June 2022-June 2025, consider spending time with Our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration. Pray for Our Lord to increase your faith in His real presence and in His unfailing love and mercy. It is an ideal time for the family to come for prayer and Confession. All ages are welcome. *Come be with the Lord!*

For more information on the National Eucharistic Revival, go to our website:

<https://standrewsva.org/eucharistic-revival-1>.

Adoration begins after the noon Mass, every Thursday, and ends with Benediction at 6:45pm.

Confessions on Thursday are from 5:00–6:30pm.



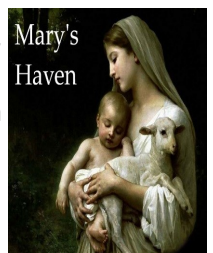
Seasons of Hope Grief Support Program: St. Andrew will offer the Seasons of Hope Grief Support program this Winter. Seasons of Hope is a Christ-centered spiritual healing and faith-sharing grief support program that runs for six weeks. **The next session will meet every Thursday**

from 1:30pm–3:00pm from January 23–February 27, in the classrooms on the lower level of the parish center. Space is limited so you must register by calling Kathy at (540)344-9814 or email kmcdaniel@bofsa.org.

Thank you for your generous response to the **Christmas Card and Postage Stamp** collection this year. St. Andrew contributed 900 postage stamps and over 700 Christmas cards total. *God bless you for your compassion.*



Mary's Haven in Roanoke provides shelter, care, and loving support for women who find themselves in an unexpected pregnancy. The mission of Mary's Haven is to provide, as guided by the teachings of Jesus Christ, comprehensive residential care in a loving and supportive environment for expectant mothers



who are in a homeless or other unexpected situation and who have committed to carrying their babies to term. If you are pregnant and need help, or would like to become a supporter of Mary's Haven, go to:

marys-haven.org.

For more information, please contact Dorothy at (540) 397-3963 or email dcmchooselife@gmail.com.

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Sunday	(10:00 am)	Catholic Initiation class
	(10:25 am)	Christian Formation K-12
	(1:00 pm)	Youth choir
Monday	(9:00 am)	SAMs Mini Retreat
	(5:30 pm)	SVDP prayer
	(6:30 pm)	Bible Study
Tuesday	(10:00 am)	Nursery meetup
	(7:00 pm)	Penance Service
Wednesday	(5:30 pm)	Evening Prayer
	(6:00 pm)	HSYG
	(6:00 pm)	Tree lighting
Thursday	(10:00 am)	Bible Study
	(6:30 pm)	Catholic Initiation class
	(7:15 pm)	Bible Study
Friday	(6:00 pm)	Youth choir
Saturday	(9:00 am)	Rosary
	(8:00 pm)	Vietnamese choir
Sunday	(3:00 pm)	Vietnamese choir
	(4:00 pm)	Vietnamese Nativity practice



Roanoke Catholic School is seeking a **full time Learning Specialist**, who will collaborate with teachers, administrators, specialists, and families to identify students who learn at significantly

different levels compared to their age group and to create and help implement plans tailored to those students' specific learning profile. The applicant must be licensed and certified to teach in this area of responsibility by the state of Virginia. Interested applicants should submit a letter of interest and resume to Meredith Galazka at:

mgalazka@roanokecatholic.com.

SAVE THE DATE! Parish Day at RCS on Tuesday, January 28. Visit for Mass at 8:40am and stay for an Open House at 10:00am. We will have an information session with faculty, staff, students, and tours of the school. *Look for more information in January bulletins.*

JOIN US FOR
Open House



As you prepare for Advent and Christmas-tide, consider stopping in at **The Interior Castle Bookstore in Lexington!** Now carrying Trappist preserves and creamed honey, Catholic Coffee, and other delicious treats created by our supporting monasteries across the country. Find stocking stuffers, rosaries, veils, and gifts as well. Featuring works by Tomie dePaola.

We are open Saturdays from 10:00am-4:00pm and by appointment. For more information, please call (928)606-2682). We are located at 6 South Randolph Street in Lexington. Check out our website at:

<https://www.theinteriorcastle.org>



St. Elias Maronite Catholic Church will have a **"Baklava Bake Sale" on December 22** from 11:30am-1:00pm in their Social Hall. St. Elias invites you to visit and leave with some delicious sweets for the holidays! *St. Elias Parish thanks you for your support.*

Thank you to everyone who joined our Drumstick Dash team. We had 21 runners on our team. See you next year!



Angel Tree Collection: We are collecting \$25 Walmart and Kroger gift cards this year through **December 15**. Please place cards in an envelope labeled "Angel Tree" and put in the collection baskets or bring to the Parish Office. *Thank you!*



Save the Date! January 29, 2025—Pro-Life Day. Join us for a day of advocacy in Richmond as you meet directly with your legislators to advocate on a wide variety of pro-life issues. The Basilica of St Andrew will

have a bus for people to attend the event. You can sign up for the bus on our website at:

<https://basilicaofstandrew.org/respect-life-ministry> under VA Pro-Life Day.

Daniel Harms will be here to talk about the event on January 8 at 6:00pm.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Women's Club is selling nativity and religious flags and flag stands. If interested, please email Janet at:

olphwcsalem@gmail.com.

Flags and stands are \$10 each. Proceeds go to purchasing flowers for Mary's Garden. *Thank you for your support!*

