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DECEMBER 7, 2025 • SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. - Mt 3:4

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
9:00–4:00pm



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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The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday	(7:30 am)	Theresa Nguyen
	** (12:00 pm)	Stanley & Eleanor Topolski †
	** (7:00 pm)	The people of St. Andrew
Tuesday	(12:00 pm)	Richard Victor Bizzanelli
Wednesday	(12:00 pm)	Charlie Meador †
Thursday	(12:00 pm)	Helen Connell †
Friday	(12:00 pm)	Gloria Grune †
Saturday	(5:30 pm)	Mike Rapkoch †
Sunday	(7:30 am)	Amie Sheridan †
	(9:00 am)	The people of St. Andrew
	(11:30 am)	Herb & Beverly Conley †

† 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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Catholic Answers Ready Reasons -

Short apologetics videos. See especially "Is there Biblical proof for the Immaculate Conception?" and "Was the Immaculate Conception Necessary?"



Sacrificial Giving

Collection Report	Nov 23	Nov YTD
Sunday & Holy Days	\$30,641	\$672,379
Maintenance Fund	<u>3,905</u>	<u>63,228</u>
Total received	34,246	735,607
Total income budgeted	<u>41,400</u>	<u>728,200</u>
Better (Worse)	(7,154)	7,407

Thank you for your continued support!

Readings of the Week

Sunday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 (see 7)/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15

Friday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (see Is 35:4)/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11



Join us to celebrate the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception** on **Monday, December 8**. Masses are at 7:30am, 12:00pm, and 7:00pm. ***This is a Holy Day of Obligation. We will not have Confessions this day.***

Please keep in mind we share parking with the school. Be sure not to park in any of the fire lanes!

Seasons of Hope Grief Support Program – St. Andrew will offer the Seasons of Hope Grief Support program from January 22 – February 26, 2026. 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 1:00-2:30pm in the classrooms on the lower level of the parish center. Space is limited so you must register by calling Kathy McDaniel at (540) 344-9814 or by email kmcdaniel@bofsa.org.

SEASONS OF
HOPE



The **Knights of Columbus** will be selling **religious Christmas cards** after all Masses this weekend, **12/6 and 12/7**, in the Commons.

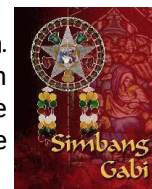
This will be the last weekend for card sales so be sure to stop by the Commons. For more information, please contact Chuck at hatcherchuck7@gmail.com or call (540) 314-3360.



For Christians in areas of conflict

Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

Join us for **Simbang Gabi** on **Friday, December 19 at 6:00pm**. Come and experience this cherished Filipino spiritual tradition through prayer, music, and fellowship. Families and friends are welcome! Let us journey together in faith as we prepare for the coming of Christ.



Prayer Requests

Michael Brightwell, Jim Hopkins, Darlene Damron, Jennifer Schiavoni, Shirlee Schiavoni, Jim Hopkins, Mary Blachowski, Jane Holt, Billy Rhodes, Renee Wright, Jean Anne Haranzo, David Rodgers, Beth Schultz, Steven Atwell, Janet Sloan, Greg Beliveau, Ray Sweeney, Steve Shepard, Ashley Clemons, Sal Barranco, Clare Shores, Matt Cissel, Kristy White, Pat Magee, Cindy Scott, The Clifford Family, Mary Sheridan, Danielle Alexander, Dolores Fetter, Mary Beth Boyd, Callum Portner, Bill Hughes, Geneva Phillips, Shawn Grace, Catherine D'Ovidio, Julianna Frick, Barbara Harmon, Susan Carter, Teresa Altiera, John Pollard, Teresa Jones, Karen March, Robert Zublionis, Geneva Phillips, Julie Williams, Mason McDaniel, Georgia Eck, Abraham Gheman, Richard Quinn, Lilli Winstead, Tony Winstead, Rick McCoy, Sr., Zoe Grace, Natalia Notorio, McKenzie Anderson, Lucian Metayer, Ed Mayer, Kevin Guardado, Dara Hawkins, Robin Roth, Stuart Hakanson, Mark Pyrak, John Howard, Mary Ann Crock, Ellie Kaufman, Christine Smith, Virginia Warnack, Andy Clark, Cathy Flynn, Kohlton Griffith, Teri Burks, and Raine Walters.



ADVENT Penance Service

Please join us at one of our Penance Services during this Advent season:

Our Lady of Nazareth—Thursday, December 11 at 7:00pm

St. Andrew—Tuesday, December 16 at 7:00pm

St. Gerard—Wednesday, December 17 at 12:00pm

Please note: *We will not have Confessions at St. Andrew on Thursday, December 11 and Sheridan will end with Benediction at 4:45pm.*



Remember in your prayers these parishioners and family members who are actively serving our country in the military: Noah Pires, John Sinclair, 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, 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.



SAMs (St. Andrew's Moms) News: 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) here at St. Andrew in Roanoke.

Our Mission this year: *To provide studies, events, support and resources for moms, grandmas, and spiritual moms in developing our charisms. We hope to teach what charisms are, how/why God grants them, how we can discover our charisms and how to use them for the glory of God in expanding His kingdom in our homes and in the world.*



SAMs Playgroup now meets at 3:00pm on **Tuesdays** during the school year.

Join us for our **Nursery Meetup** on **Thursday mornings** from 10:00-11:45am.

For more information on Playgroup and Nursery meetup, please contact Maria at mtrmacbain@icloud.com.

Special Advent Mini Retreat with Marie Therese and Annual SAMs' Cookie Swap: Join us in the Youth Room on Monday, **December 15 at 9:10am** for a talk with Marie Therese on *"The Charismatic Nazareth Family"*. Our cookie swap and coffee begins after the talk, at 10:10am.



We are excited to have Marie Therese back with us for a mini Advent Retreat! She will explore what it means to live the Charisms within the family, but also how a family can have a charism together and what that looks like. You don't want to miss this event! *All ladies of St. Andrew are welcome!*

You can find out more about SAMs events and ideas for building your Domestic Church throughout the Liturgical Year on our Facebook Page at: **SAMs ~ St. Andrew's Moms**.

Please email Kris Levy at kalevy63@gmail.com for SAMs details.



Second collection on December 13/14 for the Retired Religious: A lifetime of service deserves care in return. *"Thanks to your generosity, we can provide the very best care to the sisters in our community,"* says Sister M. Stephanie Belgeri, 73, a member of the Sisters of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George in Alton, Illinois.

Donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious provide housing, medical assistance, and essential support for thousands of aging religious. *Please consider giving next week.*

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

Our Wednesday morning Men's Rosary group meets to pray in the Chapel at 8:10am. *Join us!*



Men, join our ***That Man Is You*** group Wednesday mornings, 6:30 - 8:00, in the social hall for faith, fellowship, and breakfast.

Don't miss our, our video presenter, Matthew Leonard, sharing a message on our *"Divine Destiny."* This is our last meeting of 2025. We will start our spring session on January 21, 2026.

No registration is required. Please contact Jordan Miller at miller.jordanm@icloud.com for more information.

The ***Men of St. Andrew's (MenSA)*** is taking a Christmas break and will not meet at the end of December. We will resume our usual last Tuesday of the month meetings in January. All men are welcome! Please contact Erik Moledor at emoledor@bofsa.org with questions or to get added to our email list.



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.



Are you a Catholic young adult seeking community and faith-centered fun?

LOYAL is for you! We come together to grow in faith and build friendships while keeping Christ at the center. From small groups to hikes, sports, and dinners; there's something for everyone. Ready to connect and live your faith with purpose?

Visit basilicaofstandrew.org/loyal and fill out the form.

Catholicism for Catholics

Join us for a refresher on the basics of our Faith!

December 11, 7:15 – 8:15pm

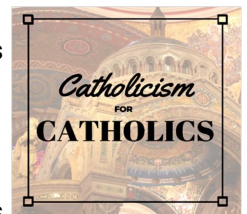
Presenter: Colleen Morrison

Topic: *Baptism: Becoming a Christian*

Location: Chapel (enter double doors by restrooms)

These are the same presentations given to our Inquiry and Initiation (OCIA) group and will be offered weekly through May 2026. More info is available at:

basilicaofstandrew.org/catholicism-for-catholics





All 8th -12th grade teens from across the Diocese are invited to the **Diocesan Youth Conference (DYC)** on **February 20-22**. DYC is an annual weekend event that gathers hundreds of Catholic teens together in downtown Richmond. From sacraments to free time activities, DYC is an opportunity for teens to experience the joy that comes from living the Catholic faith and to take courage in all things because the Lord is with them – don't miss out! Registration is now open and available by opening the QR code.



• Youth Participants: \$225 (based on 4 youth per room) \$275 (based on 3 youth per room) \$325 (based on 2 youth per room)

• Adult Participants: \$250 (based on 2 adults per room) \$420 (based on 1 adult per room)



GIVE WITH FAITH. CREATE A LASTING LEGACY.

A **Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD)** allows you to give directly from your IRA to the **Basilica of Saint Andrew** without the gift being counted as taxable income. (*Age requirements apply.*)

In **2025**, individuals may give up to **\$108,000** through QCDs; married couples may give up to **\$216,000**.

Your QCD strengthens our ministries, supports our parish family, and helps ensure the Basilica's mission endures for generations. Please prayerfully consider a QCD gift to the Basilica of Saint Andrew in 2025. (*Consult your tax advisor.*)

Call the office at **540-344-9814** or email Larry at llevy@bofsa.org

Save the date on January 15 for Virginia 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 under VA Pro-Life Day at <https://basilicaofstandrew.org/respect-life-ministry>



St. Francis House Food Pantry: Supporting this ministry is as easy as picking up a non-perishable food item on your next trip to the grocery store. *The pantry is also in need of personal hygiene items.* Food collected is also distributed at St. Joseph's Furniture Closet as the need arises. *Thank you for your continued support of this ministry!*

Saint Francis – Manchester

Please join us at the 4th Annual Community Briefing!
A discussion of issues concerning Richmond's seniors

Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Virginia War Memorial

7:30 AM – 8:15AM

Breakfast provided

Businesses, churches, and civic groups can make an impact!

Please RSVP to dcritchfield@saintfrancisrva.org

Dedicated to helping you heal

Virtual Support Group for those who have suffered abuse by clergy or lay personnel residing in the Catholic Diocese of Richmond.

We invite you to join the group on the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. These gatherings, led by an independent facilitator, will offer a safe environment for participants to connect, share experiences, support, and heal. Spouses and affected community members are also welcome.

Questions or to join please email Paula Kaempffer at kaempfferp@archspm.org or call 763-688-3978.

THIS WEEK AT ST. ANDREW'S

Sunday	(10:00 am)	HS Christian Formation
	(10:20 am)	OCIA class
	(10:25 am)	K-8 Christian Formation
	(2:00 pm)	Simbang Gabi practice
	(3:00 pm)	VN Nativity practice
Tuesday	(1:00 pm)	Ladies Game Day
	(3:00 pm)	Playgroup
	(6:30 pm)	Theology Tuesday
Wednesday	(6:00 am)	TMIY
	(1:00 pm)	Ladies Book Club
	(5:30 pm)	Evening prayer
	(6:00 pm)	MS/HS Youth Group
Thursday	(10:00 am)	Nursery meetup
	(6:00 pm)	Confirmation class
	(6:30 pm)	OCIA class
	(7:00 pm)	Penance Service at OLN
	(7:15 pm)	Catholicism for Catholics
Saturday	(9:00 am)	Rosary
Sunday	(10:00 am)	HS Christian Formation
	(10:20 am)	OCIA class
	(10:25 am)	K-8 Christian Formation
	(2:00 pm)	Simbang Gabi practice
	(3:00 pm)	Vietnamese Nativity practice
	(3:00 pm)	Vietnamese Choir

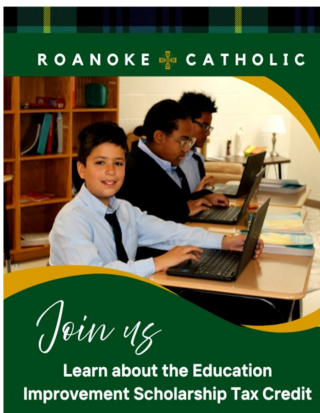
Roanoke Catholic School is looking for a **part time varsity baseball coach** for the spring season of 2025-2026 and beyond.

Interested candidates should direct questions and/or send a resume, cover letter and [diocesan application](#) to Shawn Good, Athletic Director, at sgood@roanokecatholic.com



Come out to **St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Lynchburg** to celebrate the World of Nativities!

Join us on **Saturday, December 13**, from 1:00–5:00pm and 6:00pm–8:00pm, or **Sunday, December 14**, from 12:00pm–5:00pm. Enjoy a beautiful display of nativities from around the world, family crafts, and seasonal refreshments! \$5 per person or \$20 per family. Kids 5 and under are free! This is a fundraiser celebrating Christ's birth and supporting our sister parish in Haiti. For more information, go to www.stmva.org/won or call the St. Thomas Parish Office at (434) 237-5911. *Don't miss it!!*



A Catholic education is one of the greatest gifts we can offer a child. Seventy-six children from the Basilica of St. Andrew Parish attend Roanoke Catholic School. These families sacrifice deeply because they believe in forming their children into faith, virtue, and academic excellence. But many cannot afford this gift without tuition assistance. One third of these students receive financial assistance from the

Educational Improvement Scholarship Tax Credits Program (EISTC).

Today, we want to share a way that *you* can directly help students and Roanoke Catholic School: When you make a gift through the EISTC program, you will receive 65% of your donation back as a Virginia state tax credit. And if you itemize, you may also claim the remaining amount as a state and federal tax deduction. This means you can make a gift that will change a student's life here in our parish with little impact on your bottom line.

The school disburses scholarships to low- and middle-income students, most of whom would not otherwise be able to afford a Catholic education.

For those who have appreciated stock, this can be an exceptionally beneficial way to give — not only do you receive the tax credit, but you also avoid the state and federal capital gains tax. With the stock market performing so well recently, this can be an excellent option to lower your tax bill this year.

There is time to donate before the end of the year and claim your 2025 tax credit. **Members of the Roanoke Catholic School team are here after Mass this weekend, December 6/7, to answer any questions and help you with the straightforward donation process.** Your generosity truly changes the lives of our students and families.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

Job opening: St. Gerard Catholic Church seeks a full-time (30 hrs/week) **Administrative Assistant/Secretary**. This position is responsible for various administrative duties at the parish office, particularly secretarial and receptionist duties in addition to records keeping. Qualifications: High school diploma, bilingual (English and Spanish), proficiency in use of Office 365 and computer skills, some experience required, driver's license.

Candidates should submit a resume and Diocesan application to ireyes@richmonddiocese.org. The application can be found at: <https://extranet.richmonddiocese.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/CDR-Application-For-Employment-11-17-16.docx>

**JOB
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