

BASILICA OF SAINT ANDREW

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DECEMBER 14, 2025 • THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



"This is the one about whom it is written: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you." - Mt 11:10

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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Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday	(12:00 pm)	Herbert Conley, Sr. †
Tuesday	(12:00 pm)	John Mumm †
Wednesday	(12:00 pm)	Liam McCaul †
Thursday	(12:00 pm)	Thanksgiving to St. Joseph †
Friday	(12:00 pm)	Raquel & Pedro Gamboa †
Saturday	(5:30 pm)	June Ann Vamenta †
Sunday	(7:30 am)	The people of St. Andrew
	(9:00 am)	Joan Alouf †
	(11:30 am)	Mesio Manello †
	(3:00 pm)	The Vietnamese Community

† 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.

Visitor to the Parish? Please consider giving to the Basilica of St. Andrew. Open the QR code to make a secure online donation.



www.basilicaofstandrew.org



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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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Saint Nicholas: The Real Story

Travel to Turkey and Italy to uncover clues that lead to the truth about St. Nicholas.
(55 min video)



Sacrificial Giving

Collection Report	Nov 30	Nov YTD
Sunday & Holy Days	\$22,497	\$694,876
Maintenance Fund	435	63,663
Total received	22,932	758,538
Total income budgeted	41,400	769,600
Better (Worse)	(18,469)	(11,062)

Thank you for your continued support!

Readings of the Week

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

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

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23/Mt 21:28-32

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

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

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

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

Next Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (7c, 10b)/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24



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.

Prayer Requests

Paul Carlozzi, 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, Sai 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 Altieria, John Pollard, Teresa Jones, Karen March, Robert Zublionis, Geneva Phillips, Julie Williams, Mason McDaniel, Georgia Eck, Abraham Gherman, Richard Quinn, Lili 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.

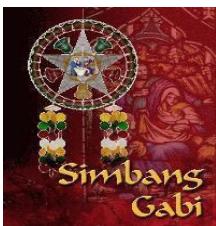


Retirement Fund for Religious

Please give to those who have given a lifetime.

Second collection this weekend for the Retired Religious: They gave their lives in service—now they need your help. For decades, women and men religious have cared for others, teaching, praying and serving those in need. Many now face retirement without sufficient savings. Your support ensures they receive the care they deserve. Let us now offer them the dignity they have so selflessly granted to others. Your generosity today is not just a donation—it's a way of thanking them for their lifelong service. *Please give to the Retirement Fund for Religious.*

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 the Parish Office or email kmcdaniel@bofsa.org.



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.

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

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

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



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 Shockley, 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 Guiliams, 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.

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.)

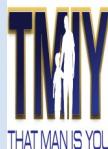
In **2025**, individuals may give up to **\$108,000** through QCDs; married couples may give up to **\$216,000**.

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

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

Our Wednesday morning Men's Rosary group is on break. Our meetings will resume on January 21, 2026.



Our **That Man Is You** group is on Christmas break. Our spring session starts on January 21, 2026.

When not on break, we meet Wednesday mornings, 6:30 - 8:00, in the social hall for faith, fellowship, and breakfast. No registration is required. Contact Jordan Miller at miller.jordanm@icloud.com for more information.

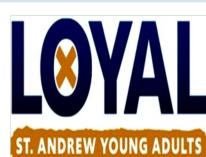
The **Men of St. Andrew's (MenSA)** is taking a Christmas break and will not meet at the end of December. We will resume our usual last Tuesday of the month meetings in January.



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.



ST. ANDREW YOUNG ADULTS

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

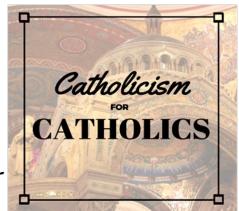
Join us for a refresher on the basics of our Faith!

December 18, 7:15 – 8:15pm

Presenter: Ginny Garza

Topic: *Confirmation: Consecrated for Mission*

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)



BASILICA OF ST. ANDREW



Online Giving

Over one third of contributions from parishioners now come from online giving! Please help the Basilica of St. Andrew by considering a switch to online giving! Using online giving provides many benefits to parishioners and to St. Andrew's.

- Helps simplify your giving – no more writing checks or using weekly envelopes.
- Provides secure giving.
- Makes record keeping easier for donor and parish.
- Increases accuracy of database records.
- Provides St. Andrew's with timely, reliable cash flows even when parishioners are unable to attend weekly mass.

Registering for online giving is easy! Simply go to www.basilicaofstandrew.org and click on "Giving". Select "Online Giving from Our Sunday Visitor" then select "Sunday Collection – Give Now". If you have any questions, contact Tim Heffron or Larry Levy at the parish offices at (540)-344-9814



Walk with the Holy Family starting in Advent! To benefit Catholic Relief Services, the Virginia CRS Chapter is hosting a state-wide virtual walk-a-thon fundraiser, "*Walking with the Holy Family*", now until January 4. Through Advent and the Christmas Season, walk on your own time in solidarity with families who must leave their homelands due to food insecurity, violence, or instability and raise funds to support CRS programs throughout the world. For more information or to register, visit: bit.ly/VACRS or scan the QR code.



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 dcrutchfield@saintfrancisrva.org

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)	Vietnamese choir
	(3:00 pm)	Vietnamese nativity practice
Monday	(9:00 am)	SAM's Mini retreat
	(5:30 pm)	SVDP prayer
Tuesday	(3:00 pm)	Playgroup
	(7:00 pm)	St. Andrew Penance Service
Wednesday	(12:00 pm)	Penance Service at St. Gerard
	(5:30 pm)	Evening prayer
	(6:00 pm)	MS/HS Youth Group
	(6:00 pm)	Christmas Tree Lighting
Thursday	(10:00 am)	Nursery meetup
	(6:30 pm)	OCIA class
	(7:15 pm)	Catholicism for Catholics
Friday	(6:00 pm)	Simbang Gabi
	(8:00 pm)	LOYAL meeting (offsite)
Saturday	(9:00 am)	Rosary
Sunday	(10:00 am)	HS Christian Formation
	(10:20 am)	OCIA class
	(10:25 am)	K-8 Christian Formation

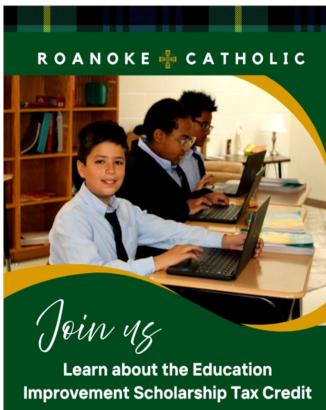
Roanoke Catholic School is looking for a **part time varsity baseball coach** for the spring season of 2025-2026 and beyond.

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 Sunday, December 14, from 12:00pm–5:00pm, and 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. Your generosity truly changes the lives of our students and families. *Thank you for your prayerful consideration.*

**JOB
OPENING**

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 jreyes@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>

You are never alone - Women and men who are alone, aged 62 and over, are invited to join this newly formed group. For more information, please call Carol at (540) 355-6862.

Join us for a potluck lunch on Wednesday, December 17 at 3:00pm, at Our Lady of Nazareth Church.