



St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Community

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time — November 19, 2017

A Thanksgiving Prayer

Thank You, God, for everything...The big things and the small,
For "every good gift comes from God"...The Giver of them all.
And all too often we accept without any thanks or praise,
the gifts as blessings each day in many ways.
And so at this Thanksgiving time, we offer up a prayer;
to thank You, God, for giving us a lot more than our share.
First, thank You for the little things that often come our way;
the things we take for granted and don't mention when we pray.
The unexpected courtesy, the thoughtful, kindly deed,
a hand reached out to help us...in the time of sudden need.
Oh, make us more aware, dear God, of little daily graces,
that come to us with "sweet surprise" from never-dreamed-of places.
Then, thank You for the miracles we are much too blind to see,
and give us new awareness of our many gifts from Thee.
And help us to remember that the key to life and living,
is to make each prayer a prayer of thanks, and every day **THANKSGIVING**.

Helen Steiner Rice

Website: www.andrewcc.org

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 pm and 5:30 pm (English)
Sunday 7:30 am (English)
8:45 am (en Español) - Iglesia
9:00 am (English) - Hall
10:30 am (English) - Church
10:30 am (po Polsku) - Hall
12:00 noon (po Polsku)-Church
12:00 noon (English) - Hall
Weekdays 7:30 am (Mon. Tue. Thurs. Fri.)
7:00 am & 8:00 am (Wednesday)
8:00 am (Saturday)
7:15 pm (po Polsku) (Tue.)

Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:00 — 3:50 pm
Wednesdays 5:45—6:45 pm with Adoration
Seasonal Services and by Appointment

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Mass Intentions

E=English P=Polish S=Spanish Ch=Church

This Week

Saturday, November 18

8:00 AM —Marian Zinsky by Charlotte
4:00 PM — Keith Surges, Jr. by Mary Ellen Bell
5:30 PM — James Kelly & Roseann Berndt by Jeanette Kelly
7:30 PM (P)—Intention of the Celebrant

Sunday, November 19

7:30 AM—(E-Ch) Parish Family
8:45 AM— (S-Ch) Sra. Sofia Tagle by Dcn Jesse and
Mona Tagle
Sra. Mary H. Ochoa by Dcn. Jesse and Mona
Tagle
9:00 AM—(E-Hall) Richard Kleffman by Diane Kleffman
10:30 AM—(E-Ch) Andy Wisniewski by Bernice Fitzpatrick
10:30 AM—(P-Hall) Intention of the Celebrant
12:00 PM—(E-Hall) John Morello by Sister Maria Goretti
12:00 PM—(P-Ch) Collective Mass Intentions

Monday, November 20

7:30 AM—William Conner by Mary Ann

Tuesday, November 21

7:30 AM—Bob Drdak by Clark Family
7:15 PM (P)—Intention of Celebrant

Wednesday, November 22

7:00 AM—Arlene Linkenheld by Kandy O'Connell
8:00 AM—Margaret Homerding by her Children and Families

Thursday, November 23

9:00 AM—In Thanksgiving

Friday, November 24

7:30 AM —Jill Angela by Delores Bozza

Saturday, November 25

8:00 AM —Martin Hozjan by Rychard Kogut
4:00 PM — Lancor Family by Roy & Marge
5:30 PM — Donna Geraghty by Bernice Fitzpatrick
7:30 PM (P)—Intention of the Celebrant

Sunday, November 26

7:30 AM—(E-Ch) Parish Family
8:45 AM— (S-Ch) Sra. Sofia Tagle by Dcn Jesse and
Mona Tagle
9:00 AM—(E-Hall) Francesca Gelvaggi by Donata Longo
10:30 AM—(E-Ch) Juan Carlos Ibarra, Jr. by Family
10:30 AM—(P-Hall) Intention of the Celebrant
12:00 PM—(E-Hall) Special Intention of Pelligrino Family by
Family
12:00 PM—(P-Ch) Collective Mass Intentions



Monday, November 20

Sacrament Preparation 6:00 pm—9:00 pm
Prayer Vigil Charismatic 6:30 pm—9:30 pm
St. Mary Back Room 204
Boy Scout Troop #22 6:30 pm—8:30 pm Room 203
Legion of Mary 7:00 pm—9:00 pm Conf. Room A

Tuesday, November 21

Parent Conferences 4:00 pm—8:00 pm Parish Hall
Rosary 7:00 pm — 7:30 pm St. Francis Room
Tuesday Mass (Polish) 7:15 pm

Wednesday, November 22

NO SCHOOL-THANKSGIVING BREAK

Parent Conferences 8:00 am—11:00 am Hall
Food Pantry 10:00 am — 12:30 pm
Adoration 5:30 pm —7:00 pm
Curcillo Ultreya 7:00 pm —Room 113
Charismatic Group 7:00 pm — 9:30 pm —Church
Spanish Adult Choir 7:00 pm — Room 102
RCIA 7:00 pm—9:00 pm Conference Room A
AA Meeting 7:30 pm — St. Mary Center (B) Rm. 204

Thursday, November 23

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

Friday, November 24

NO SCHOOL-THANKSGIVING BREAK

Saturday, November 25

Spanish Baptism 11:30 am—1:30 pm—Church

Sunday, November 26

RCIA 11:00 am —1:00 pm Conference Room A
Private Memorial Service 1:30 pm-2:30 pm Church

The Parish Office will close at **3:00 PM** on
Wednesday, November 22 and will reopen on
Monday, November 27 at 8:30 AM.

The Parish Office staff wishes everyone a Blessed
and Happy Thanksgiving!

Rev. Gregor Gorsic, Pastor
(815) 886-4165 ext. 317



My dear family of St. Andrew the Apostle!

Over the last few months, I have shared with you important aspects of interacting with married couples who are experiencing “hard” or “soft” problems in their marriage, and the L.E.A.P. (Listen, Empathize, Affirm, give some Perspective) way of responding to the troubled spouse who opens up to speak and share his or her struggles with you. Remember, research suggests that couples with problems wait an average of *six years* before getting professional help. In the meantime, they talk to their friends, to family members, to coworkers, and to people they trust at church, like YOU. How these people (YOU!) respond can have a profound effect on the future of the marriage. I want all of us to be the best Marital First Responders we can be! The most important thing is by listening, empathizing, and affirming, you LET THE PERSON KNOW YOU CARE!

Today, I would like to go deeper. What do I mean? I want to explore the roots and foundations of male and female relationships and how they are grounded in God as Trinity. I am sharing many of the insights I have picked up from a family counselor, spiritual director, and healer-priest by the name of Fr. Robert T. Sears, SJ. He is trained in the same training ground as our current Holy Father, Pope Francis, had been, namely, among the Jesuits, or as they are officially called, the Company of Jesus.

In the vast complexities of male-female relationships, Fr. Sears has discovered two secure principles: (1) male and female are different not just biologically but in every aspect of their being, and (2) they can discover their differences (and unity) only through ongoing interrelationship.

First, there truly exists sexual difference that is not simply biological and limited to marriage, but rather, it is a transcendent difference that will remain even in heaven and affects every aspect of human existence. It is God-created, and first mentioned before the command to reproduce, which comes a little later from God in the Scriptures, thus freeing male-female differences from the limits of mere biology. Jesus speaks that in heaven there will be “no marriage” (not “no women” nor “no men”). The saints, Mary, and Jesus Christ retain their sexual distinctiveness in heaven as presumably we all will, and the divine community (the Holy Trinity) will be the ground of all (see 1 Cor 15,28).

Secondly, sexual differences are not merely “given.” They unfold through on-going interaction. Male and female are correlative realities, each is developed and understood in light of the other. Here modern psychology can open up this truth in discovering the male-female aspects of every human person as discoverable only through actual relationships between men and women. Just biologically speaking, every male has a small amount of typical female hormones, and every female has a small amount of typical male hormones. You can see here also how easily transgenderism can creep in, but it is already an unhealthy confusion of basic human male-female differences (see previous bulletins for more on transgenderism). There seems to be no reason to limit this interaction between male and female, men and women, to this life (where we can ground it empirically) since heavenly existence is also communal, involving union with Christ and the saints in the communal love of God, and love itself “never ends” (1 Cor 13,13). “In short,” writes Fr. Sears, “to be fully human implies the interaction of male and female in a co-creating of life, an image of our divine source where the on-going relatedness of the Son reveals the Father and releases their Spirit of love.”

From these two basic principles mentioned above and the communal understanding of the Trinity, Fr. Sears draws forth five ways of further understanding the interrelationship between God and our male-female make-up as human beings. In next week’s bulletin, I will conclude reflecting on the beauty of God’s love and how our male-female relationships are rooted in God’s self-giving love.

You see, humanity as “male and female” interpersonally (not simply biologically) in the “image of God” implies complementary equality in every aspect of human existence. Human male and female are not interpreted from below (the sexuality of the animals) but from above (as revelation of God’s being). The fact that it is not good for the man to be alone and that God made a partner “like him” gives further support for a relational understanding of male-female as involved in God’s image.

It is not sexual differences but the gifts of the Spirit that structure Christian community. As the Son is equal partner with the Father in sending the Spirit, so women are called to become equal partners with men in God’s work of extending love to the unloved. God transcends sexual differences yet grounds both male and female qualities and calls both men and women to unity in differences and co-creation. Respect for God at work in every person, male and female, leads us to transform one-sided subordination to mutual listening. Unity, as a goal, is not one-sided, but pluralistic and other-empowering, respecting differences and reaching out to others. Joy comes from this mutual self-giving and respectful love as a fruit, the joy that ultimately comes from our self-giving God!

In the loving Hearts of Jesus and Mary, Fr. Gregor





The Society of St. Vincent DePaul St. Andrew the Apostle Conference

*...neighbor helping neighbor... Our helpline **815-886-4165 ext. 304***

All calls are confidential with callbacks within 24 hours.

The good news of today's Gospel is the extravagance of what is being given us. All we need to do is be faithful in "small matters". The cost of fidelity has no comparison to the reward given. Thank you again for all you do for the poor. Last week's collection for St. Vincent de Paul Society was **\$3061.00**. If you were not prepared to donate this past Sunday, you may use the yellow envelopes at the rear of the church for your donation.

Time to give thanks to God for the richness of our lives and the love of family and friends. Please remember to declutter your closets and homes in preparation for the coming of Jesus birthday. Our St. Vincent de Paul Stores will receive your donated goods.

Call: 630-231-4658 for home pick-up, or email: saintvincentdepaul@gmail.com.

HAVE A BLESSED THANKSGIVING WITH JOY TO ALL YOU MEET!



November 4 and 5

Sunday Collection **\$18,869.25**
All Saints Day **\$2,622.77**

November 11 and 12

Sunday Collection **\$15,798.26**
Foundation for the Future **\$943.00**



"Tell everybody that God grants us His graces through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, that they should ask her for them, that the Heart of Jesus wants the Immaculate Heart of Mary to be honored along with His."

—Blessed Jacinta Marto to Lucia

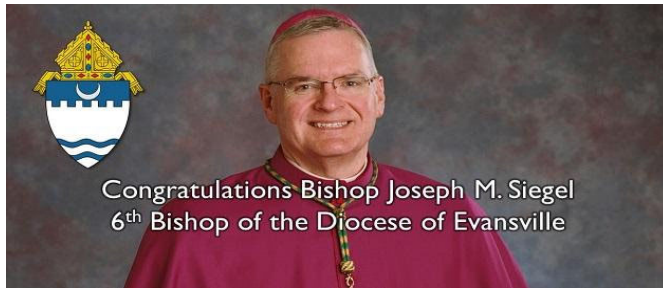
Remember these men and women in your daily prayers . . .

NOVEMBER

20 Frs. Douglas Hauber & John Dennerlein
 21 Dns. William Bevan III, Ralph Bias, Frank Bina, Patrick Blaney, John Blumenstein, William Boucek, John Boyle, James Breen, David Brockman
 22 Srs. Dorthy Clare Zuleski, Helen Zuka OSF – M. Francis Gresser, M. Louise Staszewski, Marianne Talian, Marie Therese Terrazzino OSM
 23 Frs. William Dewan & Thomas Dieter
 24 Brs. Charles Hlava, Guy Jelinek, Raphael Kozel, Richard Poro OSB – Damien DeBraekeleer, Joseph Buscha OSF
 25 Frs. William Donnelly & James Dougherty
 26 Terrence Neary (Deacon Candidate)

READINGS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43
 Tuesday: 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10
 Wednesday: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15; Lk 19:11-28
 Thursday: 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41-44
 Thanksgiving Day, Suggested:
 Sir 50:22-24; Ps 145:2-11; 1 Cor 1:3-9; Lk 17:11-19
 Friday: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11-12; Lk 19:45-48
 Saturday: 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; Lk 20:27-40
 Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mt 25:31-46



Congratulations Bishop Joseph M. Siegel
6th Bishop of the Diocese of Evansville

A farewell Mass in Bishop Siegel's honor will be held at the **Cathedral of St. Raymond Nonnatus**, Joliet, on **Sunday, November 26 at 11:00 AM.** All are welcome. Light refreshments will be served after Mass.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

"Not as man sees does God see, because man sees the appearance but the LORD looks into the heart." Let your spouse see into your heart better by working through a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend on Dec. 8-10, 2017, at Elk Grove Village, IL. Early registration is highly

recommended. For reservations/information, call Jim & Kris at 630-577-0778 or contact us through <http://wwwme-chicagoland.org>.

Para más información de los Fines de Semana en español, si vive en los suburbios o pertenece a la Diócesis de Joliet, comuníquese con Javier y Gaby Vargas (630) 621-8984 gabyjaviervgs@gmail.com, en el área de Chicago llamar a Oscar y Luz Delgado (847) 826-9525, odelro@aol.com, para los que vivan en el área del sur de Chicago y el Noroeste de Indiana llamar a Juan y Elia Zambrano (708) 825-4099 eliaza4726@sbcglobal.net. Se recomienda registrarse con anticipación ya que el cupo es limitado.

PRAYER BLANKETS AVAILABLE



Do you know someone who is very ill, having surgery, or recovering? Why not bring them a Prayer Blanket? The blessed blankets are available to pick up from Sue at the Music/Worship Office by the church entrance.

815-886-4165 ext. 314 or
music@andrewcc.org

Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal Pledge Report as of November 15, 2017



Monthly pledge payments for CMAA pledges can continue to be made. It is very important that these pledges be paid so that our parish will reach our goal. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

PARISH GOAL:	\$77,126
AMOUNT PLEDGED:	\$92,492
AMOUNT PAID:	\$77,447
REMAINING BALANCE:	\$15,045
REBATE AMOUNT:	\$224*

*70% of additional funds received beyond goal will be returned to the parish for our use.

LOOKING FOR A 'STEADY' MAN

The We Care Food Pantry is looking for a gentleman who is free on Monday and Wednesday mornings and has a truck or a van which can be used to pick up bread and sometimes meats from the Aldi store on south Weber Road near Walmart.

Our current gentleman, Mr. Mike Corbett, who has been doing this for so many years, will be leaving us at the end of the year. Before he leaves, he would like to show the new volunteer how the food is picked up from Aldi and delivered to the food pantry.

If you are able to volunteer, please contact:

Jack or Pat Frazier at (815) 919-3233 or
Mike Corbett at (815) 954-4767

Thank you so much in advance for considering doing this for We Care.

Jack and Pat Frazier Coordinators

Ministerio Hispano



Ramona Tagle
Coordinadora del Ministerio Hispano 815-886-4165 Ext. 305
Hispanic@andrewcc.org
Noviembre 19, de 2017



EL DIA DE ACCION DE GRACIAS

De parte de nuestro párroco Rev. Gregor Gorsic y de Ministerio Hispano, les deseamos un feliz Día De Acción de Gracias. A todos las familias de nuestra parroquia de San Andrés el Apóstol. Que nuestro Señor les colme de muchas bendiciones en su hogar y sus familias. Señor, te damos gracias porque se que existes, porque en el mundo y la vida estas presente. Te damos gracias por lo que somos, y lo que recibimos de Tí. Te damos gracias porque haz puesto cerca de nosotros mucha gente: familias, compañeros, Y amigos. En ellos encontremos reflejos de tu AMOR Gracia también por la tristeza, por el dolor y la necesidad que nos hacen acordarnos de TÍ. Gracias, Señor, por las cosas, por la gente, por la alegría, por la presencia por el AMOR
Por todo:
!!!GRACIAS SEÑOR!!!



Intención de Misa

Sra. Mary H. Ochoa



La Sagrada Familia

Sra. María Serrano

Harvest Saturday is currently taking orders for homemade gift tags for just \$10.00 a dozen!

Interested? God bless you and thank you for your support!

Simply fill out this form and mail it with a check/money order made out to: "Harvest Saturday Food Drive"

Mail it to: **Harvest Saturday**
P.O. Box 7501
Romeoville, IL 60446

The tags are in a variety pack & will be mailed directly to you!
No need to worry about picking them up!
Please allow 1-2 weeks for delivery.

Name _____
FULL Address _____

of Dozens _____
Amount enclosed: _____



Interested in being a Boy Scout? Enrollment is open to boys ages 10-17.

St. Andrew's Boy Scout Troop 22 is inviting newcomers to join! Meetings are every Monday at 6:30 PM at St. Andrew the Apostle.



CAMPING-ARCHERY-FISHING- SHOOTING SPORTS-BIKING

Contact:

Jim Suffern-Scoutmaster
eagle1_80@prodigy.net



WE CARE FOOD PANTRY NOTICE

The We Care Food Pantry will be **CLOSED** on **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2017** to help everyone involved in the pantry to prepare for the Thanksgiving Holiday.

The pantry will be **OPEN** on **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2017** from **10:00 AM to 12:30 PM** for our regular clients and anyone in Romeoville in need of food assistance.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Jack or Pat Frazier at (815) 919-3233

Thank you and have a Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving!





Ks. Michał Twarużek

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sprawy urzędowe po
wcześniejszym ustaleniu spotkania



Marta Wysocki
Koordynator Polskiego Duszpasterstwa
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email: polish@andrewcc.org
Godziny pracy: Wtorki i Środy
od 8:30 a.m do 2:30 p.m.



Marta Wysocki

XXXIII NIEDZIELA W CZASIE ZWYKŁYM

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Zabawa Andrzejkowa

Listopad 25, 2017
Od godziny 7 p.m. do 1 a.m
Cena biletów \$40

W cenie biletu:
Obiad (2 mięsa na gorąco, 2 ciepłe dodatki i
3 rodzaje sałatek)
Bigos, podawany o 11:30 wieczorem

Stół Szwedzki w cenie biletu!
(Zakąski, ciasta, sałatki itp.)

Cash bar

Loteria z możliwością wygrania ciekawych nagród
Zagra dla nas „D.J Przemek”

Rezerwacje tylko na pełne stoły dziesięć osobowe,
bilety muszą być kupione przy rezerwacji

Bilety dostępne na sprzedaż po mszach świętych.

****Goście muszą mieć ukończone 21 lat**



Zaznacz w Kalendarzu!

Msza Św. Wtorkowa w każdy Wtorek o godzinie 7:15 wieczorem w kościele. Msza Święta połączona z Nowenną do Matki Bożej Częstochowskiej.



Grafik na Listopad		11.26
10.30	Lektor	Stanisława Mniszak
	Szafarz I	Krzysztof Zborowski
12.00	Lektor I	Mirosław Gaik
	Lektor II	Anna Dziedzic
	Szafarz I	Grace Gacek
	Szafarz II	

Mary Kerwin—Office

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Elena Ibarra—Coordinator

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Hablo Español

OFFICE HOURS

Sunday, Nov 19th	9am-12pm
Monday, Nov 20th	5:30-7:30pm
Tuesday, Nov 21st	CLOSED
Wednesday, Nov 22nd	HOLIDY
Thursday, Nov 23rd	HOLIDY

**When it Feels Like
the World is Ending****The Sky is falling**

What do you even tell a group of people in the midst of helplessness? And often times, we let uncertainty and the horrors of that world guide and control us. We let the news build on itself, seeking out things that point towards a unanimous voice screaming out that everything is bad and that things aren't ok.

**Look at the Cross**

So while it can be scary, we learn from suffering that there is always hope and comfort in the arms of a savior who has defeated over and over again hardship, even the hardships of our present day. There is always victory on the other side. There is always the Resurrection after the Passion.

Walk With Hope

These last few months have felt like a lot of things are happening at once, but the world is not ending. God will redeem each and every one of these evils. With that hope, Jesus calls us to trust in Him through practical habits. We can respond to horror with hope. In bringing tragedy, horror, devastation, and actual evil to the light of Christ, we remain grounded in Him amidst the darkness that the world throws at us — even when it feels like the darkness is impossible to overcome. Search for, find, and count the ways Christ has blessed you and is already healing the wounds of this world. When we make our natural response that of gratitude, hope comes naturally and we begin to see the honest truth — the truth this world often passes by or overlooks. The reality is that Jesus has already overcome evil so we can believe with certain hope that things will really and truly always get better. I'm praying for it and I'm sure of it. — Lifeteen.com

FAITH FORMATION NOVEMBER CALENDAR

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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19 Sacrament Prep 4-5:30pm Con: Child 1Com: w/Parent	20 Sacrament Prep 6-7:30 Con: Child 1Com: w/Parent	21	22	23 Thanksgiving Mass 9:00am	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		



Prayers of the Parish

Michael Cavoto, HN James M. Chavez, Matthew Domek, Christopher Durkovic, James Dean Johnson, Jacob Kikta, Bill Nelson, 1st Lt. Alexander Nuxoll, Sgt. Kevin Parker, Joshua Plucinski, Andrew Price, Mstr. Sgt. Jose Sanchez, Kyle Tranchitello, Humberto Zermeno, Emerald Tagle and all our men and women in the military.

ST. ANDREW FEAST DAY DINNER DANCE

Hosted by Polish Ministry
Saturday November 25th
From 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.
Parish Hall

\$40 per ticket which includes:
Buffet style dinner , D.J & Appetizer Table.
Cash Bar*Raffles

Tickets available for sale after Polish masses.



K OF C CHILI COOK OFF WRAP UP



Our first chili cook-off is in the books. Big thanks to all who came and helped us make this event successful.



Here is a list of the winners:

Culinary Winner	Bolingbrook Amer. Legion
Best Restaurant	Fat Rickys
Best Individual	Allyson Benford
Most Votes	Our Own Marta Wysocki with 350 votes
4 Bears Tickets	Gareth Trichardt

*Again thank you all,
Darek Pikul
Grand Knight*



LEGION OF MARY HOME ENTHRONEMENTS

All Parishioners of St. Andrew the Apostle will have an opportunity to have their homes enthroned with the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary. The Legion of Mary will host this enthronement at no cost to you, it's absolutely free! All you have to do is come to the back of the Church after Mass on the weekend of **December 2nd/3rd**. The members of the legion will be available to you. The only requirement is that you pray the consecration prayers on the day you receive your enthronement form, sign it and receive a copy of optional daily prayers. This is all done right here at Church.

Pope St. John Paul II in a talk given to families of the world said, "Always keep your eyes on the Sacred Heart of Jesus, King and center of all hearts. From Him you will learn the great lesson of love, of goodness, of sacrifice, of piety, so necessary for every Christian family."

Also, there are 12 promises given to St. Margaret Mary by Our Lord Jesus for those devoted to His Sacred Heart.

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will establish peace in their families.
3. I will console them in all their troubles.
4. They shall find in My Heart an assured refuge during life and especially at the hour of death.
5. I will pour abundant blessings on all their undertakings.
6. Sinners shall find in My Heart the source of an infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Tepid souls shall become fervent.
8. Fervent souls shall speedily rise to great perfection.
9. I will bless the homes in which an image of My Heart shall be exposed and honored.
10. I will give to priests the power of touching the most hardened hearts.
11. Those who propagate this devotion shall have their names written in My Heart, never to be effaced.
12. The all-powerful love of My Heart will grant to all those who shall receive Communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months the grace of final repentance; they shall not die under My displeasure, nor without receiving their Sacraments; My Heart shall be their assured refuge at that last hour.



ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

FAITH • FAMILY • EDUCATION

First Annual St. Andrew Reading Night

A great time was had by all who attended the reading night on Thursday, November 9. Students, their parents and the teachers enjoyed stories and songs with the White Oaks Librarian and afterwards created a fun Thanksgiving craft. Hot chocolate and cookies were a nice treat at the end of the evening. Congratulations to Karl, Kylie, and Skylar who were the lucky winners of a \$10 gift card to Barnes and Noble.



No Cook Night



Thank you to everyone who joined our No Cook Night at Culver's this month. As you can see Father Gregor and friends had a good time. Some of our parents donned aprons and worked as runners. No Cook Nights give a percentage of the profits from the evening back to the school. Our next No Cook Night will be December 5th-details coming soon.

Exciting News for Donors to Catholic Education concerning the NEW TAX CREDIT

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Mrs. Albreski @ 815-886-5953 ext. 421

Parents interested in attending St. Andrew School will find information about how to apply for the scholarships in upcoming bulletins.

What is a Tax Credit Scholarship Program?

It allows individuals and corporations to donate to scholarship granting organizations and receive a credit on their state taxes in return. These organizations can then use this money to grant scholarships to qualifying students.

How much is the credit worth?

An individual or corporate donor will receive a 75% credit on their donation. This means that if a donor donates \$10,000, they will receive a state tax credit of \$7,500.

Donations by both individual and corporate donors are capped at \$1 million.

Individual donors can direct their donations to the school or subset of schools of their choice. Corporate donors cannot designate.

The credit is non-refundable (meaning it can not take a taxpayers liability below zero), but can be carried forward for five years.

Can a donor receive a federal tax deduction in addition to a state tax credit for the same donation?

No. The legislation specifically prohibits this.

Is there a program cap?

If so, what is it?

Yes, there is a cap of \$75 million in tax credits.



How does that donation process work?

Beginning on January 2, 2018, individual and corporate donors will be able to reserve tax credits on a Department of Revenue website. They will then have 60 days to donate the amount they reserved to the scholarship granting organization(s) of their choice.

After donating, they will receive a certificate of receipt from the scholarship granting organization, indicating that a donation was made.

The scholarship granting organization will then notify the Department of Revenue that a donation was made.

If a donor doesn't donate, rescinds their donation, or gives less than they indicated to the Department of Revenue, they will not receive ANY tax credit.

All unused tax credits will be put back into the program until the cap is hit.

Will all the tax credits and scholarships go to Chicago?

No. There is a requirement in the new law that the Department of Revenue ensure distribution of scholarships throughout the entire state in proportion with the nonpublic school enrollment. However, after June 1 of each year, remaining credits will be distributed on a first come, first serve basis without regard to location.

Also, remember that *individual donors* can designate a school or group of schools to receive the scholarship money.

How long will these tax credits be available?

A taxpayer may take a credit under this act beginning on or after January 2, 2018 and ending before January 1, 2023. If the legislature does not extend tax credit, it will automatically be repealed on January 1, 2024.

What is a scholarship granting organization?

A scholarship granting organization, or SGO, is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization whose primary aim is to give scholarships to students.

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SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION

CATECHUMENATE

The Catechumenate is a community which gathers those adults who have not been baptized, and seek deeper insight into the Christian faith.

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN

We joyfully celebrate the baptism of children of Christian households which are joined to our weekly worship, and have active registration in our parish community for at least 3 months. After registration in the parish, please attend an Evening of Awareness, if you have not attended a class in the past two years, to register for Baptism and select a date. Classes are presented on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Baptism is celebrated on the **third** Sunday of the month at 1:30 p.m.

EUCCHARIST AND CONFIRMATION

Formation for those coming first to the table of the Lord as children is infused into the efforts of our school and Faith Formation Office. Confirmation formation is a two year process completed in eighth grade. Please call the Faith Formation Office for more information.

SACRAMENTS OF COMMITMENT

MARRIAGE

Marriage preparation is a **six month** process of prayer, reflection and study. Couples work with both the presider and a sponsor couple through this process. Please note that this six month period of preparation is essential.

ORDERS

Those seeking assistance in discerning a call to ordained ministry are encouraged to call the parish offices.

SACRAMENTS OF HEALING

RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is available each Saturday afternoon, 3:00pm, Wednesday evening, 5:45-6:45pm, through seasonal communal services, and by appointment.

ANOINTING

Anointing of the Sick is offered through seasonal services, and always by request. If hospitalized, please immediately seek anointing from the Catholic chaplain.

Call St. Vincent DePaul Truck to Pick Up Donations

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Look upon our brothers and sisters who are ill, in the midst of illness and pain, may they be united with Christ, who heals both body and soul; may they know the consolation promised to those who suffer and be fully restored to wellness and wholeness. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. Amen.

GRANT ETERNAL REST, LIGHT AND PEACE TO ALL FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Please call the parish office by Monday at (815) 886-4165 x301 for the name of your loved one to be placed for **3 weeks** on our short term prayer list. Also, please call the parish office, if you are hospitalized and would like a visit from our hospital ministry team or homebound and in need of communion.

Hospital Visitation of Parishioners

Please remember that **if you or any family members find yourselves in a hospital**, be sure to let them know you are a parishioner at St. Andrew's — it doesn't hurt to say it a few times, either! Whenever we priests, deacons or Eucharistic Ministers come to visit, we check the **hospital list of parishioners** printed under "St. Andrew." But if you're not listed as a parishioner of St. Andrew, we won't know you're even there! We do not want to miss you! You can always call us, too, at the office, (815) 886-4165 ext. 301. Thank you. May the Lord Jesus be with you all your days, to love and be loved by Him, to honor and serve Him, as He honors and serves us!

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The Pantry is located at 219 Arlington. For further information, please contact Jack or Pat Frazier at (815) 919-3233.

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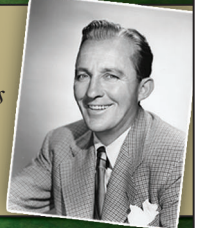


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