CONFIRMATION PARENTS EXPERIENCE A RETREAT









LIFE AND DEATH

In a mother's womb were two babies. One asked the other: "Do you believe in life after birth?" The other replies, "Why, of course. There has to be something after birth. Maybe we are here to prepare ourselves for what we will be later." "Nonsense," says the other. "There is no life after birth. What would that life be like?" "I don't know, but there must be more light than in here. Maybe we will walk with our legs and eat from our mouths." The other says, "This is absurd! Walking is impossible. And eat with our mouths? Ridiculous. The umbilical cord supplies nutrition. Life after birth is unthinkable because the umbilical cord is too short." "I think there is something and maybe it's very different than it is here."

The other replies, "No one has ever come back from there. Being expelled from this place is the end of life as we have known it, nothing but darkness and anxiety and it takes us nowhere." "Well, I don't know," says the other, "but certainly we will see mother and she will take care of us." "Mother?!" You believe in mother? Where is she now?" "She is all around us. It is in her that we live. Without her there would not be this world." "I don't see her, so it's only logical that she doesn't exist." To which the other replied, "sometimes when you're silent you can hear her, you can sense her. I believe there is a new life after birth and we're here to prepare ourselves for that new reality."

Trying to grasp at life after death is just like this. Our modern snobbishness and worship of our own intellect has trapped us in a self-imposed prison of reason. Never have our egos been so big and imaginations so small. If we could but have the faith and humility to leap free of our own heads for a moment, we'd see quite plainly that we were made for so much more.

In today's gospel, Jesus speaks about how rich new life emerges from a single grain of wheat which only occurs after it falls into the ground and *dies*. After which he tells those who wish to be his disciples that if they want to have the kind of life that never ends, they must become willing to lay their present way of living down. Jesus had to die to his "equality" with God in order to fully experience what it means to be human. He came to lay his life down so that all who believe in Him may enjoy with him *Life in God*.

Lent is running out. We will very soon enter into Holy Week which has the power to draw us through Jesus' suffering and death to the glory of his resurrection from the dead. There is still time to get ready through prayer, charity, and fasting. Let's do it!

Scheduled Services March 22nd – March 28th

9amMASSMONDAY†John WemyssCaryl Prati

9am MASS TUESDAY

†My Tran5:30pmMASSMM/M Viet NguyenWEDNESDAY

+Bob Crissman Gene & Earlene Werner

9am MASS THURSDAY †Charlie Kersey John & Caryl Prati

6pm WAY OF THE CROSS FRIDAY

PALM SUNDAY

5PM MASS SATURDAY

†Pearline Corley Dr. James Monk

9am Mass SUNDAY

Our Parish Family Fr. Jack

11:45am Mass SUNDAY

†Lena Young John & Caryl Prati

THE SACRAMENT OF FORGIVENESS

Saturdays 4—4:30pm Wednesdays at 5pm

Or Any Other Time by Appointment 799-5003

fatherjack@standrewmoore.com



Come to me, all who are weary, And I will refresh you



- 3/21 Brooklyn Andrade, Mary Guzman, Angela Lister, Angelita Lopez, Lori Ryan
- 3/22 Silas Dickerson, Katie Foust, Michael Lynn, Monika McGee, Benjamin McRorie
- 3/23 Cathy Eggleston, Audrey Hill, Brian Kelly, Jesus Quiroz, Rodilla Robbins
- 3/24 Lisa Adame, Analinda Lane, Zahira Lumbreras, Tommie Tran
- 3/25 Larry Fite, Greg Hall, Andrew Joseph, Jose Ortega
- 3/26 Diana Aguayo, Pam Celeski, Carla Jack, Belinda Journey, Jude Knowles, Don Vu, Greg Wayne
- 3/27 Daniel Conn, Edith Flores, Michael Friedt, Loren Harris, Sandra Rogers



3/23	Vincen & Evelyn Ramos	30
3/24	John & Amanda Blevins	20
	Aaron & Elizabeth Greb	3
	Jackie & Kieu Nguyen	9
3/25	Yunjae & Junghae Hwang	21
	Johnny & Janet Windsor	33



All Saints Catholic School will be hosting the following Virtual Information Meetings for New Families in the 2021-2022 School Year.

Tuesday, March 30th at 5:30pm Thursday, April 1st at 10:00am

Meetings are open to all families considering Catholic education for the 2021-22 school year.

Call the school office to reserve your spot: 405-447-4600



St. Andrew Gift Shoppe Needs Volunteers
We will train you for this fun job!

30 minutes before Mass And 30 minutes after Mass

Please call Zeela Snodgrass at (405) 305-4550



New Merchandise
In the Gift Shoppe
Just in Time
For Easter

NEW PRAYER LIST

We are looking for some intercessory prayer warriors who will set aside a little time during the week to pray for parishioners (or close members of their families) who are seriously if not critically ill and need help from God to get over this particularly rough patch in their lives.

Donna Allford Shere Barabasz Theodore Cook **Bob Culbert** Stephanie Davidson **Donna Embree Kelvin Gottsch** Mary Guzman Pasquale Inglima **Chris Manley Bobbie Mayeaux Linda Monroe** George Muñoz **Sandy Porter** John Santee **Angie Skrapke**

Claudio Balderas **Mark Chenevey Fred Crump Herbert Dabelgott** Raudel DeLeon June Gleason **Shirley Graham** Jamey Hanson **Ann Knapper Cathy Marlatt** John Mollman **Hilary Montoya Ron Porter** Joe Ramirez **Sharon Shelton Danny Thomas**

Please be sure to call the parish office when your loved one is on the mend so that we can make room for newly infirm people.

HOMEBOUND

Most of these individuals are longtime members of our parish. Others are Catholics residing in long term care facilities within our parish boundaries to whom we bring Holy Communion. They could also be aided by your prayers.

Charlie Cusack
Denise Dwyer
Kelly Gibbons
Dolores Waas
Julia Lee
Floydene Leis
Shirley Martin
Gary Means
Nancy Patonai
Bobbie Rodriguez
Elinor Thompson
Frank Romero

Donelda Davis
Pat Everhart
Pam Johnson
James Kiely
Vernon Leikam
Bill & Donna Lewis
Don & Sharon Mays
Juanita Murphy
Rose Rytlewski
Roberto Rodriguez
Blanca Romero

FINANCIAL SUMMARY PREVIOUS FISCAL YEAR COMPARISON

INCOME	7/1/20-3/14/21	7/1/19-3/14/20	DIFFERENCE
Sacrifical Giving Charity Building Fund Other Income TOTAL	\$ 494,449 17,192 55,824 36,216 \$603,681	\$518,148 17,023 60,131 <u>68,946</u> \$664,248	\$ 23,699 169 4,307 <u>32,730</u> \$ 60,567
TOTAL EXPENSES NET INCOME	515,631 \$ 88,050	621,159 \$ 43,089	105,528 \$44,961

Thanks To Our Good & Generous Stewards!

The figures to the left show that we are making some progress towards a better fiscal position. Notice that we significantly cut ordinary expenses.

Please do the best you can!

Thanks a Million

I can't thank you enough for your many expressions of sympathy and sorrow on the occasion of the death of my brother Paul. The turnout at the memorial Mass was so consoling and inspiring. I received a number of texts and emails from family members telling me how special the people of this parish are just from being with us to celebrate that Mass. I love you very much. A special thanks to my staff for the beautiful flower arrangement.



HOLY THURSDAY AT 6:30PM

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
WASHING OF THE FEET
ADORATION FROM 7:45 TO MIDNIGHT
NIGHT PRAYER AT 11:45

GOOD FRIDAY AT 6:30PM

VENERATION OF THE CROSS
THE PASSION ACCORDING TO JOHN
THE GREAT INTERCESSIONS
HOLY COMMUNION

THE EASTER VIGIL AT 8:15PM

THE SERVICE OF LIGHT
THE STORY OF OUR SALVATION
RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS
FIRST MASS OF EASTER

EASTER SUNDAY AT 9AM & 11:45 AM

OVERFLOW SEATING IN JOYCE CENTER AT BOTH MASSES
NURSERY FOR BOTH MASSES

PAC-A-SAC THANKS YOU AS ALWAYS!

ITEMS NEEDED THIS WEEK

CRACKERS FRUIT CUPS
CEREAL PASTA
RICE

Please Continue To Leave Food Donations
In The Baskets Near the Entrances of the church

LIFE NIGHTS

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUTH TO ENJOY GOD'S LIFE TOGETHER

March 24 – St. Francis Youth Center March 31 - Zoom

March 27-28	Altar Server	Holy Communion	Usher	Hospitality	Lector	Coordinator
Saturday 5:00 pm	Amy Houseknecht Lea Houseknecht Stephen Houseknecht	Lynn Grant- Yingling Frank Anderson	Rudy Espinosa Larry Meilleur Martin Fitzgerald	Audrey Fair Don Fair	Matthew Walters Dale Neikirk	David Aulner
Sunday 9:00 am	Abigail Clark Jackson Leon Gabriel Ward	Jeffry Snodgrass Zeela Snodgrass Johnny Clark Donna Galier	Rueben Castillo Robert Bussa Harold Coburn Tess Coburn	Jane Behr Mary Earing Tim Pham David Boren	Raul Castillo Anthony Galier	Martin Ortega
Sunday 11:45 am	Matthew Tran TJ Tran Rose Tran	Thomas Tran Gayla Maupin Caryl Prati John Prati	Sandra Hernandez Belinda Journey Jane Mitchell	Richard Farmer Lyndell Mitchell Michelle Leon Bonnie Hedges	Mary Mitchell Ann Grover	Deborah Friedt

YOUTH MINISTRY BUILDINGS GIVEN NAMES

ST. FRANCIS YOUTH CENTER & CHAPEL

This facility houses our Daily Mass Chapel, Recreational & Learning Spaces for our Youth, meeting rooms and a tornado shelter. It has also served as a home for our Scout Troop but they have now moved into the newly constructed Rother Center. This facility was made possible through the contributions of many parishioners, but especially the very generous lead gift provided by the Estate of Melvin & Janie Dancer. May they rest in peace.

BLESSED STANLEY ROTHER RECREATIONAL CENTER & FOOD PANTRY

This facility, only recently completed, provides additional space for the faith development of our young people, a home for Scout Troop 17, a half-court gym, and a more than ample new space for our food pantry—Pac-A-Sac. Construction of this facility was made possible by the gifts of good & generous stewards, but especially by the very generous lead gift of Kathleen Fahey. May she rest in peace.

PARISH HEALTH MINISTRY SERVICES

1st Sunday Of the Month Blood Pressures In the Commons after 5pm Mass

(unless falls on holiday) In the JC after the 9am Mass

2nd Sunday of the Month Grief Support Group Knights Chamber after 9am Mass

3rd Sunday of the Month Cancer Support Group McConnell Room after 9am Mass

4th Sunday of the Month Care Givers Support McConnell Room after 9am Mass

SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Because a number of us may have frequent contacts with minors and vulnerable adults parishes and school need to provide a Safe & Sacred Environment. This requires that all staff members, clergy, seminarians, religious, employees and volunteers, protect the rights of minors and be alert to the possibility of their experiencing abuse in some form. Under Oklahoma State law, all adults MUST report an incident or suspicion of sexual abuse of a minor (person under 18 years of age) to the civil authorities immediately. The Oklahoma Department of Human Services has established a 24/7 statewide abuse hotline for reporting: 800-522-3511. If you have reason to believe a child is in immediate danger of harm call 911. For the safety of children and the healing of victims, the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City provides an Abuse of Minors Pastoral Response Hotline for reporting the abuse of such individuals (in the past or at the present time) by a member of the clergy or other church personnel: 405-720-9878. The Archdiocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, a licensed professional counselor, will respond to calls to the Archdiocesan Pastoral Response Hotline. A report to the Archdiocese does not relieve the individual of the duty to report child abuse to civil authorities as required by Oklahoma State Law. In Oklahoma, failure to report child abuse is a misdemeanor punishable by Law.

Contact Ann Grover at <u>agrover@standrewmoore.com</u> about information about the new training program. All employees and volunteers whose duties and ministries occasion interaction with minors on a regular basis are required to take a new training protocol which went into effect in 2020.

LENTEN CONFESSIONS March 22—March 27

MON. TUE. THURS. AFTER THE 9AM MASS WEDNESDAY AT 5PM BEFORE 5:30 MASS

TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 6:30—7:30 THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 6:30—7:30 SATURDAY, MARCH 27, 3:30—4:30

PARENTS GATHER IN CHURCH FOR PRAYER DURING CONFIRMATION RETREAT



