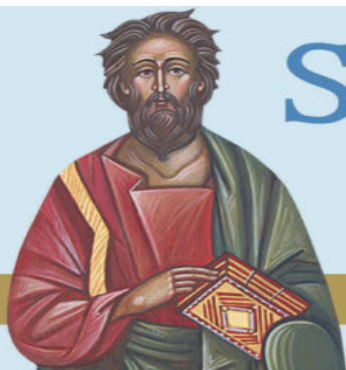




SAINT ANDREW THE APOSTLE PARISH

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | MAY 18, 2025

A new commandment I give unto you,
That ye love one another; as I have loved you.

JOHN 13:34



SAINT ANDREW THE APOSTLE PARISH

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

MAY 17		SATURDAY OF THE FOURTH WEEK OF EASTER	CELEBRANT
8:30 am	CHA	John & Pat Mullen by Kathy, Kaylee & Cassie	Fr. Pierre
4:00 pm	DON	John T Yocolano by Wife, Eleanor & Children	Fr. Levi
5:00 pm	CHA	Patti Cannizzaro by Husband, Pete	Fr. Jerry
6:00 pm	MON	Edward Lee by Mother, Joyce & Gary Lee	Fr. Levi
MAY 18		FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	CELEBRANT
8:30 am	DON	Marino Lannetti by Daughter, Linda	Fr. Pierre
9:00 am	CHA	Rachel & Leo Saccani by Richard Saccani	Fr. Levi
11:00 am	MON	Joseph & Frances Kustron by Tom & Linda Kustron	Fr. Tom
12:30 pm (Haitian)	CHA	Unity in the Body of Christ	Fr. Pierre
May 19		MONDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER	
8:30 am	CHA	Ronald Zurenski by Carol Lucas	
MAY 20		MEMORIAL OF SAINT BERNARDINE OF SIENA, PRIEST	
8:30 am	DON	The Rosario & DeMedio Family by Mary Ann, Lorraine and Martin	
MAY 21		WEDNESDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER	
7:00 pm	MON	Bryan Perego by Patty Forsyth	
MAY 22		MEMORIAL OF SAINT RITA OF CASCIA, RELIGIOUS	
8:30 am	DON	Agnes Saxon by Cindy and Dave Getty	
MAY 23		FRIDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER	
8:30 am	MON	Lillian Conti by Karen Heasley	
MAY 24		SATURDAY OF THE FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER	CELEBRANT
8:30 am	CHA	Louisa Zadecky by Judy Cioccio	Fr. Tom
4:00 pm	DON	Caroline & Christopher Bettinelli by Christine & Ronald Janney	Fr. Pierre
5:00 pm	CHA	Peg Chacko by Marsha & Dan Chacko	Fr. Levi
6:00 pm	MON	People of the Parish	Fr. Pierre
MAY 25		SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	CELEBRANT
8:30 am	DON	Nancy Sabol Jespersen by the Jespersen Family	Fr. Tom
9:00 am	CHA	Alex & Jennie Adam by The Adam Family	Fr. Pierre
11:00 am	MON	Armeda & Francis Brady by Francine, Katie & Molly	Fr. Tom
12:30 pm	CHA	Unity in the Body of Christ	Fr. Pierre





- SACRAMENTS -



MASS SCHEDULE/ ÒRE MAS

Saturday/Samdi

4:00pm - Donora
5:00pm - Charleroi
6:00pm - Monongahela

Sunday/Dimanch

8:30am - Donora
9:00am - Charleroi
11:00am - Monongahela
12:30pm - Charleroi

Weekday Mass Times/ Tan Mas jou lasèman

Monday/Lendi	
Charleroi	8:30am
Tuesday/Madi	
Donora	8:30am
Wednesday/Mèkredi	
Monongahela	7:00pm
Thursday/Jedi	
Donora	8:30am
Friday/Vandredi	
Monongahela	8:30am
Saturday/Samdi	
Charleroi	8:30am

*This schedule does not
reflect holidays or Holy Days.*
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jou apa pou Bondye.

DIOCESAN SECOND COLLECTIONS

Catholic Relief Services

May 18, 2025

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday, May 11th Offertory:

\$13,451



BAPTISM

For arrangements and to
schedule a class please call
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ANOINTING OF THE SICK

In danger of death please call the
parish office at any time. If in the
hospital or a skilled nursing
facility, please ask the nursing
staff to contact the priest on call.



MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish
office to set a meeting with a
member of the clergy no less
than six months before the
proposed wedding date.



PENANCE

Mondays, Charleroi
6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

Wednesdays, Monongahela
6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

Saturdays, Donora
3:00 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

First Fridays, Donora
11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**By appointment, please call
the parish office.**



**"I AM THE LIGHT OF
THE WORLD.
WHOEVER FOLLOWS
ME WILL NOT WALK
IN DARKNESS BUT
WILL HAVE THE
LIGHT OF LIFE."**

JOHN 8:12



**THE SANCTUARY
CANDLE BURNS THIS
WEEK IN**

CHARLEROI FOR

ED "RED" LATUU
By: DeMarco Family

DONORA FOR
MIKE & MARSHA BERESH
By: Beresh & York Families

MONONGAHELA FOR
PATRICIA ROSTCHECK
By: Husband, Joe Rostcheck

CLERGY

A WORD FROM FR. LEVI

Grace, love, and joy to you in Christ! I pray you are well! I had the gift of going on retreat May 5th to the 9th! There is nothing like getting away from our daily life and entering into devoted time that is focused totally in being in Communion with God! I remember years ago when I went to prayer and I asked the Lord about all kinds of situations and people who I was ministering to, and the Lord said to me very clearly in my conscience, "What about us?" I was a little taken aback. I had been so focused on my relationships with so many other people, that I lost focus on my relationship with the Lord. As we prepare for Pentecost, it is important that we take some time away and focus on the Lord!

This June 7th we have a Parish Retreat Day from 9:45am to 9pm and I promise that it is going to get you focused on the Lord and fired up about your faith! This retreat is not for a select few people; it is for the whole parish and we have two national speakers and Praise Nation coming in to make sure that you are going to encounter the Risen Christ and be filled with the Holy Spirit! The schedule is as below:

9:00am Registration
9:45 Welcome and introductions
10:00am Opening Prayer and Praise
10:30 Presentation 1
11:20 Break
11:35am Presentation 2
12:25pm Lunch Break
1:25pm Presentation 3
2:15 break
2:30 Presentation 4
3:30pm Break
4:00pm Pentecost Vigil Mass
6:00pm Dinner Break
7:00pm Praise and Worship w/ Praise Nation

The Presentations will be given by Johnnette Williams who is a TV personality from EWTN and Mike Aqualina, who has written over 100 books and is one of the kindest and most God-fearing men you will ever meet! Johnnette is well known for her zeal for Jesus Christ, her perseverance through tough trials in life, her love for the Holy Spirit, and her gift of teaching women how to be more like Mother Mary! Her ministry is called Women of Grace and you can find out more about them by visiting Womenofgrace.com! Mike is not only famous for writing many Catholic books, he has also written songs for Dion DiMucci!

I know that you will love these presenters! After the presentations throughout the day, we will celebrate the Pentecost Vigil Mass and then have a night of Praise with the Worship Team I belong to called Praise Nation! This will be a powerful evening of praising the Lord and asking the Holy Spirit to empower us and send us out to transform the world as the Apostles did!



Reverend Levi Hartle
Pastor

PRAY FOR THE NEWLY BAPTIZED

Beau Richard Solomon

Gracious God, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sin, and have raised us to the new life of grace. Sustain Beau and all of us, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit.

PRAYER TO SAINT ANDREW THE APOSTLE

O Glorious Saint Andrew,
you were the first to recognize
and follow the Lamb of God.
With your friend Saint John,
you remained with Jesus for that day,
for your entire life,
and now throughout eternity.
As you led your brother Saint Peter to
Christ and many others after Him,
draw us also to Him.
Teach us to lead others to Christ
solely out of love for Him
and dedication in His service.
Help us to learn the lesson of the
cross and to carry our daily crosses
without complaint so that they may
carry us to Jesus. Amen.

LITURGY PREPARATION

Fifth Sunday of Easter

This weekend is now the fifth week out of seven that we'll hear from the book of Revelation in the second reading. Today's reading from chapter 21 contains my favorite lines in all of scripture, and it's also one of the options you can choose as a funeral reading. My hope is to have it read at my funeral one day. I think one of the reasons this passage connects with me so much is because I'm such a goal-oriented person. In the spiritual life, these verses from Revelation describe the ultimate goal for all of us: to be in heaven, to be perfect, to have all forms of earthly suffering eradicated, and to be made new. This beautiful vision of what's to come gives such purpose to our lives because if we know the end goal, then we know what we're living for!

In today's reading, John describes seeing a "new Jerusalem." Jerusalem represents the Church, and each of us as members of that Church. The reason that Jerusalem is "new" is because each member of the Church will be transformed after their death. If we are not perfect when we die, that perfection will happen in purgatory, and once every person destined for heaven has completed the process of becoming perfect, then the whole body of Christ will be in perfect union and made new.

John also sees Jerusalem *"prepared as a bride adorned for her husband."* Throughout the bible, God's chosen people are often referred to as the bride of Christ, and Jesus the bridegroom. Just as people in human marriages can be unfaithful to each other, so are God's people continuously unfaithful to him. In the bible, there's a relationship cycle between God and his people that's repeated over and over again: God calls his people into covenant with him, they're faithful for a while, but then they choose to be unfaithful, God calls them back and they repent, but ultimately they become unfaithful again. This cycle isn't something distant that only applied to biblical people; it also applies to us. As a result of our human condition, we are also constantly in need of continued conversion and renewal. At the end of time, once everyone in the Church has been perfected through Christ, then the Church becomes a spotless *"bride adorned for her husband."* After marriage, a bride and groom begin to share a life and a home together. Similarly, at the end of time, God too, will dwell with his bride. *"Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God."* (Rev. 21:3)

As a result of dwelling with God in perfection, we will not experience any kind of earthly suffering. The following verse which describes this reality is my favorite verse in the bible: *"He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away."* (Rev. 21:4) I take such comfort and hope in those words, knowing that no matter what trials and tribulations we experience, it will all soon pass away. The fleeting passing of this life was once described to me in terms of sand: a person's whole lifetime is representative of one grain of sand, and eternity is a beach full of sand. The enormity of that image really puts our life goal into perspective, so live with joy and hope because Jesus says, *"Behold, I make all things new."* (Rev. 21:5)



Amanda Nicholson
Music & Liturgy

Liturgical Overview

Season: Easter

Length: 8 weeks

Color: White

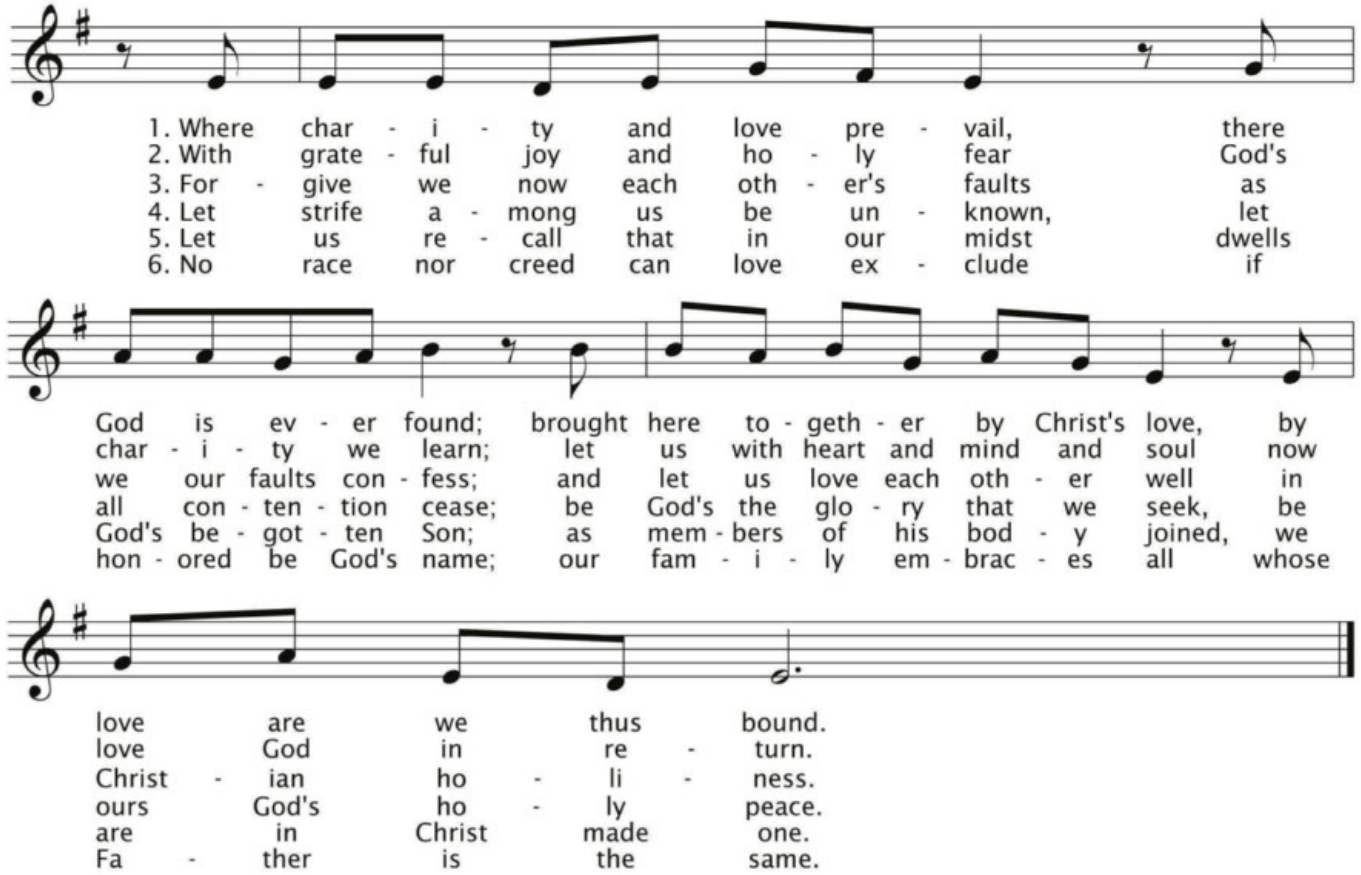
Symbolism: purity,
joy, glory, and light

Liturgical Year: C

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OPENING HYMN

WHERE CHARITY AND LOVE PREVAIL



1. Where char - i - ty and love pre - vail, there
 2. With grate - ful joy and ho - ly fear God's
 3. For - give we now each oth - er's faults as
 4. Let strife a - mong us be un - known, let
 5. Let us re - call that in our midst dwells
 6. No race nor creed can love ex - clude if

God is ev - er found; brought here to - geth - er by Christ's love, by
 char - i - ty we learn; let us with heart and mind and soul, now
 we our faults con - fess; and let us love each oth - er well in
 all con - ten - tion cease; be God's the glo - ry that we seek, be
 God's be - got - ten Son; as mem - bers of his bod - y joined, we
 hon - ored be God's name; our fam - i - ly em - brac - es all whose

love are we thus bound.
 love God in re - turn.
 Christ - ian ho - li - ness.
 ours God's ho - ly peace.
 are in Christ made one.
 Fa - ther is the same.

Text: Ubi Caritas; tr. By Omer Westendorf, 1916-1998 Tune: CHRISTIAN LOVE, CM Paul Benoit, OSB, 1893-1979 © 1960, WLP

SPRINKLING

I SAW WATER FLOWING



1. I saw wa - ter flow - ing from the Tem - ple's
 2. From your side, O ris - en Christ, springs the wa - ter
 3. Cho - sen peo - ple, priest - hood sing; ho - ly ones, pro -

right - hand side, and all to whom this wa - ter came were
 of new life, by which to our sins are washed a - way and
 claim his deed. Our might - y God has called us out of

saved _____ and shall say: Al - le - lu - ia,
 life has been in - made to new. light.
 dark - ness in - to

al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, praise the Lord!

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GLORIA

MASS OF RENEWAL



Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to peo-ple of good will.

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We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of

the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.
R.

FIRST READING

ACTS 14:21-27

After Paul and Barnabas had proclaimed the good news to that city and made a considerable number of disciples, they returned to Lystra and to Iconium and to Antioch. They strengthened the spirits of the disciples and exhorted them to persevere in the faith, saying, "It is necessary for us to undergo many hardships to enter the kingdom of God." They appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, commended them to the Lord in whom they had put their faith. Then they traveled

through Pisidia and reached Pamphylia. After proclaiming the word at Perga they went down to Attalia. From there they sailed to Antioch, where they had been commended to the grace of God for the work they had now accomplished. And when they arrived, they called the church together and reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13



I will praise your name for ev - er, — my king and my God.

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1. The Lord is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and of great kindness.
The Lord is good to all
and compassionate toward all his works.
2. Let all your works give you thanks, O Lord,
and let your faithful ones bless you.
Let them discourse of the glory of your kingdom

- and speak of your might.
3. Let them make known your might to the children of Adam,
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
Your kingdom is a kingdom for all ages,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

SECOND READING

REVELATION 21:1-5A

Then I, John, saw a new heaven and a new earth. The former heaven and the former earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. I also saw the holy city, a new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. I heard

a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, God's dwelling is with the human race. He will dwell with them and they will be his people and God himself will always be with them as their God. He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there shall be no more death

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or mourning, wailing or pain, for the old order has passed away.”

The One who sat on the throne said, “Behold, I make

all things new.”

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



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I give you a new commandment, says the Lord: love one another as I have loved you.

GOSPEL

JOHN 13:31-33A, 34-35

When Judas had left them, Jesus said, “Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God is glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself, and God will glorify him at once. My children, I will be with you only a little while longer. I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you,

so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PREPARATION HYMN

NO GREATER LOVE



Text: John 15:9-17; Michael Joncas, Tune: Michael Joncas © 1988, GIA Publications, Inc.

1. As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Live on in my love. You will live in my love if you keep my commands, even as I have kept my Father's.

longer slaves but friends to me. All I heard from my Father, I have made known to you: Now I call you friends.

2. All this I tell you that my joy may be yours and your joy may be complete. Love one another as I have loved you: This is my command.

4. It was not you who chose me, it was I who chose you, chose you to go forth and bear fruit. Your fruit must endure, so you will receive all you ask the Father in my name.

3. You are my friends if you keep my commands; no

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HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav - en and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, Ho - san-na in the high - est.
Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na, Ho -
san-na in the high - est. Ho - san - na, Ho - san-na in the high - est.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION



We pro - claim your Death, O Lord, and pro - fess your Res - ur - rec - tion,
un - til you come a - gain.

GREAT AMEN



A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men, A - men!

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on
us. world, grant us, grant us peace.

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COMMUNION HYMN

CHRISTIANS, LET US LOVE ONE ANOTHER



1. Chris - tians, let us love one an - oth - er, as we share the
 2. We who break this bread are one bod - y, we who share this
 3. We who eat and drink at this ta - ble die and rise a -
 4. On the path of life we may fal - ter, earth - ly food a -
 5. Wheat and grape in - car - nate a mys - t'ry: Je - sus is the
 6. Je - sus is the vine, we the branch - es; we are grains of

true liv - ing bread. Je - sus is our God and our broth - er;
 cup are all one. Chil - dren of our Fa - ther in heav - en,
 gain with our Lord. Draw - ing from our Rock liv - ing wa - ter
 lone leaves us weak; al - ways you in - vite from the al - tar,
 true liv - ing bread. Let us eat with joy and thanks - giv - ing,
 wheat, Christ the bread. Those who eat this bread live for - ev - er,

with his flesh and blood we are fed.
 we are heirs and with God's on - ly son.
 giv'n to all who thirst for ac - cord.
 "Hun - gry souls their food here must seek."
 trust - ing in the word he has said.
 one with Christ, our Lord and our Head.

born of God. Je - sus is our life. God is love.

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RECESSIONAL HYMN

GOD SENDS US FORTH



1. God sends us forth to love and serve, Make known God's name and
 2. Nour - ished by Christ, to our Word and Bread, Burn - ing with love and
 3. Called to the ones the world ig - nores Hun - gry and thirst - y,
 4. So, with the cross to lead the way, Let us go forth in

live God's word, Mir - ror God's love, re - flect God's grace Till
 Spir - it - led, Sent to em - brace a world in need, To
 weak and poor Let us bear Christ, who heals all pain And
 peace to - day, And to the ends of earth make known The

all have seen the Sav - ior's face.
 make God known in word and deed.
 com - forts those bowed down by shame.
 sav - ing love our God has shown.

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GROWING CLOSER TO CHRIST

When God Decides to Move, who Can Resist!

REST IN PEACE

In the charity of your prayers we kindly ask that you please pray for the repose of the soul of

Mary Matava

May perpetual light shine upon her soul and may all the souls of the Faithful Departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



Many times we humans, we believers in the Lord are at least one step behind Him in knowing what he is doing and how he is doing it. Even worse, we get locked into our own understanding of the ways and intentions of God to such a degree that he has to do extraordinary things to shake us out of our erroneous ways of thinking and acting.

Such is the case we read of today in the Acts of the Apostles with Peter giving an account of his actions to the circumcision party. Even with his most ardent disciples, the Lord must use extraordinary means to help them embrace his thoughts and ways.

The Lord gives Peter a vision in which he reveals that Jews are now going to have a relationship with the Gentiles and to the point of even eating with them. The Lord needs the vision of the unclean animals repeated to him three times and say to Peter, 'What God has cleansed you must not call common'. That action wasn't sufficient! Peter explains to the circumcision party that immediately following the vision three men from Caesarea arrived at the house where Peter was staying and the Spirit told him to go with them, making no distinction. The gospel was preached to the Gentiles. Peter recounts, "The Spirit fell on them just as on us in the beginning. I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could withstand God?"

The critical lesson to draw from this account is that God had a plan for the human race before the foundation of the world to bring the entire world back to him. God is in charge of his plan and he will bring it to pass because as he declares from the mouth of the Prophet Isaiah, "for as the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there, but water the earth making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes forth from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I intend, and prosper in the thing for which I sent it" (Isa 55: 10-11).

Through extraordinary works God can change our minds so that we can cooperate with him in his purposes. We can be turned around to do his will actively. When we do we may run into resistance just as he was resisted. Our responsibility is to remain faithful to what our Lord has shown to us even if it involves certain rejection or stubborn resistance. God in his mercy turned Peter around and Peter obeyed the Spirit and he saw the fruit of his obedience. His steadfastness and witness to what was revealed to him by the Lord bore good fruit. The circumcision party glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance unto life." Our question: Do we resist his will or join Him and give Him the glory?



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REPORTING ABUSE

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator: 412-456-3093

Hot Line: 1-888-808-1235

PA Child Line: 1-800-932-0313

May is the Month of Mary

For centuries, the Catholic Church has set aside the entire month of May to honor Mary, the Mother of God, and our Mother.

So in this month especially, let us pray to her and ask for her intercession.

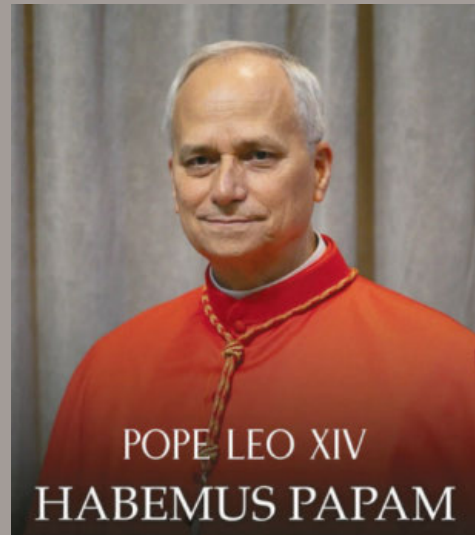


Hail Mary, Explained

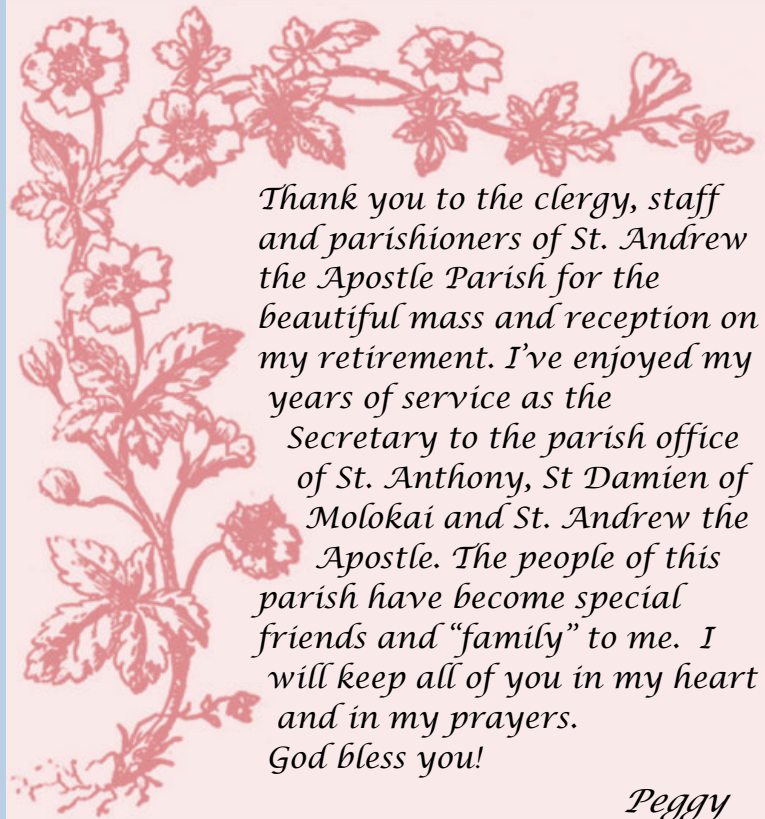
The words of the Hail Mary — undoubtedly the most recognizable Catholic prayer after the Lord's Prayer — are deeply rooted in scripture. The opening lines of the prayer are taken from the words of the angel Gabriel at the Annunciation — “Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.” This line is known as the Angelic Salutation. The following words — “Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus” — echo the sentiments expressed by Elizabeth at the Visitation.

The Angelic Salutation is regarded as the earliest devotional prayer to Mary, since it forms the very first words spoken to her as the Mother of God, but Catholics did not begin to utilize the Hail Mary prayer in its current form until around the 11th century.

Let us Pray for our New Pope



Lord, source of eternal life and truth, give to your shepherd a spirit of courage and right judgment, a spirit of knowledge and love. By governing with fidelity those entrusted to his care, may he, as successor to the Apostle Peter and Vicar of Christ, build your Church into a sacrament of unity, love and peace for all the world. Amen.

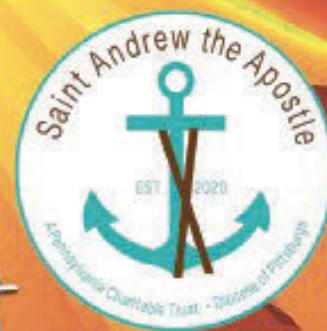


Thank you to the clergy, staff and parishioners of St. Andrew the Apostle Parish for the beautiful mass and reception on my retirement. I've enjoyed my years of service as the Secretary to the parish office of St. Anthony, St Damien of Molokai and St. Andrew the Apostle. The people of this parish have become special friends and “family” to me. I will keep all of you in my heart and in my prayers. God bless you!

Peggy



WOMEN
of GRACE



One Day Pentecost Event

Saturday, June 7, 2025

Come Holy Spirit,
Fill the Hearts of Your Faithful!

Presented by Women of Grace and Praise Nation
Hosted by St. Andrew the Apostle Parish
Men's Track, Women's Track, Haitian Creole Track!

Be inspired and uplifted with presentations from:
Johannette Benkovic Williams, Mike Aquilina, Fr. Levi Hartle, and Joseph Jacobs
Evening of Praise and Adoration with Praise Nation!



Registration:



To register, scan the QR Code or visit:
www.womenofgrace.com/events
\$50 registration includes lunch & dinner
For more info: call 1-800-558-5452 or
email, info@womenofgrace.com

Limited financial assistance is available. Please call for more information.

Schedule:

8:30am Parish Daily Mass
9:00am Registration in Marian Hall
9:45am Welcome and Introductions
10:00am Opening Prayer and Praise
10:30am Presentation 1
11:20am Break
11:35am Presentation 2
12:25pm Lunch Break

1:25pm Presentation 3
2:15pm Break
2:30pm Presentation 4
3:30pm Break
4:00pm Pentecost Vigil Mass
6:00pm Dinner Break
7:00pm Praise & Adoration
with Praise Nation

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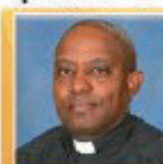


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Event Day Registration will be at 9am
downstairs in Marian Hall.

See Event Parking Map on back ----->>

Haitian Creole Track:



This special track will be led by
Fr. Pierre France for our Haitian Creole
community! The day will include lunch
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To register for the Haitian Creole Track,
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PARISH EVENTS

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VOLLEYBALL

New to Saint Andrews this year, we want to start a summer volleyball league. Every Friday of June, July and August at 5pm on the Donora Church Grounds.

We'll play until the sun goes down or everyone goes home!

Please contact the parish offices and register to play.

There's no cost to play and all levels are welcome.



IT'S BOCCE TIME!

Our summer Bocce League is starting back up! If you're interested in playing, please call Renee Kinder (724-469-0689) or Peter Ferrara (724-379-7878) or attend our league information meeting on Thursday, May 15 at 6:30pm at the bocce courts behind the Donora church. The season will begin June 2nd and end with playoffs and a banquet on August 31st.

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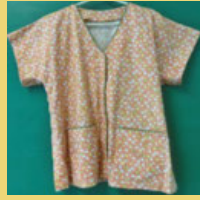
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DIGNITY ROBE GROUP

Meets the 3rd Friday of every month in St. Andrew's sewing room in Donora from 9:00 a.m. until noon. We are in need of more people to join us for this wonderful project to sew, cut, iron, etc... Come join us!

FOOD BANK NEWS

Food Bank Needs: condiments, granola bars, crackers, cereal, nuts, Ramen Noodles, and Hamburger Helper

Personal Care Needs: toilet tissue, dish soap, paper towels, tissues, bar soap, toothpaste, tooth brushes, shampoo, napkins

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Beginning in July, we will be distributing food two days a month! The 2nd Tuesday of every month is in Charleroi only. This is in collaboration with the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank from 10am until noon.



The 2nd Wednesday of every month, will be our regular church food distribution at all 3 church locations. This is also from 10am until noon.

Please consider volunteering for either of these days as we need help and we cannot do this good work alone.

PARISH EVENTS

Calling all bakers!



**Dessert donations are needed
for our 1-Day Pentecost retreat**

Please consider baking in support of
our parish event.

Pies, cakes and cupcakes only.

Please drop them off Friday, June 6th
in Marian Hall.

Any questions, please call
Christine Rosick at 412-848-2918



This ministry is intended to bring men together in the spirit of fellowship and spiritual growth. MAN UP is a vehicle for men to discuss, learn and deal with issues, concerns, and topics that all men struggle with and to bring the Holy Spirit into that setting to guide and strengthen them. MAN UP meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. The next meeting is Tuesday, May 20th at 7pm in Marian Hall. All are welcome.



Meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month
in the Knights of Columbus Hall in Charleroi at
6PM. Right now, we're discussing the Parables.
The next meeting is Wednesday May 21st.
All are welcome to join us!

FAITH FORMATION

Is “love” the first word that comes to mind when you think about how your family interacts?

Love isn’t always easy. In fact, it can be really hard. But Jesus gave us the perfect example of what love looks like—not just in words, but in action. His sacrifice for us shows the depth of real, powerful love. And because of that love, God’s glory shines through him.

As a family and as part of God’s community, we reflect that same glory when we love each other—especially when it’s hard. The love we share at home, even when it’s challenging or requires sacrifice, is where we often find Jesus at work among us.

Think about one or two times your family spent together this past week. What might those moments look like through the eyes of someone watching from the outside? Were there times when showing love to each other felt easy? Were there times it felt harder? What do we do when it’s tough to show love?

Jesus didn’t just talk about love—he showed us how to live it.

How did he do that?

- By healing and forgiving others.
- By serving, like when he washed his disciples' feet.
- By giving us the gift of the Eucharist.

And by laying down his life on the Cross.

Let Jesus be our guide in how we love—at home, with our family, and beyond.



Kathy Miller
Director of Faith
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ON FIRE FOR CHRIST



How to “Be on Fire for Christ”

In today's Gospel, John focuses on Jesus giving love as a new commandment. The Gospel urges us to live out this love in very concrete ways while being united with Christ. Our second Reading from Revelation highlights the hope of a new heaven and earth, encouraging us to strive for a better world and to be strong witnesses to the Good News.

Jesus gives a new commandment: "Love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another". This love is not just a feeling, but a way of life, expressed in actions and service to others. It is through our love for one another that we demonstrate our discipleship, our commitment and love for Jesus. This love is a reflection of Christ's love for us, which is revealed in His sacrifice on the cross and in His resurrection.



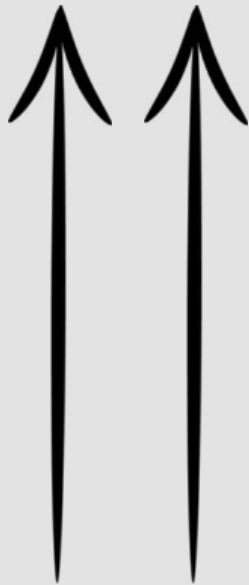
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We abide in Christ through prayer, fasting, sacrifice, sacraments, and living a life of love and service. Those who remain in Christ will bear fruit, bringing about good and positive change in the world. This union with Christ is not passive, but active, requiring us to follow His example and to make Him known to others through our spreading of His Good News. We are called to be on fire for Christ. We cannot and should not be lukewarm for Christ, but so on fire as to demonstrate our unconditional radical love for Jesus.

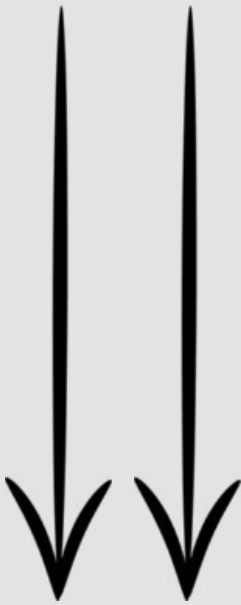
The vision of a new heaven and new earth in Revelation reminds us of God's ultimate plan for creation. This new creation is a promise of a world free from pain and suffering, death, and sorrow. It is a call to action, urging us to work for a better world, even now, as we look forward to the fullness of God's kingdom. We are called to be “active” witnesses to the Gospel, proclaiming the hope of salvation and the promise of a new creation.

We are encouraged to be mindful of our words and actions, ensuring they reflect the love of Christ. We are called to be attentive to those around us, showing compassion, kindness, and service. We are reminded that true discipleship is not about extraordinary acts, but about the humble, everyday acts of love that transform our lives and the lives of others. We are encouraged to persevere in faith, even when we face hardship, knowing that our suffering will lead to the ultimate hope of a new creation. In doing this and being united to Christ all will know that you are a disciple of Jesus and a child of God! We all must be on fire for Christ.





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ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE MIGRATES FROM VANCO TO PARISHSTAQ

As we are always seeking ways to be more efficient in our parishes, Saint Andrew the Apostle is transitioning from the Vanco Giving Platform to ParishStaq. This move reflects the evolving needs of our churches and programs within, to engage our members and manage donations more effectively. Here's a breakdown of the key factors driving this migration:

Reasons for Migration

- **Comprehensive Features:** PushPay is part of ParishStaq, a platform that offers a suite of tools beyond basic giving, such as church management software (ChMS), member engagement tools, and increase in our means of communicating with you.
- **Enhanced User Experience:** PushPay is known for its user-friendly interface, which can lead to increased online adoption among church members.
- **Mobile-Focused Giving:** PushPay emphasizes mobile giving, aligning with the increasing prevalence of mobile devices and user preferences.
- **Streamlined workflows:** PushPay can integrate with accounting software to increase efficiency.
- **Increased efficiency:** PushPay can increase efficiency for both parishioners and parish staff.
- **Event payments:** ParishStaq allows quick payment for parish events.

We plan to set up kiosks at all masses for a couple weekends after the launch so we can help you get set up in person. But as always, you can also stop into the church office during our normal working hours for staff assistance.

In conclusion, the migration from Vanco to PushPay represents a strategic move for our Saint Andrew the Apostle Parish Community. By leveraging ParishStaq's advanced features and mobile-centric approach, our churches aim to enhance the giving experience, boost member engagement, and streamline our operations.

Is online giving really necessary for our Parish?

Although the offertory basket will continue, it is important that as a church we prepare for the future, as well as accommodate those parishioners who pay the majority of their bills already from the convenience of their phone or home computer. Many of our younger parishioners do not even have a check book. In an era of growing online banking, as a church we don't want to be left behind by people who don't use checks.

Can I still donate using weekly envelopes?

Absolutely! Although online giving replaces the need for weekly envelopes, donating through PushPay is not mandatory for all parishioners. We understand that not all parishioners are comfortable using a computer. We are thankful to receive your contributions any way you want to give it to us.

What do I do if I'm already a regular Vanco donor?

You will need to reschedule all of your recurring gifts through PushPay. So you will receive an email from no-reply@pushpay.com with a link and video how to confirm your payment to this new system. The email will also include instructions on how to end your existing recurring gift on Vanco.

Is PushPay safe?

Yes. PushPay is certified with the Payment Card Industry (PCI) Data Security Standards (DSS) as a Level 1 Service Provider. No one in the parishes has access to your credit card or bank account information that you provide.

How do I change my personal information such as my bank account number, mailing address, or donation amount?

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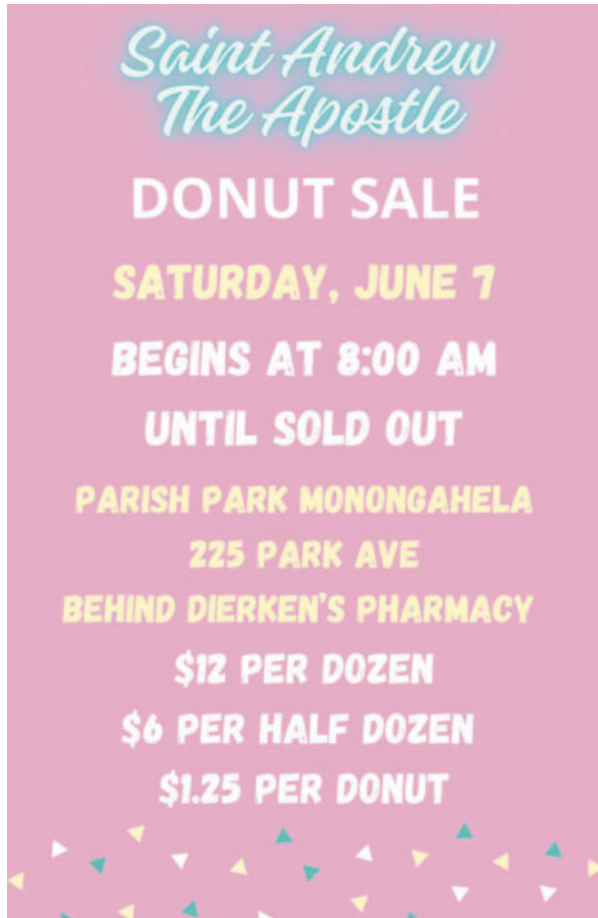
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As a part of SummerFest, we offer our patrons a memorial/honor listing. The memorial/honor can be for a living or deceased parishioner and friend. The donation for each memorial/honor will be \$25.00. The memorial/honor flags will be posted on the outside wall at the entrance to the Café at the Parish Park during SummerFest. Please fill out the form below with the names of those you wish to memorialize or honor. You pay with cash or check. Please make all checks payable to "St. Andrew the Apostle Parish." Please place payment and this form in an envelope marked "SummerFest Memorial/Honor Patron." You can place it in the collection basket at Mass or drop it off at the parish office. The donation deadline is Thursday, July 3, 2025.

Memorial/Honor Patron Form—SummerFest 2025

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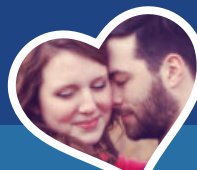
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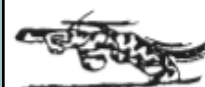
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