

Saint Andrew

Roman Catholic Church

February 12, 2023



2100 S.E. Cove Rd. Stuart, FL 34997 772-781-4415

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Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
Sunday: 7:30, 9:00 & 10:30am
Monday-Friday 7:30am

Holy Days

Vigil 4:00pm
7:30am & 6:00pm

Confession

Saturday: 2:30pm-3:30pm
Those wishing to receive
the sacrament
should be here no later than
3:00pm

First Friday

7:30am Mass followed
by confessions

First Saturday

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Pastor

Reverend John Barrow

Office Hours:

Sunday-Friday
9am-12Noon
Saturday 2-4pm

DRE:



Mrs. Donna Hernandez



Divine Mercy Chaplet



Please join us in
praying the
Chaplet after the
daily 7:30am
Mass in room C
on Mondays and in the church
the rest of the week. We pray for
our Country, our Priests and for
the Sanctity of Life.



Feb.	11	Sat.	4:00am	Walter S. Lagocki+
Feb.	12	Sun.	7:30am	Fr. Paul Edwards
Feb.	12	Sun.	9:00am	Barbara Parduba+
Feb.	12	Sun.	10:30am	Audrey Hudson+
Feb.	13	Mon.	7:30am	Anne & Patrick Moore+
Feb.	14	Tues.	7:30am	Barbara Sorrentino+
Feb.	15	Weds.	7:30am	Anna & Sebastino Bulfamante+
Feb.	16	Thurs.	7:30am	James F. Reynolds+
Feb.	17	Fri.	7:30am	Monsignor Blase Gintoli
Feb.	18	Sat.	4:00pm	Lynn Gonnello+
Feb.	19	Sun.	7:30am	Lucy De Bartolomeo+
Feb.	19	Sun.	9:00am	Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Vecchio+
Feb.	19	Sun.	10:30am	Michael Patrick Magi+
Feb.	20	Mon.	7:30am	Phyllis Coté
Feb.	21	Tues.	7:30am	Charles & Majorie Panciera+
Feb.	22	Weds.	7:30am	Bob Banasiewicz+
Feb.	22	Weds.	12:00pm	Albert Daulerio+
Feb.	22	Weds.	6:00pm	Virginia & Dorman Wallace+
Feb.	23	Thurs.	7:30am	Steve Bednarz+
Feb.	23	Thurs.	12:00pm	John H. Walsh+
Feb.	24	Fri.	7:30am	Francis Papuzza+
Feb.	24	Fri.	12:00pm	The Morley Family
Feb.	25	Sat.	7:30am	Terri Lynn Troup
Feb.	25	Sat.	4:00pm	Robert Corbett+
Feb.	26	Sun.	7:30am	Sabrina G. O'Hara+
Feb.	26	Sun.	9:00am	Nancy Piasio+
Feb.	26	Sun.	10:30am	Hedwig Blankenberg+

Extra Daily Mass M-F at 12:00noon

Starting Ash Wednesday until
Wednesday April 5, 2023



Mariner Sands Mass Intentions

Feb.	11	Sat.	5:00pm	The Haran Family
Feb.	25	Sat.	5:00pm	Beverly Lazar

Parish Ministry

772-781-4415

Please call office for all
Parish Ministries

Adult Education (RCIA) & Lectors

Christine Michaelian
Thursday 6:30pm-8:00pm

Adoration

Susanna Page

Servants of the Eucharist & Care of the Sick

Kathleen Sullivan

Annulments

John Ginnetti

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Norma Olio

Bible Study

Tuesday 10:00am
Tuesday 6:30pm

Ignatian Spirituality Prayer Group

Gerri Murray

Disciples of Prayer

Camille Lascari
qtcaccl@gmail.com
&

Bob Greeson
cobra12220@aol.com

Parish Website

saintandrewcatholic.org

Webmaster:

Michael Brennan

Community Outreach

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Please call for an
appointment
772-291-0002

Rosary Maker Ministry

Kathleen Sullivan
Wednesday 10:00am

Ushers

Jane Engelbrecht

Pray & Sing in Latin

Jim Reynolds
Monday 9:00am
Confiteor

During the Season of Lent

There will be a
Saturday 7:30am
Mass

Beginning Feb. 25th
to April, 1st

Mediation

My God, how far am I from acting according to what I know so well! I confess it : my heart goes after shadows. I love anything better than communion with you. I am ever eager to get away from you. Often I find it difficult even to say my prayers. There is hardly any amusement I would not rather take up than set myself to think of you. Give me, grace, O my Father, to be utterly ashamed of my own reluctance! Rouse me from sloth and coldness, and make me desire you with my whole heart. Teach me to love meditation, sacred reading, and prayer. Teach me to love that which must engage my mind for all eternity.

*Everyday Meditations, St. John Henry Newman
Introduction by Bishop James D. Conley S.T.L*

Jesus Veiled!

Jesus veiled! Let us kneel down before Him in adoring awe, while our mother [Mary] teaches us His beauty, and His sweetness, and His goodness, and His nearness. When we think we know Him, we shall not know the half, and when we speak of Him, we shall stammer as children do, and when our hearts are hot with love of Him, they will be cold in comparison to the love which is His due.

Fr. Frederick William Faber

Confession

Our Lady asks us to go to monthly confession. Pilgrims who come to Medjugorje are always impressed by the number of people waiting in line for confession and the number of priests hearing confession. Many priests have had extraordinary experiences during confessions in Medjugorje. Many of our pilgrims who have come with us to Medjugorje go to Confession for the first time in 20, 30, 40, even 50 years. It is one of the fruits and miracles of Medjugorje.

Many people have a hard time with confession. Some have had a bad experience. It is important that we overcome any aversions we may have to confession and trust in Our Lady's request. Confession is a Sacrament, and when we receive Absolution, we receive special graces. I know for many people when they start to go to monthly confession (or more often) their lives change dramatically. The more you go the more you become aware of your sins. The harder we work on our sins the more graces God will give us to overcome our sins. When we see through the eyes of confession, with a truly contrite heart, God begins to build us up with the virtues that we lack.

Weekly Announcements



The Sanctuary
Candles are for
Domenico DiFede+



The Candles at the Shrine of Our
Lady of Perpetual Help are for
Mimi Porro



The Candle burning during
Adoration in the Chapel of
the Two Hearts is for
Bob Thomas

February 22nd is Ash Wednesday.

Ashes will be distributed after
7:30am, 12noon and 6:00pm
Masses.

**Ash
Wednesday**

Religious Education

Grade:1,2,3,4,5 Sunday 9:00-10:15am
Grade:6,7,8,9 Wednesday 6:30-8:00pm

January & February Schedule

Sat.	Feb-11	Service Time	Valentine Bake Sale—Service hours before/after all Masses
Sun.	Feb-12	CCD	Valentine Bake Sale—Service hours before/after all Masses
Wed.	Feb-15	CCD	Grade:6,7,8,9
Sun.	Feb-19	NO CCD	Grade:1,2,3,4,5

The Fullness of Righteousness

Jesus said to his disciples: "I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter the kingdom of heaven." [Matthew 5:20-22](#)

The scribes and Pharisees were masters of the Old Law. Now that the Messiah had arrived, they were unwilling to go deeper and move beyond the Old Testament teachings that they often misrepresented. They preferred a black-and-white approach to morality that had been with them for centuries and did not want to change when presented with Jesus' new and higher calling.

Today's Gospel continues Jesus' Sermon on the Mount, which began with the Beatitudes. In today's portion of Jesus' sermon, we are taught about anger, adultery and oaths. In every case, Jesus refers to the Law as it was taught in the Old Testament but then elevates it to an entirely new level. The line quoted above makes it clear that the only way to accept these new teachings of Jesus was to surpass the "righteousness" of the scribes and Pharisees. And the dire result of not surpassing their righteousness was the loss of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Jesus begins by recalling the Old Testament commandment, "You shall not kill." But then He takes that commandment further by saying that "whoever is angry with his brother will be liable to judgment." Of course, killing remains a grave sin. But now Jesus explains that the interior attitude of anger, even if not acted upon, is a sin. He goes on to teach a similar lesson about adultery and swearing oaths.

It is helpful to understand these new teachings in the context of the approach that the scribes and Pharisees took in regard to the Old Testament. About that, Jesus says, "Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill." Thus, the primary problem with the scribes and Pharisees is not that they failed to teach the Old Testament Law properly. The primary problem is that now that the Messiah has arrived and has ushered in a new time of fulfillment and righteousness, they would not go deeper and would not embrace the fulfillment of the Law of God. They are not willing to grow in holiness and embrace the fulfillment of all that had been taught before.

The month of February is traditionally dedicated to the Passion of Our Lord in anticipation of the liturgical season of Lent. In this month, we begin to meditate on the mystery of Jesus' sufferings which culminated in his death on the Cross for the redemption of mankind.

Reflect, today, upon the calling given to you by our Lord's new and glorious teachings. If you are to truly embrace the Gospel of our Lord and live in His New Law of grace, then you must be willing to go deep, become truly radical in your faith, and allow God to transform every part of your life. The New Law is one of the fullness of love, mercy, surrender, zeal, conversion and transformation. Commit yourself to surpassing the old and limited righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, and God will do glorious things in your life.

Lord of all grace, You came and not only taught us about the heights of holiness, but You also lived it and have bestowed upon us all we need to imitate Your every virtue. Please fill me with Your mercy and strength so that I may live a new righteousness of the fullness of love. Jesus, I trust in You. <https://mycatholic.life>

Disciples of Prayer

St. Andrew's Church has established a ministry of prayer, "St. Andrew's Disciples of Prayer".

If you or a loved one, friend or neighbor, has a need of prayer or, if you have a generous spirit and can spend 5 to 10 minutes a day praying for special intentions, please contact:

Camille at qtcaccl@gmail.com or Bob at cobra12220@aol.com
to place someone on the prayer list, or if you are called by the Holy Spirit to pray.

Valentine's Bake & Crafts Sale

February 11th-12th

Before and after all weekend masses

Cupcakes, cookies, cakes, candies and more...



Come buy a desert or craft item for your sweetie!

All proceeds support our youth attending the Steubenville Conference July 2023.



Ash Wednesday: Preparing to Prepare

The season of Lent is a forty-day time of preparation for Easter, when Christians celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. How do we prepare for that celebration? Church traditions and persons' choices of practices vary. Whatever the pattern our Lenten journey takes, a primary focus is to consider and reflect upon the earthly ministry of Jesus, to follow his example in ministry to others and in the practice of prayer. We place ourselves in the footsteps of his journey, vicariously walking with him to Jerusalem, standing at the foot of the cross, and experiencing amazement at the empty tomb.

So, how do we prepare to enter the Lenten journey?

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday is a pivotal day at the entrance to Lent. It is the day we prepare ourselves to enter into the Lenten season. This day is to be a day of repentance of our sin, individually and collectively. God tells his people through the prophet Joel to repent. (See Joel 2:12ff.) We often hear that to repent means to turn around, to go in a different direction. Jesus invited many persons during his ministry – for example, the Samaritan woman (see John 4) – to turn from their sin and live a different and better way. We are both free and compelled in Christ to reverse our course from sinful actions and attitudes and live a life that honors Christ at any and every moment. We don't have to, and should not, wait for such a day as Ash Wednesday, given that the Holy Spirit empowers us to make such changes as we are made aware of our need to repent.

Ash Wednesday, however, is an opportunity for us intentionally to focus on our need to repent of any sin that keeps us from living into our fullness in Christ. We are invited to "live a holy Lent" with the idea and the hope that this careful preparation for Easter will give us practice in an ongoing empowerment to live into and out from the life that is our best response to Christ's sacrifice for and victory over death on our behalf. Our thankfulness is best expressed as a life lived worthy of this gift of love that we cannot earn.

Ash Wednesday gets its name from the practice of receiving a cross of ashes on the forehead as a sign of the repentance. People of ancient times would mourn their sins and sorrows by wearing rough clothing, sitting in piles of ashes, and putting dust or ashes on their heads. The symbolic practice of the cross of ashes reminds us that as humans we were made from dust (Adam), and that we will one day again be dust upon the death of our earthly bodies.

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We must be careful, however, not to think that receiving the ashes somehow makes us sinless or holy. God speaks through Joel that the people are to return to God with all their hearts, not with a conditional surrendering of themselves, holding anything back. They are told to "rend your hearts, not your garments." Mourning and repenting with a show of tearing garments (or the receiving of ashes) without a corresponding response of the heart does not please God.

When we come together for **Ash Wednesday Mass on February 22, 2023**; we will hear God's word inviting us to repent and to turn our hearts once again, quickly and decisively, to the Lord, to the fullness of life in Christ. We will sing about our intention to love God with all that is in us. We will be invited to come just as we are to be in prayer and to receive the ashes, resetting our intention to be willing to follow the example of Christ in our actions, attitudes, and living out of the gospel. Finally, we will sing a testimony to the amazing grace and love of God who always calls us to turn from our sinful ways, who has redeemed us through Christ, and who empowers us to "go and sin no more" (see John 8:11) by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Let us prepare to prepare!



May 16, 1985 "Dear children! I am calling you to a more active prayer and attendance at Holy Mass. I wish your Mass to be an experience of God. I wish especially to say to the young people: be open to the Holy Spirit because God wishes to draw you to Himself in these days when Satan is at work. Thank you for having responded to my call."