

# Saint Andrew

Roman Catholic Church



June 4, 2023

Whoever believes in *Him* will not be condemned.

JOHN 3:18

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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

7:30am Mass followed  
by confessions

### 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.



June	3	Sat.	7:30am	Dawidiak Family+
June	3	Sat.	4:00pm	Bonnie Dramis+
June	4	Sun.	7:30am	Thelma Couture
June	4	Sun.	9:00pm	Bette Jo Parrini+
June	4	Sun.	10:30am	Manuel Higuera+
June	5	Mon.	7:30am	Anne & Patrick Moore+
June	6	Tues.	7:30am	Murray Family
June	7	Wed.	7:30am	Robert Markel+
June	8	Thurs.	7:30am	Pauline Wubena
June	9	Fri.	7:30am	Luz Maria Rivera+
June	10	Sat.	4:00pm	Father's Day Novena
June	11	Sun.	7:30am	Father's Day Novena
June	11	Sun.	9:00pm	Muriel M. Decker+
June	11	Sun.	10:30am	Sahni Families

## June

THE MONTH OF THE

## SACRED HEART OF JESUS



### BE ONE WITH JESUS

### Eucharistic Adoration

In the Chapel

M-F 8:00am -12:00noon

### An Hour of Paradise

The object of Eucharistic adoration is the Divine Person of our Lord Jesus Christ present in the most Blessed Sacrament. He is living there. He wants us to speak to Him, and He will speak to us. This conversation between the soul and our Lord is true Eucharistic adoration.

Look upon the hour of adoration assigned to you as an hour in Paradise. Go to your adoration as one would go to Heaven, to the divine banquet. You will then long for that hour and hail it with Joy. Take delight in fostering a longing for it in your heart. Tell yourself, "In four hours, in two hours, in one hour, our Lord will give me an audience of grace and love. He has invited me; He is waiting for me; He is longing for me."

When an hour is particularly difficult, rejoice all the more; your love will be greater for its suffering more. It is a privileged hour that will count for two....**GO TO OUR LORD JUST AS YOU ARE.** Be natural in your meditation... You can be sure our Lord wants your heart and not that of someone else.

**May you come and spend time with the Lord  
in the Blessed Sacrament.**

## Parish Ministry

772-781-4415

Please call office for all  
Parish Ministries

### Adult Education (RCIA) & Lectors

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

### Adoration

M - F 8:00am -12:00pm in Chapel  
Susanna Page

### Servants of the Eucharist & Care of the Sick

Kathleen Sullivan

### Annulments

John Ginnetti

### Prayer Shawl Ministry 1st Wednesday of each month 10:00am

Meet at Discovery Village  
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

#### APOSTLES OF JOHN PAUL II

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

### Evangelium secundum Ioannem

### Men of Saint Andrew

Dave Olio  
Monday evening 6:30-8pm  
772-919-2555

# Nine Days of Prayer: Why Pray Novenas?

[Karen Edmisten](#)

Imagine this: With some trepidation about their future, a small band of people with a newfound faith commit to a period of intense prayer, out of obedience to their spiritual master. He has left them seemingly on their own, promising something big on the horizon.

After they follow their leader's instructions for nine days, God answers their prayers by acting in a singularly dramatic, transformative way. And the world is never the same again.

That's precisely what happened to Our Lady, the apostles and the other early disciples of Our Lord. After His ascension they prayed, waited and perhaps even felt some anxiety over "losing" Him again.

But they also trusted and persevered. In the end, He rewarded them on the Day of Pentecost with the coming of the Advocate He had promised, the Holy Spirit (see Acts 1:1–2:4).

Jesus had instructed His followers to pray, and they obeyed. They were not disappointed.

Those nine days of prayer can be seen as the model for the Catholic tradition of the novena. A novena (from the Latin novem, "nine") is a prayer, or set of prayers, prayed for nine days, hours, weeks or even months.

It is often prayed for a specific intention or grace and may be directed to particular saints for their intercession.

Sometimes non-Catholics, and even a few Catholics, may ask, "Why should we pray novenas?" The short answer is simply that Jesus Christ calls us to pray. In fact, He tells us to "pray always without becoming weary" (Lk 18:1), to pray with persistence.

We'll never go wrong when we obey Christ. He promises that prayer works, and He often responds with electrifying results.

But that's only the first, most fundamental reason why we should pray novenas. A look at the history of this tradition provides ample encouragement for making it a personal practice.

## Historical Background

Over the centuries, four specific types of novenas have emerged: novenas for mourning, preparation, petition and indulgences.

Novenas of mourning are the earliest type. They probably grew out of an early Christian custom of offering nine days of Masses for the departed. The global Church witnessed such a novena in 2005 with the death of Pope John Paul II.

## Weekly Announcements



The Sanctuary  
Candles are for  
**Betty Klosowski**



The Candles at the Shrine of Our Lady of  
Perpetual Help are for  
**Noah Banasiewicz**



The Candle burning during  
Adoration in the Chapel of  
the Two Hearts is for  
**Dane Zigrand**

Preparation novenas are joyful and anticipatory. They look toward major feasts (such as a Christmas novena) or celebrate the founder of a religious order.

Novenas of petition developed historically among the laity. They most likely originated as petitions for good health and eventually became generalized to include requests for other needs as well. For instance, a novena to St. Hubert, for protection against madness caused by a dog bite, was first prayed in medieval times and is still prayed today.

Many other novenas of prayer, directed to saints for special intentions, have proliferated over time.

The final type of novena, the novena for indulgences, overlaps with the others. The Church offers partial and plenary indulgences for more than 30 novenas, including one of the most recent, the Divine Mercy novena.

If the Church has not only approved and recommended a variety of novenas, but has also designated certain novenas as a prerequisite for an indulgence, we can be sure that these prayers are much more than just an instance of popular piety.

The Church recognizes the special value of the novena, whose form is particularly suited to overcome certain tendencies of our fallen human nature.

## Boon to Prayer Life

We concupiscent human beings tend toward laziness. Countering that tendency, the repetitive form of the novena can serve to intensify and reinforce our prayer life. It forms a habit of persevering prayer in those of us who, left to our own devices, may fall away from prayer despite the best intentions.

Fallen human beings also tend toward rebellion. We balk at being told what to do. But following a divine prescription such as a novena can be the perfect remedy for such rebelliousness. *(Continued on page 4)*

In praying a prescribed set of prayers, for a prescribed length of time, we are drawn out of ourselves and our vanities and into prayerful concentration and obedience. In this way, our prayer time is kept on track, becoming more focused by observing a set form.

A novena can also release us from a false attitude that we are somehow in control of a situation and its outcome through our prayers for a desired result.

With its repeated appeal to divine aid, the novena recognizes that we are helpless without God, and that control of the situation is squarely in His hands.

We are like the desperate widow in Jesus' parable who repeatedly asked the judge for help — whose humble, persistent petitions the Lord offers as a model in prayer (see Lk 18:1-7).

To suggest that with a novena we relinquish (rather than make a play for) control may contradict popular perceptions. After all, some novenas actually promise “never to fail” should we meticulously follow their directions.

Of course, such instructions (always tacked on anonymously) are little more than superstition. Novenas are not magic and cannot manipulate the Divine Will. After praying in a specific way for a specific number of days, we are no more in control than we were at the start.

Instead, we receive from God a result of His own choosing. Our part is simply to demonstrate faithfulness in our commitment to prayer.

That's not to say, of course, that novenas aren't powerful. They certainly are, as is any faithfully attended prayer. A novena may even lead to miraculous results.

So, even though the specific, “guaranteed” promises attached to a number of novenas needn't be taken literally, they do reflect the confidence in this approach to petition that has grown through the experiences of millions who have received answers to their prayers.

### **Novenas Work**

In short, novenas work, and we should pray them because they are a valuable form of conversation with God and His saints. They flow from faith, and God always attends to the prayers of His faithful.

We may or may not get what we want. But as we pray novenas, we are praising, preparing, waiting and trusting. And we will be rewarded, just as Christ's first disciples were, in whatever way God sees fit.

Perhaps, then, what “never fails” when we pray a novena is that we always grow in faithful perseverance. And again, like the first disciples, we will not be disappointed.

*Karen Edmisten is the author of “The Rosary: Keeping Company with Jesus and Mary” (St. Anthony Messenger, 2009).*

## **THE HOLY TRINITY FATHER, SON & HOLY SPIRIT**



### **Father's Day Novena of Masses For our fathers, living or deceased.**

**Envelopes available in  
Parish office.**

The Mass intentions for our **Father's Day Novena of 9 consecutive days of Masses** for the intention of our fathers, living or deceased, must be returned to the church office to be placed on the altar before **June 9, 2023**.

On the outside of the envelope write down the name of the father you would like remembered in our Novena Masses. It may be your biological father, husband, stepfather, father-in-law, godfather, etc. After writing the name, please insert your donation for the Masses in the envelope and place it in the offertory basket or drop it off at the church office no later than **June 9, 2023** as our Novena Masses begin on Saturday, **June 10, 2023**.

### **Learning to Wait**

**Dr. Frances White**

**Marriage**



**Builders**

How willing are we to be still and patiently wait rather than insist on fast results? Are we secure enough *not* to feel we have to see the results we desire?

Leaving the choice for results with the individual frees us from the awesome task of being omniscient and deciding an individual's fate for him or her. Most people know what they might best do to resolve an issue once they're able to identify the feelings that are hindering them. One of the most valuable contributions we can make is to learn to *listen* to them. Reflecting back in a different but accurate form what they have said enables them to trust us and therefore express deeper feelings— some of which they may not have been fully aware of. Their emotions will gradually unravel and start to make sense.

However, if we feel the need to assume the ultimate responsibility for others, it increases our stress and shows a lack of respect for others as adults capable of making their own decisions.

- ◆ *How patient are you when you have to wait for your spouse to learn something?*
- ◆ *In what ways can you pattern your marriage relationship after God's loving acceptance?*

*Scripture passages to reference and provide further insight into this weekend's devotion:*

**Saturday: Matthew 19:16-30; Ephesians 4:1-6**  
**Sunday: Proverbs 19:8,11**

### **PRAYER FOR PROTECTION FROM STORMS**

God, our Father, Creator of the Universe and Lord over all creation, we humbly stand before You as Your children in thanksgiving for your loving care and protection. We ask that You keep us safe from all hurricanes which may threaten us in the coming seasons. Protect us from all fear and anxiety of storms and give us an ardent trust and hope in Your love and mercy. You alone have the power to command the sea, the wind and the rain. You alone bring peace, calm, and safety. Father, we thank You in advance, for You are our only Refuge. We ask this through Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

**Mary, Queen of the Apostles, and  
Patroness of Our Diocese, pray for us.**

### **For Godly Wisdom and Discernment**

Lord, thank You for the people You have divinely placed in my life who speak holy truth, love and words of wisdom. Give me a heart of discernment to know when You are using someone to speak instruction into my heart and my circumstances, and give me the strength and courage to follow through with that advice, even when it's hard. Fill me with peace in knowing that even if I take a wrong turn, Your purpose will prevail. In Jesus' Name, Amen. - [Tracie Miles](#)

### **Praise the Holy Trinity**

Some truths, like the very existence of God, can be known by human reason alone. Other truths, like the fact that God is One in Three Persons – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – can only be known if God reveals them to us. We could never conclude on our own that God is a Trinity. Today's Feast is not only an opportunity for thanking God for telling us more about himself. It is an occasion to take courage as we strive for deeper unity within the human family. God reveals himself to us in order to make us more like himself – not just as individuals, but as families, nations, and an international community. We grow in unity as we give ourselves away to one another, just as the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit give themselves to each other completely. <https://www.priestsforlife.org/>



### **Ushers Needed for all Summer masses**

Your willingness to serve God as an usher reflects your commitment to Christ, to be a friendly and a welcoming presence to those coming to worship here at St. Andrew Catholic Church.

Please call the [Parish office](#) 772-781-4415 and leave a message for Jane Engelbrecht

*42 Years of Grace And Blessings*

*You are invited to a celebration  
of the 42nd Anniversary of  
the apparitions of  
Our Lady of Medjugorje*



**Sunday  
June 25, 2023  
at 6:00pm**

**St. Andrew Catholic  
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THE BISHOP

June 3, 2023

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Next weekend, June 10/11, the Diocese of Palm Beach will have a special collection for two worthy causes: Black and Indian Missions and the Catholic Home Missions.

The Black and Indian Mission collection, established as the first national collection in 1874, has proven itself to be a successful vehicle for sharing the resources of the Church's members to provide for the needs of our African American, Native American and Alaska Native brothers and sisters. Your support helps ensure the presence of missionaries, places Bibles and catechetical materials in the hands of priests, lay leaders and consecrated men and women, and impacts pastoral work across the country.

The Catholic Home Missions portion of the collection provides home mission dioceses in every region of the United States and its territories with the resources to welcome and minister to their growing multicultural populations. Your support of this appeal makes a difference in Catholic mission communities through initiatives for evangelization, faith formation, human life and dignity, strengthening marriages and families, and priestly and religious vocations.

With gratitude for your continued generosity and every prayerful wish, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito  
Bishop of Palm Beach

I adore and glorify you, O blessed Trinity, God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. I offer myself to your divine Majesty, humbly asking you to take from me, and from all the faithful, whatever displeases you, and to give us that which is grateful in your sight.