Saint Andrew

Roman Catholic Church

December 10, 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

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7:30am Mass followed by confessions

St. Michael Novena Mass

Wednesday - 6:00pm

Pastor

Reverend John Barrow

Office Hours:

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



DRE:

Mrs. Donna Hernandez 772-781-4415 Ext. 214

HOLY ROSARY

Joyful, Sorrowful & Glorious Saturday 6:30pm Holy Family Walkway

Divine Mercy Chaplet

Please join us in praying the Chaplet after the daily 7:30am Mass in room C.



We pray for our Country, our Priests and for the Sanctity of Life.

Mass Intentions

Dec.	9	Sat.	4:00pm	Thomas F. Parrini+
Dec.	10	Sun.	7:30am	Michael Sessions+
Dec.	10	Sun.	9:00am	Zaba Family
Dec.	10	Sun.	10:30am	Triplett Family
Dec.	11	Mon.	7:30am	Mark Dutler
Dec.	12	Tues.	7:30am	Paul Gentry+
Dec.	13	Wed.	7:30am	Margaret Deliz
Dec.	14	Thurs.	7:30am	Kanapa Family+
Dec.	15	Fri.	7:30am	Walter Lagocki+
Dec.	16	Sat.	4:00pm	Helen Reynolds+
Dec.	17	Sun.	7:30am	Christmas Novena
Dec.	17	Sun.	9:00am	Malcolm Kennedy+
Dec.	17	Sun.	10:30am	Cathy Gilio Costa+

Mariner Sands Mass Intentions

Dec.	9	Sat.	5:00pm	Reis Family+
Dec.	16	Sat.	5:00pm	Donald Boehmcke+
Dec.	23	Sat.	5:00pm	Jacqueline Van Grofsky+

The best, the surest and the most effective way of establishing PEACE on the face of the earth is through the great power of Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Pope John Paul II



Eucharistic Adoration

In the Chapel M-F 8:00am –12:00noon Tues & Wed. 4pm-8pm

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 YOUR 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

Please call office for all Parish Ministries

Adult Education (OCIA)

Director Christine Michaelian Assisted by Deacon Andre & Lisa Boucher Juan Ortiz (Spanish) Thursday 6:30pm-8:00pm

Lectors

Christine Michaelian

Adoration

M - F 8:00am - 12:00pm Tues & Wed. 4pm - 8pm Susanna Page

Annulments

John Ginnetti

Bible Study

Tuesday 10:00am Melanie Gallagher Tuesday 6:30pm Bob Greeson

Disciples of Prayer

Camille Lascari qtcatccl@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

Learn the Language of Latin

Jim Reynolds

Men of Saint Joseph Dave Olio

772-919-2555

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Nancee Jon & Elaine Wach 1st Wednesday of the month at 10 am in classroom A



Please remember your loved ones this Christmas by including them in the Christmas Movena Masses.



There are extra envelopes available in the Church office. Please print the names of your oved ones to be remembered for the Christmas Novena on the envelope. Place the envelope, with your donation inside, and drop it into the collection basket during Mass or leave it at the Church office no later than December 11th.

It will be included in the 9 day Novena Masses beginning December 17th until Christmas day.

May our newborn Savior bless you this Christmas & may His Mother Mary watch over you and your loved ones.

If you use a white candle in the center, it is lit on Christmas Eve.

The custom is fairly simple to implement and is a perfect way to introduce prayer into the home if you don't already have a nightly tradition of prayer. Children love Advent wreaths and to heighten the drama, it is always great to light the candle in the darkness. This further highlights the symbolism and points to Christ being the true "light of the world."

If you are looking for a new tradition this year in December, consider the Advent wreath. https://aleteia.org/2017/11/27/howto-use-an-advent-wreath/

ST. NICHOLAS TREE

The St. Nicholas Tree is on display in the Church lobby.

Please take an envelope and put your gift card with the receipt inside the envelope and write the dollar amount on the front of the envelope.



Suggestions Family of 2 \$50.00 Family of 3-4 \$75.00 Family of 5-6 \$100.00



Please return your envelope to the brown container located in the lobby by December 17th, 2023

> May our Lord reward you and your loved ones for your generosity!

The Apostles of John Paul II



2023 Christmas Schedule

Advent Reconciliation Service

Thursday, December 21st 6:00pm Confessions This is your last opportunity for confession before Christmas

Fourth Sunday of Advent Masses

Sunday, December 24th Fulfills Fourth Sunday Obligation The Holy Mass will be celebrated at 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am

Christmas Vigil Masses

Sunday, December 24th Fulfills Christmas Obligation 4:00pm Holy Rosary followed by the Holy Mass 10:00pm Holy Rosary followed by the Holy Mass (Remember the Holy Rosary will precede the Masses on Christmas Eve at 4:00 & 10:00pm)

Christmas Day Masses

Monday, December 25th The Holy Mass will be celebrated at 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am

Office Closed Tuesday, December 26th

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE Novena Mass In Honor of St. Michael the

For the protection of our CHURCH



Mass Celebrated Every Wednesday evening at 6:00pm followed by Novena to St. Michael the Archangel

10:30 FAMILY MASS

Lighting of the Advent Wreath December 10th is the

MOLINA FAMILY



Dear Father, I have a question. In the Catholic Church, is it considered a mortal sin to watch mass on TV on Sunday instead of attending mass in church?

Answer:

If you wake up on a Sunday morning and you feel tired or lazy it would be seriously wrong for you to abrogate your Sunday Mass obligation by watching the Sacrifice of the Mass on television or the internet. By doing so, you are telling God that His passion and sacrifice out of love for you, isn't enough for you to make a sacrifice for Him. You are actually saying, that it means nothing to you to receive His Body and Blood at Holy Communion.

If however, you are seriously ill or physically incapacitated, the obligation of attending mass on Sunday is rescinded.

When the Covid pandemic occurred here in the United States, Catholics were given the permission to watch the Mass on television. The obligation to physically attend Mass on Sundays was removed. However, Catholics were encouraged to spend some special devotional time on Sundays since they were not able to attend Mass. Many Catholics chose to watch the Mass on television or the Internet. When the fear of the pandemic had passed, the bishops of the United States informed us that it was time for all of us to return to our parish churches to actively participate in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. We were no longer excused from our obligation to attend Sunday Mass.

So, to answer the initial question,.. Yes, it would be a mortal sin to stay home and watch the Mass on television instead of participating at Mass in church...i.e., unless you are seriously ill or physically incapacitated.

What does the 2nd week of Advent represent?

The Second Week of Advent is **the week of Peace**. This verse tells us that Jesus came to be the Prince of Peace. The word peace is the Hebrew word shalom which means completeness or well being. Jesus did not come just to end wars, but to make us complete by saving us from our sinfulness.

What is the second week of Advent blessing?

God of power and mercy open our hearts in welcome. Remove the things that hinder us from receiving Christ with joy so that we may share his wisdom and become one with him when he comes in glory, for he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.



Attention all Medical Personal of St. Andrew

Our Parish has purchased an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) which will be located in the Church Vestibule.

We are looking for volunteers willing to be trained on the use and application of the AED as well as serving as a designated contact during the weekend Masses, should a need arise.

Please call Nancy Fioramonti if you are interested and able to serve. (561)-255-1624 after 5:30pm.

What do you reflect on in Week 2 of Advent?

Reflect, today, upon how ready and willing you are to preach to your own soul about the importance of repenting of your sins. Embracing repentance in this holy season is the best way to prepare for the continuous coming of Christ in your life. Lord, help me to see my sin as we enter more deeply into this Advent season.

Celebrate Bambinelli Sunday "Bless the Baby Jesus" Sunday, December 17th, 2023

Advent is a time of preparation for the coming of our Lord in the form of a child. We celebrate this most beautiful season by preparing a Nativity scene in our homes, in anticipation of Christmas and out of love for the Holy Family. To make this season



even more special, have your baby Jesus figurine blessed at Mass!

Each year, on the third Sunday of Advent, the faithful bring the baby Jesus figurine or "Bambinelli" from their nativity set to St. Peter's Square for a blessing by the Pope.

Here at St. Andrew, we carry on this wonderful tradition. On Bambinelli Sunday, bring your baby Jesus, tied with a colorful ribbon and name tag, to Church for a special prayer and blessing.

Don't have a Bambinelli? You can purchase one here at Church with all the proceeds going to our Christmas "Giving Tree" program for those in our area who need our help.



December 9th & 10th Before & after all weekend Masses

Beautiful Christmas Gifts and Bake Sale. Cookies, cakes, pies, breads, candies & more.

The proceeds supporting our St. Andrew youth attending the Steubenville conference in July 2024.

Thank you for your support.

A Prayer for Faith on the Second Sunday of Advent

Father, prepare our hearts to celebrate your birth joyfully! We thank you for faithfully doing what you promised long ago when you sent your Son to earth so that we might have the chance to become part of your family. Let the promise of your second coming inspire us to live with hope and purpose.

As we wait for your plan to unfold, give us the patience we need. Remind us of the peace we can access when we take time to still ourselves before you and remember that you are God. We thank you that you are both sovereign and gracious. Help us to find rest in the midst of what feels like chaos in our world. Amen.



MARRIAGE TUDE-UP

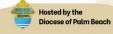
Have a good marriage but wonder if it could be better? Then it's time for a TUNE-UP!

A two day-seminar on rekindling the joys of marriage and learning to relate to your spouse in a new way.

This is NOT your typical marriage seminar!

Make this the best year of your marriage!

Questions? Contact Deacon Louie Romero Iromero@diocesepb.org 561-775-9557



Register at Eventbrite marriagetune-upFeb24.eventbrite.com



Includes 1 night stay, all meals and Saturday

Evening Social.

Weekend begins with Continential breakfast

Saturday at 8:30am.

concluding with Holy Mass

on Sunday at 12:00pm

SPACE IS LIMITED

Weekly Announcements



The Sanctuary Candles are for the **Tonra Family**



The Candles at the Shrine of Our Lady of Perpetual Help are for the **Parrini Family**





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

Raymonde Greer

Volunteers Needed!

We will be decorating the Church for Christmas December 17th at 11:45 for the beautiful celebration of the Birth of our Lord. Remember: Many hands make the load lighter.

Please consider helping us.

A volunteer is a little pencil in the hand of God who is writing a love letter to the world. ~ Mother Teresa



Religious Education

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

December Schedule

Sat.	Dec. 9 4:00Mass	CCD Service Time	Christmas Bake Sale, Service time 12:00Noon-5:00PM
Sun.	Dec. 10	CCD Service Time	Christmas Bake Sale, Service time All Sunday Masses
Wed.	Dec. 13	CCD	Grade:6,7,8,9