

# *Saint Andrew*

*Roman Catholic Church*

## THE Epiphany



## OF THE Kings

January 7, 2024

2100 S.E. Cove Rd. Stuart, FL 34997

772-781-4415

## Saint Andrew

*Roman Catholic Church*

### 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

## 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.*



Jan.	6	Sat.	7:30am	Mark Kerney
Jan.	6	Sat.	4:00pm	Tadeusz (Teddy) Piatek +
Jan.	7	Sun.	7:30am	Murphy Family +
Jan.	7	Sun.	9:00am	Healy Family +
Jan.	7	Sun.	10:30am	Michael C. Hayes Family +
Jan.	8	Mon.	7:30am	Jack Healy +
Jan.	9	Tues.	7:30am	Al Heady +
Jan.	10	Weds.	7:30am	Laura Graze
Jan.	11	Thurs.	7:30am	Rosemary Laucks +
Jan.	12	Fri.	7:30am	Msgr. Blase Gintoli
Jan.	13	Sat.	4:00pm	Anne & Patrick Moore +
Jan.	14	Sun.	7:30am	Petersen Family +
Jan.	14	Sun.	9:00am	Barbara Chriske
Jan.	14	Sun.	10:30am	Joey Franciosi +

### *Mariner Sands Mass Intentions*

Jan.	6	Sat.	5:00pm	Johnny Rogers+
Jan.	13	Sat.	5:00pm	Harry Recevicus
Jan.	20	Sat.	5:00pm	Don Boehmcke+

The greater and more persistent your confidence  
in God. The more abundantly you will receive all  
that you ask. St. Albert the Great



## 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 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 (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  
qtcatcl@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

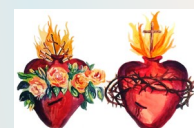
Jim Reynolds

### Men of Saint Joseph

Dave Olio  
772-919-2555

### Prayer Shawl Ministry

Nancee Jon & Elaine Wach  
1st Wednesday of the month at  
10:00am in classroom A





## The Beating of Your Heart

When there is excitement in your life, your heart begins to beat faster. This is a natural reaction. For that reason, it is good to ponder whether your heart ever beats for God? Do you allow yourself to become caught up in a holy awe of the presence of God? Do you become excited about the mission that God has given you? And, if so, do you ever find that your heart beats faster as you ponder the great mysteries of His love and Mercy? Your whole being must react to the majesty and splendor of our glorious God (See *Diary* #1728).

Try this simple examination today. Ponder the last time that you truly became excited over God and His holy Will. Was your excitement something that affected you so much that even your heart began to beat faster? Though this may not be an infallible sign of the presence of God in your life, it may reveal much more than you realize.

*Lord, I desire that my heart beat for You every day. May I experience the joy and excitement of Your perfect glory and desire with my mind, spirit and even body, the fulfillment of Your Will. I love You, dear Lord. May my heart beat for You with great intensity and love. Jesus, I trust in You.* [https://divinemeracy.life/2023/12/21/reflection-356-the-beating-of-your-heart/?utm\\_source=mailpoet&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=daily-reflections-on-divine-mercy-my-catholic-life\\_1079](https://divinemeracy.life/2023/12/21/reflection-356-the-beating-of-your-heart/?utm_source=mailpoet&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=daily-reflections-on-divine-mercy-my-catholic-life_1079)



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January 6, 2024

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Next weekend, January 13/14, the faithful of the Diocese of Palm Beach are invited to support our local Catholic schools. The 20 schools in our Diocese include three high schools, three preschools, two private schools and 12 elementary schools. Thanks to the dedication of more than 550 teachers, administrators, guidance counselors and other school staff, our Diocese is educating more than 7,000 students this year, representing an enrollment increase of more than 6% over last year.

The theme adopted by the Office of Catholic Schools for 2023-2024 is *Faith Illuminating Knowledge*. The mission of a Catholic school is to foster nurturing communities, teach respect for self and others, encourage students to live their faith, and provide individualized attention to build a strong basis for life. The central goal of Catholic schools is to educate future pillars of the faith grounded in Christ, the light of the world and the cornerstone of faith.

I invite our parishioners to give the gift of faith to a student wishing to attend a Catholic school in our Diocese. Your financial contribution provides funding for programs and resources at each school. Thank you so much for your faithful support, prayers, and gifts to assist the students and families in our Catholic schools.

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

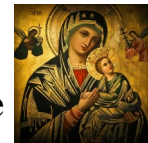
## Weekly Announcements



The Sanctuary  
Candles are for  
**Albert & Grace Ajar**



The Candles at the Shrine of Our Lady  
of Perpetual Help are for  
**Veronica & Herman Constantine**



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

## Religious Education

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

### December & January Schedule

Sun.	Jan. 7	CCD	Grade: 1,2,3,4,5
Wed.	Jan. 10	CCD	9th Grade Board of Review
Sun.	Jan. 14	CCD	Kidsmart Grades 1,2,3,4,5
Wed.	Jan. 17	CCD	Netzsmart Grades 6,7,8,9

“Volunteers are the only human beings on the face of the earth who reflect this nation's compassion, unselfish caring, patience, and just plain loving one another.”

“No one is more cherished in this world than someone who lightens the burden of another.”



**We need Volunteers**  
to help take down the Christmas  
decorations

January 7th at 11:45am  
**Please Consider helping us.**

## PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE

*Novena Mass In Honor  
of St. Michael the  
Archangel  
For the protection of  
our CHURCH*



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

## The Epiphany invitation: What gifts can we offer Jesus?

As the Christian church worldwide celebrates the Solemnity of the Epiphany, what can we resolve to offer Christ?

The three kings are laden with gifts that are not merely precious and expensive. With their offerings, they are recognizing the dignity of the newborn Child: He is King, He is God, He is man. But what gifts can we offer Him on Epiphany (traditionally celebrated on January 6 in many parts of the world)?

### **Gold, frankincense and myrrh**

To the king belongs **gold, a symbol of wealth and splendor**. The holy of holies in the Temple of Jerusalem was covered with gold, a way of worshipping God, King of the world:

“Solomon overlaid the inside of the house with pure gold. And he drew chains of gold across the front of the inner sanctuary, and he overlaid it with gold. He overlaid the whole house with gold, until all the house was finished. Also the whole altar which was by the inner sanctuary he overlaid with gold” (1 Kings 6:21-22)

**Incense is a symbol of prayer** that goes up to God comes back to him:

“May my prayer rise up to you like incense; may the lifting up of my hands be like the evening sacrifice” (PS 141:2)

And elsewhere:

“Then another angel with a gold incense burner came and stood at the altar. And a great amount of incense was given to him to mix with the prayers of God’s people as an offering on the gold altar before the throne” (Rev 8:3)

### **Myrrh is both the fragrance of anointing —**

“Your God has anointed you, pouring out the oil of joy on you more than on anyone else. Myrrh, aloe, and cassia perfume your robes. In ivory palaces the music of harps entertains you.” (PS 45:8-9)

— **and the announcement of the suffering of the Lord**, true man among us. It is written in the Song of Solomon (1:13):

“My beloved is like a fragrant pouch of myrrh spending the night between my breasts.”

Regarding this verse, St. Bernard said:

“Ever since my conversion, I have taken care to hold this bouquet of all the Lord’s sufferings close to my heart. Among all the branches of the fragrant myrrh, I have been careful not to omit either the myrrh that he was watered with on the cross or the myrrh that was used to anoint his body before burial. The whole of Jesus’ life is perfumed with myrrh, from that of the Magi to that of Nicodemus, who “came with a mixture of myrrh and aloes.” (Jn 19:39)

**We, too, on this day can bow down and worship Jesus by offering Him gold (almsgiving with our material goods); incense (a renewal of our prayer life); and myrrh (our faith in His humanity that saved us).**

**Claire Patier** <https://aleteia.org/cp1/2021/01/06/the-epiphany-invitation-what-gifts-can-we-offer-jesus/>



Rekindle the joys of your Marriage!

Main Presenters:  
Deacon Louie & Leona Romero

OUR LADY OF FLORIDA  
SPIRITUAL CENTER

**FEBRUARY  
10-11, 2024**

**MARRIAGE  
TUNE-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!

**\$249 per couple**  
Includes 1 night stay, all  
meals and Saturday  
Evening Social.

Weekend begins with  
Continental breakfast  
Saturday at 8:30am,  
concluding with Holy Mass  
on Sunday at 12:00pm

SPACE IS LIMITED

Make this the best year of your marriage!

Questions? Contact  
Deacon Louie Romero  
lromero@dioceseofpb.org  
561-775-9557

Hosted by the  
Diocese of Palm Beach

Register at Eventbrite  
marriage-tune-upFeb24.eventbrite.com



### Bishop Barbarito's Annual Anniversary Mass

The Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito, Bishop of Palm Beach, will preside at the celebration of our 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Anniversary Mass for Married Couples on Saturday, February 10, 2024, at 10:30AM, at St. Lucie Church in Port St. Lucie. There will be a reception in the parish hall after the Mass.

All couples who will be celebrating 25, 40, or 50 or more years of marriage in the calendar year 2023 are invited to participate.

To attend, please contact your own parish office and register your names as soon as possible – but **no later than Monday, January 29, 2024**. We ask that all participating couples arrive at St. Lucie Church by 10:00AM -- thirty minutes prior to the start of the Mass, so you can receive your personalized certificate.

St. Lucie Catholic Church  
280 SW Prima Vista Boulevard  
Port St. Lucie FL, 34983



### 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.

### AFFIRMATION

The Marriage Partnership Staff



One reason couples have trouble sharing their spiritual lives is they haven't established a trusting and open relationship with each other. One way to enhance mutual oneness and vulnerability is to remove hurtful words from your vocabulary and to focus on building each other up. Here are three ways you can express love and appreciation for each other, which should lead to a deeper level of trust and intimacy. Discuss with each other which of these would mean the most to you personally.

1. Even though you've said it before, take time regularly to reaffirm your full, unconditional love for and acceptance of your spouse.
2. Never offer criticisms or make negative comments about your spouse in front of other people. In public be your spouse's biggest fan. Save your loving criticisms for times when the two of you are alone.
3. Eliminate all put-downs and cynicism from your humor.

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

**Saturday: John 15:9-17**  
**Sunday: 1 Thessalonians 3:6-13**

### EUCARISTIC ADORATION QUOTES



"One thing have I asked of the Lord, this I seek: To dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, that I may gaze on the loveliness of the Lord and contemplate His temple." Psalm 27:4

Prayer before the Blessed Sacrament is nothing less than a close, private conversation with a living person who is the risen Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. It is about as close as we can come in this life to talking with God face to face. You are very important to the Lord. To spend your special hour with Him.

"... for whoever is begotten by God conquers the world. And the victory that conquers the world is our faith."

1 John 5:4 When we exercise our faith we are strengthened and those around us are encouraged. When we have faith in God and are not afraid to ask Him to share our burdens they become lighter and problems are turned into blessings. Don't hesitate to practice your faith in The Real Presence. There are several chapel hours waiting for the faithful to sign on to. <https://perpetualeucharisticadoration.com>

### Epiphany of the Lord—Solemnity

At the time of Jesus' birth, it was commonly believed that a new star would appear whenever a new ruler was born. The Father in Heaven used this belief to honor His Son, the new King. When three astrologers from the East, the Magi, saw this "new star," they chose to follow it to discover the new King. Pointing the way, in the form of a star, was creation itself.

The word "Epiphany" means "manifestation," inviting us to look at how Christ is manifest in our own hearts.

First, when the Magi saw a sign from the heavens that pointed to a new King, they stopped everything and departed in haste to find Him. When God speaks to you and manifests Himself to you in some way, nothing could be more important than to be attentive to His voice and follow Him with the same haste.

The Magi brought the Christ Child gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Gold symbolized kingship. When we ponder the gift of gold given to the Christ Child, we are inspired to give Him our own symbolic gold by prayerfully acknowledging Him as our King to whom we pledge complete submission.

Used in worship to symbolize prayers rising to heaven, frankincense symbolizes the Christ Child's divinity. We offer frankincense to Christ when we acknowledge His divine nature. Often used in burial, myrrh honors the Christ Child Who came to give His life as a sacrifice for many. We offer myrrh to profess our belief in the saving power of Christ's death on the Cross and our need for that gift of salvation.

As we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany, see it as a historical event in which you are invited to share. God wants to manifest Himself to you today. When this happens, respond with faith and worship, giving God the greatest glory by giving Him your very life and offering Him your spiritual gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

*Most glorious Christ Child, please manifest Yourself within my soul where You wish to be born. May I follow the example of the Magi, offering You my own gifts in adoration and trust. Jesus, I trust in You.* <https://mycatholic.life/saints/saints-of-the-liturgical-year/january-6-epiphany/#short>

