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MASS SCHEDULE

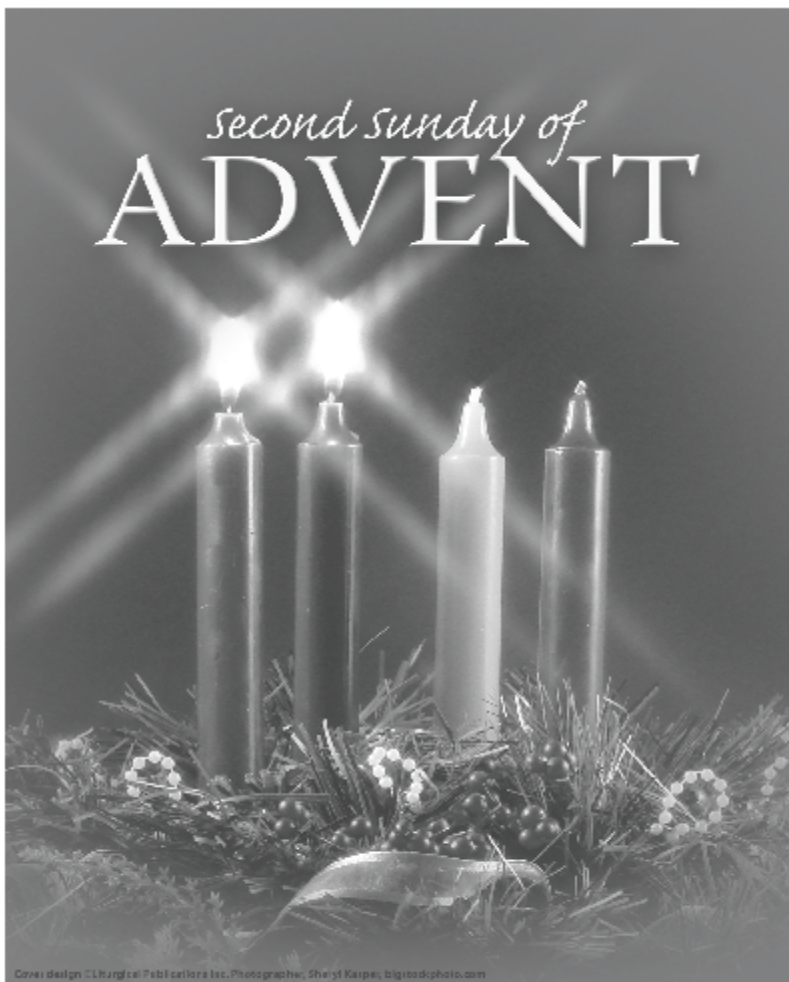
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Holy Days: 7:00 a.m.

Daily: 8:00 a.m. Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri.

Saint Andrew Church

Erie, Pennsylvania ~ 1116 W. Seventh St.



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OUR MISSION

The parish of Saint Andrew, a welcoming, joyful and renewing Catholic community, dedicates itself to serving all of God's people with the love of Jesus Christ and His mission.

BAPTISM: Please call for arrangement. Baptismal preparation program required for all parents.

RECONCILIATION: Saturday at St. Paul's - 3:30p.m. & Saturday at Sacred Heart - 3:30p.m. St. Andrew after 11:00a.m. Mass on Sunday

MATRIMONY: Arrangements must be made six months in advance.

STAFF

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814-455-4619

St. Andrew Ladies Guild
Evelyn Wesman 814-455-7820

FOOD PANTRY - St. Andrew / St. Jude

Ken Adams
1:30PM to 4:00PM every other Tuesday
Food & Clothing

CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

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PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Please notify the rectory if a family member or parishioner is hospitalized or confined to home.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Monday at Noon.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: To be a member of St. Andrew Parish you must be registered. All those who are out of high school should be registered individually. Parish membership is required to be a sponsor at Baptism and Confirmation, to be married in the parish or to have a child baptized.

TO and WITH

The Advent season focuses on the difference between two words: “to” and “with.” Advent is likely to seem to be artificial, a forced liturgical season to get us excited about the coming of Christmas, like the Christmas decorations in stores as we celebrate Halloween. For that reason, it usually feels a bit fake to adults as we shop and decorate for the season and anticipate enjoying the emotional climax of our children and/or grandchildren. This comes mostly from the misunderstanding about Christ’s coming. Christ is not coming TO us.

While the Incarnation has already taken place historically, psychologically it is unfinished. He has not yet come to complete what was begun with his birth by Mary. There is more of our life with Him to open, unbar, to unlock because God cannot say some things to us until we are ready to hear it. That is worthy of repetition: there are some things God cannot say until we are ready to hear it. Prophet Baruch’s admonition to “take off your robe of mourning and misery” and to “put on the splendor of glory from God forever” may sound quite hollow [“Sure Baruch, that’s easy for you to say...”], but the historical context of the passage was Israel in great turmoil.

So, our experience of Advent is more along the lines of Schubert’s “Unfinished Symphony.” We long to hear the entire composition, to hear the music resolve as we catch with our ears the place where the composer takes us with his music. We are easily tempted in this age of near instant gratification to turn away from the ongoing Advent of God’s love, a symphony already in progress.

Israel’s return from exile was shaky as it was glorious, but that is the result of the human condition, human inattentiveness and not God’s inattentiveness. We are like children rushing to grow up and be recognized as adults with emphasis on the freedom that entails and almost no sense of its responsibility. We become impatient with the pace of God’s unfolding reality.

We are in the midst of God’s advent of love and compassion, but that is, at times, nearly impossible to believe. We see and hear about the misery of Syrian refugees as winter weather and starvation grips their tent-camps, the Israeli/Palestinian sniping, the American Liberal/Conservative arm-wrestling matches, global warming and the “invasion from South America” and wonder where God is in all of this. The promise of God that he is with us seems useful only as fodder for atheists and cynics, but not for us while awaiting his coming. That is the outcome of believing that God is coming to us.

This journey of faith, of expectation that God will help us determine the purpose of our living is experienced as God WITH us, not to us. We can become so anxious with the pace of revelation that we are like kids who want to leave their parents in the dust as they (prematurely) take their place in the great procession of humanity’s migration into the future. Who is the leader at the head of the Advent procession? It is EM-MANUEL who leads the way to the fulfillment of His promise. His name does not mean “God to us” but rather GOD WITH US!” Don’t leave him behind.

Happy Advent!

Fr. Dan



St Andrew’s Ladies’ Guild Members, hope to see you at the **Christmas Luncheon** at the Clarion BelAire Hotel (2800 W 8th St) on Saturday, December 15 from 12:00-2:00. Please get in paid reservations *now*, drop off at the parish office. Include name, phone, meal choice from list below and payment of \$16 (12.50+ gratuity). *Call Marilyn at 866-2106 with questions or help with transportation.*


Name _____

Phone _____

- _____ Pulled Pork Pretzel Sandwich with chips and fruit
- _____ Chicken Caesar Salad (lettuce will be substituted if still necessary) with grilled chicken.
- _____ Beef Pot Roast with roasted onions, celery, carrots & potatoes.



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Cookie Donation drop off:
*at the Ladies Guild Luncheon
on Dec. 15th or
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2:30–3:30pm on Dec. 15th.*



**Intentions for St. Andrew Church & Mass schedule
with our Partnered Churches**

Monday, December 10 - Advent Weekday

8:00 a.m. O'DAY FAMILY - As Requested

Tuesday, December 11 - St. Damasus I

8:00 a.m. †MARIE O'HERN - Ann & Ken Adams

Wednesday, December 12 - Advent Weekday

8:30 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church
7:00PM Mass at Sacred Heart; Our Lady of Guadalupe

Thursday, December 13 - St. Lucy

8:00 a.m. †ROSE CHIAPPAZZI, DONALD FANZINI & ANGELA GANGEMI - Family

Friday, December 14 - Saint John of the Cross

8:00 a.m. †FRANK LANDI - Betty & Charlie Farrell

Saturday, December 15 - Saturday, Vigil Mass

4:30 p.m. Mass at St. Paul (DKA)
4:30 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart (MAO)

Sunday, December 16 - Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. †DON SMITH - Betty Ann Minedeo (DKA)
9:30 a.m. Mass at St. Paul (MAO)
10:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart (DKA)
11:00 a.m. †The Aunt of the McCooey Family;
SUSAN ZIRZOW (MAO) - Gnacinski Family

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, December 9

Confession (Church).....noon
Kids Christmas Craft Event (Gym).....12:15 - 2:00PM
Nativity Scenes (St. Paul Soc.Center.)..10:30 - 1:00PM

Monday, December 10

Rosary (Chapel).....2:30PM
Mass (Chapel).....3:15PM
Novena (Chapel).....7:00PM
Advisory Board Meeting (AH).....6:30PM

Thursday, December 13

Leopold Prayer Group.....9:00AM
Family Rosary (Church)7:10PM
Maria House Project (AH).....5 - 6:45PM
Choir (AH).....7:00PM

Friday, December 14

Women's Scripture (AH).....8:30 - 9:30AM

Saturday, December 15

Faith Formation gr. 1 - 8.....9 - 10:30AM

Sunday, December 16

Confession (Church).....after 11:00AM
Mass Catholic Daughter (AH).....noon

Sunday, December 2, 2018	<u>WEEKLY</u>	\$4,634.00
Needed for budget		\$6,646.00
Weekly Surplus/(Deficit)		\$4,832.00
Envelopes sent 350		collected 110

2018 Catholic Service Appeal

TOTAL BALANCE.....	\$7,325.00
TOTAL PAID.....	\$60,010.00
TOTAL PLEDGED.....	\$67,335.00

CELEBRATION OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

On Wed., *Dec.12th* all members of our tri-parish partnership are invited to join with St. Stephen of Hungary Parish for the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

**7PM mass at Sacred Heart Church,
presided by Bishop Persico.**

Following Mass, in the Sacred Heart Auditorium St. Stephen's will bring meals from the countries of their origin to share.

In your prayers please remember the repose of
the souls of
WALTER "JOE" LASKOWSKI
&
PATRICIA A. THOMAS,
mother of parishioner Renee' Clark
Who died this week.
May they rest in peace



**Drop off for Shining Star gifts is
TODAY; Sun. Dec. 9th
after 8 am. & 11a.m. masses.
Please place your gift in front of
Blessed Mother's Altar.**

Thirty One Club--Daily listing Sun. to Sat.
Carol Hoffman...Mary May...Betty Farrell...Dee
Hulsinger...Barb Kuhn...Dorothy Kane...Lisa
Gleason...

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF DEC. 16TH, Collections Counters: Ferrell /Lillis

TIME	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	SERVERS	USHERS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	GREETER	ALTAR LINENS
8:00 a.m.	Bob Kuhn	Deacon DeCecco Craig Frisina Mary May Anne Montante BF: Anne Montante BF: Todd Liszka	T. J. Ek	Joe Tssario Jim Vieira John Tretter Diane Tretter	Don Smith Family	Joe Tssario Jim Vieira	
11:00 a.m.	Dominic Sansone	Deacon DeCecco MaryBeth Nawrocki Kathy Baldwin Anitia Rogowski	Norah Dana Jack Dana	Andrew Stark Gary Wesman Coleman Wilson Jen Wilson	Gnacinski Family	MaryPat Sullivan Jen Wilson Barb Kozen	Please pick up Linens the Weekend of Dec. 16nd Diane Tretter

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