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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

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Evelyn Wesman 814-455-7820

FOOD PANTRY - St. Andrew / St. Jude

Ken Adams
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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.

LinkedIn and LockedOut

Especially at this time of the year I savor the most memorable Christmas card message of my life time: it read simply, "Jesus is the Father's answer to all human misery." A conversation I had with two Cursillistas, one of whom lost her job four months ago, brought this to mind. Let me say here that I was confused by her lack of employment because she has been so successful in her career. Why a company would not immediately consider her skills to be an asset and hire her is beyond me. I told her so. Priests, as you know, are at times far removed from the reality of life outside Church environs. Citing LinkedIn™, she patiently explained to this slow-learner that social media is a way of "cutting to the chase." Wikipedia lists the following description: LinkedIn is a business and employment-oriented service that operates via websites and mobile apps...[LI] allows members (both workers and employers) to create profiles and "connections" to each other in an online social network which may represent real-world professional relationships... intended to build trust among the service's members.

It took me 15 minutes of listening and the patience of the couple before I finally understood that social media has become a way of engaging in a relationship(s) without all the work and the risk involved in developing them; instant gratification, trust without risk. They went on to explain that businesses have come to rely upon links to suppliers and customers to conduct business without the cost of maintaining the personal touch.

When was the last time you called a business and did not have to go through the call-router? In reality, being LinkedIn (and other social media as well) is being Locked Out of the personal contact which enables the nurturing relationship that satisfies souls. This is very contrary to the sentiment I found so appealing in the Christmas card; Jesus is God with a face. How much more personal can God be with us?

This is not a diatribe against social media. It has a place in our culture. Rather this is my impersonation of John the Baptist who said, "I am 'the voice of one crying out in the desert'" (Jn. 1: 23). We're starving emotionally and spiritually while passing through the aisles of incredible sufficiency because love and hope grow within relationships that accept risk as part of life. What is missing in social media is the sustenance that personal relationships give. We've become disposable, disconnected from the messy, inefficient and expensive relationships that define the difference between a sterile tomb and a messy, lived-in home. Thank you, God, for choosing the latter.

The difference between passively awaiting Christmas (while being preoccupied with shopping, baking, decorating) until the celebration of the Redeemer's birth and actively awaiting his coming again is this; the kingdom is here. We're one jump ahead of the Baptist because our shopping, baking and decorating is not the preview of what is to come, but rather the unfolding of what already is.

Giving into the temptation to "e-connect" as a way of avoiding the risk of love puts you on a path to isolation and disconnection from love. When it comes to love, mailing it in doesn't work.

I believe you are glad that the Father did not do that.

I hope you have a very, merry Christmas!

Fr. Dan

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CURSILLO CORNER

January UltreyaJanuary 4, 2019
Saint Andrew's.....7:00PM



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

Monday, December 24- Christmas Eve
 4:30 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church
 5:00 p.m. MEHL, KNOX, WEBER & EBACH FAMILIES - Brub Mehl
 10:00 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church

Tuesday, December 25 - The Nativity of the Lord
 9:30 a.m. Mass at Saint Paul Church
 10:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church
 11:00 a.m. †DON SMITH - St. Andrew Knights of Columbus

Wednesday, December 26 - Saint Stephen
 8:30 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church

Thursday, December 27 - Saint John the Apostle
 8:00 a.m. †MATTHEW KALICZEWSKI - Family

Friday, December 28 - The Holy Innocents
 8:00 a.m. †JAMIE LYNN ARNOLD

Saturday, December 29 – Saturday, Vigil Mass
 4:30 p.m. Mass at St. Paul (DKA)
 4:30 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart (MAO)

Sunday, December 30 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
 8:00 a.m. †SHARON BRUNO - Barb & Bob Kuhn (DKA)
 9:30 a.m. Mass at St. Paul (MAO)
 10:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart (DKA)
 11:00 a.m. MASS FOR THE PEOPLE(MAO)

The Sanctuary Light is burning this week in memory of
KATIE McCORMICK VanCLEVE
 Requested by
 Rich & Karen McCormick

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, December 23
 Confession (Church).....noon

Monday, December 24; Christmas Eve
 Confession (Sacred Heart Church).....9:00AM

Monday, December 24th
Christmas Eve Vigil Masses
 4:30 p.m.
 at Sacred Heart Church
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 5:00 p.m.
 at Saint Andrew Church
 ~
 10:00 p.m.
 at Sacred Heart Church

Tuesday, December 25th
Christmas Day
 9:30 a.m.
 at Saint Paul Church
 ~
 10:00 a.m.
 at Sacred Heart Church
 ~
 11:00 a.m.
 at Saint Andrew Church

Thursday, December 27
 Leopold Prayer group (chapel).....9 - 10:30AM
 Family Rosary (church)..... ..7:10PM

Sunday, December 30
 Confession (Church).....after 11:00AM Mass



Thank you and Merry, Merry Christmas to all of you.
 All of you make this world we live in a much better place!

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF DEC. 30TH; Kalivoda / Terry

TIME	LECTORS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	SERVERS	USHERS	PRESENTATION OF GIFTS	GREETERS	ALTAR LINENS
8:00 a.m.	Mary May	Deacon DeCecco James Strazisar Mary Downing Pam Biroscak BF: Bill Haggerty BF: Anne Monatane	Anthony Frisina	Bill Haggerty Joe Tssario Rich Doyle Sean Glover	Family and Friends	Rich Doyle Judy Doyle	
11:00 a.m.	Tom Sansone	Deacon DeCecco Anita Rogowski Dan Nawrocki John Skrzypczak	Adam Clark Sarah Clark	Charlie Farrell Paul Gnacinski Tom Klemm Jeff Leggiero	Ushers please	Cecelia Chadwick Dee Hulsinger Barb Kozen	Please pick up Linens the Weekend of Dec. 30 Kate Sullivan

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