

St. Andrew Catholic Church



THEY WERE OVERJOYED AT SEEING THE STAR, AND ON ENTERING THE HOUSE THEY SAW THE CHILD WITH MARY HIS MOTHER. - MT 2:10

THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

AL VER DE NUEVO LA ESTRELLA, SE LLENARON DE INMENSA ALEGRÍA. - MT 2, 10

LA EPIFANÍA DEL SEÑOR

Masses

Weekend Masses

Vigils: Saturday
3:30pm & 5:00pm

Sunday:
7:30am, 9:00am,
10:30am,
12noon
(Mass in Spanish)

Weekday Masses

Monday - Friday:
7:30 and 9:00am
Saturday: 9:00am

Holy Days

See inside the bulletin for
specific feast days.

Confession

Saturday: 9:30-10:30am
and 7:00-8:00pm

**Adoration of the
Blessed Sacrament**

Monday: 7-8:30p Friday:
2:30-4:30p

Saturday: 6:30-8:00p
(Same time as Sat. Confessions).

Holy Hour & Rosary

Saturday: 8:00a

**Daily Rosary &
Divine Mercy**

Mon—Fri: 8:00a
Marian Chapel

Pray for Priests

Thurs: 9:30a
(just after 9am Mass)
Marian Chapel

Church Hours

Monday - Thursday:
7:00am - 2:00pm
Fri: 7:00am - 5:00pm

Parish Office
p 239-574-4545
f 239-574-2450

Mon-Thurs
8am-12pm, 12:30-4pm
Closed 12-12:30p
Fridays (June/July) –
Closed

Faith Formation
239-574-2411

St. Andrew School
239-772-3922
www.standrewcs.org

Social Media



Parish Facebook Page

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StAndrewCatholicChurchRCC

Clergy & Staff

PARISH CLERGY

Fr. Eduardo Coll, Pastor
Fr. Anand Anki Reddy, Parochial Vicar
Fr. Daniel Flens, Parochial Vicar
Rev. Mr. Peter Fullen, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Edison Gibbons, Deacon

PARISH SCHOOL LEADER TEAM

Mr. David Nelson, Principal
Mrs. Bambi Giles, Assistant Principal

PARISH STAFF

Anne Spears, Pastoral Assistant for Liturgy
Robin Green, Administrative Assistant
Mary Ann Nielsen, Business Manager
Maddy Gioielli, Assistant for Business Affairs
Rebecca Columbus – Assistant for Business Affairs
Dr. Tom James, Director of Music
Jerry Harrington, Director of Faith Formation
Jodi Castiglione, Assistant for Faith Formation
Naomi Roberts, Receptionist
Tania Muriel, Receptionist
Bruce Bennett & Bob Friedman, Maintenance

Parish Website



**For news, information,
forms, and more:**

www.standrewrcc.org

Coordinators

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

Ministers of Holy Communion: Parish Office, 239-574-4545
Min. de la Eucaristía: Parish Office, 239-574-4545
Ministers of the Word (Lectors): Larry Edwards, 575-621-5550
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Ushers/Greeters: Carmen D'Amore, 239-673-8100
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Ushers (Español): Jose Seda, 239-671-5750
Liturgical Arts: Mary Ann Logue, 239-945-7797
Music Ministry (Choirs & Cantors): Tom James, 239-574-4545
Coro Hispano: Ingrid Olivarez, 239-265-8868

PRAYER GROUPS / RELIGIOUS MINISTRIES

Blue Army Prayer: Elizabeth Culleton, 239-458-8969
Charismatic (CFC) Prayer Group: Richard Knutson,
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Chaplet of Divine Mercy: Josefa Damisch, 239-549-1594
Cursillo (Español): Maria Santiago, 239-573-8119
Divinia Misericordia Hispano: Belinda Moreno, 954-736-6910
Grupo de Oración: Margarita Gonzalez, 440-396-0280
Cenacle of the Virgin Mary (Spanish): Maripily Cruz,
786-230-4270
Padres y Madres Orantes: Ingrid Plazas, 239-565-1386
Legion of Mary: Josefa Damisch, 239-549-1594
Divine Will: Frauke Micklisch, 239-851-6372
Monday/Friday Adoration: Juan Ortiz-Medina, 239-282-1403
Daily Rosary: Carol Rock, 239-297-1107
Parish Vocation Team: Parish Office, 239-574-4545

YOUTH MINISTRY

Coordinator: Jerry Harrington, 239-574-2411
Boy Scout Troop 34: Brian Weller, 239-849-8606
Cub Scout Pack 34: Rafael Varela, 954-868-5735
Girl Scouts: Maris Lebid, 239-850-2101

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

RCIA: Jerry Harrington, 239-574-2411
Adult Confirmation: Jerry Harrington, 239-574-2411
Third Thursdays: Jerry Harrington, 239-574-2411
Catholics Returning Home: Parish Office, 239-574-4545

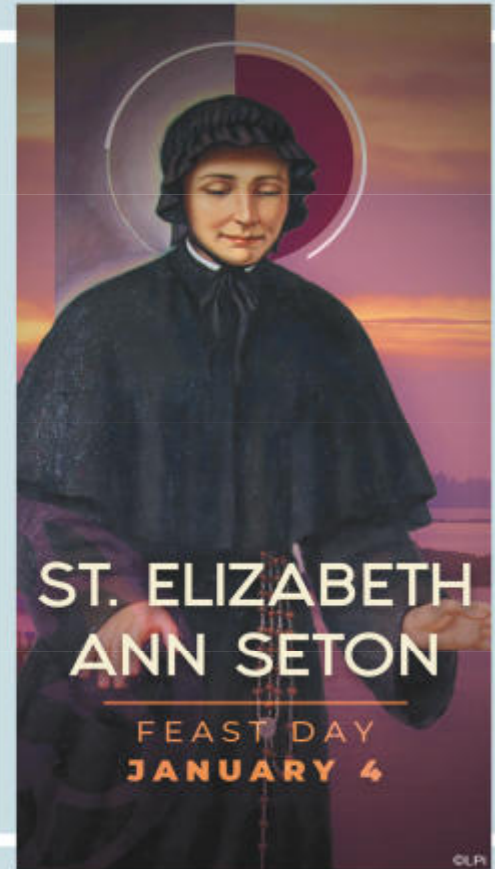
SERVICE, SUPPORT, SOCIAL

Welcoming Committee: Ronnie Shamieh, 239-574-4545
St. Vincent de Paul: Mary Bauer, 715-410-8868
Council of Catholic Women: Toni Insolia, 239-945-4623
Respect Life: Julie Casey, 239-699-4461
Knights of Col. 3rd degree: Tommy Rizzo, 239-896-2099
Knights of Col. 4th degree: Jack Marandino, 239-220-4174
Ladies Auxiliary: Dolores Neelon, 239-677-1430
Food Donation: Parish Office, 239-574-4545
Men's Fellowship: Bill Eggers, 239-945-0876
Caballeros de Colón: Ramon Batista, 239-849-4709

LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Human beings easily get bored. Life's routines can become so predictable that there is often little time for excitement or freshness. Today is all about the new and the wonderful. In celebrating the beauty and simplicity of the Epiphany, we see in tangible ways God's creative, redemptive, and restorative power. This refreshment and revitalization is offered not only to a select few but to everyone throughout the world. There is nothing routine or static about God. Surprises, wonders, miracles, opportunities, healings, and joy without measure are available to those who believe. There are never any endings, just beginnings. And, when darkness, boredom, and gloom seem to be the order of the day, a bright new light now shines pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.



Saint of the Week

The patron saint of Catholic schools, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (August 28, 1774 – January 4, 1821) was born in New York City to a prominent family of the Episcopal faith. When she turned 19, she married a wealthy businessman with whom she had five children. He later died of tuberculosis in 1803, leaving her a young widow. After discovering the Catholic faith in Italy, where her husband had died, she returned to New York and converted to Catholicism in 1805.

After several years struggling as a single mother, Elizabeth moved in 1809 to Emmitsburg, Maryland, where she founded the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph, the first community for religious women established in the United States. She also began St. Joseph's Academy and Free School, which started a chain reaction of Catholic-based education in the United States that continues today.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton was canonized September 14, 1975 in St. Peter's Square by Pope Paul VI and was the first citizen born in the United States to be given the title of "saint."

SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

As part of the Safe Environment Program, the Diocese of Venice requires that all employees and those volunteers who work with children and/or vulnerable adults be fingerprinted and trained in Safe Environment. For further information, visit the Diocesan website at www.dioceseofvenice.org/safeenvironment. Report any abuse against minors to the Florida Department of Children and Families at 800-962-2873. To report abuse by Diocesan personnel or volunteers also notify the Diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator, Susan Benton, at 941-416-6114.

SPEAKER REQUESTS

Groups inviting Speakers to their meetings or events must submit information through a speaker request form to Robin at the Parish Office. All speakers must be approved by the Diocese of Venice before speaking at an event at our Parish or School. Speaker requests generally take 3-4 weeks for approval. So requests need to be submitted in advance to the event. Thank you!

FOOD DRIVE CALENDAR ADJUSTMENT

In observance of the New Years Holiday, the monthly parish food drive will NOT take place on Jan 1 & 2, but instead be held on January 8 & 9. Please donate on that weekend and NOT the first weekend.



QR CODES

The bulletin now has these kinds of square graphics that can be scanned by pointing your smartphone camera at them to take you directly to places online, as indicated on Page 2. This one will take you to our online donation page.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

#7131 Presents

All performances at Cape Coral High School
 \$25 Advance • \$30 at Door

Atlantic City Boys
 Tribute to Jersey Boys
 Saturday • January 15, 2022 @ 7pm

George Casey
 Saturday • February 5, 2022 @ 7pm

Soul & Inspiration
 Saturday • March 12, 2022 @ 7pm

The Johnny Counterfit Show
 Saturday • April 9, 2022 @ 7pm



MAIL ORDER
 Send to: John Pawlak
 1442 SE 31st Terrace • Cape Coral, FL 33904
 Make checks out to: K of C #7131
Please include a self addressed stamped envelope

TICKET OUTLETS

FULLER METZ CREMATION & FUNERAL SERVICES
 3740 DEL PRADO BLVD.

PETRUCCI PIANOS
 601 DEL PRADO BLVD,

HI-DEF PRINTING (ADVERMARKET PRINTING)
 954 COUNTRY CLUB BLVD.



COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN

January 2 - **CCW Mass** at 7:30, followed by brunch at Anthony's.

January 4 - **General Meeting**, beginning with Rosary at 12:30.

January 25 - **Board Meeting** at 9:30 in St. Michael's Room

January 27—Fun time in the New Year, at our **Card Party** on Thursday, Jan 27 at Noon in the Parish Hall. You bring your games and your friends...we bring the food. All for only \$10. Proceeds donated to St. Andrew Parish. Call Rose for reservations - 458-4744.



LADIES AUXILIARY

The Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary of St Andrew Church, would like to invite all women members of the Parish, to come join us at our meetings that are held the first Tuesday of each month, beginning at 6:45 pm in the St. Andrew room. We schedule many fun and interesting events throughout the year that enable us to donate to some wonderful charities. So come and check us out and consider signing up to be a part of our membership.. For more information, call 239-878-6594.



**LET US PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS,
FR. EDUARDO, FR. ANAND, and FR. DANIEL:**

O Jesus, You are the Eternal High Priest. Because You are true God and true man, You are the only Mediator between God and man. Through You, the merciful Father gives man salvation and through You, man is led back to Him.

You have established priests as Your collaborators to perpetuate in the Holy Mass, the Sacrifice of Your death on the Cross and to sanctify souls through their ministry.

O Jesus, choose from all the people of the world worthy and numerous ministers so that all souls may find salvation.

O Jesus, Savior of the world, sanctify Your priests and seminarians.

O God, who have established Your only-begotten Son as the Eternal High Priest, grant, we beseech You, that those who are chosen by Christ as ministers of Your mysteries may be kept always faithful in the fulfillment of their service. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Amen. ~ Pope Paul VI

(excerpted from Chalice of Strength prayer booklet)




The **CHALICE OF STRENGTH** prayer group invites you to join the weekly **PRAYERS FOR OUR PRIESTS** immediately after the **9:00 AM** daily mass on **Thursdays**.

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LOW-GLUTEN HOSTS AVAILABLE

If you have a medical need to avoid gluten, please see our sacristan at least 10 minutes prior to Mass to request a low-gluten host.

COUPLES WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

February 12 & 19, 2022

All couples celebrating 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or more than 50 years of marriage are invited by Bishop Frank J. Dewane to an Anniversary Mass in their honor. The Anniversary Masses will be celebrated in two locations: February 12th at St. Leo the Great Parish in Bonita Springs at 11am, and February 19th at Epiphany Cathedral in Venice, also at 11am. Please contact your local parish office for reservations no later than a week before your chosen date

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



Looking for ways to get involved at St. Andrew? Here are a few ways.

Lectors: We are seeking individuals willing to lend their voices and proclaim the Word of God at Mass. No experience is necessary – training will be provided. Contact Larry Edwards at 575-621-5550 or larryedwards1@gmail.com.

Ushers: Consider joining us as the “Face of Jesus” by serving as either a greeter or an usher. Contact Carmen D’Amore, 673-8100 or OR Jose Seda at 239-671-5750 or joseseda@aol.com.

Sacristans: Sacristans prepare the “things that are necessary” for the celebration of the liturgy: the books, vestments, vessels, the bread and wine. Contact Anne Spears at the Parish Office 239-574-4545 ext. 106 or aspears@standrewrcc.org.

Arts & Environment: The Arts & Church Environment Ministry provides organization and leadership in decorating the worship space in order to enhance the Liturgy for the various liturgical seasons. Contact Mary Ann Logue at 239-945-7797 or halsangels@aol.com.

Funeral Mass Preparation Ministry: Funeral Mass Preparation Ministers meet with families who are preparing for funeral and memorial Masses by helping them pick out the readings, hymns, and other parts of the Mass. Training will be provided. Contact Anne Spears at the Parish Office 239-574-4545 ext. 106 or aspears@standrewrcc.org.

Food Drive Ministry: Our Food Drives are held the first full weekend of the month, unless it falls on a Holiday. We need one or two Volunteers to help carry food from our storage room at the South Entrance to the Truck that comes to pick it up. Food Truck pick up times are 9:15am and 1:00pm. If interested please call Robin at the Parish Office at 239-574-4545 ext. 102.

WALK with us to help our neighbors in need!

WALK FOR THE POOR

Saturday, 19 February 2022 Saint Andrew Catholic Church

Point your smartphone camera at the QR code below to launch the registration portal...

If you do not have a smartphone, go to go.rallyup.com/capesvdp

\$10 REGISTRATION FEE includes a commemorative T-shirt!

3 ways to participate:

1. Register as an individual and walk with us on 19 Feb 2022.
2. Register and join a team or create your own team with family and friends.
3. Make an online donation and do a virtual walk on your own.

Please call 239-772-3543 or email capesvdp@gmail.com for more information.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7131

ANNUAL POLISH NIGHT

IN MEMORY OF FATHER DOMINIK

POLISH AMERICAN CUISINE & MUSIC

AT ST. ANDREW PARISH HALL

JANUARY 22, 2022 APPETIZER 5:30PM DINNER 6:30PM

MENU

SMOKED POLISH SAUSAGE	PEROGIES
STUFFED CABBAGE ROLLS	DESSERT
CABBAGE & NOODLES	BEVERAGE

ALL INCLUDED FOR
\$20 PER PERSON
CHILDREN 14 & UNDER FREE

FOR TICKETS CALL
IRVING - 917-734-3847
JOHN - 549-7337
JACK - 707-9015
LIMITED TO 220 TICKETS



Music by *PeterKdj*
A Note To Remember

Adult Faith Formation Opportunities



THURSDAY EVENING ADULT FAITH STUDY

Jesus is our savior, our redeemer, our Lord, and our God. Our belief in Jesus is what makes us who we are as Catholics, as Christians, but do we really know him as we should? Is Jesus a part of your life, or is he at the center of your life as he should be? We invite you to make him the center of your life by joining us for *Jesus: The Way, the Truth, and the Life*, a 10-week video study program that explores the entirety of Jesus' life and what he means for us as Catholics today. St. Andrew will begin the Jesus study on Thursday, January 20 at 6:30pm in the St. Andrew Room of the Parish Office Building. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation by Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri, followed by a lively group discussion and fellowship. For more information, contact Paula Hellenbrand at 239-770-4722 or paula@encorerealty.com. The Registration Fee is \$20, which includes the workbook for the study. Registration is now open; visit our parish website (www.standrewrcc.org) for the link to register online. We hope you can join us!

WALKING WITH PURPOSE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY MOVES TO WEDNESDAY MORNINGS

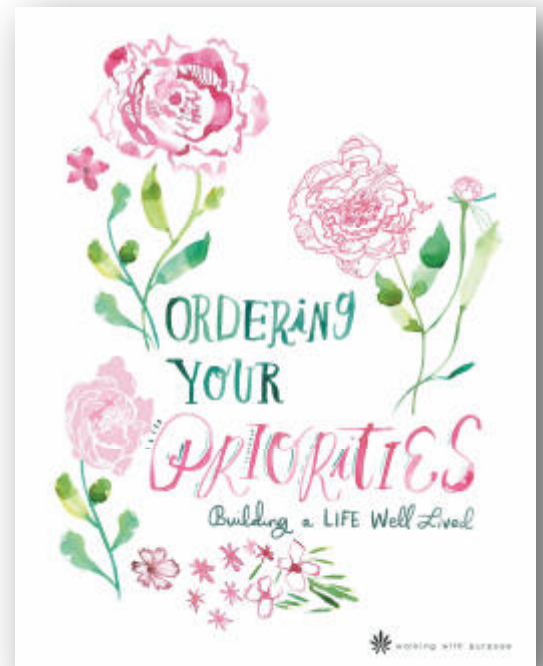
Program Description

Another glass of wine, just one more episode on Netflix, a little more scrolling on Instagram...Women are numbing out at ever-increasing rates. Why? What is it about our lives that makes us feel so overwhelmed? What might change if we figured out how to build lives that we like?

Ordering Your Priorities: Building a Life Well Lived is an immensely practical Bible study that will help you put the most important things first. We'll begin by paying attention to the One who made us, because He can best tell us what we need for our lives to run well.

Program Details

Wednesday mornings, 10—11:30am, beginning on Jan 19, running for 8 sessions, in the St Andrew Parish Hall. While open to all women, a special invitation is offered to mothers of young children as Child Care will be provided. The Program Fee is \$30 and includes a program workbook and hospitality. Registration is required and available online. Visit our parish website (www.standrewrcc.org) for the link. For more information, contact Cyra Badilla at cyracyrill@gmail.com or 239-887-0805. We look forward to welcoming you!



CONFIRMATION PREPARATION FOR ADULTS

If you're an adult who has never received the Sacrament of Confirmation, now is the time to do something about it! If you'd like to qualify to be a godparent or Confirmation sponsor for a young one in your life, you need this Sacrament. Contact Jerry Harrington, St. Andrew's Director of Faith Formation at jharrington@standrewrcc.org or by calling the Faith Formation Office at 239.574.2411 to set up a conversation to determine what you would need to do to prepare for this sacrament. Adults receive Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday at the Cathedral in Venice (June 5 in 2022). Deadline for the initial interview is February 5. You're invited to a conversation!



PEW AND STATION DONATIONS

Now that our new Pews are installed, we will be transferring names that were on our old pews to a plaque on the Living Wall that is located in the Hallway of the Sacristy.

As well, everyone who has donated to the new pews and/or the construction of the Outdoor Stations of the Cross will be listed on a plaque.

Donation amounts for those to be placed on our Living Wall are as follows for both projects

Silver Donor - \$500 - \$1,999

Gold Donor - \$2,000 and above

A big Thank You to those who have already donated to these projects.

Donations will be accepted through March 31, 2022

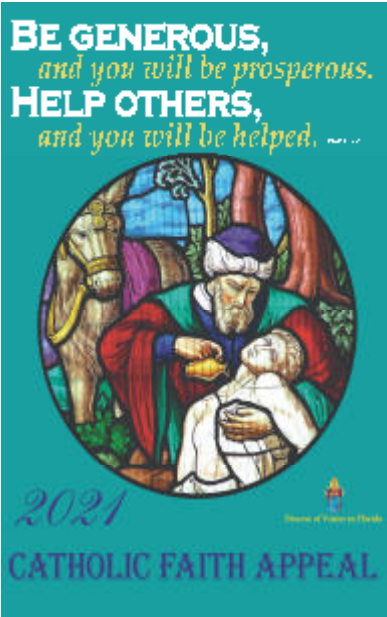
and there are now PINK envelopes in the pews for your convenience

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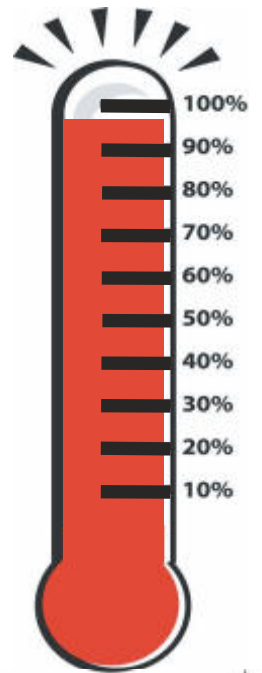
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For Station General Donations

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Catholic Faith Appeal - \$305,000			
2021	Pledged	Paid to date	Participation %
February	\$50,959	\$28,786	3.49
March	\$132,880	\$88,229	7.36
April	\$184,708	\$137,725	10.55
May	\$206,199	\$161,875	12.03
June	\$225,094	\$188,601	13.31
July	\$237,456	\$207,008	13.81
August	\$245,542	\$220,457	14.17
September	\$250,618	\$232,230	14.39
October	\$271,867	\$258,150	14.68
November	\$278,915	\$271,059	15.33
December	\$292,246	\$286,191	15.71
Level of Household Participation			
2020	2019	2018	2017
16.4	17.3	16.9	17.1



Due to the Holiday Season, we did not receive an update on our figures. Hopefully in the next week or two we will have good news to share!



en español


**HOSTIA SIN
GLUTEN
DISPONIBLES**

Si usted tiene una necesidad médica de evitar el gluten, por favor consulte a nuestro Sacristán por lo menos 10 minutos antes de la Misa para solicitar un Hostia sin gluten.

MEDITACIÓN DEL EVANGELIO

Aun en estos tiempos, la humanidad continúa buscando la estrella, esa estrella que muchas veces se pierde entre la injusticia, el odio y la discriminación. Sin embargo, hay que seguir el camino y alzar los ojos al cielo para encontrar el centro de su luz. “Levántate y brilla, que ha llegado tu luz y la Gloria de Yavé amaneció sobre ti (Isaías 60,1). La Gloria de la Manifestación de Jesús en su Evangelio y en la Eucaristía se hace presente entre nosotros en la Liturgia de hoy. El Papa Francisco nos explica acerca de la belleza de esta celebración. “La manifestación de Jesús, simbolizada por la luz: Levántate y resplandece, Jerusalén, porque llega tu luz; la Gloria del Señor amanece sobre ti”. Él nos exhorta al movimiento, a no quedarnos ahí fijos como estatuas sin hacer nada.

También, nos explica sobre la participación de los magos del Oriente y lo que ellos representan. “Los Magos, venidos de Oriente, representan a todos los pueblos lejanos de la fe judía tradicional: se dejan guiar por la estrella y se enfrentan a un largo y arriesgado viaje; se postran ante Jesús y le ofrecen regalos simbólicos: oro, incienso y mirra; la búsqueda del Señor implica también la generosidad del corazón” (1/6/2019). ¿Qué le estoy ofreciendo a Jesús en esta etapa de mi vida? ¿Qué tipo de manifestaciones he tenido de Dios a lo largo de mi vida? Pidamos, en esta Eucaristía, que la luz de Cristo se manifieste en estos tiempos turbulentos y oscuros que experimentamos en el mundo entero. Sigamos vigilantes, caminemos por sendas nuevas, sigamos el ejemplo de los Magos. Ellos, regresaron a su país por otro camino. ©LPi

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para este
evento ya
**ESTA
HABIERTO**

CAMINA
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NECESITADOS

CAMINA POR LOS POBRES

Sábado, 19 de febrero, 2022 Iglesia de San Andrés

Apunte la cámara de su teléfono inteligente al Código QR (mira abajo) para entrar al portal de registro

Si no tiene un teléfono inteligente, vaya a go.rallyup.com/capesvdp

\$10 INCLUYE UNA CAMISETA CONMEMORATIVA!

3 formas de participar:

1. Regístrese como individuo y camine con nosotros el 19 de febrero de 2022.
2. Regístrate y únete a un equipo o crea tu propio equipo con familiares y amigos.
3. Haga una donación en línea y haga una caminata en forma virtual por su cuenta.

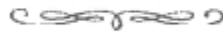
Por favor llame al 239-772-3543 o email capesvdp@gmail.com para más información.

School News

Dear St. Andrew Catholic Church Parishioners,

Our annual St. Andrew Catholic School \$10,000 Cash Raffle is fast approaching. We invite you to participate in the excitement of winning a total of \$12,500, with prizes to be awarded on Saturday, February 26.

We have included two books of 10 tickets each for you and a friend to enter the Raffle. If you would like to request more tickets, please email us at mcasagrande@standrewcs.org.



1st Prize - \$10,000 * 2nd Prize - \$1,500 * 3rd Prize - \$1,000
Donations are: \$3 for one ticket, \$10 for four tickets, or \$20 for the whole book of TEN!!



Remember.... you have to be in it to win it!!

The funds raised promote academic excellence with the integration of our Catholic faith. We respectfully ask that you consider an extra book of raffle tickets either for yourself, a family member or friend. With your very special support, we will continue building faith, hearts and minds in a strong, faith-filled, academic environment where the children are taught good moral values and a strong service ethic.

Please complete the top stub of the tickets, tear them off, and return the completed stubs with your donation in the attached envelope to St. Andrew Catholic School. God bless you, good luck, and thank you for your support!

Sincerely,



David M. Nelson
Principal



Fr. Eduardo Coll
Parish Administrator

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf.11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
 Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52
 Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a
 Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30
 Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

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PLANNED PARENTHOOD ROSARY

Join United Prayer Vigils for Life in ending abortion by joining us year-round Monday to Friday (9:00am–12:00pm) at Planned Parenthood, 6418 Commerce Park Drive in Fort Myers. The Blessed Mother is waiting for you. The Rosary will be said around 9:00 am. For more info email: paulmuri2@gmail.com.



MEET DEACON STEVE JAVIE, FORMER NBA REFEREE

All men are invited to join us on Thursday, January 20, 2022 at St. Cecilia for our Father/Son/Grandson night. Steve Javie worked as an NBA referee for 25 years including officiating 23 Finals games and 2 All-Star games. Following his career in the NBA, Steve felt called to become a Deacon and currently serves at St. Andrew parish in Pennsylvania. Join us and listen to him speak about, "Challenging the Call".

Faith & Ale is a Catholic Men's group. The program begins at 6 PM with pizza and refreshments for a \$10 donation and concludes at 8 PM. Reservations are required – please register online at www.faithandale.com.



DIOCESE OF VENICE IN FLORIDA
 OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

December 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The Diocese of Venice in Florida has been blessed with dedicated Priests and Religious, and together we pray for the Lord to continue to send holy workers for His vineyard. With this letter, I once again kindly invite you to support the Diocese's efforts to provide for the Seminary Formation and discernment of those called to the Priesthood.

Each year, the Annual Seminary Collection plays an important role in providing the funds needed to assist the Diocese's seminarians with tuition, room and board, health care, transportation, and other expenses. Funding from the Collection also helps in the recruitment of potential seminarians. By means of your generous donations and steadfast spiritual support, you journey together on the path of Faith with the future Priests of the Diocese.

Parishes in the Diocese of Venice will hold the Annual Seminary Collection at the Vigil Masses on January 1 and Sunday Masses on January 2, 2022. Thank you for your continuing support for the Seminary Formation and discernment of Diocesan Seminarians, and for your prayers for vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

I take this opportunity to extend to each of you the assurances of my prayers for the New Year. Have a Blessed and Healthy New Year!

Gratefully yours in Christ,

+ Frank J. Dewane
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Mass Intentions

Monday, January 3

7:30 + Sam & Grace Longo
 + Millie Calderoni
 9:00 + Marina G. Alindogan
 + Gleider Dominguez

Tuesday, January 4

7:30 + Alicia Choiselat
 * Fr. Alex Pince
 9:00 John D. Murphy Sr.
 + Omeria Janiero

Wednesday, January 5

7:30 * Frank & Eilaine Boudreault
 & Family
 + Mary Calandriello
 9:00 + Dante A. Gioacchini
 + Dr. William F. Hannan

Thursday, January 6

7:30 + Stacia Zawisza
 + Glenn Smith
 9:00 + Ada Gonzalez
 + Emmett Shields

Friday, January 7

7:30 + Jake Cremin
 + Stacey Lee Arway-Walther
 9:00 + Loretta S. Suding
 + Patrick Canniff
 7:00p * Fr. Eduardo Coll
 + Maria Luisa Martinez

Saturday, January 8

9:00 + Brian Stuart
 * Fr. Eduardo Coll
 3:30 + Thomas MacDuff
 + Paul & Eleanor Baril
 5:00 Members of St. Andrew

Sunday, January 9

7:30 + Bill Garvey Family
 + Jan Recca
 9:00 + Donald Murgatroyd
 + Beverly & Bud Hubble
 10:30 + Doris Butrim
 + Thomas Insolia
 12:00 + Henry Castillo
 + Juan Carlos Davila

FAITH MATTERS

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HEROD'S LESSON

My family is in a state of transition. I only have one child in elementary school, one in middle school, and two (!) in high school. My eldest now has a part time job in the evenings—combined with mine and my wife's work schedules requiring evening hours, family dinner with all six of us is vanishingly rare. And moreover, having two teenagers, they spend the majority of their time in their own rooms on their own devices and need to be reminded that they, in fact, still have parents! This Christmas season I found myself yearning for years past when the presents required more snap together assembly and less signing into accounts and configuring settings. The scariest part of this transition, however, has to be the fact that I find parenting teens requires a whole different set of skills and expectations. While I can still order them to do things or demand obedience, if I want my words, my advice, my experience to have real lasting impact on their decisions that make them who they are, I need to relate to them as the independent young people they are becoming, not the children I remember tearing into presents under the tree! And that's threatening since it feels like a loss of power. I have all this good I want to share with my kids. When they're little I can just tell them and expect them to listen to me. Dad's authority reigned. As they've gotten older, the authority of friends and popular culture has risen in their lives. Suddenly I can relate to King Herod, in today's Gospel, more than I ever have before; he heard about a child who was to be king and feared for his power. Just as Herod feared that he would be supplanted, I miss the days when my kids came to me with questions and listened attentively to what I had to say! Have you ever felt your power threatened? Experienced a sudden change in your influence? Perhaps a new co-worker arrives on the scene and steals your thunder. Perhaps an equal to you gets a promotion over you. Or someone new befriends your friend. Maybe a spouse or girlfriend wants to change the dynamic between you. How do you react? In my case, I could yell more, demand more, try to hold on and exert that old authority over my teens since they're still my children. Herod certainly went this route, going even so far as to try and eliminate his rival. But the three wise men provide a different model; they welcomed the infant king, generously shared gifts, and refused to collude with Herod's insecurity, listening instead to God. Can we likewise be generous, courageous, and faithful to God when our authority is challenged? Can we 'be not afraid' in the face of change and perhaps find an epiphany of our own that new can be good or even better? Let's try!

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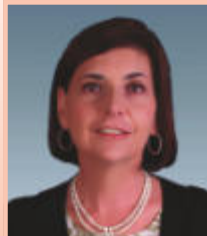
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