MASS SCHEDULE / HORARIO de MISA

Daily Mass/Misas Diarias: 8 am Monday-Friday
Tuesday: 7 pm (Spanish)
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 9 am and 5 pm
Misa del domingo: 11:15 am (Spanish)
Exposition and Adoration: 8:30 am-5:30 pm
Confessions: Saturday 3:30 pm. Also by appointment or ask the priest after Mass

Religious Education classes: Sundays 10:15 am-11:05 am.
EDGE Middle School Youth: Mondays at 6:30 pm.
Life-Teen High School/Youth: Sundays at 6:15 pm.
CHosen 1st Year Confirmation: every other Wednesday at 7 pm

OFFICE HOURS / HORAS de OFICINA
Monday – Friday: 8 am-11:30 a.m. and 1-4 p.m.
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Elementary Religious Education: Alena Camarata
Preschool: Mari Gabriel

“Christ with his disciples.” Author/artist: Andrey Mironov, artmiro.ru

FAITH FORMATION

CENTERING PRAYER: Mondays at 5:15 pm in the meditation/crying room. Contact Karen at 962-9648.

Men’s Fellowship/Study Group: Mondays at 6:30 pm in the library. Contact Mark Hayden at 962-9005.

Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Tuesdays at 8:30 am

Pivotal Players in the History of Catholicism: Tuesday 9am -library. Call Hugh Spall 925-2937 for more information.

Pro-Life Prayer: Outside of Planned Parenthood on Kelleher property. Tuesdays-10:30 am – Larry & Bea Cates 857-2163

CRAFTS UNLIMITED: -Tuesdays 11 AM in 2nd grade room. Contact Carole Vondergeest 962-1551.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Thursdays 8:30am-5:30pm

R.C.I.A: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Thursdays at 6:30pm in the library. Call Scott Zimmerman 962-9661 or email gitanesteel@yahoo.com

COMPASSION CORPS 2nd & 4th Thursdays -7 PM at the couch/5th grade room. Contact Kelly Held 304-4866

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: in 2nd grade room 7 PM -4th Thursday. Contact Jeremy Hochstein 509-306-6589

WIVES IN PRAYER: Fridays 9-11 AM at the parish library. Contact person: Emily Stickney 968-9195.

SAYA: For young adults. Contact Rachel Hochstein at 360-325-6682
21st Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 26th 2018

Jesus then said to the Twelve, "Do you also want to leave?"
Simon Peter answered him, "Master, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life.

St. Andrew’s Needs You: Maintenance Person:
We really need someone who can take care of maintenance work. If you have or know someone with this skill set, please contact the office so we can make the full– or part-time hire.

ABUSE HOTLINE Our diocese has this private line for those wishing to report incidents of sexual abuse regarding clergy, diocesan or church employees or volunteers. 1-888-276-4490.

It's time to shop for Valley View Weekend Meals!
Thanks for all your help in supplementing 16 elementary students' weekend food last year. To avoid waste in food and cupboard space, we are asking for specific items. Please check expiration dates! We need: individual cartons of 100% orange & apple juice, Carnation Essential Breakfast packets, mixed fruit cups (no applesauce yet), snack bars, crackers, protein bars (10+ grams protein), pre-mixed Mac and Cheese cups, & cans of Chef Boyardee/Hormel dinners (meatballs, ravioli, spaghetti). We hope to start sending bags home by the third weekend of school. Also, FISH Food Bank still needs volunteers to help in grocery store food rescue. If you have time and energy to donate, please give them a call at 925-5990.

PREPARES, a Catholic ministry that accompanies mothers, has so many stories! Here is the account of one family companion and the family she visits: Martha has been on a journey with a PREPARES family for about two years. She meets with Sylvia and her children to play games, chat, cook and talk. Recently when Martha’s husband died, her world turned upside down. It has been hard for her to recover. Sylvia and her family have been visiting Martha, bringing craft projects and cookie ingredients and sending frequent “I’m thinking of you” texts. Martha says, “It is hard to say who is companioning whom!”
If you would like to learn more about PREPARES, ask Fr. David or call Ann Dibble at (509) 853-2768

Financial Peace University We are excited to bring back this comprehensive 9-week class helping navigate all the challenges of money to St. Andrews! Classes will be held Thursdays from 6-8 pm starting September 13th. Open to everyone, singles & couples, working & retired; whether in a good financial place or struggling to make ends meet, all have something to learn. Interested? There will be a 20-minute preview after the 9am and 5pm Masses on Sunday, August 26.

There’s Something for Everyone on FORMED!
After setting up your free account on formed.org using our parish code 449536, celebrate the feast day of St. Augustine this Tuesday by watching these titles:
Older Audiences: Restless Heart: The story of Augustine as a gifted man who pursues fame and fortune without a moral compass--and the dramatic changes that occur in his soul when challenging events lead him to see the light of truth.
Younger Viewers: The Story of St. Augustine tells the same tale from a kid-friendly angle! Both also portray Saints Monica, Augustine’s mother, and Ambrose, the bishop who influenced Augustine’s conversion.
PRO-LIFE CORNER

Prevent Your Tax Dollars Funding Abortion

Planned Parenthood, the largest abortion provider in America, is funded in large part by your hard earned tax dollars. In 2012, Planned Parenthood performed 327,166 abortions while collecting well over half a billion dollars from U.S. taxpayers. That is according to its own Annual Report and works out to an average of one abortion every 94 seconds! In addition to Planned Parenthood's abortion business, it uses this money to promote, advertise and market the "benefits" of abortion, including partial birth abortion.

Planned Parenthood's market share of the abortion industry continues to increase in spite of the total number of abortions declining. Planned Parenthood has reportedly spent hundreds of millions from the pockets of hard-working Americans fighting lawsuits, legislation and other efforts, which have tried to reduce the numbers of abortions. Planned Parenthood has litigated in the US Supreme Court, trying to deny a law passed by Congress that banned the hideous and barbaric partial-birth abortion procedure.

Now is the time to take a stand against Planned Parenthood and this horrible misuse of public funds. Let your voice be heard! Please let your Senator know that you do not want your money spent on the abortion industry.

Get involved with St. Andrew’s PRO-LIFE ministry: Contact Larry & Bea Cates 857-2163

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION August 26, 2018.

There are so many stewardship themes in our readings today, but they boil down to this: they challenge us to choose whom we will serve. Will we choose God and others, or ourselves? In the first reading, Joshua poses the challenge this way, “If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve.”

As a leader he sets an example declaring, “As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.” And the people, recalling God’s many blessings to them and his great faithfulness time and time again, join Joshua in his choice, pledging “We also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.”

St. Paul issues a similar challenge in the second reading saying, “Brothers and sisters: Be subordinate to one another out of reverence for Christ.” He places this challenge in the context of married life. Husbands and wives are asked to decide whether they will choose to serve themselves or their spouse, and by extension, their families. But the challenge extends to all relationships — friendships, employers and employees, fellow parishioners, even the people hurrying to the checkout line at the store. In choosing to serve others before self, we are ultimately choosing to put God first in our lives. That is stewardship.

In today’s Gospel reading, Jesus continues His instruction on the Eucharist. Many of His own disciples cannot accept His teachings and instead return to their former way of life, abandoning Christ altogether. Jesus turns to the Apostles and asks them to choose with the question, “Do you also want to leave?” Peter speaks up for the Twelve, responding “Master, to Whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.”

The demands of a stewardship way of life can be difficult. And the teachings of Christ can be hard to accept. How can we keep going when it gets tough? The people’s response to Joshua’s challenge in the first reading, and Peter’s response to our Lord in the Gospel shows us two ways. When Joshua asks the people to decide whom they will serve they pause and call to mind all the blessings the Lord has given them and His unfailing faithfulness. Filled with gratitude to God, they choose Him. When the going gets tough for us, we too, can pause and remember the many blessings God has given and the many times He has shown His care for us. In gratitude, we are inspired to put Him and others first even when it is difficult.

Peter’s honest response to the choice Jesus poses shows us a second way to stay true to a stewardship way of life. Looking at himself and the world around him, Peter comes to a realization. To paraphrase, he says, “I don’t really see any better options, Lord. I’ve tried life with you and it’s hard. But I’ve tried life without You and it’s harder — it doesn’t satisfy. Where else am I going to go? I choose You, Lord.” Peter knows he doesn’t have all the answers. And so, he humbly chooses to rely on God. When the going gets tough, we can keep going by relying on God and trusting more deeply in Him.

Remembering blessings and relying on Him — two keys to help us choose whom we will serve. Two keys to a beautiful way of life.

For more stewardship reflections, visit catholicsteward.com/blog!