

PARISH BULLETIN

Saint Andrew Catholic Community Week of April 11, 2021

**Office Hours:
8:00 AM - 12 ... 1 - 5:00 PM
Monday - Thursday**

**Confessions by appointment only
(Please make arrangements through the parish office)
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DECREE

Updated

**Dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass
has been extended by Bishop George Leo Thomas
through
April 25, 2021**

"While we recognize that many are eager to return to Mass in our churches, it remains important for those who are elderly and otherwise at risk to refrain from returning to public Liturgies until it is manifestly safe to do so. For all the faithful, especially those who are sick, at high risk of becoming sick, and their caregivers, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is hereby dispensed."

To Watch LiveStream
This Sunday at 8 AM Sunday Mass
on our Youtube Channel
[Click Here](#)

Act of Spiritual Communion

We are a Eucharistic people, and as Catholic Christians our Eucharistic celebrations represent “the source and summit” of our life as a community. Sadly, not all of us are able to gather physically for Mass, but we want to stay connected spiritually.

Here is an *Act of Spiritual Communion* for you to pray as we join in “Unity” at St. Andrew's LiveStream Mass at 8 AM on our Youtube Channel:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire you in my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart. As though you were already there, I embrace you and unite myself wholly to you; do not let me ever be separated from you. Amen.

Adapted from St. Alphonsus Maria de' Ligouri

Calendar & Mass Intentions

April 11, 2021 - 2nd Sunday of Easter

8: 00 AM Mass: **People of the Parish**

10:00 AM Mass: + **Gregory Wheaton**

Baptism: Grayson Jeremy Teepen

Monday, April 12, 2021

Tuesday, April 13, 2021

Wednesday, April 14, 2021

Private Mass: + **Angelina & Salverio Cotoia**

Thursday, April 15, 2021

Private Mass: + **Vita Cotoia**

Friday, April 16, 2021

Saturday, April 17, 2021

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Link to Sunday Mass on YouTube is also available on our website: standrewbc.org

Calendar & Mass Intentions

April 18, 2021 - 3rd Sunday of Easter

8: 00 AM Mass: + **Kevin Wheaton**

10:00 AM Mass: **People of the Parish**

12:00 PM: *Celebrant's Intention*

Monday, April 19, 2021

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

Private Mass: + **Jerry Biggs**

Thursday, April 22, 2021

Private Mass: + **Robert Rogan**

Friday, April 23, 2021

Saturday, April 24, 2021

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Link to Sunday Mass on YouTube is also available on our website: standrewbc.org

Pray for

Jan Webb
Decca Dadlaney
Norman Raupe
Dominick Ricciardi
Leilani & Roland LeClerec
Anna Clark (Vibanco)
Brenna O'Callaghan & family

all those listed on our online PRAYER SITE list (www.standrewbc.org and select the PRAY FOR US tab), all deployed military serving our country, all the people who are ill and whose fears prevent them from seeing a doctor, for peace and an end to violence in our country, and for the repose of the souls of all your friends or loved ones who have recently passed away.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

We remember in prayer all those who are celebrating their birthdays this month of April, especially: Fr. Toan Lai (April 5th), Fr. Joe Annese (April 21st) and Fr. Ron Zanoni (April 25th).
May the Lord bless you and keep you, let his face shine upon you and be gracious to you, and look upon you kindly and give you peace.

UPCOMING FUNERALS AT ST. ANDREW

**Betty Lou Miller
Memorial Mass**

**St. Andrew Catholic Community
Monday, April 19, 2021 at 10:00 AM**

Registration is not required to attend the Memorial Mass, but all COVID-related procedures must be followed: i.e., wearing a mask at all times.

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Prayers for those affected by COVID-19

Continue to pray each day for all those with COVID-19 and the doctors, nurses, and workers who provide them care, and those suffering from the economic impact the pandemic. We especially pray for a successful rollout of potential vaccines to fight COVID-19.

Words to those feeling lost or depressed

Walk with the Lord when your heart needs company. Take His hand when you feel all alone. Turn to Him when you need someone to lean on.

He is the only one you can always rely on.

Scripture reflection from Jenifer Tuggle

**Prayers for
crime victims
and their perpetrators**

We ask for help and support for victims who suffer as a result of a crime against them (stolen or damaged property, abuse, etc.), and for the perpetrators that they will stop and seek professional help.

Prayers for life

That each of us may be the Lord's prophets by speaking up for vulnerable people - both born and unborn - who cannot speak for themselves.

**Year of St. Joseph
Pope Francis' Prayer**

*Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.*

*Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil. Amen.*

PRAYER FOR THE NATION

Almighty God, You have given us
this good land for our heritage. We humbly ask You that
we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of
Your favor and glad to do Your will. Bless our land
with honorable endeavor, sound learning and pure manners.
Save us from violence,
discord, and confusion,
from pride and arrogance,
and from every evil way.
Defend our liberties and fashion
into one united people the multitude
brought here out of many nations and tongues.
Endow with the Spirit of wisdom those to whom in Your Name
we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice
and peace at home, and that through obedience to Your Law
we may show forth Your praise among the nations on earth.
In time of prosperity fill our hearts with thankfulness,
and in the day of trouble do not allow our trust in You to fail.
Amen.

--by Thomas Jefferson, taken from "Prayers for Today,"

**MONTH OF APRIL:
CHILD ABUSE AWARENESS**

*Prayer for Healing Victims
of Child Abuse*

**God of endless love,
ever caring, ever strong,
always present, always just:
You gave your only Son
to save us by the blood of his cross.
Gentle Jesus, shepherd of peace,
join to your own suffering
the pain of all who have been hurt
in body, mind, and spirit
by those who betrayed the trust placed in them.
Hear the cries of our brothers and sisters
who have been gravely harmed,
and the cries of those who love them.
Soothe their restless hearts with hope,
steady their shaken spirits with faith.
Grant them justice for their cause,
enlightened by your truth.
Holy Spirit, comforter of hearts,
heal your people's wounds
and transform brokenness into wholeness.
Grant us the courage and wisdom,
humility and grace, to act with justice.
Breathe wisdom into our prayers and labors.
Grant that all harmed by abuse may find peace in justice.
We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

The USCCB's Secretariat of Child and You

**COMING UP -
MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
Nevadans for the Common Good
Community Virtual Event
Sunday, April 18, 2021
2 PM**

PARISH REGISTRATION

If you are new and haven't completed a registration form, you are invited to register at the parish office during office hours Monday - Thursday or by downloading and completing the registration form below. We are especially interested in learning about our new parishioners and helping them find ways to become involved in and connected to the parish. We are happy to provide you with additional information about our parish and ministries.

[Click Here](#) for the [Parish Registration Form](#). Please complete both pages of the form and return to the parish office via email, drop it in the collection basket, or mail it.

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**We INVITE you to continue to peruse the bulletin --
new information continues to be added,
along with the protocols, procedures, or events that have
been in effect throughout the COVID-19 pandemic.
This repetition of pertinent information allows you to have ready
access to the information each week.**

Scripture Readings - April 11, 2021

Sunday: Acts 4: 32-35/Psalm 118: 2-4, 13-15, 22-24/John 20: 19-31

Monday: Acts 4: 23-31/Psalm 2: 1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9/John 3: 1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4: 32-37/Psalm 93: 1ab, 1cd-2, 5/John 3: 7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5: 17-26/Psalm 34: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/John 3: 16-21

Thursday: Acts 5: 27-33/Psalm 34: 2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/John 3: 31-36

Friday: Acts 5: 34-42/Psalm 27: 1, 4, 13-14/John 6: 1-15

Saturday: Acts 6: 1-7/Psalm 33: 1-2, 4-5, 18-19/John 6: 16-21

Sunday: Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19/Psalm 4: 2, 4, 7-8, 9/1 John 2: 1-5a/Luke 24: 35-48

Pope Francis'

**GOSPEL REFLECTION
Second Sunday of Easter
Sunday of Divine Mercy
John 20: 19-31**

Today we are celebrating the Second Sunday of Easter, also known as "Divine Mercy Sunday". What a beautiful truth of faith this is for our lives: the mercy of God! God's love for us is so great, so deep; it is an unfailing love, one which always takes us by the hand and supports us, lifts us up and leads us on.

In today's Gospel, the Apostle Thomas personally experiences this mercy of God, which has a concrete face, the face of Jesus, the risen Jesus. Thomas does not believe it when the other Apostles tell him: "We have seen the Lord". It isn't enough for him that Jesus had foretold it, promised it: "On the third day I will rise". He wants to see, he wants to put his hand in the place of the nails and in Jesus' side. And how does Jesus react? With patience: Jesus does not abandon Thomas in his stubborn unbelief; he gives him a week's time, he does not close the door, he waits. And Thomas acknowledges his own

poverty, his little faith. "My Lord and my God!": with this simple yet faith-filled invocation, he responds to Jesus' patience. He lets himself be enveloped by divine mercy; he sees it before his eyes, in the wounds of Christ's hands and feet and in his open side, and he discovers trust: he is a new man, no longer an unbeliever, but a believer.

Let us also remember Peter: three times he denied Jesus, precisely when he should have been closest to him; and when he hits bottom he meets the gaze of Jesus who patiently, wordlessly, says to him: "Peter, don't be afraid of your weakness, trust in me". Peter understands, he feels the loving gaze of Jesus, and he weeps. How beautiful is this gaze of Jesus – how much tenderness is there! Brothers and sisters, let us never lose trust in the patience and mercy of God!

Let us think too of the two disciples on the way to Emmaus: their sad faces, their barren journey, their despair. But Jesus does not abandon them: he walks beside them, and not only that! Patiently he explains the Scriptures which spoke of him, and he stays to share a meal with them. This is God's way of doing things: he is not impatient like us, who often want everything all at once, even in our dealings with other people. God is patient with us because he loves us, and those who love are able to understand, to hope, to inspire confidence; they do not give up, they do not burn bridges, they are able to forgive. Let us remember this in our lives as Christians: God always waits for us, even when we have left him behind! He is never far from us, and if we return to him, he is ready to embrace us.

I am always struck when I reread the parable of the merciful Father; it impresses me because it always gives me great hope. Think of that younger son who was in the Father's house, who was loved; and yet he wants his part of the inheritance; he goes off, spends everything, hits rock bottom, where he could not be more distant from the Father, yet when he is at his lowest, he misses the warmth of the Father's house and he goes back. And the Father? Had he forgotten the son? No, never. He is there, he sees the son from afar, he was waiting for him every hour of every day, the son was always in his father's heart, even though he had left him, even though he had squandered his whole inheritance, his freedom. The Father, with patience, love, hope and mercy, had never for a second stopped thinking about him, and as soon as he sees him still far off, he runs out to meet him and embraces him with tenderness, the tenderness of God, without a word of reproach: he has returned! And that is the joy of the Father. In that embrace for his son is all this joy: he has returned! God is always waiting for us, he never grows tired. Jesus shows us this merciful patience of God so that we can regain confidence, hope – always! A great German theologian, Romano Guardini, said that God responds to our weakness by his patience, and this is the reason for our confidence, our hope (cf. Glaubenserkenntnis, Würzburg, 1949, p. 28). It is like a dialogue between our weakness and the patience of God, it is a dialogue that, if we do it, will grant us hope.

Offertory

July 2020 - March 2021

Actual: \$305, 529.16

Budget: \$278, 660.00

Surplus: \$16, 869.16

Parking Lot*

Total Donations: \$119,049.15

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NEW PROCEDURE FOR 2020 DONATION LETTERS

Will you need a letter of your 2020 donations? Letters will be sent to parishioners by request **ONLY** each Monday beginning January 11, 2021. Please let us know by contacting the office or placing a note in the offertory basket. Thank-you.

Cindy Blatchford, Bookkeeper

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UPCOMING Special Collection:
*Catholic Home Missions appeal and
Black and Indian Missions*
Sunday, April 25, 2021

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,
On the weekend of April 24 and 25, our Diocese will be taking up the national collection for the Catholic Home Missions and the Black and Indian Missions.

Our Catholic faith is one of beauty and hope, mercy and joy. But for too many people across the country, there are few opportunities to learn about and deepen that faith. Even the most basic programs are out of reach because of fragile financial situations, tough terrain, or small populations of Catholics. One does not need to go far to find mission territory: it is right here at home.

Nearly half of our country is considered home mission territory. This appeal strengthens the Catholic Church in the United States and its territories where resources are thin and priests are few. Proceeds are distributed as grants to dioceses supporting and strengthening evangelization programs which would otherwise be in danger of disappearing among the Black and American Indian communities.

Your support helps these mission dioceses form vibrant faith communities and strengthens the Church at home. Monies are used for a wide range of pastoral services including evangelization, religious education, and maintenance of mission parishes, the training of seminarians and lay ministers, and ministry with ethnic groups.

Please be generous, and prayerfully consider how you can support this collection.

**Asking the Lord's continued blessings upon you and your families,
I remain**

Sincerely yours in Christ,

**+George Leo Thomas
Bishop of Las Vegas
GLT/lms**

CSA

Catholic Stewardship Appeal (CSA) 2021 "Strengthening One Another in the Faith" is now in progress. You should have received your pledge card in the mail. This year the Catholic Stewardship Appeal will strengthen the faith of our brothers and sisters in the following ways: *Vocations* - 22% of CSA goal, *Continuing Education of Clergy* 20% of CSA goal, *Faith Formation* 19% of CSA goal, *Pastoral Outreach* - 19% of CSA goal, *Campus Ministry* - 9% of CSA Goal, and *Catholic Education* - 11% of CSA Goal.

Please send your CSA pledge cards directly to the diocese using the envelope addressed to The Roman Catholic Bishop of Las Vegas, Catholic Stewardship Appeal, P.O. Box 26239, Las Vegas NV 89126-0239. Our name St. Andrew #12 is on the card which will credit your contribution to our parish. Our 2021 goal for St. Andrew is \$54,438.00. Once we have reached this goal, all funds raised above and beyond that goal are rebated back to the parish 100%.

Parish of St. Andrew

Strengthening One Another in Faith

The total amount pledged and received as of March 28, 2021 is \$35,465.00 with cash received \$24,835.00 from 69 families.

Thank-you for your generosity and support! It still not too late to make a pledge or a contribution.

CSA Video Message from Bishop Thomas

[Click Here](#)

Breaking Open the Word (BOTW)

BOTW will be on Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at 9 AM using Zoom through an email invite on your computer or mobile device. If you signed-up or participated in previous Zoom Meetings, you will be sent on Monday afternoon the link to join this week's session. If you would like to join Breaking Open the Word and this is your first time, you will need to contact the parish office by email at standrewbc@gmail.com or 702-293-7500 for the link. **We still have space available!**

ark Your Calendar!
BLOOD MOBILE at St. Andrew:
Sunday, April 25, 2021 at 8:30 AM - 12: 30 PM

Schedule Your Appointment to GIVE BLOOD at
www.bloodhero.com and enter code: STANDREWBC or

Contact Vitalant at 877-258-4825

All donors MUST bring/wear a mask or face covering while donating!

*All donors who have a successful donation will receive a
COVID-19 antibody test with their donation.*

Emergency Aid Collection

Please do not bring to the Parish Hall

See newly Updated Pantry Hours

**Emergency Aid (600 Nevada Highway, Boulder City)
accepts non-perishable food donations.**

Pantry Doors open at 8:30 AM and close at 11:45 AM:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

(Food pantry is NOT open on

Sunday, Wednesday or Saturday)

3 4 Pantry

Christian Center Church

571 Adams Blvd, Boulder City, NV 89005

Tuesday evenings -- 6 pm – 7 pm

Sundays -- 12 pm – 1 pm

**If you cannot get your donations to a pantry, please contact
Jenifer Jefferies at 702-809-6209 text/call, or
Email: jeniferj@cox.net. If you would like to make a monetary
donation to the 3 4 Pantry (*who works with Emergency Aid*),
make checks payable to the Christian Center Church –
put food pantry in memo field.**

Reaching Out - Going the extra mile

***to brighten the lives of those in the nursing homes
and to remind them of Christ's love for them.***

**We are always looking for adults, teens, and children who would like
to write cards or make their own cards, pictures, and drawings for
the residents at our nursing homes. Even if you are not artistically
talented, the residents appreciate all of them very much. If
interested, please contact Linda Lysakowski
at cylinda@cox.net or 702-580-1448 and she will see that they
get distributed to the nursing homes or facilities that are
allowing mail to be delivered or sent.**



So what does the image mean? According to the passage from the diary (299) of St. Maria Faustina Kowalski: The Image of The Divine Mercy represents the risen Christ whose hands and feet bear the marks of the Crucifixion. When asked about the meaning of the rays from His pierced Heart, Jesus explained, "The pale ray stands for the Water which makes souls righteous. The red ray stands for the Blood which is the life of souls... These two rays issued forth from the very depths of My tender mercy when My agonized Heart was opened by a lance on the Cross."

In other words, these two rays signify the sacraments of mercy (Baptism and Penance), and the Eucharist. The Eucharist is the blood of souls, carrying life-sustaining food for our spiritual journey. The water is analogous to the sacraments of Baptism and Penance, in that through these sacraments our souls are washed clean. "But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God (1 Corinthians 6:11). "Happy is the one who will dwell in their shelter," said Jesus, "for the just hand of God shall not lay hold of him."

Let us reflect on Jesus' Passion and love for us.

In times of adversity, discouragement, anxiety and fear, let us say with conviction in our hearts, "Jesus, I trust in You!"

Have you walked the newly added Stations of the Cross here at St. Andrew that line the wall on the left facing the Chapel doors, as you walk down the path towards the church? This is a one way to reflect on Jesus' Passion and His Resurrection.

Thank-you again to our talented Kevin Smith for his construction skills, Stan Walker for his expertise on how to display the shrine using strapping, and Vince Stern, Victor Santangelo, and Anita Santangelo for adding the finishing touches (e.g., wood staining).

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