



ST. ANDREW THE APOSTLE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION JANUARY 2021



January's Virtue is FORTITUDE

Be brave and strong in the face of trials.

But you, O man of God, must flee from these things; and strive for uprightness, godliness, good faith, love, fortitude, and a forgiving temper. 1 Tim. 6:11



**Study for Your
MIDTERM EXAM
JANUARY 25**

IMPORTANT DATES

Fri., Jan. 1

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God / Holy Day of Obligation

12/31 Vigil Mass 7:30 pm & midnight
1/1 Mass 9 & 10:30 am & 12:30 pm

Mon/Tue, Jan. 4/5

RE # 12

Sun., Jan 10, 1:30-4 pm

Catholic Apologetics

Honor Your Mother and Father

Mon/Tue, Jan. 11/12

RE # 13 **Midterm Review**

Mon., Jan 18 - MLK Jr.,

Holiday

RE office is closed

Mon/Tue, Jan. 18/19

No RE Classes

Mon/Tue, Jan. 25/26

RE # 14 **Midterm**

Mon., Jan. 25, 5:30-7 pm

Seeds of Faith ~

New Beginning/Father in Faith

Tue., Jan 26, 10 am- 12 noon

Book Club – St. John Neumann

Fri., Jan 29

March for Life

Sat., Jan 30, 8:45 am-12:30 pm

First Penance Retreat

Coming Up

Sat., Feb. 6, 10 am

First Penance

Wed., Feb. 17

Ash Wednesday/Lent Begins

Sat., Feb. 27, 8:45 am

Confirmation 7 Retreat

BECOME THE DISCIPLE GOD IS CALLING YOU TO BE

Make a New Year's Resolution to Learn More about Your Catholic Faith

10 ONLINE WAYS TO IGNITE YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH

Bible in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz Plan ahead to start your New Year's Resolution off right and learn to live life through the lens of scripture. Sign up to join Fr. Mike Schmitz: Bible in a Year podcast to read the entire Bible in 365 episodes. Fr. Mike provides commentary, reflection, and prayer along the way

FORMED.ORG is an online mega-library of videos, audio books, and movies about the Catholic faith. St. Andrew's free account number is DKTJ8B. This site is fantastic!

2Minutes2Virtue is a weekly reflection and practical challenge on the upcoming Sunday Gospel given by a priest in our diocese. Sign up via the Arlington Diocese.

Walk Humbly Podcast Hosted by Bishop Michael F. Burbidge, this podcast spreads the Gospel through interviews and discussions about faith, family and Catholic culture.

Diocesan YouTube Channel includes inspiring and educational videos on the faith, including Bishop Burbidge's latest homilies, popular WTOP spots, as well as diocesan workshops, talks and events.

Word of Fire is a weekly Podcast by Bishop Robert Barron on faith and culture.

Catholic Distance University, **Christendom Graduate School** and **Divine Mercy University** Take classes at one of three premier institutes of Catholic higher learning in the area. Each of these offer online certificates, courses & degrees to help grow in faith.

Catholic Herald From podcasts, videos, and dynamic online content and events listings to a weekly e-newsletter, and the award-winning Catholic Herald print edition, this news outlet is your gateway to discovering local opportunities to grow in faith.

Institute of Catholic Culture (ICC) Video Library More than 700 free hours of video and audio, the ICC's online library offers elements of a classic liberal arts curriculum.

Journey to Emmaus Video Curriculum is a high school video-based overview of the faith with one-page study guides with discussion questions and prayers.

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The Catholic Church celebrates the season of Christmas over a span of twelve days, beginning on December 25 and ending on January 5, the day before the feast of the Epiphany (which celebrates the day when the magi discovered Jesus). These two important feast days and the twelve days of Christmas give us time to celebrate Jesus' birth and discover how we can bring his love to people in our everyday lives. In the sixteenth century, the religious wars in England made it dangerous to be a Christian. The well-known song, "The Twelve Days of Christmas," was used to teach children about the Catholic Faith. Although the lyrics may sound like nonsense, the song actually contains hidden references:

A Partridge in a Pear Tree ~ Jesus

Two Turtle Doves ~ The Old and New Testaments

Three French Hens ~ The Three Theological Virtues: Faith, Hope, and Love

Four Calling Birds ~ The Four Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John

Five Golden Rings ~ The First Five Books of the Old Testament: Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy

Six Geese A-Laying ~ The Six Days of Creation

Seven Swans A-Swimming ~ The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit: Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety, and Fear of the Lord

Eight Maids A-Milking ~ The Eight Beatitudes:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Nine Ladies Dancing ~ The Nine Fruits of the Holy Spirit: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Generosity, Faithfulness, Gentleness, and Self-Control

Ten Lords A-Leaping ~ The Ten Commandments:

I am the Lord your God: You shall not have strange gods before me.

You shall not take the name of the Lord God in vain.

Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.

Honor your father and your mother.

You shall not kill.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife.

You shall not covet your neighbor's goods.

Eleven Pipers Piping ~ The Eleven Faithful Apostles: Peter, Andrew, James the Elder, John, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James the Younger, Simon, and Jude

Twelve Drummers Drumming ~ Twelve points of doctrine in the Apostles' Creed:

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and life everlasting. Amen.

JANUARY SAINTS

HAPPY NEW YEAR

1ST Solemnity of Mary,
Mother of God

2ND Basil the Great and
Gregory Nazianzen

3RD Epiphany of the Lord

4TH Elizabeth Ann Seton

5TH John Neumann

6TH Andre Bessette

7TH Raymond of Penyafort

10TH Baptism of the Lord

13TH Hilary

20TH Fabian and Sebastian

21ST Agnes

23RD Vincent and Marianne
Cops

24TH Francis de Sales

25TH Conversion of St. Paul

27TH Angela Merici

28TH Thomas Aquinas

31ST John Bosco

New RE Office Hours

Mon. 9:30-7:30 pm

Tue. 9:30- 5 pm

Wed. 9:30-11:30 am- 1-5 pm

Thu. 9:30 am-5 pm

Friday closed

