

Liturgy Corner

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In a few short days the Church's holiest of seasons will be upon us. Will you be open to allowing this journey through Lent to change and transform you? The 40 days of Lent symbolize Jesus' 40 days in the desert before he began his public ministry. This Lent can be our desert experience. Lent is a time to seek out peace and silence in our noisy, chaotic world. It is a time to abstain from excesses of our modern culture and to discover what is really important to us if we desire to live a Godly, faith-filled life. Even though sacrifice in the form of "giving up something" has become a traditional part of the Lenten observance, of equal or even more importance, is what we add to our lives in the form of prayer, penance and almsgiving. Take the next couple of days to discern what you need to do to make Lent a time of spiritual growth and renewal for you and your family.

CHSRV RELIGIOUS GOODS SHOP ANNEX AT ST. ANDREW'S

The Catholic Historical Society of the Roanoke Valley Religious Goods Shop Annex at St. Andrew's is now carrying note cards featuring its first series, "The Stained Glass of St. Andrew's". Packets of cards are available at the RGS Annex, located in the former Baptistery at the back of St. Andrew's Church. Look for the note cards featuring St. Patrick for the upcoming St. Patrick's Day. RGS Annex hours are Sundays from 10:00 am—11:25 am. Note cards and other religious goods are also available at the Society, located at 400 Campbell Ave., SW, Roanoke, which is open during Winter hours, the first and third Tuesdays of each month from 10:00 am—2:00 pm. Telephone and fax number is 540-982-0152.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is offered at St. Andrew's on the eve of the First Friday of each month, from **5:00 p.m. until 7:00 pm**. This is an opportunity for personal prayer, private meditation, scripture reflection, etc. Our next Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be on **Thursday, March 4**.

Parish News & Upcoming Events

ORGAN PROJECT UPDATE

Donations are being accepted to match the generous gift to the parish of \$100,000 to replace our deteriorating organ with a new instrument in memory of beloved parishioner "Ginny" Laurie. To date \$48,595 has been contributed or pledged. Checks can be made to St. Andrew's with designation for the organ project. Visit our website, www.standrewsroanoke.org for further information.

DISCOVERY AND CHRISTIAN AWAKENING RETREATS

The Office of Youth Ministry and the Catholic Diocese of Richmond sponsors two retreats for our High School Youth. Discovery is for 9th and 10th graders and Christian Awakening is for 11th and 12th graders. These are dynamic, powerful, peer led retreats. The two remaining **Discovery** retreat dates, places and registration deadlines are: **March 5-7: Smith Mountain Lake** (registration due 2/21/10), and **March 12-14: Goshen, VA, near Lexington** (registration due 2/28/10). The **Christian Awakening** Retreat is **March 19-21: Camp Bethel** (registration due 3/07/10). Retreat cost for registered parishioners is \$65. To register, complete and return the registration form and a check for \$65 made payable to St. Andrew's to Beth Derringer no later than the due date for the retreat. To obtain registration forms, see the church bulletin boards, our website: www.standrewsroanoke.org, or Beth Derringer. If you have questions, please contact Beth Derringer (588-0092 or dederringer@comcast.net).

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP POSTPONED

High School Youth Ministry will NOT meet this Sunday, February 14. This meeting will be rescheduled at a later date.

OPERATION POCKET CHANGE

Operation Pocket Change is the newest ministry at St. Andrew's. Collection boxes will be placed at each of the church entrances for families to drop in extra "pocket change" they may have. The funds collected will be used to help people in need here in the Roanoke Valley. The needs of our own valley have become great. A collection box is in the commons this weekend and additional boxes will be placed at the other entrances in the near future. Every little bit helps. Thank you in advance for your support.

Sacrificial Giving

January 31, 2010	Week	Month
Sunday & Holy Day	\$6,350	\$106,891
Maintenance Fund	\$39	\$6,739
5th Sunday	<u>\$154</u>	<u>\$5,823</u>
Total received	\$6,543	\$119,453
Total income needed per month		<u>\$107,500</u>
Better (Worse)		\$11,953
Parish finances will be updated next week.		
Outstanding debt	\$198,187	

Thank you for your generous support and for using your offertory envelopes. Please remember St. Andrew's in your will.

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INCLEMENT WEATHER

As winter weather is upon us, be sure to check our website for updates on cancellations and closings. If you do not have access to a computer, please call 344-9814 and follow the prompts for "Schedule changes."

CHURCH KNEELERS

A generous donation from an anonymous parishioner has enabled the parish to replace the church kneelers in St. Andrew's. The new kneelers will be installed in the very near future. Our parish continues to be blessed by those who give selflessly of their time, talent, and treasure! Thank you!

WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT

All women are invited to attend the Women's Lenten Retreat on Saturday, March 6, from 12:00 pm—4:00 pm. The retreat, which will be directed by Sr. Katherine, will focus on Love and Forgiveness. We will begin with a light lunch. There will be a love offering. Invite your friends to join you. Please contact the Parish Office during regular business hours to sign up.

Community News & Events

LENTEN FISH FRY

The Roanoke Council #562 of the Knights of Columbus invites you to their Lenten Fish Fry, which will take place at the Council Home at 3136 Harris Ave., Roanoke, VA. on Friday, February 19, 2010 from 5:00—8:00 pm. The cost is \$7.50 per person 12 years and older, free for 12 and under. You must make reservations by Wednesday, February 17 by calling Gene Stuphin at 776-3061. All proceeds from this event will go to RAM House in their continuing efforts to feed the homeless and poor.

ADOPTION MEETINGS AT CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Commonwealth Catholic Charities hosts free monthly informational meetings for people interested in domestic or international adoption. Upcoming meeting dates are February 22 and March 29 at 7:00 pm. The meetings are held at the CCC offices on the main floor of the Jefferson Center. For more information and a reservation for this meeting, please call 540-278-1654.

ST. ANDREW'S BLOOD DRIVE

Save the Date! The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive at St. Andrew's on April 21. To be eligible to donate for this blood drive, you can not donate after February 24. For more information contact Rosemarie Novotny at 797-4512 or RNovotny1@verizon.net.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Parish Office Hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm.

In Case of Emergency contact the office telephone 24 hours a day at 344-9814 and the answering service will help you if the staff is not available.

Prayers for the Sick are included in the bulletin each week. Names will remain on the prayer list for four weeks unless you call to tell us to leave them on.

THE MAUSOLEUM AT ST. ANDREW'S

This beautiful, indoor facility provides our parishioners and their immediate families the opportunity to be interred on the hill. Please call Jill Blanchard at the Parish Office to schedule an appointment or for more information.

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ST. FRANCIS HOUSE

Needs cereal and non-perishable food items. Thank you for reaching out to those less fortunate.

REFUGEE AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES

Refugee and Immigration Service of the Diocese of Richmond (RIS) is a nonprofit organization that resettles political refugees and assists immigrants, helping them start new lives in the Roanoke Valley. Items that are most needed to set up apartments for the refugees are pots, pans, dishes, glasses, silverware, kitchen tables, bed frame (no king size), sheet sets, blankets, quilts, toiletry items, and schools supplies. All donations are tax deductible and large item pick up is available. Call Mary Beth Pizzino at 342-7561 ext. 320.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING

Looking for a deeper fulfillment in your marriage? Confused about the Church's teachings on family planning? Learn about your faith and discover a natural, effective method of family planning that goes beyond the physical. A new course in Sympto-Thermal Natural Family Planning begins on Saturday, February 27, 2010 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Salem. For more information, please contact David and Stacey Nichols at 540-389-1892 or visit www.ccli.org to register.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHSRV

In order to carry out its plans for the future, the Catholic Historical Society of the Roanoke Valley continues to ask for volunteers. We meet on Tuesdays at the Society at 400 Campbell Ave, SW from 10:00 am—2:00 pm. Please call us at 540-982-0152 to volunteer to help preserve the documents and artifacts which reflect the Catholicity of the Roanoke Valley from the 19th century through today.



Happy
St. Valentine's Day!

FEBRUARY 14, 2010

Mass Intentions

February 15-21

Tuesday	(12:00 pm)	Gerald Pomatto
Ash Wednesday	(7:30 am)	Maria D'Urso
	(12:00 pm)	Jim McMonagle
	(7:30 pm)	The people of St. Andrew's
Thursday	(11:00 am)	Glory Cromar DeGraff
	<i>Mass on Thursday will be at Our Lady of the Valley</i>	
Friday	(7:30 am)	Dr. Kenneth Hancock
Saturday	(5:30 pm)	Greg Yengst
Sunday	(7:30 am)	The people of St. Andrew's
	(9:00 am)	Joseph & Dolores Mirabito
	(11:30 am)	Margaret Roope

Parishioners, relatives and friends who need our prayers:

Jack Woodson, Maddy Boxler, Bonnie Vest, Deidre Sapp, Zach Osborne, Dr. Matt Billups, Ellen Deane, John Monfre, Mary Kermans, Patty Stamp, Larry Tabor, Arthur Gebhart, Becky Olander, Francis Gardner, Tony Chaos, Rice family, Lucy Roth, Roy Prusak, Fred Alouf, Stan Pesek, Judy Conley, Carol Francis, Ken Cronin, Monica Roth, Wallace Hall, Jack Reed, Jean Orr, Vicki Minnix, Carol Purdham, Charles Lafferty, Joan Durana, Bridget Whelan, Marcy Hernandez, Christopher Luteman, Pearl Stokes, Gretchen Lavinder, Mary Ann Butz Assaid, Donna Zevrasky, Sharon Khoshghad, Marilyn Nelson, Dan Foley, Danny Gordon, George Spalding, Marie Grewe, Annabelle Gilliam, Tommy Helm, Madison Powell, Oakley Wardell, Donna Dotson, Leo Homicz, Ted Roever, Julie Sumner, David Richardson, Michael Rulison, Ann Marie Sheridan, Marie Holliday, Pat Johnston, Joyce Smith, Robert Brudzinski, Rick Calhoon, Dr. Charlie Harris, Mike Edwards, Frances Johnson, Jeanette Price, Donnie Graves, Glada Lazzuri, Everett Quesenberry, George Kern, Sam Sillars, Katharine Chestnut, Jeanette Cabinass, Kevin Stokes, Kathy Ryder, Raine Walters, Duane Smith, Allie Dalzell, Anne Jabbour, Jason Krajc, Kris Larsen, Kathy Aud, Annette McCarty, Allyson McClellan, Elizabeth Rulison, Sarah Crotts, Katherine Poole, Pat Cerak.

*Names will remain on the prayer list for **four weeks**.*

Please call the office if they should remain longer.

Events this Week

This Sunday		<i>Baptism Weekend</i>
	(10:15 am)	Adult Education
	(10:15 am)	Christian Formation K-11
	(2:00 pm)	Vietnamese New Year Celebration
Monday	(9:30 am)	<i>Parish Office closed</i>
Tuesday	(12:30 pm)	Scripture Study
Wednesday	(2:00 pm)	Senior Fitness Group
	(6:00 pm)	Buildings & Grounds
Thursday	(7:00 pm)	RCIA
Friday	(2:00 pm)	Senior Fitness Group
	(5:00 pm)	Parish Council retreat
	(7:00 pm)	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	(9:00 am)	Rosary
Next Sunday	(10:15 am)	Adult Education
	(10:15 am)	Christian Formation K-11, RCIC
	(10:15 am)	Confirmation I
	(2:00 pm)	Rite of Election
		IHN week begins

Readings for the Week of February 14, 2010

Monday:	Jas 1:1-11/Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday:	Jas 1:12-18/Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday:	Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20--6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thursday:	Dt 30:15-20/Lk 9:22-25
Friday:	Is 58:1-9a/Mt 9:14-15
Saturday:	Is 58:9b-14/Lk 5:27-32
Next Sunday:	Dt 26:4-10/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Remember in your prayers these parishioners and family members who are actively serving our country in the military:



Steven Jeremy Ayers, Jacob Brookshier, Ches Mitchell, Tommy Nichols, Allen Palumbo, Michael Nghia-Nguyen, Joseph Amos, Justin Assenat, Joshua Balagna, Sam Bebout, Will Bebout, Timothy M. Brady, Brian X. Conlan, Michael Dale Davis, John W. Downs, William Farmer, Robert Garnand, Jamie Guilliams, John Hinkel, Stephanie Lynn Holliday, Anthony Huff, Jarrod Huff, Herbert Jones, Michael Keller, Jeffrey Robert Klein, Tim McAtter, Matthew McCorkel, Colin McGuire, Daryl R. Peltier, Ronnie Stout, Adrian Rouse, Jacob Hunter Rusgrove, Pamela T. Schmecht, Joe Spegele, Dustin Stewart, Chuck Suslowicz and Andrew Wertz.