



Best Wishes to our Senior Parishioners
celebrating a birthday or anniversary in April.

Happy Birthday:

Carlton Saul – April 6
Angeline Michalski—April 10
John Wagner—April 17
Gordon Dewhurst—April 30

Happy Anniversary:

Cliff and Pearl Stokes—April 12
Richard and Beverly Quinn—April 12
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smith—April 18

MASS SCHEDULE CHANGES

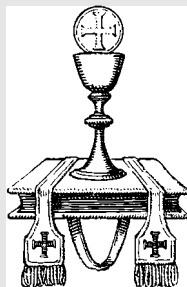
Please note that the Mass schedule for **Palm Sunday** and **Easter Sunday** is as follows: Palm Sunday: Saturday, 5:30 pm, Sunday 7:00 am, 9:00 am, and 11:30 am. Easter Sunday: Saturday Vigil at 8:00 pm, Sunday 7:00 am, 9:00 am, and 11:30 am. Note also that on Easter Sunday, Masses at 9:00 am and 11:30 am will be celebrated in the Church and the Social Hall.

BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS

The Blessing of Easter Food Baskets will take place on Holy Saturday, April 11, at 10:30 am in the church. Early Polish immigrants brought the custom to America in the late 1800's. The Christian significance of Easter is symbolized by the food used for the holiday feast. The food blessed on Holy Saturday is consumed by the family and guests at Easter Sunday breakfast, after the Resurrection Mass.

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 until 7:00 pm. (Note time change)** This is an opportunity for personal prayer, private meditation, scripture reflection, etc. Our next Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be on **Thursday, April 2.**



Parish News & Upcoming Events

LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS

Our next Lenten Soup Supper will be this Wednesday, April 1, from 5:30 pm to 6:45 pm. Donations to the Soup Supper (\$3.00 per person) will benefit **Operation Rice Bowl**.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY FOR PALM SUNDAY

Our young ones who attend Children's Liturgy of the Word are invited to participate in the opening procession on Palm Sunday. Please listen for the children to be called to the entrance of the church during the announcements. They will then proceed to their session and return at the regular time.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION ON PALM SUNDAY

Because of the length of the Passion reading at the Palm Sunday Mass, Christian Formation classes will not be able to begin at 10:15 am. We will still have a shortened class which will begin immediately following the 9:00 am Mass.

HOLY THURSDAY DINNER

Join us prior to the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Thursday, April 9, for dinner. Dinner will be served from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Reservations ARE REQUIRED and can be made by calling 344-9814. The Deadline for reservations is Friday, April 3.

CONFIRMATION ONE RETREAT

The grade 10 students registered for Confirmation One should have received information regarding the retreat experience on April 4. Direct questions regarding the retreat to Beth Derringer at 588-0092.

CONFIRMATION TWO EVENING OF RECOLLECTION

Confirmation Two Students and their families are reminded of the Evening of Recollection on April 5 beginning at 5:00 pm. Direct questions about the event to Kathy Boyer at 344-9814. We look forward to a wonderful shared faith experience with all of our confirmands!

NURSERY CLOSED FOR EASTER

Due to a lack of volunteers, the nursery will be closed for all Masses on Easter weekend.

Sacrificial Giving

March 22, 2009	Week	Month
Sunday	\$18,671	\$71,860
Maintenance Fund	\$473	\$6,830
5th Sunday	<u>\$154</u>	<u>\$5,005</u>
Total received	\$19,298	\$83,695
Total income needed per month		<u>\$95,215</u>
Better (Worse)		\$(11,520)
Catholic Relief Services	\$4,235	
Outstanding debt at 3/6/09	\$308,515	

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

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WHAT IS THE "MANDATUM"

The Lord Jesus washed the feet of his disciples at the Last Supper as a sign of the new commandment that Christians should love one another: "Such as my love has been for you, so must your love be for each other. This is how all will know you for my disciples: by your love for one another". For centuries the Church has imitated the Lord through the ritual re-enactment of the new commandment of Jesus Christ in the washing of feet on Holy Thursday (April 9). This opportunity is available to all who wish to participate in this spiritually moving event. If you would like to participate, please contact the parish office at 344-9814 before Monday, April 6.

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

It is time for our new parish photo directory. Our last directory was completed in 2004 and there have been many changes in our parish since that time. The photo directory is an important tool for all of our parishioners, so please make sure that you and your family are a part of it. Sign-ups to have your picture taken will begin on Saturday, April 18 and continue through, Sunday, May 3. You may sign up at church on these dates or you may sign up on line at our website www.standrewsroanoke.org. Volunteers are needed to help on sign-up days and to greet our parishioners on picture taking days. If you can help with this important project, please call Larry Sink at 520-5572.

ST ANDREWS MEN'S SPRING SOFTBALL

St. Andrew's men's slow pitch softball is about to start the 2009 season. Interested members of St. Andrew's are invited to participate. Practice will begin on Sunday, March 22, from 1:00 pm—3:00 pm, at Wasena field number one in Roanoke City. Contact Joe Surace at 819-1842 or email jsurace@carilion.com for more information.

HOLIDAY SEATING REMINDER

As we approach Easter, please be respectful of the additional row of handicap seating in the front of the church. We have the chairs and the first row pew for those who cannot proceed to the front and receive Holy Communion in their seats. The additional third row seating (on both sides) is for those who can walk but may have difficulty with long distances or hearing. Thank you for your cooperation.

ROANOKE CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNUAL YARD SALE

The annual yard sale at Roanoke Catholic School is next Saturday, April 4, in the Upper School gym. Doors will open at 8:00 am and the sale will end at 2:00 pm. All proceeds benefit Roanoke Catholic School.

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.

Community News & Events



ST. FRANCIS HOUSE

Needs canned fruits and vegetables. Thank you for reaching out to those less fortunate.

YOUNG ADULT SILENT RETREAT

On April 3-4, 2009 the Diocese will offer a 26 hour Silent Retreat for Catholic Young Adults (men and women) ages 18-39. The retreat will be held at the Holy Family Retreat House in Hampton, VA. Participants will be asked to create an interior and exterior silence, so that they can listen to the voice of the Lord and prayerfully prepare for the celebration of Easter. Participants are requested to shut off all cell phones, iPods and computers and to refrain from talking. The retreat will be led by Fr. Michael Renninger. For more information, contact the Office of Vocations at mrenninger@richmonddiocese.org. The cost of the retreat is \$30. Space is limited so sign up soon!

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT

A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat for healing from abortion and its lasting effects will be held May 1-3 at the Benedictine Abbey in Richmond. The retreat helps women and men to uncover deep wounds buried in secrecy and shame. "Living Scripture Meditations" reveal that no sin is unforgivable. You are invited to receive Christ's mercy and compassion. Call the facilitators, Kay Marie and Joe Geiger at 804-330-3137, or Molly Smith at Church of Epiphany, at 804-794-0222 or email kmg4hope@verizon.net. All calls are confidential. Get more retreat information at the website: www.rachelsvineyard.org

ADOPTION INFORMATION MEETINGS

Commonwealth Catholic Charities hosts free informational sessions for people interested in domestic or international adoption. Upcoming meeting dates are March 31 and April 28. The meetings will be held at the CCC offices on the main floor of the Jefferson Center. Please call Marge at 540-278-1654 for more information or to make a reservation.

MARCH 29, 2009

Mass Intentions

March 30 – April 5

Tuesday	(12:00 pm)	Ester Tan
Wednesday	(7:30 am)	
	(5:00 pm)	Suzanne Krueger
Thursday	(11:00 am)	
<i>Mass on Thursday will be at Our Lady of the Valley</i>		
Friday	(7:30 am)	
<i>Friday's service will be the Liturgy of the Word with distribution of Holy Communion</i>		
Saturday	(5:30 pm)	Betty Posey
Sunday	(7:30 am)	Edith Meise
	(9:00 am)	Cammie Weber
	(11:30 am)	The people of St. Andrew's
	(4:00 pm)	The Vietnamese community



Parishioners, relatives and friends who need our prayers:
Jason Krajc, Kevin Stokes, Robert Pienta, Rose Carpinelli,
Ann Vecellio, Lavinia Zerbee, Elizabeth Weikel, Madeline
Collins, Edward Malinowski, Kris Larsen, Cathy Aud, Hazel
Allen, Joseph Allen, Sally Hartman, Jan Northrup, Allie
Dalzell, Denise Woodrum, Kim Clark, Bill Morck, Ryan
Reezes, Daun Lawrence, Jackie Simpson, Liam Hess,
Ching Davis, Ruth Downs, Gretchen Lavinder, Robert
Ripple, Anne Jabbour, Kris Larsen, Dorothy Shank, Guy
Shelor, Dylan Smith, Donna Reynolds, Elaine Turanico,
Anne Rosky, Laine Clements, Anna Lucas, George Duvall,
John Smith, Luz Maria Hernandez, Sheila Clark, Cassidy
Blount, Cecelia Almani, Connie Light, Carol Francis,
Barbara Ridenhour, David Sheplac, Mary Ann Sliwinski,
John Higgins, Robert Hardie, Bill Poe, Erlene Reynolds,
Ann Huffman, Carol Purdham, Judy St Clair, Christie
Svirsky, George Muller, Liam Huff, Dennis Brown, Mark
Belcher, Dorothy Laurie, Jim and Marion Roe, Virginia
Canfield, James White, Skyler Schuman, Duane Smith,
Walter and Dora Assaid, Katherine Chestnut, Quenton
Ratcliffe, Tom Heilmann, David Bell, Mike Mullins, Mary
Shumann, Doug Balz, Arthur Gebhard, Kaylyn McCork,
Terry Rodriguez, Elliott Kline-Parker, Clare Andrew,
JoAnne Bibb, John Castner, Leonard Bianco, Brian
Lawrence, Janet Lucas, Allyson McClellan, Sarah Crotts,
Katherine Poole, Pat Cerak.

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Please call the office if they should remain.*

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Events this Week

This Sunday	(10:05 am)	11:30 Choir Rehearsal
	(10:15 am)	Confirmation One
	(10:15 am)	Adult Education
	(10:15 am)	Christian Formation K-11
	(3:00 pm)	Vietnamese Choir
Monday	(10:00 am)	Craft Group
	(7:00 pm)	Scripture Study
Tuesday	(12:30 pm)	Scripture Study
Wednesday	(2:00 pm)	Senior Fitness Group
	(5:30 pm)	Soup Supper
	(7:00 pm)	Parish Council
Thursday	(5:00 pm)	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	(7:00 pm)	9:00 Choir Rehearsal
	(7:00 pm)	RCIA
	(7:00 pm)	Intercessory Prayer Group
Friday	(2:00 pm)	Senior Fitness Group
	(7:00 pm)	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	(9:00 am)	Rosary
	(9:00 am)	Confirmation Study Session
	(9:00 am)	Confirmation One Retreat
Next Sunday	(10:05 pm)	11:30 Choir Rehearsal
	(10:15 am)	Christian Formation K-9,11
	(2:00 pm)	Natural Family Planning Class
	(5:00 pm)	Confirmation Two Evening of Recollection

Readings for the week of March 29, 2009

Monday:	Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 or 13:41c-62/Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday:	Nm 21:4-9/Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday:	Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95/Jn 8:31-42
Thursday:	Gn 17:3-9/Jn 8:51-59
Friday:	Jer 20:10-13/Jn 10:31-42
Saturday:	Ez 37:21-28/Jn 11:45-56
Next Sunday:	Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16 /Is 50:4-7/Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1---15:47 or 15:1-39

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

Michael Nghia-Nguyen, Joseph Amos, Justin Assenat, Joshua Balagna, Sam Bebout, Will Bebout, Timothy M. Brady, Brian X. Conlan, James Cutler, Michael Dale Davis, John W. Downs, William Farmer, Andre Fieschel, Robert Garnand, Jamie Guilliams, John Hinkel, Stephanie Lynn Holliday, Anthony Huff, Herbert Jones, Jeffrey Robert Klein, Matthew McCorkel, Daryl R. Peltier, Ronnie Stout, Adrian Rouse, Pamela T. Schmecht, Daniel H. Smith, Joe Spegele, Dustin Stewart and Chuck Suslowicz.