

St. Andrew's Catholic Church



A Guide to Worship & Ministry

2017-2018



As the new Pastor here at St. Andrew's, I was very interested to see this *Guide to Worship and Ministry* when it was shown to me, and I was very pleased to note the high level of activity that it represents in this parish. There are so many ways that our parishioners can be engaged in living out their Catholic faith that I know this is a place where Christ's Church is truly alive!

I hope this level of engagement will not only continue in the upcoming year but increase, and to that end I want to invite any parishioner who receives this guide to consider how you might become more involved. Please take the time to read through these ministry and worship opportunities carefully and prayerfully, asking God where He may be calling you to bring forth your gifts and talents. If you are a new parishioner, you have so many possibilities! If you are a longstanding member of St. Andrew's, you might consider a new ministry, perhaps adding it to what you already do. As we all know, our Lord loves a generous and cheerful giver, and that includes, in a special way, the gift of our time.

May this be a truly fruitful year here at St. Andrew's!

Yours in Christ,

Father Kevin Segerblom
Pastor

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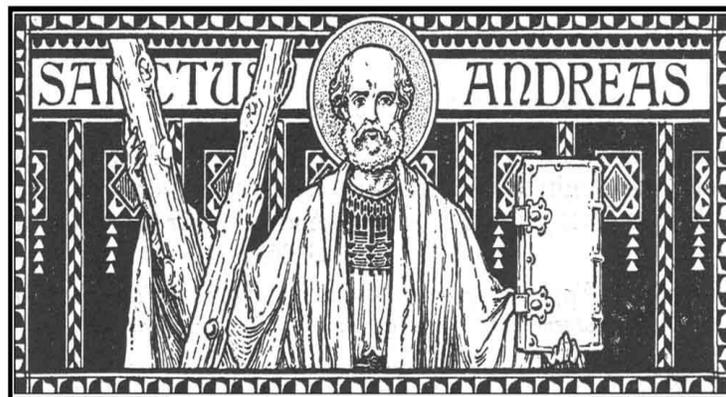
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I: Our Mission

The primary mission of the Catholic community of St. Andrew's is to respond to Jesus Christ's call to follow Him in word and in action. Therefore, we, the parish family of St. Andrew's, commit ourselves:

- To praise God and to intensify our faith;
- To show concern for the spiritual well-being of the parish;
- To provide continuous religious education and leadership formation;
- To take seriously our role to build unity and community within our parish family;
- To raise the consciousness of our parish concerning social systems and issues as we work to alleviate the suffering of others;
- To be a sign and symbol of Christ's presence to the broader community;
- To reach out to all those alienated for whatever reason, offering reconciliation;
- To appreciate and respect the diversity and uniqueness of each person's faith journey;
- To acknowledge the rich tradition of the parish, and remain open to the possibilities of the Pilgrim Church;
- To provide adequate facilities in order to meet the needs of our parish community.

In striving to fulfill these commitments, we, the parish family of St. Andrew's, pledge ourselves to provide adequate staff, and to give freely of our time, talents, and finances as we respond to Christ's call.



II: Directory

Parish Office:

631 North Jefferson Street, Roanoke VA 24016

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Hours: Monday – Friday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Web Address: www.standrewsroanoke.org



Check us out on Facebook: /standrewsroanoke



And Twitter: @standrewroanoke

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Social Hall: Please call Jill Blanchard at the Parish Office for rental or scheduling at (540)344-9814 or email jblanchard@standrewsroanoke.org.

III: Worship Schedule

“... by the Eucharistic celebrated we already unite ourselves with the heavenly liturgy and anticipate eternal life, when God will be all in all.”

Catechism of the Catholic Church 1326

St. Andrew's Mass Schedule

Saturday:	5:30 pm
Sunday:	7:30, 9:00 & 11:30 am
Children's Liturgy of the Word:	9:00 & 11:30 am Mass for Children ages 4-8
Holy Days:	Check bulletin for Mass schedules
Weekdays:	Monday – Friday at noon
Eucharistic Adoration:	Thursday from 12:30 - 7:00 pm Benediction at 6:45 pm
Our Lady of the Valley Mass:	Wednesday at 11:00 am

IV: Liturgical Seasons

Advent

The season of Advent is the time of preparation for the coming of Christ at Christmas and his Second Coming at the end of time. Advent also marks the beginning of the Church's liturgical year.

First Sunday in Advent: December 3, 2017

Advent Wreath and Candles

Advent Wreath and Candles are lit on each of the four Sundays of Advent symbolizing the coming of Christ, the Light of the World.

Communal Penance Service

Communal Penance Services allow individual confessions within the context of community preparation and thanksgiving. Check the bulletin for dates.

Christmas Mass (Check bulletin for specific times)

Christmas Eve December 24, 2017

Christmas Day December 25, 2017

Lent

Ash Wednesday: February 14, 2018

Operation Rice Bowl

Operation Rice Bowl is a program of sacrificial giving to feed the poor on local and global levels. Families or individuals fast or eat simple meals and place the savings in a symbolic "Rice Bowl". The money is given to the Diocese for distribution to agencies. Rice bowls and program booklets will be available in the Commons area during Lent for your convenience.

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross (or way of the Cross; in Latin Via Crucis, also called Via Delorosa or Way of Sorrows). A 14th Century exercise commemorating the events of Christ's Passion and Death as related in the Gospels and from early tradition. Various groups within the parish community lead each weekly prayer on Friday evenings during Lent.

Holy Week Services (Check bulletin for specific times)

Palm Sunday: March 25, 2018

Holy Thursday: March 29, 2018

Mass of the Lord's Supper / Holy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper is a commemoration of the Last Supper at which Christ instituted the Eucharist. It is also called Maundy Thursday, from the Latin for the new commandment of love, which is exemplified when Jesus washed the feet of his Disciples.

Good Friday: March 30, 2018

According to the Church's ancient tradition, Mass is not celebrated today. The celebration of the Lord's Passion consists of four parts: Liturgy of the Word (which includes the Passion according to John), the Intercessions, Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion.

Holy Saturday and Easter Vigil: March 31, 2018

Easter Sunday: April 1, 2018

V: Special Liturgies

Evensong

We remember those parishioners who died this past year at a special Mass to be held at the beginning of November. Check bulletin for Mass schedules. Contact Chuck Frost for more information at cfrost@standrewsroanoke.org or (540)344-9814.

VI: Sacraments

Jesus gave us the Sacraments to call us to worship God, to build up the Church, to deepen our faith, to show us how to pray; to connect us with the living Tradition of the Church and to sanctify us. While God works primarily through the Sacraments, He also touches us through the community of the Church, through the lives of holy people, through prayers, spirituality, and acts of love. But “for believers, the Sacraments of the New Covenant are necessary for salvation.”

United States Catholic Catechism for Adults

Baptism

Baptism is a sign of the sacred, confers grace, is a celebration of Christ's life, and is the beginning of a deep relationship; it is a vital union with the risen Lord. Baptism occurs both during Mass and outside the Mass throughout the year. Volunteer opportunities exist for both baptism preparation catechists and baptism hosts. Baptism preparation catechists meet with new parents according to the schedule, instructing them in sacramental theology and rehearsing the rite. Time commitment: a 90 minute class, offered six times throughout the year. Baptism hosts greet the parents before Mass, and guide them to where they need to be during the liturgy. Time commitment: one Mass during Baptism weekend, offered four times a year. Training and support is provided for all Baptism ministry volunteers. Contact Kathy Boyer at (540)344-9814 or kboyer@standrewsroanoke.org.

Eucharist

“The Church draws her life from the Eucharist. This truth does not simply express a daily experience of faith, but recapitulates the heart of the mystery of the Church.”

Saint Pope John Paul II

Finding its origins in the words of Jesus at the Last Supper (“Do this in memory of Me”) the Eucharist is Christ's saving life, death and Resurrection made present for us. Under the appearance of ordinary wheat and wine, the Sacred Body and Precious Blood increases our union with the Lord, enabling us to live more completely the Good News in a world so desperately in need of this message.

First Communion is celebrated for the first time in second grade. Before reception of this sacrament, the child must have actively participated in the Christian Formation Program for at least one year and must complete the required preparation. Ministry opportunities exist for adults wishing to teach sacramental preparation for these children. All volunteers must be in

compliance with Diocesan Safe Environment guidelines. Time commitment: three Saturday mornings in the Spring. For more information Contact Kathy Boyer at (540)344-9814 or kboyer@standrewsroanoke.org.

Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation focuses on God's merciful love for us. Celebration of this sacrament takes place every Saturday afternoon from 4:00 – 5:00 pm and Thursdays from 5:30 - 6:30 pm in the Chapel or by appointment. Communal celebrations are scheduled during the seasons of Advent and Lent.

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Confirmation

In the Sacrament of Confirmation, the baptized person is “sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit” and is strengthened for service in the Body of Christ. It is one of the three sacraments of initiation, which also include Baptism and Eucharist. The normal time for celebrating Confirmation in our diocese is in the tenth grade or at 15 years of age. For more information see our website or contact the Youth Minister at (540)344-9814 or youth@standrewsroanoke.org.

Matrimony

Reflecting the covenant relationship between God and His people, the Church views the Sacrament of Marriage as a permanent union between husband and wife, both of whom are capable of knowing and loving each other and God. For information on scheduling a wedding contact the Parish Office at (540)344-9814.

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Liturgical Ministries

Ministers of Worship help others to be a living response to the Gospel. They are asked to attend sessions of formation and reflection offered throughout the year. Unless specified, more information on these ministries can be obtained by contacting the Parish Office at (540)344-9814.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Extraordinary Ministers assist the presider in distributing the Body and Blood of Christ at Mass as well as with cleaning the sacred vessels after Mass. Training is necessary. For more information, contact Larry Sink at lgsink@cox.net or (540)520-5572.

Lectors

Readers proclaim the Word of God, welcome and lead parishioners in the petitions at Mass. Training is required. For more information, contact Larry Sink at lgsink@cox.net or (540)520-5572.

Mass Coordinators

Mass Coordinators prepare the worship space for Mass by assuring that all necessary items are in place. They are attentive to the vessels used during communion, the number of hosts available for communion, etc. You must be willing to arrive about 30 minutes before your scheduled Mass to accomplish these tasks. Training is required. For more information, contact Larry Sink at lgsink@cox.net or (540)520-5572.

M.A.T.E.S. (Ministers Acclaiming Through Example Setting)

This program of ministry includes the ministries of Altar Server, Altar Minister and Thurifer (Incense Minister.) One training session is held annually. You must be a third grader to be eligible to begin this ministry and you make a one year commitment. The MATES also gather at least four times a year for social events to build friendships, make fun memories and create a spirit of community.

Altar Servers

Altar Servers (ranging from server apprentices to experienced servers) assist the Celebrant at weekend and holy day liturgies. They work with an assigned partner to create a serving team.

Altar Minister

All Altar Ministers are invited by the Pastor from among the experienced Altar Servers. They are the leader of the liturgical serving team ministering at each Mass. They assist the Celebrant at weekend and Holy Day liturgies with additional responsibilities, including the preparation of the altar for the Eucharistic celebration.

Thurifers (Incense Ministers)

All Thurifers are invited by the Pastor from among the experienced Altar Ministers. They prepare the Thurible and carry it and the Incense Boat in procession. They keep

the Thurible ready and present it, along with the Incense Boat, to the Celebrant and/or Deacon at the appropriate times during the Mass.

For more information on our MATES program please contact Linda Allison at standrewsmates@gmail.com.

Minister of Hospitality

Ushers and Greeters welcome parishioners and guests as they arrive for Mass. Ushers assist with seating, take up the offertory and oversee special requests that ensure a respectful assembly.

Linens/Laundrying

Altar linens and altar server vestments require regular cleaning. Volunteers are needed to help in the upkeep of these items.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

The custom of adapting the Scriptures for children reflects profound respect for the spiritual life of children. On Sundays when the parish assembles, children (ages 4-8) are dismissed from the liturgy for celebrating the Word. This program is currently offered at the 9:00 and 11:30 am Sunday Masses. Children will be invited to participate by the presider prior to the reading of the scripture. They will then proceed to the Music Room until the beginning of the Liturgy of the Eucharist at which time they will rejoin the community for the continuation of the Mass. This is an opportunity for young children to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word in an atmosphere that allows them to hear the Gospel proclaimed in words that they can relate to, and to be able to discuss what they have just heard. We retain the Sunday readings of the liturgical year proclaimed and follow the same cycle as the Church. Adult leaders in this ministry need to have a love of children, a basic understanding of scripture, and a desire to share their Catholic faith with our youth. Middle School Youth are invited to volunteer as aides during the sessions. Time commitment: One Sunday (Mass) per month. Leaders are scheduled on a three month basis. All volunteers must be in compliance with Diocesan Safe Environment guidelines. For more information, please contact Kathy Boyer at (540)344-9814 or kboyer@standrewsroanoke.org.

Christian Formation For Children

Weekly Classes

Classes range from grades K – 12. Classes start in the Fall and offer education, prayer and formation opportunities for all children, appropriate to their ages and in accordance with the New Catechism of the Catholic Church. Preparation for the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation are offered at the proper grade level. Catechists are needed and training is provided. For more information contact: Kathy Boyer at (540)344-9814 or kboyer@standrewsroanoke.org.

Catechists

A Catechist is an individual entrusted with the important role of supporting families in their role as first teachers of faith, formally presenting the Catholic faith to our young people, and enabling them to seek and experience Jesus Christ as a living reality. Volunteer opportunities

exist for Catechists, aides, and substitute catechists. All volunteers must be in compliance with Diocesan Safe Environment guidelines. Training and support is provided for all Christian Formation ministry volunteers. Time commitment: one hour Sunday morning sessions from September through May according to the Christian Formation calendar, as well as the annual catechist workshop in the Fall, and the catechist closing session in May. For more information contact Kathy Boyer at (540)344-9814 or kboyer@standrewsroanoke.org.

Vacation Bible School

This is an annual five day program, held the first full week after the 4th of July. It combines music, games, crafts and Bible stories for children from pre-K through 5th grade. Volunteer opportunities are available for adults in all areas. Middle School and High School youth are invited to volunteer as teacher's aides and helpers in all areas. All adult volunteers must be in compliance with Diocesan Safe Environment guidelines. To volunteer your time or talent, or to register a child, contact Kathy Boyer at the Parish Office (540)344-9814 or kboyer@standrewsroanoke.org.

Youth and Young Adult Ministry

High School Youth Ministry and Catechesis

St. Andrew's High School Youth Ministry is part of the Life Teen youth movement. Life Nights are on Sunday's from 6:30-8:30 pm. Our focuses are formation, community, service, and prayer. We also participate in national and diocesan retreats and conferences. We are about leading teens and their families closer to Christ. Please refer to the website and bulletin for times and locations of events. For more information contact the youth minister at (540)344-9814 or youth@standrewsroanoke.org.

Connect on Facebook- St. Andrew's Roanoke Youth Ministry

Connect on Twitter- [andrew_youth](#)

Connect on Instagram- [standrewsroanokeyouth](#)

Middle School Youth Ministry

Our Middle School Youth Ministry program encourages our 5th-8th graders to deepen their relationship with Christ and explore their Catholic faith as they participate in large group activities and teachings, small group discussions, games and community service projects. We want our Middle Schoolers to know that Jesus Christ loves them and is there for them and will continue to desire and fight for them their entire lives. We want to instill in our Middle Schoolers the Gospel message of Truth so that they have the tools to continue to deepen their relationship with Christ and share it and defend it in their world. Our mission is to provide an environment where the youth have an awesome time building friendships, learn to love their Catholic faith, celebrate and embrace the sacraments, and learn to be young servants of God! We would love to see your Middle Schoolers at our Wednesday night events. Please refer to the weekly calendar and bulletin for times and locations. For more information feel free to contact Kris Levy at klevy@standrewsroanoke.org or (540)797-0772 or check out our Facebook Page at *St. Andrew's Roanoke Youth Ministry*.

SAMS – St. Andrew’s Moms

St. Andrew’s Moms - SAMS is a wonderfully dynamic group of women reaching out to encourage and support each other by following Christ’s example to us as we navigate the many chapters of motherhood. SAMS’ mission is to provide mothers (new to veteran moms) with fellowship, support and opportunities to grow in their Catholic faith in order to nurture their children with confidence and Christian values. Through activities such as monthly speakers, Bible Studies, service projects, retreats, social events and discussion – moms are given the opportunity to connect with other Catholic moms in support and friendship. For more information please contact Kris Levy at klevy@standrewsroanoke.org or Maria MacBain at mtrmacbain@icloud.com or check in at our Facebook page at *SAMS – St. Andrew’s Moms*.

SAMS is comprised of four different groups which meet as follows:

SAMS Praying Moms: we begin each meeting with the praying of the Rosary followed by a variety of activities including: speakers, service projects, liturgical celebrations, and socials. ***Praying Moms meet the 1st Monday of each month, 8:30-10:00 am in the Youth Room.***

SAMS Bible Study: our Bible Studies will be focused on growing as Catholic women of faith in the role of wife and mother. ***SAMS Bible Study meets the 2nd Monday of each month 8:30-10:00 am in the Youth Room.***

SAMS Morning Retreats: geared more towards our younger moms supported by our veteran moms. A wide variety of topics will be covered this year at our retreats including: “*Grace between Diapers*”, “*The Importance of the Family Meal*”, “*Having a Fruitful Lent*”, and “*Bringing St. John Paul II’s ‘Theology of the Body’ into the Home*”. ***SAMS Morning Retreats will be the 3rd Monday of each month from 10:30-12:00 noon. Childcare will be provided.***

SAMS Playgroup: moms with infants and preschool age children are invited for playtime and social gathering in the Nursery. ***SAMS Playgroup meets each Wednesday from 10:30-12:00 noon in the St. Andrew’s Nursery.***

Evangelization Team and Adult Formation

In order for St. Andrew's to grow in spirit and in number, the E-Team seeks opportunities to lead St. Andrew's into a vibrant, family oriented community that welcomes and serves. We seek to open the doors to Christ's Love and Truth in our parish and beyond.

Bible Studies

Bible study enables us to better understand Sacred Scripture and make a clearer connection between our everyday life and our faith. There are morning and evening studies available. For more information contact the parish office at (540)344-9814.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process through which interested adults and older children are gradually introduced to the Roman Catholic faith and way of life. If you are interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Chuck Frost at (540)344-9814 or cfrost@standrewsroanoke.org.

Small Christian Communities

Small Christian Communities are groups of parishioners who meet at the parish or in homes providing a forum of friendship, faith sharing, and reflection. Materials and facilitator training are provided for leaders and groups are already started if you would like to join. If you would like to start or join a community, please contact the parish office at (540)344-9814.

Adult Faith Formation

Adult faith formation provides adult Catholics with continuing faith development. Join us Sunday mornings from 10:15-11:15 am in classrooms 2&3 on the lower level of the parish center. For more information, please contact the parish office at (540)344-9814.

Parent Connection

Parents of Confirmation students are invited to come together to learn more about their faith and address topics of concern common to High school students. Programs are held during Confirmation classes at Roanoke Catholic School.

T² (Theology Study)

Theology study is for those who are seeking a deeper and more theological exploration of their faith. Topics will vary. For more information, please contact the parish office at (540)344-9814.

Bible and Brew

Bible and Brew meets four Thursdays per year at Corned Beef & Company* for drinks and meal (if you wish) and a study of Scripture and Faith. Dinner and drinks start at 6 p.m., the study begins at 7:00 pm and ends promptly at 8:00 pm. For more information please contact Chuck Frost at (540)344-9814 or cfrost@standrewsroanoke.org. Watch the bulletin for more information.

*Please note that a venue change is possible, so prior to attending please reach out to Chuck for the most accurate information.

Pastoral Care Ministry

The ministry of pastoral care at St. Andrew's is led by Fr. Kevin Segerblom, Fr. Matt Kiehl, Clergy, and Chuck Frost, Pastoral Associate. Pastoral Care offers a ministry of presence and sacramental distribution during times of illness and other crisis points in the lives of our parishioners. We also offer opportunities for our parishioners to be administrators of pastoral care in a variety of settings, including hospital, nursing home and home visitation.

Outreach to the Elderly

A team of women from the St. Andrew's Women's Club are assigned to various homebound parishioners and make monthly visits with Holy Communion. Men are also welcome to be a

part of this ministry. For more information please contact Chuck Frost at (540)344-9814 or cfrost@standrewsroanoke.org.

Hospital

A team of pastoral care ministers from St. Andrew's visit Roanoke Memorial Hospital on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays and Sundays of each month distributing Holy Communion to those who are identified as Catholic. For more information please contact Chuck Frost at (540)344-9814 or cfrost@standrewsroanoke.org.

Nursing Home Visitation

We are in need of persons who will distribute Holy Communion to those parishioners who are residents of local nursing homes. For more information please contact Chuck Frost at (540)344-9814 or cfrost@standrewsroanoke.org.

Bereavement

Our Bereavement Ministry reaches out to those who have lost loved ones. Our team attends funerals and offers follow up support to grieving families. For more information please contact Chuck Frost at (540)344-9814 or cfrost@standrewsroanoke.org.

Parish Advocate for Persons with Disabilities

Parish Advocate acts on behalf of persons with disabilities to ensure that all are invited to share in the life of the parish. The Advocate serves as liaison between persons with disabilities and St. Andrew's and between St. Andrew's and the Diocesan Ministry for Persons with Disabilities. For more information please contact Chuck Frost at (540)344-9814 or cfrost@standrewsroanoke.org.

Homebound Prayer Ministry

Prayer is an integral part of our faith journey. Our parishioners who are homebound, offer their special gift of intercessory prayer, praying for needs of our parish. For more information, please contact Chuck Frost at (540)344-9814 or cfrost@standrewsroanoke.org.

Music Ministry

Adult Choir

The St. Andrew's Choirs consists of individuals who lead the parish in song at liturgies and sing choral literature relative to the liturgical season or readings of the day. The choir (9:00 and 11:30 am) sings from the Sunday after Labor Day through Pentecost. For special feasts during the year both choirs will join forces to assist those liturgies (*Christmas, Easter, and Confirmation, for example*). A simple, short audition/meeting is required for interested persons. For more information please contact our Minister of Music, Kelly J. Wheelbarger at (540)344-9814 or kwheelbarger@standrewsroanoke.org.

Rehearsal: Thursdays 7:00 pm Music Room (Lower Level of Parish Center)

Women's Ensemble

This auditioned women's group sings once a month at the 5:30 pm Mass. The women who make up this choir are also a part of the larger Adult Choir. For more information contact Kelly Wheelbarger at (540)344-9814 or kwheelbarger@standrewsroanoke.org.

Cantors

The cantors are the psalmists for the Liturgy and assist in encouraging the assembly in their sung responses and hymnody. Cantors are auditioned and sing a rotating weekend schedule. It is expected that cantors be a part of the larger Adult Choir. For more information contact Kelly Wheelbarger at (540)344-9814 or kwheelbarger@standrewsroanoke.org.

Children's Choir

This is a seasonal choir that sings at the 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass each year. Rehearsal schedule, beginning in November, is Sundays after the 11:30 am Mass in the Music Rehearsal Room. For more information contact Kelly Wheelbarger at (540)344-9814 or kwheelbarger@standrewsroanoke.org.

Ecumenical St. Lucy Concert & Festival of Light

Each year on or around December 13 (The Feast Day of St. Lucia), an ecumenical concert involving area churches and musicians is held. The St. Andrew's music personnel participate in this and we are the host parish each year. A combined choir of 60 plus singers is featured for this occasion. Traditionally, a 'Swedish Supper' or a reception precedes or follows the concert. The free will offering benefits Roanoke Area Ministries. For more information contact Kelly Wheelbarger at (540)344-9814 or kwheelbarger@standrewsroanoke.org.

Justice and Peace

All people are created in the image of God and thus, all human life, from conception to natural death, is sacred. Through the mystery of Christ, we become children of the Father and the temples of the Holy Spirit. God's love for all is the foundation of human dignity. The basic dignity that each person possesses comes from God; therefore all forms of discrimination are always wrong. People take precedence over things and structures. Systems are meant to serve people. And people are meant to serve and care for one another. Scripture tells us repeatedly of God's love for us. We are called to see every person through the eyes of God and to love them because God loved them (and us) first.

Sister Parish

The Sister Parish Ministry is dedicated to establishing and deepening relationships between the parishioners of Viet Toc Mission in Vietnam and St. Andrew's Catholic Church.

Respect Life

The Respect Life Committee is comprised of men and women responding to the late St. Pope John Paul II's pressing appeal to "respect, protect, love and serve life, every human life ... for the building of an authentic civilization of truth and love" (*Evangelium Vitae*). Through prayer, education and outreach, the group works to build a culture of life by offering formation experience, as well as promoting character development, healthy choices and chastity among our young people. For more information contact the Parish Office at (540)344-9814.

Bottles for Change

Spare change is collected annually in baby bottles and donated to the Blue Ridge Women's Center. For more information contact the Parish Office at (540)344-9814.

Back Pack

St. Andrew's supplies weekend backpacks with food for economically disadvantaged students at a local city school. Donation bins are located at all the entrances to the Church. If you would like to volunteer your time or funds to this project or for more information, please contact Chuck Frost at (540)344-9814 or cfrost@standrewsroanoke.org.

Migrant Farm Workers

During the month of June, various items are collected to help support the over 7500 documented field pickers working the Virginia fields in Southside and along the Eastern Shore. For more information contact the Parish Office at (540)344-9814.

Family Promise

This is an ecumenical outreach to homeless families. Volunteers from area churches and synagogues provide temporary housing, meals and other assistance to a limited number of families in need. Areas of involvement include meal preparation, tutoring, laundry and clean-up, host church setup / breakdown, and the donation of non-perishable goods. Overnight hosts are needed. For more information please contact Chuck Frost at (540)344-9814 or cfrost@standrewsroanoke.org.

Rescue Mission

At least every other month parishioners volunteer to help cook and serve a meal to our brothers and sisters experiencing homelessness. For more information please contact the parish office at (540)344-9814.

Society of St. Vincent De Paul

Members of the Society of St. Vincent De Paul (or "Vincentians") are men and women who strive to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to individuals in need. They are young and old. Members come in every shade of skin color. Some are wealthy, some are financially poor, but all are blessed with an awareness that blessings (time, talent or treasure) are to be shared with our brothers and sisters in need. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry or have questions please contact Chuck Frost at (540)344-9814 or cfrost@standrewsroanoke.org.

Serving

Pastoral Council Members

Pastoral Council members pray and work closely with pastor and the staff to effect and implement decisions and recommendations of parish ministerial policy and activities. For more information contact Harry Montoro at harry.montoro@verizon.net or (540)363-2532. ***Meets the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Parish Office, September – June.***

Christian Formation Committee

The Christian Formation Committee works towards providing faith formation opportunities for children and youth of the parish. The prime focus is on sacramental preparation for all of the sacraments at all age levels. The committee helps to ensure that all programs are in compliance with the Diocesan Safe Environment Initiatives, which provide for the safety of

our youth. The committee is appointed and meets as needed. For more information please contact Kathy Boyer at the Parish Office (540)344-9814 or kboyer@standrewsroanoke.org.

Liturgy Committee

The Liturgy Committee shares with members of staff the responsibility of implementing Diocesan Liturgical Policy and directing liturgical concerns. For more information please contact Jean Kleba at myladyjean@comcast.net or (540)344-9814. **Meetings are held monthly in the Parish Office.**

Finance Council

Finance Council is to aid the Pastor in the administration of the goods of the parish. This council is made up of members of the Christian faithful selected by the pastor. The Finance Council shall see that proper financial records are maintained for all parish assets and liabilities, revenues and expenses in accord with the Diocesan Finance Office. The Parish Finance Council will assist the pastor in developing a balanced parish budget for each fiscal year according to the priorities and goals set by the Parish Pastoral Council and approved by the Pastor. The Parish Finance Council will oversee all parish investments and all finances relating to the parish. **Meetings are held monthly.** For more information please contact Jill Blanchard at (540)344-9814 or jblanchard@standrewsroanoke.org.

Art & Environment Committee

The Art and Environment Committee coordinates the decoration of the church for the liturgical seasons and events from September through June (dates and times scheduled as needed). For more information, please contact Kelly Wheelbarger at (540)344-9814 or kwheelbarger@standrewsroanoke.org.

Rosary Making

As Catholics we honor Mary, the Mother of our Savior. The Rosary is a prayer of intercession to Our Lady. Parishioners come together to make rosaries which are used for various needs. For more information please contact parish office at (540)344-9814.

Buildings & Grounds Committee

Composed of knowledgeable contractors and tradespeople, the Building Committee is responsible for planning, safety and proper maintenance of the physical properties of the parish. The Committee also works with the Pastor on the Long Term Planning for the parish to insure we meet the needs of the church. **Meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of the month** to discuss issues relevant to concerns and needs. For more information please contact Wayne Gould Facilities maintenance Coordinator at (540)344-9814 ext. #11 or wgould@standrewsroanoke.org.

Dust Bunnies

Volunteers meet weekly to dust the church and the chapels. Both men and women are welcome. For additional information please contact Wayne Gould at (540)344-9814 or wgould@standrewsroanoke.org.

Nursery

Child care for infants through age four is provided Sunday mornings from 9:00 am - 12:30 pm and for Bible studies during the week. Nursery care is available for other church functions when arranged in advance. Volunteers are needed to work with the Nursery Coordinator to provide quality care. Volunteer must be in compliance with the Diocesan Safe Environment Initiatives requirements. For more information, call Jill Blanchard at (540)344-9814 or jblanchard@standrewsroanoke.org.

Manna Cooking

Our youth groups are hungry young people and enjoy being fed dinner at their weekly meetings. If you would like to join our team and become part of our cooking ministry, please contact the Youth Minister for more information at (540)344-9814 or youth@standrewsroanoke.org.

Stitching Group

St. Andrew's Stitching Group share their talents in sewing, crochet, knitting and quilting to make items for the benefit of the parish or charitable organizations within the Roanoke Valley. Current projects are baptism angels for the newly baptized in the Parish and "scent babies" for the NICU at Carillion Roanoke Memorial Hospital; the group encourages donations of crocheted or knitted blankets, shawls, caps from those who cannot attend the meetings but do these items at home. All parishioners are welcome. For more information contact Flora Cantor at floracantor@gmail.com, (540)520-8857. ***Meets on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 1:00 pm in the Social Hall.***

Fellowship

Annual Picnic

The Parish Picnic is open to the entire parish and their families. Food, drink and activities are provided. Volunteers are needed for set-up, cooking and clean-up. The Picnic is held annually in **September on the Sunday following Labor Day**. For information please contact Jeannie McIntyre at (540)344-9814 or jmcintyre@standrewsroanoke.org.

Coffee & Hospitality

Hospitality volunteers serve coffee and donuts, provided by the parish, after all of Sunday Masses. For information please contact Jeannie McIntyre at (540)344-9814 or jmcintyre@standrewsroanoke.org.

Ladies Game Night

Take part in an evening of fun and socializing. All ladies are welcome; bring a favorite game and snack to share. For information please contact Rosemarie Novotny at RNovotny1@verizon.net. ***Meets 3rd Tuesday most months at 6:00 pm in the Social Hall.***

Parish Dinners

To promote fellowship with our parish community, dinners are held throughout the year in the parish social hall. For more information please watch the bulletin or contact the parish office at (540)344-9814. ***2017: October 4, November 8, December 6, 2018: January 3, February 7, April 4, May 2, June 6***

Women's Club

The women of St. Andrew's welcome and encourage all women of the parish to join in a wide range of fellowship opportunities that build community and serve the parish of St. Andrew's. All women of St. Andrew's are invited to participate in our monthly luncheons/meetings which usually include a devotional and guest speaker. Watch the bulletin for dates and time. For information please contact Muriel Kelley at jkelleys1@msn.com or (540)989-8136.

Prayer and Spiritual Formation

Eucharistic Adoration

"In his Eucharistic presence he remains mysteriously in our midst as the one who loved us and gave himself up for us, and he remains under signs that express and communicate this love: The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world. Let our adoration never cease." Catechism of the Catholic Church 1380

Eucharistic Adoration: Thursday from 12:30 - 7:00 pm
Benediction at 6:45 pm

Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

The Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet are prayed each **Saturday morning at 9:00 am in the Church.**

Madonna House

Madonna House is a house of prayer and listening. Founded in 1979 at the request of Bishop Walter Sullivan, it is staffed by three consecrated lay women assigned from the main Madonna House foundation in Canada. It is one of eighteen houses world-wide. People are welcome to visit and chat over a cup of tea, to peruse the Catholic lending library or take quiet time in the chapel with the Blessed Sacrament. Monthly Mass is presided over by local priests. A retreat, called Poustinia, a Russian word meaning desert, is offered to those seeking silence to meditate with Scripture. The retreatant uses one of the two prayer rooms for 24 hours of silence, prayer and fasting. The staff women offer spiritual guidance based on their own journeys in the spiritual life and their formation through a dedicated life in the Catholic Church and Madonna House community. Madonna House is located at 828 Campbell Ave. SW, Roanoke, Va. 24016 and is closed Mondays. Contact them at (540)343-8464.

Cursillo

Founded to help Catholics know Christ better by giving the laity a renewed spirituality and clearer understanding of how Christ can work through them. Cursillo enables you to expand your prayer life, have an on-going study program and share your Faith. There are Group Reunions, Ultreya and Cursillo Weekends. For further information contact Brenda Holtzlander at (540)389-0128 or cbhoho@verizon.net.

Outreach Opportunities and Partnerships

Let us love one another. Jesus makes charity a new commandment.

Roanoke Area Ministries (RAM) House

Under this organization, a comprehensive day shelter/soup kitchen for homeless men, women and children developed as an ecumenical effort on the part of the religious community of Roanoke. Volunteers assist in preparing and serving meals to our brothers and sisters in crisis. Time commitment is as needed. Contact at (540)345-9786.

St. Francis House

This ministry is jointly sponsored by Roanoke area parishes to provide food, clothing and baby items for the needy. It oversees parish involvement. Volunteers assist by sorting and organizing donated items each week day from 8:30 - 11:30 am. Volunteers also take donated food items from their church to St. Francis House each week and on special holidays. Time commitment is as needed. Contact (540)342-7561.

Roanoke Rescue Mission

Our parish volunteers every other month to help cook and serve meals to our brothers and sisters in crisis. Since 1948, the Rescue Mission has carried on a tradition of helping those in crisis. It is a Christ-centered organization offering people help physically, psychologically, socially and spiritually. The homeless, the hungry, the sick, the addicted, the abused and the hopeless all find a warm welcome at the Rescue Mission. There are many opportunities for volunteer help from serving in the Thrift Store, to stuffing Christmas Cards, to helping at the Drumstick Dash as registrars, marshals or in crowd control. For more information, contact the Volunteer Coordinator at (540)777-7651.

Blue Ridge Women's Center

Since 1984, more than 15,000 women have trusted the Blue Ridge Women's Center with their most personal needs. We specialize in the well-being of women and their families with free pregnancy testing, counseling, classes for women and couples and other support services. Volunteers may go online to www.supportblueridge.org for an application or call (540)362-4357.

Independence for Seniors

This group provides services to older adults who wish to live independently. Reassurance program volunteers contact clients from a call center and are scheduled one or two hours a week. Others assist in social activities and programs at low-income senior housing communities. Contact (540)278-1650.

Supervised Visitation for Children

This program was established to promote safe and comforting court-ordered visits between children and non-custodial parents. Volunteers monitor visits. Contact Catholic Charities for more information at (540)342-7561.

Refugee and Resettlement Program This ministry is under the auspices of the Diocese of Richmond. It assists refugees with housing, furnishings, clothing, food, job

placement and language training. Time commitment is as needed. Training and orientation is provided. Contact (540)342-7561 ext.320.

Our Lady of the Valley Retirement Community

With a legacy of caring and serving generations for over 20 years, Our Lady of the Valley focuses on the personal well-being of its residents. The life enrichment programs, delicious cuisine, dedicated staff and friendly neighbors all combine to create a community that inspires the individual spirit. Volunteers are always needed and welcomed for such diverse activities as Bingo, cards, musical interludes and other social activities. Contact (540)344-5111.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is a worldwide organization with local councils in the community to foster its four principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity and Patriotism. We have an outstanding fraternal benefits program for our members and their families. We are the largest Catholic family fraternal service organization in the world. Our five service areas are Church, Family, Youth, Community and Council. To learn more, visit our web site in Roanoke at www.Kofc562.org.

Red Cross Blood Drive

We work with the Red Cross to sponsor blood drives. Please watch the bulletin for future scheduled drives or contact the Parish office at (540)344-9814.

Ancient Order of Hibernians

This is the oldest and largest Irish Catholic men's organization in the United States. It is dedicated to Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity. You must be Irish by birth or descent and a practicing Roman Catholic to become a member. Meetings are the second Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm. Contact Paul Yengst at pyengst@aohroanoke.org or Rick Corcoran at (540)556-5095 for information.

Roanoke Catholic School

"Blending learning with faith and faith with daily life." Roanoke Catholic is a college preparatory Catholic school serving students from Pre-K through Grade 12, located on the St. Andrew's Hill, at 621 North Jefferson St. Roanoke, VA 24016. For information about enrollment contact the school at (540)982-3532 or www.roanokecatholic.com.

Commonwealth Catholic Charities

Commonwealth Catholic Charities has worked to alleviate human suffering and restore hope, dignity and opportunities of Virginia's residents since 1923. Their mission is to provide quality, compassionate human services to all people, especially the most vulnerable, regardless of faith. Their vision is to empower individuals, strengthen families, and build communities through faith and service. They can be reached at (540)342-0411.

Little Flowers Girls Club

Little Flowers Girls' Club is a Catholic club for girls ages five and up that teaches virtues through scripture, saints' biographies and the Catechism for the Catholic Church.