



Palm Sunday
April 5, 2020

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**Moving St. Andrew Catholic Community closer to
Jesus Christ through growing in
Faith, Service and Welcoming.**
Parish Mission Statement

On The Lenten Journey Into Holy Week

+Today is one of those unique days in the Church calendar, when there are two Gospels passages very different in tone and sentiment. Put on your thinking caps and recall...at the beginning of the liturgy, with a presentation of an enthusiastic and exuberant crowd as Jesus enters into Jerusalem, the capital of David's kingdom. Along the way He is regaled and hailed as *Son of David; the prophet, from Nazareth;* and the one who *comes in the name of the Lord*. He gets the red-carpet treatment: cloaks and cut branches from the trees strewn on the dusty road. There are cries of Hosanna piercing the air as the crowd continues to grow in size. The voices cry out a mixture of scriptural quotations and messianic aspirations. Our little procession at the beginning of mass try to help us recall this aspect of the day much better.

Then, as the Mass progresses – and somewhat all of a sudden – the mood changes. Our Gospel announces that the king has been degraded to the level of a common criminal. The victory confetti is replaced by whips, spitting, and choking dust. Jesus the prophet and Davidic Savior is now Jesus the criminal, the blasphemer, the rebel. The donkey that carried Him in triumph has disappeared, and on his own back He now carries the heavy and awkward cross. Cries of celebration have turned to calls for death; shouts of joy have given way to the sound of the lash; the parade has become an execution march. How could have things changed so drastically in such a little time? The same goes for us today, now carrying our crosses, whereas just a short time ago, we had never thought the health of the entire world would have changed to dramatically. Like Jesus, how have our lives come to this in such short time?

It is enough to make our spiritual head spin. For in this yearly remembrance of the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus, we are well-reminded of the nature of our own temptations and sins. We can often find ourselves with Jesus for the easy part of the journey, but then vanish like the wind when the pressure rises and the threats of suffering fill the air.

We need to examine how deep is our own loyalty to Christ in a world where faith is so easily mocked and the name of Christ so easily denigrated. We think about the times when we want to skip ahead to the empty tomb without first walking to Calvary. As Jesus tells us, the human spirit can be very willing, but the flesh very weak. But there can be no resurrection without the cross; there can be no new life without first dying to oneself. There is no Easter without Good Friday.

While the reality of our situation doesn't allow us to actually celebrate this most important aspect of our faith in community, let us not forget to be mindful and pray through this week, knowing how **in spirit** we are members of the Body of Christ here at St. Andrew. Let us not think we have a "free pass" from recalling and praying and

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Covid-19: A Prayer of Solidarity

For all who have contracted coronavirus,
We pray for care and healing.

For those who are particularly
vulnerable,
We pray for safety and protection.

For all who experience fear or anxiety,
We pray for peace of mind and spirit.

For affected families who are facing
difficult decisions between food on
the table or public safety,
We pray for policies that recognize
their plight.

For those who do not have adequate
health insurance,
We pray that no family will face
financial burdens alone.

For those who are afraid to access care
due to immigration status,
We pray for recognition of the
God-given dignity of all.

For our brothers and sisters around the
world,
We pray for shared solidarity.

For public officials and decision makers,
We pray for wisdom and guidance.

Father, during this time may your Church
be a sign of hope, comfort and love to
all.

Grant peace.

Grant comfort.

Grant healing.

Be with us, Lord.

Amen.

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Weekend			Weekday	
Masses: Saturday Suspended Sunday Suspended			Masses: Suspended Chaplet of Divine Mercy:	Rosary:
Reconciliation: Suspended			Anointing of the Sick <i>please contact the Parish Office 248.651.7486</i>	
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uniting ourselves to Jesus in a most special way – we walking with Him – and for us humans, He walking with us each step of the way. Let us keep our eyes fixed firmly on Jesus during this Holy Week. Let us taken note of his patience, his total and unyielding dedication to doing the will of the Father fully and completely. Then let us take up our cross and follow Him, so that having shared in his cross, we might share too in his resurrection.

+While we continue to struggle through this pandemic, let us reach out to one another in kindness and support – a call, a notecard, a text or email. While we cannot be together (and I can't tell you how strange that is for we priests), we are united in Jesus and in our prayer. Know we will keep trying to offer some liturgies electronically in various ways. Know that Fr. Tom and I are doing our daily, private masses for the intentions requested by you folks (it helps me stay somewhat connected!). And while I "know" the dates that are touted as "returning to normal," I don't think as I write this article on March 26, that I see it happening. We have to work together to get us back on track with our health in our communities.

In closing, let me offer a BIG, *sincere* **THANK YOU** to those who have continued to financially support the parish during these times. Being blunt, by the time Easter celebrations would have concluded, these four Sundays have cost us over \$225,000 in lost collections. Maybe in your heart, you can help us, please.

+Know of my prayers. God bless – and looking forward to a safe, healthy time when we can celebrate in church!

-Msgr. Mike (with thoughts from
FAITH Catholic Publishing)

Palm Sunday

On this day of great rejoicing,
Lord Jesus Christ, when we welcome
You as our King and Savior,
we also walk in the shadow of Your cross.
Hosanna! we cry.
Blessed are You who come
in God's name to save us.
Hosanna!
Strengthen our faith on this Palm Sunday
so that when the time comes
to carry the cross we might still
call out to You with heartfelt praise.
Give us the grace and the courage
to follow You this Holy Week
from death to resurrection,
from darkness to the fullness of light.
We need You,
Lord Jesus Christ, our Savior.
Hosanna!



TEMPORARY OFFICE HOURS APRIL 5 - APRIL 12* CLOSED

Emails and voicemails will be monitored

WE LOOK FORWARD TO RESUMING
REGULAR HOURS

* as of March 27

Formed.org has the following
resources available to help with
preparation for Holy Week. You
can check out the following
Lighthouse talks.

Holy Week by Dr. Brant Pitre

*Jesus and the Jewish Roots of the
Eucharist*

by Dr. Brant Pitre,
[English](#) and [Spanish](#)

*"God never disturbs the
joy of his children except
to send a greater joy."*

From *The Betrothed*
by Alessandro Manzoni

4 Christian Service

Do You Need Help?

St. Andrew Parishioners who are at higher risk from Coronavirus, including older adults and those with chronic medical conditions, or who are currently self-quarantining are encouraged to call the parish office or visit <http://bit.ly/COVID19assistance> to sign up to receive assistance including grocery and prescription delivery.

Want to Help?

If you are a parishioner in good health and 59 years of age or younger, please consider volunteering to help deliver groceries and prescription medications to parishioners at higher risk for serious illness from COVID19. Those interested can sign up by calling or emailing Sam Jennings at samj@standrewchurch.org or visiting <http://bit.ly/COVID19Volunteer>.

Coronavirus Response: Pray, Study, Act

As Catholics, we are called to respond to this crisis with prayer and study, but also through action on behalf of others, especially those at the margins who are vulnerable to COVID-19 due to social, economic and political factors.

These actions include acts of personal charity (picking up groceries for an elderly neighbor, donating items, volunteering at a food pantry etc) as well as advocating for the protection of the most vulnerable, including the elderly, those with pre-existing health conditions, those in jail or detention, the poor and those without insurance, those who have lost their jobs, and workers without access to childcare or paid sick leave.

Below is a list of resources to help Catholics learn more and respond to those in need with love and justice.

- **Care for the Vulnerable and COVID-19**

<https://bit.ly/2y6x1p4> This reflection is an excellent resource and includes prayer, action items, and opportunities to learn more.

- **Pax Christi**

<https://paxchristiusa.org/coronavirus-response-pray-study-act/> This site is updated frequently and includes ways for you to learn more, pray for those on the margins, and take action on behalf of the poor. Includes reflections on the Lenten readings in light of the pandemic.

- **Virtual Way of the Cross for Economic and Ecological Justice April 10**

<https://bit.ly/2QHzNHw>

- **CORONAVIRUS RESOURCES: Responding in Prayer, Reflection, and Solidarity**

<https://ignatiansolidarity.net/coronavirus-covid-19-solidarity-resources/>

- **Neighborhood House: Urgent!**

Our friends over at Neighborhood House, a non-profit which seeks to help our neighbors experiencing hardship, is in urgent need of food! Please consider donating food, or grocery store gift cards.

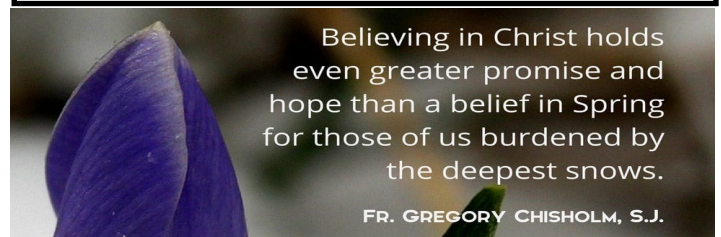


FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Canned chicken
- Canned tuna
- Beef Stew
- Kidney Beans
- Garbanzo beans
- White beans,
- Black beans
- Cereal
- Oatmeal
- Pasta
- Pasta sauce
- Juice
- Juice boxes
- Lunch box
- snacks
- Personal hand sanitizers
- Toilet paper

THANK YOU!!

Please bring your donations to the Food Pantry at the First Congregational Church at 1315 N. Pine Street Monday through Thursday or Saturday from 10am to noon.



Believing in Christ holds even greater promise and hope than a belief in Spring for those of us burdened by the deepest snows.

FR. GREGORY CHISHOLM, S.J.

ST ANDREW YOUTH

EASTER COOKIE STORY

To be made on Good Friday and eaten on Easter



You will need

1c. whole pecans ~ 1 tsp. vinegar
3 egg whites ~ a pinch salt ~ 1c. sugar
zipper baggie ~ wooden spoon
tape ~ Bible

1. Preheat oven to 300
2. Place pecans in zipper baggie and let children beat them with the wooden spoon to break into small pieces. Explain that after Jesus was arrested, the Roman soldiers beat him. *Read John 19:1-3.*
3. Let each child smell the vinegar. Put 1 tsp. vinegar into mixing bowl. Explain that when Jesus was thirsty on the cross he was given vinegar to drink. *Read John 19:28-30.*
4. Add egg whites to vinegar. Eggs represent life. Explain that Jesus gave His life to give us life. *Read John 10:10-11.*
5. Sprinkle a little salt into each child's hand. Let them taste it and brush the rest into the bowl. Explain that this represents the salty tears shed by Jesus' followers, and the bitterness of our own sin. *Read Luke 23:27.*
6. So far the ingredients are not very appetizing. Add 1c. sugar. Explain that the sweetest part of the story is that Jesus died because He loves us. He wants us to know and belong to Him. *Read Ps. 34:8 and John 3:16.*
7. Beat with a mixer on high speed for 12 to 15 minutes until stiff peaks are formed. Explain that the color white represents the purity in God's eyes of those whose sins have been cleansed by Jesus. *Read Isaiah. 1:18 and John 3:1-3.*
8. Fold in broken nuts. Drop by teaspoons onto wax paper covered cookie sheet. Explain that each mound represents the rocky tomb where Jesus' body was laid. *Read Matt. 27:57-60.*
9. Put the cookie sheet in the oven, close the door and turn the oven OFF. Give each child a piece of tape and seal the oven door. Explain that Jesus' tomb was sealed. *Read Matt. 27:65-66.*
10. GO TO BED! Explain that they may feel sad to leave the cookies in the oven overnight. Jesus' followers were in despair when the tomb was sealed. *Read John 16:20 and 22.*
11. On Easter morning, open the oven and give everyone a cookie. Notice the cracked surface and take a bite. The cookies are hollow! On the first Easter Jesus' followers were amazed to find the tomb open and empty.

Don't forget to keep checking the St. Andrew Youth Ministry webpage.

Remember that even though we are apart physically, I am still here for your teen and your family. Please reach out with prayer requests, concerns, just to say HI!, or to share funny stories.

Praying for your whole family!

Blessings, Margaret Kozak

"YOUTH NIGHT"

6 pm to 8 pm
In the Activities Building
unless otherwise noted
Some join us for
Food, Fellowship and Fun.
Friends are always Welcome!
For more information
please contact me.

MARGARETK@STANDREWCHURCH.ORG

OR

Text this message @stay2020
to number 81010

March & April

- 5th ~ virtual "Youth Night"
- 12th ~ Happy Easter
- 19th ~ We will see what happens...
- 26th ~ We will see what happens...

Sunday Night 8 to 9

PROJECTYM.COM/WATCH

Events may change or others may be added. Sign up for REMIND to get the most up to date information

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Make Holy Week Truly Holy

There is plenty to do at home to make the week special for you and your family. The following are some suggestions from "Our Path of Love," reflections from Connie Clark, Twenty-Third Publications.

Palm Sunday: Plan and prepare a meal together. Decorate your table using palm branches as the centerpiece, maybe the palms you made for your procession as described in last week's bulletin.

Monday of Holy Week: Get in touch with family members you rarely see. Send a letter or card that includes pictures or notes from your kids.

Tuesday of Holy Week: Light a candle for children all around the world. Invite your kids to pray for them.

Wednesday of Holy Week: This is traditionally a day for spring cleaning. Make a list of tasks and get everyone involved to prepare for Easter. Then relax and enjoy your clean home.

Holy Thursday: Read John 13:1-15 and reenact the washing of the feet, just as it usually done at Mass on this day.

Good Friday: Spend a little quiet time between noon and 3pm. Read from the bible, an inspirational book, stations of the cross, or just look at the cross together.

Holy Saturday: Talk about the Lenten practice that was meaningful for you this year. Is it something you could practice throughout the year?

Easter Sunday: Greet one another with "Christ is Risen!" Eat, sing, dance, play, pray and praise with your family today. Let the risen Jesus be with you in all your celebrations. Celebrate God's love all year!

Blessings for a very Holy Week,
Maureen Schreffler, Director of Faith Formation



Final Family Gathering for
1st Eucharist
that was scheduled for
March 29
was cancelled
and will not be rescheduled.

Please go to our parish website,
standrewchurch.org
for information on helping your child
practice for First Eucharist.
Our prayers are with all our families
at this time.

Religious Education Schedule

Religious Ed classes have been temporarily suspended. We hope to resume on April 13.
Please watch for updates.

Readings for the Week of April 6

April 6

Isaiah 42:1-7
John 12:1-11

April 7

Isaiah 49:1-6
John 13:21-33, 36-38

April 8

Isaiah 50:4-9a
Matthew 26:14-25

April 9

Holy Thursday
Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14
Psalm 116
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-15

April 10

Good Friday
Isaiah 52:13—53:12
Psalm 31
Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9
John 18:1—19:42

April 11

Holy Saturday
Genesis 1:1—2:2, Psalm 104
Genesis 22:1-18, Psalm 16
Exodus 14:15—15:1, Exodus 15
Isaiah 54:5-14, Psalm 30
Isaiah 55:1-11, Isaiah 12
Baruch 3:9-15, 32—4:4,
Psalm 19
Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28,
Psalm 42
Romans 6:3-11, Psalm 118
Matthew 28:1-10

April 12

Easter Sunday
Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Psalm 118
Colossians 3:1-4 or
1 Corinthians 5:6b-8
John 20:1-9 or
Matthew 28:1-10



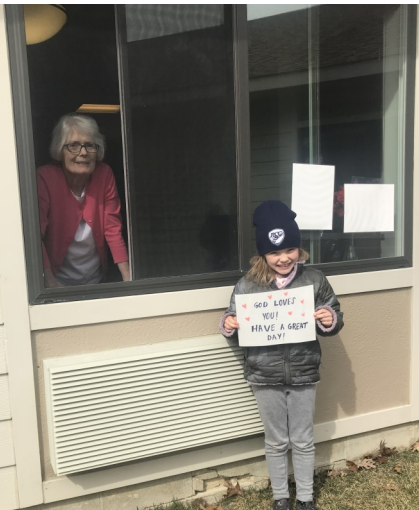
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VIRTUAL SPIRIT WEEK

We celebrated a Virtual Spirit week to help our students feel connected to one another and their teachers while we learn from home. It was great to see the creative ways families are showing their school spirit, serving others, spending time together, discovering their favorite book and adjusting to learning at home. May God bless our entire school community, a true holy family!



Prayer Requests

All men & women in the military
& family members
Kenneth Beattie
Donna Christie
Patrick Beattie
Louise Carlson
Mark Kujawski
Tony Wojcik
Ken Kwiatkowski
Sally Dupack
Mary Grace
Elias Agirokastritis
Joanne Landry
Karen Holland
Mary Ellen O'Connor
Cameron Kostiz
Tina Denison
David Dehn
Diane Fayle
Caterina Basile
Norman Rosinski
Rebecca Nowakowski
Mary Abraham
The unborn child of Antonio
Walter Gieselmann
Paul Yezback
Sharon Nowakowski
Jordan Baker
Jack Waters
Gary J. Rogers
Aaron Edward Kurmas
Pat Fiorini
Alexander Fabian
Lucas Fabian
William J.H. Smith
Paul Maxwell
Russ LaBruzzy
Mary Pearsall
Mary Ann Ranger
Mike Helms
Ryan Mele
Mary Ziaja
Janet McGarry
Thomas Whitlow
Mary Louise Kaufeld
Therese Tyll
Norine Brum
Patty Miller
Paul & Tracy Jacque
Elizabeth Jary
Barbara Gunn

Mass Intentions for the Week of April 5
 (Intentions are still being prayed for by our priests)

SUNDAY	April 5, 2020	
8:00 am	For the People of St Andrew	
10:00 am	✦ Manny Yasso	Yasso Family
	✦ Edward Herman	Elaine Herman
	✦ John & Ethel Baisley	Hughse Family
12:00 pm	✦ Diana Davila	Carlos Villarreal
	✦ Stanley Sikorski	Shankin Family
	✦ Edward & Helen Shankin	Shankin Family
5:00 pm	For All Those Buried at Guardian Angel Cemetery During the Last Month	
MONDAY	April 6, 2020	
8:15 am	For the People of St Andrew	
TUESDAY	April 7, 2020	
8:15 am	For the People of St Andrew	
WEDNESDAY	April 8, 2020	
8:15 am	✦ Grace & Joseph Cass	Mary Abela
	✦ Maria Hernandez	Her Son
	✦ Catalina Yago	Thet Family
THURSDAY	April 9, 2020	
	Holy Thursday	
	For the People of St Andrew	
FRIDAY	April 10, 2020	
	Good Friday	
SATURDAY	April 11, 2020	
	Holy Saturday	
8:00 pm	For the People of St Andrew	
SUNDAY	April 12, 2020	
	Easter Sunday	
8:00 am	For the People of St Andrew	
10:00 am	For the People of St Andrew	
12:00 pm	For the People of St Andrew	



Pray for