



## Sixth Sunday of Easter May 17, 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 Easter Journey

+In today's Gospel, Jesus says, *If you love me, you will keep my commandments*. This assertion is meant not for just his contemporary disciples; it is intended for all who choose to follow Jesus. And for the first half of the sentence to be true, the second half must be fulfilled.

Loving Jesus begins, as St. Peter would later write, by sanctify[ing] Christ as Lord in [our] hearts. Evidence that the early disciples understood what it meant to love Jesus is found in Philip's ministry in Samaria. When Philip went to this Samaritan city, he did not just proclaim Jesus as Messiah. He expressed his faith through his witness, and all who heard him and saw the signs he was doing, believed. They believed because Philip did these works in Jesus' name - working with the Holy Spirit and imitating Jesus, who did perfectly the will of God.

If we love Jesus, then, we will continue to be, as Jesus was, a voice for the voiceless – the grieving, the abandoned, the persecuted. We will understand that Jesus' ministry of love did not end with his death, but continues through his body – the Church. Through baptism, we enter into Christ's prophetic, royal, and priestly ministry.

This call to love Jesus by following his commandments to love and care for our neighbors is challenging – and probably much more so during this time of pandemic. For this reason, Jesus did not abandon us to carry out this ministry of love with support. He sent his Spirit to abide with us, guarding us, guiding us, showing the way and strengthening us with God's grace.

It is comforting to know that we are not alone, no matter how much "social distancing" is still important for us to practice. With the grace of the Holy Spirit, we become witnesses to the Resurrection and nourish the world with spiritual fruits. As Saint Teresa of Avila wrote, "Christ has no body on earth without us." So if we do not speak and act for Christ, who will?

Let us not be afraid to be strong, bold missionary disciples in our world today!

+Because of the disruptions of the Covid19 pandemic, all parishes have been given an extension for budget submissions from May 15 to June 15. This is to help adjust for the many changes that will undoubtedly have to take place because of the changes to parish worship and overall life. A couple of highlights for us to consider here at St. Andrew include:

-we have "closed out" the building project, and the final debt will be about \$2.6M (less than the allowed \$3M). For our first year, we will only have to make monthly interest payments of just over \$11k, and then move to a full principle/interest payment of \$26k/month the following year.

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### Readings for the Week of May 18

#### May 18

*St John I*

Acts 16:11-15

John 15:26—16:4

#### May 19

Acts 16:22-34

John 16:5-11

#### May 20

*St Bernadine of Siena*

Acts 17:15, 22—18:1

John 16:12-15

#### May 21

*St Christopher Magallanes &  
Companions*

Acts 18:1-8

John 16:12-15

#### May 22

*St Rita of Cascia*

Acts 18:9-18

John 16:20-23

#### May 23

Acts 18:23-28

John 16:23b-28

#### May 24

*Ascension of the Lord*

Acts 1:1-11

Psalm 47

Ephesians 1:17-23

Matthew 28:16-20



## 2 St. Andrew Staff Directory, Councils & Commissions

Weekend	Weekday
<b>Masses:</b> Saturday Suspended Sunday Suspended	<b>Masses:</b> Suspended <b>Chaplet of Divine Mercy:</b>  <b>Anointing of the Sick</b> <i>please contact the Parish Office 248.651.7486</i>
<b>Reconciliation:</b> Suspended	<b>Rosary:</b>

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## On The Journey (continued from page 1)

-unless offertory/donation increase, we will have to adjust our expenses down to live within our means – that is, there will have to be cuts to accommodate our income level. I want to thank everyone who has been supporting us and the “behind the scenes” ministries that continue to go on, and the planning for future level of activities. Your sacrifices and renewed support will help us get back up to previous levels sooner rather than later.

-I beg that you consider your parish financial support and help us pick-up where we left off before all this struck back in March. Without your assistance, we will be unable to continue all the great many activities that we had already implemented and the many more ideas put into place that we were hoping to weave into the fabric of our parish life and ministry.

+Thank you for all the help you have offered to me in my recovery. What is often said is that for every day in the hospital, it takes a week to recover; for me that would be 12 weeks before getting fully back into the swing of things. I thank the many chefs who have been sending food; I know it seems like forever already, but I have just been home a month; your continued support is much appreciated.

I don't know what the next couple weeks will have in store for me; I hope to get the colonoscopy once I can get in safely. My therapy is going fairly well; stairs continue to pose a little bit of a challenge right now. My spirits – well, it's a real challenge to manage in a limited world inside the rectory. But I know with prayers, and the grace of God through the intercession of Our Lady and Blessed Solanus and St. Andrew, all things are possible through Jesus. Jesus, I trust in you – we all do! So please help us now and every day of our lives!

thank you!

+Know of my prayers. God bless – looking forward to when we can celebrate together in church!

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



## The Gospel in the age of Covid-19

Today's Gospel reading comes from the Gospel of John. Throughout his various writings, John mentions the word “Love” many times, from the straightforward “God is Love” (1 John 4:8) to the infamous John 3:16 that we often see on signs at sporting events, “For God so loved the world that he sent his only son.” And of course there is the command to “love one another” (John 13:34, 15:12). Today we hear “If you love me you will keep my commandments”, but what exactly does this mean? Remember here, Jesus is not referring to a list of duties or prescribed acts to follow, but the more broad command that he gave to “love God and love your neighbor as yourself”. It would seem simple, to love others, but in reality, what we observe and what we experience is that this is more challenging when put into practice. For Jesus, love has no bounds and no limits. For Jesus, love is sacrifice for the greater good for the other and for Jesus that was to the extreme of giving his life for us. To love another is to see the other as we see ourselves, so that their needs are as important as our own.

Over the course of the last several weeks I have seen both examples of selfishness, the antithesis of our call to love others and to the opposite extreme, great acts of sacrificial love. We all have the opportunity to show love for others, in even the simplest way. Recently I was disheartened by the report on the news of the employee at a Dollar General who was shot and killed because he asked a customer to wear a mask. Wearing a mask may be irritating or uncomfortable, but that discomfort is temporary. When we are allowed to return to Mass at Church, we most likely will be wearing masks, not only for our good, but for the good of the other. We will show love to the other by protecting them from the potential spread of a disease that we know causes great pain and suffering for all who are afflicted with the disease and we know that many who contract the disease do not survive. Our acts of love may not call us to sacrifice our life as Jesus did, but to move beyond ourselves and to place ourselves at the service of others. In this way we will show that Jesus lives in us and are responding to his command.

## 4 Masks / RCIA / Graduation

### St. Andrew Parishioners— Can You Help By Making Masks?

As we move forward in the coming days we are asked to wear masks to keep ourselves and others safe as we go out and begin living a “new normal”. Are you able to help make masks for Senior Citizens or those who don’t have access or the means to services that provide masks?

If you are able to help by sewing masks, providing materials for masks, or would like to learn more about this effort, please contact Susan Kowalski ([susank@standrewchurch.org](mailto:susank@standrewchurch.org)).

Please stay well, stay safe, and may God grant you His blessings and His peace. We look forward to the time when we can all be together again as one parish community at the Eucharistic Table of Our Lord.

— Susan Kowalski, RCIA & Evangelization



### Rite of Christian Initiation Asking for Your Continued Prayers



Our RCIA Catechumen (Ryan) and Candidates (Jacqueline, Donna, Charlie, Adam, and Carl) have been diligently and spiritually preparing to enter our Church at the Easter Vigil. Unfortunately, they will have to wait until a future date that has not yet been determined. Please continue to pray for these individuals that God may give them the grace to continue to persevere in faith and this additional time of prayer and preparation will lead them into a greater joy when they finally enter into full initiation of the Easter Sacraments.

Susan Kowalski—RCIA Coordinator

### **St. Andrew Graduation Recognition Photos**

While Covid-19 has certainly changed how those graduating are recognized this year, St. Andrew Parish is proud to recognize those members of our parish community who are graduating from high school, college or other professional programs. This year, graduates are invited to submit a wallet size photo for a special page in the June 7, 2020 bulletin. Photos can be submitted electronically to

[chrisk@standrewchurch.org](mailto:chrisk@standrewchurch.org)

Please include the graduate’s name and school.

To ensure having photos in the parish bulletin, please submit your photos as soon as possible, but no later than May 29.





Pope Francis invites us to celebrate **Laudato Si' Week** from **May 16-24**, a nine-day global campaign celebrating the theme: "Everything is Connected."

This week is an opportunity to learn, act, and pray about the threat posed by climate change.

We're also in a moment of crisis in the wake of the coronavirus pandemic. As new economies and new ways of caring for the most vulnerable arise, we have a critical opportunity to come together to ensure the new way of life is better than what came before. Laudato Si' teaches us how to create a more just and sustainable world together. For additional recourses, please visit <https://bit.ly/LaudatoSiWeek20>.



### Do you need help?

#### **St. Andrew is here for you!**

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

### Serve Together

Interested in helping during this crisis? Here are a few ways for you to get involved.



- **La Casa Amiga**

Catholic Charities of Southeast Michigan is working hard to serve those in need in our community and is in need of in-kind donations for its *La Casa Amiga* Food Pantry in Pontiac. This program allows low income immigrant families to receive basic food resources during the COVID-19 crisis. For more information, on how to get involved please visit <https://ccsem.org/covid-19-outreach-and-resources/ways-to-get-involved/>.



- **Covid-19 Emergency Fund**

Our friends over at Neighborhood House, a non-profit which provides food, clothing, and other essential items for our neighbors in need, is in urgent need of donations and food!

Please consider donating via our personal St. Andrew Parish Donation Page at <https://bit.ly/3fpExfE/>

For more information on how to donate items, please visit <https://www.ranh.org/coronavirus-updates>.

- **Pick up groceries & prescriptions for St. Andrew Parishioners**

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](mailto:samj@standrewchurch.org) or visiting [bit.ly/COVID19Volunteer](http://bit.ly/COVID19Volunteer)



- **TAKE ACTION: Covid-19**

As Catholics, we believe that every life matters. Contact your representatives to make sure that immigrants and refugees have access to the life-saving treatment and testing regardless of their immigration status. For more information, please visit <https://justiceforimmigrants.org/action-alerts/alert-to-congress-on-further-covid-19-actions/>





## ROCKY RAILWAY JESUS' POWER PULLS US THROUGH VBS 2020 AT-HOME VERSION

Add to your fun this summer with VBS-in-a-Box! Use the form below to register. We know that Jesus' Power will pull us through these uncertain times!

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

(Please list additional names on back.) AGES PK (4yrs.) to 5th GRADE

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

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- ✓ Fee: \$25 per child. Cash or check (made out to St. Andrew VBS) can be dropped off in the Parish Office or mailed to St. Andrew, 1400 Inglewood, Rochester, MI 48307.
- ✓ Registration form and fee due by June 1. We must receive the fee to process your registration and \_\_\_\_\_ place our order.
- ✓ VBS-in-a-Box pick-up will take place the week of June 22 (day and time to be determined) in the St. Andrew parking lot.
- ✓ All aboard for fun!

### Confirmation Preparation

The May Teen Sessions for Confirmation have been postponed and will be rescheduled. We will keep you posted.

In the meantime, you can still be thinking about your service experiences. Do you like to sew? Maybe you can make masks to donate. Are there elderly neighbors for whom you could do yard work? Get creative!

Stay safe and healthy. You are all in our prayers.

Blessings, Maureen Schreffler  
Director of Faith Formation



# ST ANDREW YOUTH



May you be ever joyful, as we realize the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives, bestowing upon us the gifts of the Spirit.

Jesus came to instruct and teach His followers that another will come after He is gone. The Paraclete—"advocate" or "instructor." An advocate's roles are: 1) to defend, and 2) to instruct. Jesus was the first Paraclete. The Holy Spirit is the "other." The Holy Spirit continues to defend, strengthen, help, and instruct those who have been marked by the Spirit.

The outpouring of the Holy Spirit is celebrated in many ways—one way is through constant guidance and outpouring of the gifts. The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit are wisdom, understanding, right judgment, courage (fortitude), knowledge, reverence (piety), and wonder and awe. Put those together and we have a sense of joy in knowing we are following the Lord Jesus. We are Loved so much that we are never alone, the Holy Spirit is with us always.

Do you feel the Holy Spirit?  
Which one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit do you exhibit the most?  
Which gift do you feel you need right now?  
How can you show that you are filled with the Holy Spirit?

reflection from: <https://reflectionsbybob.weebly.com/may-17-2020---6th-sunday-of-easter.html>

## ZOOM NIGHTS

Please email or text me through REMIND for login information to our zoom meetings.

Bibleproject.com ~  
How to read the Bible



## PROJECTYM.COM/WATCH

In case your family missed it last Sunday night, I wanted to share the link to the replay. If you have a few minutes (sixty actually), go to the link below to learn, worship, and pray along with us.

The link below also has a PDF you can print out with some discussion questions and prayer to encourage family conversation and prayer based on the content from last Sunday night. I hope you take advantage of this opportunity to faith share and grow closer together as a family spiritually.

ACCESS THE REPLAY HERE: [PROJECTYM.COM/REPLAY](https://projectym.com/replay)

## "YOUTH NIGHT"

6-8pm  
In the Activities Building  
unless otherwise noted  
Some are in person and some are virtual.  
Feel free to join and join.  
Friends are always welcome!  
For more information on please contact me.

[MARGARETK@STANDREWCHURCH.ORG](mailto:MARGARETK@STANDREWCHURCH.ORG)  
OR

TEXT THIS MESSAGE @STAY2020  
TO NUMBER 81010

## MAY

17<sup>th</sup> ~ Virtual "Youth Night"

19<sup>th</sup> ~ Zoom Night  
21<sup>st</sup> ~ Zoom Night



24<sup>th</sup> ~ Virtual "Youth Night"

26<sup>th</sup> ~ Zoom Night  
28<sup>st</sup> ~ Zoom Night



Sunday Night 8 to 9  
[PROJECTYM.COM/WATCH](https://projectym.com/watch)

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

Don't forget to check out the website [standrewchurch.org/faith-formation/stayg/](https://standrewchurch.org/faith-formation/stayg/) for activities to do with your family

Please know that I am here for your teen and your family. Please reach out with prayer requests, concerns, just to say HI! or to share funny stories.

Miss you all!  
Praying for your whole family!

Blessings, Margaret Kozak

**Prayer Requests**

All men & women in the military  
& family members  
Debra Aouate  
Laurie Hasselwander  
Tarik Dinha, Sr  
Mary Richards  
Msgr. Mike  
Doreen Valente  
Kenneth Beattie  
Donna Christie  
Patrick Beattie  
Louise Carlson  
Mark Kujawski  
Ken Kwiatkowski  
Sally Dupack  
Mary Grace  
Elias Agirokastroitis  
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

**Mass Intentions for the Week of May 17**  
 (Intentions are still being prayed for by our priests)

<b>SUNDAY</b>		<b>May 17, 2020</b>	
8:00 am		For the People of St Andrew	
10:00 am		For All Those Pursuing Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life	
12:00 pm	✦	Shirley Reaume	Reaume Family
	✦	Mary Kay Reaume	Reaume Family
5:00 pm		For the People of the Pontiac Area Vicariate	
<b>MONDAY</b>		<b>May 18, 2020</b>	
8:15 am		For the People Of St Andrew	
<b>TUESDAY</b>		<b>May 19, 2020</b>	
8:15 am	✦	Thomas Domm	Wife, Louise
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>		<b>May 20, 2020</b>	
8:15 am		For the People of St Andrew	
<b>THURSDAY</b>		<b>May 21, 2020</b>	
8:15am		Fr. Tom Wilisowski (20 year anniv)	David & Patrice Tay
<b>FRIDAY</b>		<b>May 22, 2020</b>	
8:15 am	✦	Irene Budinsky	Donna Budinsky
<b>SATURDAY</b>		<b>May 23, 2020</b>	
5:00 pm	✦	John & Dorothy Dettloff	Family
	✦	Anne Whedon	Family
<b>SUNDAY</b>		<b>May 24, 2020</b>	
8:00 am		For the People of St Andrew	
10:00 am		Anthony Ferrara	Family
	✦	Rick Ekleberry	Nowinski Family
	✦	Al Koluch	Kathy
12:00 pm		For the People of St Andrew	
5:00 pm		For the People of the Pontiac Area Vicariate	

**PANDEMIC PRAYER**  
 (from [catholiccompany.com](http://catholiccompany.com))

O clement, O loving, O sweet Mother Mary,  
We, your children of every nation  
Turn to you in this pandemic.  
Our troubles are numerous; our fears are great.  
Grant that we might deposit them at your feet.  
Take refuge in your Immaculate Heart,  
And obtain peace, healing, rescue,  
And timely help in all our needs.  
You are our Mother.  
Pray for us to your Son.  
Amen.