



Saint Andrew Parish
395 Anton Street, Bridgeport, CT
203-374-6171

MISSION STATEMENT

We, the people of Saint Andrew Parish are a Catholic community and disciples of Jesus Christ. We continue the work of Christ by teaching the word of God, celebrating the Eucharist together, welcoming and encouraging people to develop and share the relationship with God. We strive to be grateful, faithful stewards of God's resources, earthly and spiritual, by being Christ to each other, our neighborhood, our country, and the world.

July 5, 2020

Summer Mass Schedule

Saturday — 4:00 P.M.

And

Sunday — 10:30 A.M.



Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions for this week:

**Ralph Capasso
Our Parishioners
Steve Cavallo
Herman DeBrum
Arthur Malagole, Jr.
Dolores Larson
Mary Ann Cardellichio
Joseph Cereo
Kenneth Miklus
Dorothy Krusinski**



Your prayers are requested for the souls of all the faithful departed.



We remember in prayerful support those who are ill and whose names are now listed in the Prayer Line book.



Tuesday and Thursday

9:00 AM

In the Church



**The Sanctuary Light burns in memory of:
Theodore & Louise Montroy and
Russell & Elizabeth Curl**

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF OFFERINGS

Week of June 21, 2020

Offertory:
Online giving: \$522

Please Note: your weekly offerings may be mailed to
the rectory:
435 Anton Street
Bridgeport, CT 06606



If you would like to become an online giver and
schedule your donations to the parish any day,
any time by using your computer or smart device.
Please go to the parish website,
www.standrewchurchbpt.org
and click on-line giving.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MEMBERS OF THE MILITARY

Staff Sgt. Rudolph Abelli III, Fr. Celsius Offor, Fr. Emma Okwanaocha Andrew Amaral, Stephen Applebee, Major Michael Casano, Jacob Chuma, Jeremy Cole Jr., Sebastien Colon, Major James J. D'Elia, Sgt. Joshua Domogala, Russell Edgett, Carlos Ferreira Jr., Michael Graham, Stephen Hunt, Christopher Jarzynski, Sgt. William Keegan, James Kulikowski, James Lariccia, Amanda Lein, Mark Joseph Lombardozi, Corporal Steven Lopez, Ryan Nieves, Josh Recupero, Joseph Rodonski, Isiah Smith, Jeremy Tamone, Mathias Volpe, Joseph Wresilo.

PARISH UPDATES

PARISH WEBSITE: www.standrewchurchbpt.org

On the parish website you will see Fr. Milan saying Mass. The current bulletin and parish registration form is also available.

FACEBOOK - Please go to the parish Facebook page, St. Andrew Church Bridgeport, for updates on all parish liturgies and activities.



THE DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT

DIOCESAN UPDATE

Bishop Caggiano has dispensed, for the time being, the obligation to attend Sunday Mass due to the threat of COVID-19. Those who are at risk should stay safe at home and watch the Mass online or on television.



Beginning this week on Sunday and Tuesday evenings, 7:30 PM, the Diocese of Bridgeport will present the Rosary on-line at the Leadership Institute. If you would like to join for prayer go to formationreimagined.org and follow the link.

July 5, 2020

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Milan Dimic
Pastor

Rev. Hyginus Agu
Rev. Msgr. Matthew Bernelli,
In Residence

Deacon Alix Africot
Deacon Roland J. Blier
Deacon Kenneth J. Ruge

Jeannie Bisson
Pastoral Associate

Betsey Meyer
FINANCE CHAIRPERSON

SAINT ANDREW ACADEMY

Mr. Gene Holmes
Principal
203-373-1552

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 3:00pm - 3:45pm or by appointment

ADORATION CHAPEL

9:30am - 2:00pm, Monday - Friday

BAPTISM

Schedule as early as possible.

MATRIMONY

Make arrangements with a priest one year in advance.
Dates or times can be arranged only after speaking with one of the parish priests.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

The Sacraments are available to those unable to come to church due to sickness, age or are incapacitated for an extended period of time. Please call the rectory to make arrangements.

Parish Office—203-374-6171

Open: Monday through Thursday 10:00 A.M.—2:00 P.M.
Closed: Friday

E-Mail: standrewparish@optimum.net

Faith Formation Office—203-374-6171



American Red Cross

**Blood Drive sponsored by:
St. Frances X. Cabrini Council 4096**

St. Andrew Church
435 Anton Street, Bridgeport, CT

Held in Church Hall

**Saturday, July 11, 2020
9:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.**

To schedule an appointment please call
1-800-Red-Cross ~ 1-800-733-2767
Or visit us online at redcrossblood.org
Sponsor Code:4096



If you are able, please send in your
weekly contribution envelope
Or
Donate through Our Sunday Visitor's
online giving program.
Follow the link on our parish website.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

July 5, 2020—14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are all familiar with the refrain, "You have put on Christ. In him you have been baptized. Alleluia, alleluia!" In Baptism, we "put on" Christ. In putting on Christ, we put on all that Christ is and represents: hope, faith, and love. We are no longer bound to the sins and failures of the flesh, that part of us that resists God and relies exclusively on human means. It also means that we are not in debt to our past, complete with its sins, failures, regrets, fears, and unfulfilled dreams. There is always hope. In putting on Christ, we put on God's vision for the world, for all of His children and for us. We have been given a road map to guide our paths and a blueprint to follow for our life's journey.

There is no need for regret, and we are not tethered to our past. Is there anything in your past that you regret? Any decision or memory that continues to haunt you? We have all made mistakes, and we have this uncanny ability to continue beating ourselves up over things we can no longer do anything about, except learn from them. To put on Christ means that I can now bring God's unconditional love to my hurtful memories and sinful choices. With each new moment and every new choice, I can start clean and live in freedom.

Imagine adults when the disciples were preaching and baptizing. They came to baptism not really knowing who they were, with pasts that were broken, seeking to live the joy of the Gospel they heard spoken to them and wanting the love they saw witnessed in the lives of those who believed. What tremendous celebrations their baptisms must have been! They could now have the support of a community, full participation in the sacraments of the church, focus for their disordered lives, consolation, healing, and an understanding of what life is really all about.

Our lives are meant to be celebrations of the Spirit we have received in Baptism. How does that joy get expressed in and through you? When we truly understand that we have put on Christ, our burdens can become much lighter. It is odd that so many Christians look like they are carrying the weight of the world on their shoulders. Wouldn't it be wonderful if those weights could be lifted and joy experienced!

Readings for the week of July 5, 2020

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 [cf. 1]/
Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

Monday: Hos 2:16, 17b-18, 21-22/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [8a]/Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10 [9a]/Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [4b]/Mt 10:1-7

Thursday: Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16 [4b]/Mt 10:7-15

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17 [17b]/Mt 10:16-23

Saturday: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Mt 10:24-33



Parish Rosary Group

Our parish rosary group will gather on Monday evenings, at 7:00 PM in the outdoor chapel. Please join us. For more information contact the parish office.

Church Volunteers



Can you help?

Ushers

Readers

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Altar Servers

Parish Outreach

Faith Formation Catechists

Choir Members

Building & Grounds

Help is always needed in all of these parish ministries, call the parish office for more information.



The Social Concerns Committee is asking your help in replenishing our food pantry so we can assist parish and school families in need. Items needed are:

cereal/oatmeal	canned vegetables/fruits
soup	pasta/pasta sauce
macaroni & cheese	canned tuna
coffee/tea	peanut butter/jelly
rice	boxed potatoes
boxed desserts	pancake mix/syrup
ketchup	mustard
mayonnaise	granola bars

If you, or any family you know in our parish/school community, is in need of a food basket, please contact the parish office, 203-374-6171. You can call the office Monday through Thursday from 10:00 M until 2:00 PM.



The Director of the Office for Faith Formation, Jeannie Bisson, can be reached now by calling the Parish Office, 203-374-6171, or JBisson@standrewchurchbpt.org If you have a child entering Grade 1 in September, please call the office and you can receive information about classes and Sacramental preparation.

We will also have RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) beginning in September. If you are over the age of 18, have never been baptized or have been baptized but never received the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist and Confirmation, call the office for more information.

Adults over the age of 18, who have not received the Sacrament of Confirmation can call the parish office to join our parish Adult Confirmation program.

Catechists needed:

Our parish Religious Education program will begin in October. The program will be entirely redesigned to keep up with the issues of COVID-19. We will need at least two catechists per class so if you are available please contact the Parish Office.