



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 26, 2020

Summer Mass Schedule

Saturday — 4:00 P.M.

And

Sunday — 10:30 A.M.



Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass Intentions for this week:

- Anna DeLuca**
- Madalena & Domingos Brum**
- Pasquale Pappano**
- John & Frances Tierney**
- John & Helen Bennett**
- Maria Sendas**
- Paola Micri**
- Clara Natalino**
- Ronald Terebesi, Sr.**
- Jerry Vitale**
- 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.



**The Sanctuary Light burns in memory of:
John & Helen Bennett**



Tuesday and Thursday

9:00 AM

In the Church

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF OFFERINGS

Week of July 19, 2020

Offertory: \$2330.00
Online giving: \$600.00

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

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 litur-
gies and activities.

Mission Co-op Weekend

Thank you to all who so generously donated to this special
collection.



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. Wil-
liam 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.



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.

Leadership Institute

Visit the Leadership Institute website for online programs
for Adult Faith Formation and for Family Catechesis. The
website is: formationreimagined.org.



THE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE
DIOCESE OF BRIDGEPORT

July 26, 2020

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Milan Dimic
Pastor

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

Deacon Alix Africot
Deacon Roland J. Blier

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



Saturday, July 25, 2020

Byron Angulo
Ashley Germain
Jude Espada

Emma Chaves
Keira Germain
Emilio Jimenez

Tyler Parks
Steven Philogene
Aidan Brown
Matthew Dias

Beatriz Azevedo
Jamie Philogene
Jaime DeJesus



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 26, 2020—17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A single mother who has a child with special needs works two jobs and sacrifices much of her own pleasures in order to be available for her son. Being the best mother possible is important to her and brings her joy. We are willing to make great and often heroic sacrifices for those people and things that matter most to us. Unless there is something of obvious importance to us in our immediate path, we can easily approach life in a more haphazard and chaotic way. We jump from one thing to another, responding to whatever it is that is competing for our attention at that moment. When everything is important, nothing is important.

If we do not wear the right pair of glasses, we can get all too easily caught up in the superficial stuff and neglect paying attention to the things that really matter. The kingdom of God is like the pearl of great price that is worth selling everything for so that it can be obtained. Based on where I invest my time and energy each day, I really wonder whether I am serving God's kingdom or my own. Have you ever considered tracking how you spend your time? You may be surprised! We allow our agendas to set the clock of our lives. We forget that joy and a true sense of purpose are not going to be found in following that timepiece. Joy is the expression of the happiness that is discovered when living in the kingdom of God. When our agenda matches God, not only do we leap for joy but God leaps with delight as well. Our well-being is what matters most to God.

Can you imagine God delighting in you? It is easy to deaden our senses to the whole reality of God and the joy that living the Gospel can bring. The demands of secular life and the agendas competing for our attention can quickly do that. We can get tired and spiritually apathetic. But if we can see our way through all of the conflicting voices and hear the voice of God, we can rediscover our zeal and passion and redirect our efforts. When we begin to see as God sees, we can rise each day and notice what really needs our attention and embrace it with exuberance. Be careful, though. It may not be what we originally had on our list. Responding to it, however, will be worth putting everything else aside.

Readings for the week of July 26, 2020

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 [97a]/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21 [cf. 18a]/Mt 13:31-35

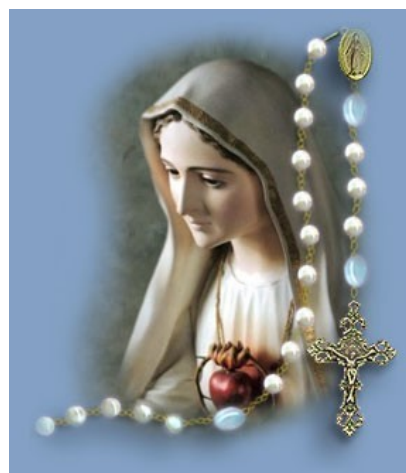
Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8,9,11 and 13 [9]/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9, 10-11 [2]/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab [5a]/Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14 [14c]/Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-31, 33-34 [14c]/Mt 14:1-12



Parish Rosary Group

Our parish rosary group will gather on Monday evenings, at 7:00 PM in the outdoor chapel, weather permitting. 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.



SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION

August 1 through August 23

Please leave your donations in the boxes that are in the vestibule

Pencils, pens, folders, binders, crayons, markers, notebooks, backpacks, all types of school supplies are needed and appreciated!

Supplies will be delivered to local shelters. Thank you for helping those in need.



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. Register before August 1 for tuition discount!

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.