



# *St. Andrew Church*

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*Sag Harbor, New York 11963*

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We welcome the opportunity to serve you.  
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*21st Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ August 25th, 2024*

#### **ST. ANDREW MASS SCHEDULE:**

**SATURDAY:** 5:15pm  
**SUNDAY:** 8:00am, 10:45am (Family Mass)  
**MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY:** 9:00 am

#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**

Classes: 1st-4th Grade at 9:30 am on scheduled Sunday mornings. 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th Grades at 7:00 pm on scheduled Wednesday nights.

#### **OUR VISION STATEMENT:**

We, the community of St. Andrew, are called and empowered through our Baptism to share in Jesus' mission of building the Kingdom of God.

Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves to worship as a community, develop lay leadership and serve the needs of others.

Our prayer is that our dedication to Jesus' mission will be manifested in harmony, growth and love.

#### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT:**

By the grace of God, we bring Jesus' Good News to Life.

#### **QUEEN OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY MASS SCHEDULE:**

**SATURDAY:** 4:00pm  
**SUNDAY:** 9:30am

#### **RECONCILIATION:**

**EVERY 1ST, 3RD AND 5TH**  
**SATURDAY:** 4:15-4:45pm or BY APPT

#### **BAPTISMS:**

Baptisms are celebrated the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. Parents are required to attend two preparation meetings. Please call the Parish Office for an appointment.

#### **MARRIAGES:**

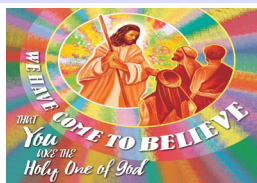
Parishioners arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the ceremony and before arranging the social plans.

#### **DEVOTION:**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place on First Friday, immediately following the 9:00 am Mass until 10:30am.

#### **PARISH SOCIAL MINISTRY:**

Hours by appointment only.



**THE THEME**

Faith is a gift, but it is also a choice. How do we know if faith is something that we choose? Perhaps it helps to ask these questions of ourselves. Do we make God the center of our lives, or are we distracted by the material things that have become “other gods”? Do we live in such a way that our daily decisions and choices bear witness to our relationship with the Lord? Do we live in mutual faithfulness and service to spouses and family? Do we accept and follow the wisdom of the Spirit who Jesus promised would serve as our guide on this earth? In other words does faith permeate all that we do?

**THE READINGS**

**JOSHUA 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b:** Decide whom you will serve.

**EPHESIANS 5:21-32:** Love one another with mutual reverence.

**JOHN 6:60-69:** You have the words of everlasting life.

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS -**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 31st, 2024**

5:15PM Mass *Priest Fr. Peter*  
*Lector – L. Gotko*  
*E.M.'s – J. Markowski*

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st, 2024**

8:00AM Mass *Priest Fr. Peter*  
*Lector – A. Bagnoli*  
*E.M.'s – B. Ploeger*

10:45AM Mass *Priest Fr. Peter*  
*Lector – J. Mega*  
*E.M.'s – M. Smyth*

**Moving? Remember to notify us of address or telephone number changes so that our records are always up to date.**

**MASSES AND SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE WEEK**

**MASS INTENTIONS REQUESTED BY MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 2024**

2THESSALONIANS 1:1-5, 11-12; MATTHEW 23:13-22  
 9:00 AM *Carl & Debra Marino* *St. Andrews*

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 27, 2024**

2THESSALONIANS 2:1-3a, 14-17; MATTHEW 23:23-26  
 9:00 AM *Betty Cary* *Margaret Smyth*

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 28, 2024**

2THESSALONIANS 3:6-10, 16-18; MATTHEW 23:27-32  
 9:00 AM *Rita M. Smith* *St. Andrews*

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 2024**

1CORINTHIANS 1:1-9; MARK 6:17-29  
 9:00 AM *Pat & Marge Ferguson* *St. Andrews*

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 30, 2024**

1CORINTHIANS 1:17-25; MATTHEW 25:1-13  
 9:00 AM *Rita A. Smith* *St. Andrews*

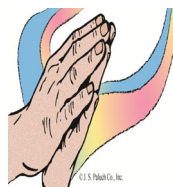
**SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2024**

1CORINTHIANS 1:26-31; MATTHEW 25:14-30  
 5:15 PM *Read Vail* *Susan Vail*  
*Joanne Cifarelli* *Fr. Peter & Fr. Manuel*

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2024**

DEUTERONOMY 4:1-2, 6-8; MARK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23  
 8:00 AM *For the People of the Parish*

10:45 AM *Betty Cary* *Margaret Smyth*  
*Richard B.Lowe, III* *Mark & Joan Huston*  
*Celebration of Marie & Frank Braccia*  
*60th Wedding Anniversary*  
*Children & Grandchildren*  
*Kathleen Durkin* *Mary Durkin*  
*Patricia McAleavy* *Mary Durkin*



**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK**

**Most recently:** *Nora Cosgrove, Barbara King, Gloria Bennedetto, Rachel Brown, Charlie Greene, Anita Brown, Kathy Delaney, Joe Ploeger, Bob O’Neil, Jerry Grandenetti, Alexander Perricone, Erena Gay O’Brien, Cheryl McMahan, Joseph Santacroce, Lauren Haropolus, James Burke, Leo Green, Paul Fitzpatrick, Joseph Vernice, Melaine Buttonow, Tom Flanagan, Kathy Heinz*



**From Fr. Peter's Desk**  
**21st Sunday In Ordinary Time**

Dear Parish Family:

We hear in our First Reading from the Book of Joshua, we can choose either to serve the Lord or serve other Gods, such as wealth, prestige, or some worldly desire. We are called to examine our actions when we help others. Were our actions serving God or were they in service of a different objective. Following Jesus requires wholehearted dedication to serving others.

Our second reading from Ephesians calls for extreme mutuality in all our societal relationships. We are called to ask ourselves in what way do we manifest solidarity with the "other" in various relationships?

In John's Gospel, Jesus has challenged the crowds to the very limits of their religious worldview. The enormity of the progression of Jesus' public challenge is reflected in the response to it. Many disciples now falter.

My brothers and sisters in Christ, how often, after hearing the Word of God, have we found ourselves saying, as did many of Jesus' disciples, "This is hard; how can I accept it?" Following the Holy One of God is a great mystery, one that comes with many challenges. Jesus asks us to commit to God by serving others, to remain committed to the Church and to our spouses and to carry our crosses as we follow Him. Not an easy assignment but by the grace of God and the support of our church community, we can certainly strive to accomplish what the Lord is asking of us in our lives.

**God Bless You All,**  
**Fr. Peter**



**Stewardship Reflection**

In today's Gospel, many people turn away and leave Jesus because His teaching is "hard". Being a disciple of Christ is about being faithful to His teachings and turning from sin. With God's help, we can live a good, faithful life. And when we slip, we can always run to God's mercy in Confession.

**Living Stewardship**

To be the best versions of ourselves, to be the best Christians we can be, we need to have a solid prayer life. If prayer is not something you do on a daily basis, or if your prayer life is lacking, take time this week to start building that pillar in your life.

**Parish Sacrificial Giving Summary**

<i>Weekly goal for 8/18/24:</i>	<b>\$7,200.00</b>
<i>Sunday Collection for 8/18/24:</i>	<b>\$4,182.00</b>
<i>Votive Candles for 8/18/24:</i>	<b>\$ 136.00</b>
<i>Faith Direct Weekly Donations:</i>	<b>\$1,805.00</b>
<b>Total for 8/18/24:</b>	<b>\$6,123.00</b>



*Lord, Hold these men and women in your loving hands and protect them as they protect us and bless them for their selfless acts. We pray for peace in our world and an end to war. Amen.*

*Serving in the armed forces:*

**James Calfa, Michael Borgese, Clint Kelly, Rudy Lunk, Cheryl Scarlato, Darryl Treadwel, Peter Wojciechowski, Russell Little, Maddie Martin, Dylan Kaminski, Zachary North, Ryan S. Gioel, Victoria Selkirk, Connor Doughty Gallagher, Andrew W. Tilton, Cole Yardley, Matt Seel, Mitchell Mavellia, Barney Ales, Eric Prime, Jr.**



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### **Faith Direct**

Did you miss a weekly offering while on Summer vacation? Eliminate one more thing to remember. Sign up for eGiving today by visiting [faith.direct/NY296](http://faith.direct/NY296) or call Faith Direct Customer Service at 866-507-8757. You'll provide us with consistent support that helps us always be at the ready with programs, services, and ministries for our church families and for those in need throughout the community. Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

*God Bless You,  
Fr. Peter*



### *Memorials*

### **Parish Memorials**

St. Andrew's offers different types of memorials which can be donated in memory of a deceased family member or friend, or for the intentions of living individuals for special occasions.

The memorials are as follows:

**Bread and Wine:** The donation to sponsor the Bread and Wine is either \$25.00 for a week or \$100.00 for the month

**Altar Flowers:** The donation to sponsor the Altar Flowers is \$150.00 for the week.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

### **St. Andrews Church Mass Schedule:**

***Daily Mass: Monday-Friday at 9:00AM***

***Saturday Evening Vigil Mass: 5:15PM***

***Sunday: 8:00AM and 10:45AM***

***Parish phone #: 631-725-0123***

### **Queen of the Most Holy Rosary**

### **(Bridgehampton) Mass Schedule:**

***Saturday Evening Vigil Mass: 4:00PM***

***Sunday: 9:30AM (English)***

***And 11:00AM (Spanish)***

***Parish phone #: 631-537-0156***



***The Bread and Wine offered at the Sacrifice of the Mass during the Month of August was given in Loving Memory of Ann Marie Moylan from Theresa M. Samot***



***Adrian Radomski  
&  
Gabiella Frangella  
September 7th, 2024***



### **The Rosary Group**

Daily, after the 9AM Mass in the church we pray the Rosary and Chaplet of Divine Mercy. Every Tuesday, after the 9AM Mass, in the church we meet to pray the Miraculous Medal Novena followed by the Rosary and Chaplet. Also on Saturdays at 9:30AM we meet to pray the Rosary. All are welcome.

### **Catholics Care.Catholics Vote**

Call for civil dialogue. Join Civilize It. Civilize It is about making room in your heart for those with whom you disagree. We are called to recognize that each person is a beloved child of God and should be treated with respect because of our inherent human dignity. Civilize It is a Catholic, non-partisan call to focus on the dignity of all people, even when we disagree, and to put faith in action by bearing witness to compassion and civility. Take the pledge and find helpful resources at [CivilizeIt.org](http://CivilizeIt.org).

### 2023-24 RELIGIOUS ED SUMMARY REPORT

This past year (2023-2024), 122 people of St. Andrew's and Queen of the Most Holy Rosary parishes, aged 6 to 55+ years, participated in faith formation in one of our programs. Many programs culminated in the reception of Sacraments of Initiation in the Catholic Church:

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (Baptism, Confirmation, First Eucharist)	1 person
RCIA (Confirmation of Adults)	2 people
RCIA (Confirmation of HS teens)	8 people
Confirmation Program (Middle School Students)	20 students
First Communion (Elementary Students)	19 students

It is no secret that our goal is to enhance the participation of every family at Sunday Mass. The Eucharist is source and summit of our parish life and all that we do as Catholics. At Mass, we hear God's Word to be instructed and inspired. At Mass we receive Christ's Body and Blood to be nourished and strengthened. The best way to form our young people and families in our faith is to come to Mass weekly and to participate in the Eucharist as fully as possible. As we move forward, our programs will direct the children and families to a greater and a more full participation at Sunday Mass.

I am personally grateful to Fr. Peter, Fr. Manuel, and Pastoral Minister Robert for their support and guidance these busy months in support of your children! They are most knowledgeable, kind, and generous. Finally, I cannot say enough about the amazing and generous work of the Catechists from our parish! They are volunteers who offer hours of service sharing the faith with our young people! So, to Margaret, Rhodi, Helen, Marguerite, Betsy, Steve, Carol, Ray and Paul: Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Please stay tuned and be sure to read our periodic emails and announcements going forward. During the summer months, we plan to consider some modifications to our program, such as:

- Recruitment and training more catechists (if interested, PLEASE contact me!!)
- Changes in registration process
- More effective Communication and Information sharing (including social media)
- Modifying the curriculum to a more family-based approach
- Moving all in person classes to Sunday mornings for all levels, on alternating weeks, with "hybrid" instruction both in-person AND online)
- More active participation of children and families at the 10:45AM Mass at St. Andrew's

If you have any ideas or wish to offer input on these or other aspects of the program, I will be available throughout the summer. Please call or email me. (dhartnetcs@yahoo.com).

What we do is to support our parents in their role as "the first and most important teachers" of the faith for their children. Many thanks for trusting us in that regard. Your trust and the honor of working with your children are most important to us! We are grateful for the prayers and support of all parishioners as we continue the work of our Lord and the Apostles to build the Kingdom of God in our community!



## **Because no marriage is beyond hope...**

- Is your marriage tearing you apart?
- Do you feel hurt and angry?
- Does talking make it worse?
- Thought of leaving or divorce?
- Is your marriage heading in the wrong direction?

## **Retrouvaille can help.**

**Our Next Weekend is  
September 13-15, 2024  
at The Immaculate Conception  
Seminary, Huntington**

**To register or for more information:  
1-800-470-2230  
HelpOurMarriage.org**

**Retrouvaille** is a practical program for married couples facing difficult challenges. It is not counseling and you will not be asked to share the personal details of your story.

**Retrouvaille** is different; it's a way to improve your communication, help you reconnect, and build a healthy, happier, stronger marriage.

**Catholic** in origin, couples of all faiths, or no faith background, are welcome to attend. We are a Christian Peer Ministry offering tens of thousands of marriages hope in over 160 communities world-wide.



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  - Sept 28, Oct 5, Oct 19, Oct 26, Nov 2
- 8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
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## **Test Taking Strategies- \$150.00**

- Friday, Nov 8
- 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- All materials included in fee

## **Prep Course & Test Taking Strategies- \$500.00**

Please visit our website [<https://stjohnthebaptistdhs.net/tachs-exam-prep-course>] or call 631-587-8000 ext. 117 for more information.