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St. Andrew's Parish is a unique - diverse community of people who live and share life through trusting, loving and serving.

Our community is already gifted and enriched by many cultures and voices on a Mission to listen to the needs of others with an attitude of openness and acceptance for a deeper understanding and cooperation.

In our journey of life and faith, we work and strive to build a more peaceful and better society for a greater future. We like to share our talents by developing and maintaining a parish community that is active, vibrant and spiritually strong.

We look forward to preserving our faith traditions, reaching out to others as the living Body of Christ in this changing world.

Pastoral Team and Staff

Pastor:	Rev. Berchmans Francis
Deacon:	Rev. Mr. Andre Nicol
Deacon:	Rev. Mr. Joey Terhljan
Minister of Service:	Kathie Terhljan
Secretary/Bookkeeper	Angela Grimolizzi
Custodian:	Kerry Baraniuk

Office Hours

Tuesday to Thursday - 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Daily & Weekly Mass Schedule
See Mass Intentions inside Bulletin

Parish Registration

New Parishioner Welcome Packages are available on the Forms Rack at the back of the church.

Sacrament of Baptism

Parish Registration and Baptism Formation are required. Please contact the office.

Anointing of the Sick

Please contact the Parish Office.

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Sundays from September to June during the 10 a.m. Mass. All children and parents are welcome.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Individual Confessions will be heard one-half hour before each mass.

Hospital/Home Visits

Please contact the Parish Office. In an emergency, if Father cannot be reached, please contact the TBRHSC at 807 684-6000 and ask for the Priest on Call.

R.C.I.A.

Please contact the office for more information about the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.

Sacrament of Marriage

Parish Registration and a Marriage Preparation Course are required. Contact the office at least 12 months in advance.



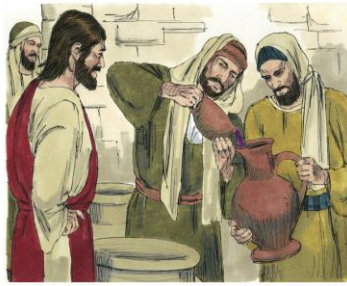
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*God has called us through the good news,
that we may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Christ came on earth to change people and to make all things new. He came to change us just as he changed water into wine. His presence among us is an invitation to change our ways and a call to a new manner of life. If we really want to change our lives we have got to turn to Christ and call on his help. Wherever Jesus is found, life is always changed for the better. Given the opportunity, Jesus will be at work in the most unexpected of ways, transforming us, making us like himself. The joy and happiness he brought into the lives of the newlyweds at Cana by his presence is ours for the asking provided we follow the simple instruction given by Mary, "Do whatever he tells you". As our pleading mother, Mary, is always anxious to show her concern by bringing our human needs into the mission of her Son. Our big mistake in life is that when we run short we forget to turn to Jesus for fresh supplies of what we need. It is only when we go to him with open hearts and empty hands that he can touch us and make certain that the wine of love and joy will always be part of our lives.

THIS WEEK – January 20th to January 26th

PARISH MASS SCHEDULE:

Date		Location	Time	Mass Intention	Requested By
Tues.	Jan 21	Our Lady's Chapel	12:10 pm	Spec. Int of Mark Simpson	St. Andrew's CWL
Wed.	Jan 22	Our Lady's Chapel	12:10 pm	St. Andrew's Staff	Judy & Don Brown
Thurs.	Jan 23	Our Lady's Chapel	12:10 pm	People of the Parish	The Pastor
		St. Joseph's Chapel	4:15 pm	Rita Nevins	Nevins Estate
Fri.	Jan 24	Our Lady's Chapel	12:10 pm	Fr. Berchmans	Judy & Don Brown
Sat.	Jan 25	Main Church	5:00 pm	Alice Ellis	Jean & John Young
Sun.	Jan 26	Main Church	10:00 am	Louise Laclaire	Marcela & Kelly Greer

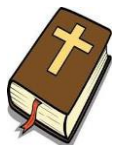
Join us in
Our Lady's Chapel
Fridays at 12:00 pm
as we pray the
**CHAPLET OF
DIVINE MERCY.**



MASS INTENTIONS: *Is there someone you know that needs prayers?* The Catholic Church teaches that the Mass is the most powerful of all prayers and is of infinite value to the person for whom the mass is being offered. Each liturgy has a special intention associated with it. The suggested offering for a mass intention is currently \$10 as set by the diocese. Arrangements can be made through the parish office.

FEAST DAYS:

- Jan 20 St. Fabian & St. Sebastian
- Jan 21 St. Agnes
- Jan 22 St. Vincent
- Jan 24 St. Francis De Sales
- Jan 25 The Conversion of St. Paul
- Jan 26 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Readings:
Nehemiah 8.2-4a,5-6, 8-10++
1 Corinthians 12.12-30
Luke 1.1-4; 4.14-21



2025 JUBILEE YEAR: PILGRIMS OF HOPE:

The Church's first Holy Year was instituted by Pope Boniface VIII in 1300. He named it a "Holy Year" because he envisioned it as a time to promote holiness and spiritual growth for God's people. His plan was to celebrate future Jubilee celebrations every 100 years. In 1943, Pope Clement VI reduced the gap between Jubilees to every 50 years, and in 1470 Pope Paul II reduced the gap to every 25 years.

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Our Priests: Please pick up this month's "Pray for Priests" Calendar at the main entrance to the church.

The Sick of our Parish: Joseph Bechta, Maria Bilyk, Catherine Carr, Mary Carr, Joseph Fink, Wayne Harman, Ann Kossar, Joan Krisko, Bridget Lefave, Stephanie Lenton, Marie Lou Lopez, Clementine Petchenuk, George Petralia, Carmela Scali, Anne Scott, Robert Sliskovich, Liberto Soares, Mimi Zugic.

Parishioners at Home: Gerry Gagnon, Emmi Janko, Paul Morrison, Walter Respondek, Nora Zsakai and in **Care Homes:** Christine Cerutti, Richard Harkof, Suzanne Michaud, Betty Ann Mutrey, John Peloza, Susan Respondek, Maura Robinson, Ed Sepanary, Rae Scarnati, Vi Trevisanutto, Anadelina Wood.

Faithful Departed in particular for those whose first anniversary of death occurs about this time.

Pope's Prayer Intention for January: Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

“HOLY MOMENTS” WEEKLY CHALLENGE




DO WHATEVER HE TELLS YOU – At the wedding of Cana, Mary sees the needs of others and confidently asks Jesus for help; trusting in his power and goodness, even when he hesitates.

This week, let us open ourselves to recognize the needs of those around us and, like Mary, intercede on their behalf trusting that Jesus will provide whatever guidance we need for the situation.

“Sometimes we know what we have to do, but we lack the courage to do it. Let us learn from Mary how to make decisions, trusting in the Lord.”

Pope Francis

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	PARISH COLLECTIONS				
	COLLECTION ENVELOPES	ELECTRONIC OFFERINGS	LOOSE COLLECTIONS	NEW YEAR & INITIAL OFFERING	BUILDING FUND
January 12, 2025	\$655.00	\$328.00	\$162.00	\$83.00	\$50.00

FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2024		
	DECEMBER 2024	YEAR TO DATE
Operating Income	\$17,315.85	\$140,850.64
Operating Expense	\$17,345.92	\$184,345.46
Net Gain/Loss	-\$30.07	-\$43,494.82

PLEASE NOTE: The figures provided for December are preliminary. A final report of Parish Finances for 2024 will be provided once the year-end has been closed off.

PARISH EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



FIRST COMMUNION FORMATION will begin on **Sunday, February 2nd in Baxter Hall from 11:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.** If your child is in Grade 2 and has not yet been registered for these sessions, please complete a registration form and drop it off at the Parish Office as soon as possible. Registration forms can be found on the forms rack at the back of the church or on the Parish Website.



CWL MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2025 are due in January. Fees are **\$35.00** and can be paid to St. Andrew's CWL by placing them in an envelope with your name and address in the Sunday collection basket. For more information or to arrange to have your fees picked up, please call Diane at (807) 767-2394.

CONFIRMATION FORMATION for Grade 8 students is being carried out at Bishop Gallagher, Bishop E. Q. Jennings and Pope John Paul II schools. Students wishing to be confirmed this year who are enrolled in the Public School system are encouraged to register with the Parish as soon as possible so that they can receive and complete the Self-Study Program offered through the parish. Registration forms can be found on the forms rack at the back of the church or on the Parish Website.



Join us in Saunders Hall for **PANCAKE BREAKFAST** on **Sunday, February 16th from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** The cost is \$20.00 and includes Finn Pancakes, Sausage, Bacon, Home Fries and Dessert. Children under 5 years of age eat for free. **Proceeds from this event will go towards our Boiler Replacement Project.** Please invite your family and friends to come out and enjoy a delicious meal while at the same time supporting this urgent need.

IN THE DIOCESE



APPOINTMENT OF NEW BISHOP – His Holiness Pope Francis has appointed **Rev. Fr. Alan Campeau**, the current Pastor of St. Joseph's Parish in Dryden, as the Bishop Elect for the Diocese of Thunder Bay. Fr. Alan will be consecrated and installed as the Bishop of the Diocese of Thunder Bay on **Thursday, February 27th at 7 p.m. at St. Patrick's Cathedral.** We wish him many blessings and much success as he takes on his new role as Chief Shepherd of our Diocese.

Corpus Christi Parish is offering **FOLLOWING CHRIST**; Part 2 in the CHRISTLIFE Series starting **Monday, January 20th at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Joseph Meeting Room.** The program runs for 7 weeks and will also include a full day Retreat. Individuals who have completed the Discovering Christ or Alpha Programs will truly benefit from this continuing journey in spiritual growth. Participant Guides are \$8.00 and can be purchased on the first evening of the course. To register or for more information, please contact the Corpus Christ Parish Office or email MaryJo at cocoa@tbaytel.net.





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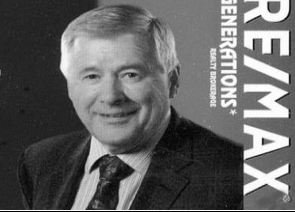
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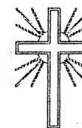


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Meetings 2nd Tuesdays: Officers
4th Tuesdays: General
7:00 p.m. St Andrews R.C. Church

For Membership information, Contact
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