



# ST. ANDREW ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH



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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

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



### Baby Change Tables

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*I give you a new commandment: love one another just as I have loved you.*

One of the key tasks facing any Christian community is to put into action the gospel of forgiveness, by refusing to harbour thoughts of hatred and revenge for our enemies. Anger, bitterness and resentment are the moral cancers of our age and set us on the road that leads to disaster and destruction. We have long memories for injuries inflicted and a frightening capacity for nursing old wounds, all of which poison our spirit and destine us to a life of misery. While the world goes its way of retribution and revenge this gospel tells us that the

standard of behaviour for a follower of Christ is the way of friendship and love. The real test of love is the regard we have for those we find little reason to like; those people who are bent on insulting us and causing us harm.

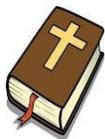
**THIS WEEK – February 24<sup>th</sup> to March 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**PARISH MASS SCHEDULE:**

Date	Location	Time	Mass Intention	Requested By
Tues. Feb 25	Our Lady’s Chapel	12:10 pm	Luiz Da Silva	Lidia Olivero
Wed. Feb 26	Our Lady’s Chapel	12:10 pm	Special Int. of Monica Kashak	Diane Skinner
Thurs. Feb 27	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. Feb 28	Our Lady’s Chapel	12:10 pm	Gary Somerfield	Kathie & Joe Terhljan
Sat. Mar 1	Main Church	5:00 pm	Special Int. of Joan Krisko	Kathie & Joe Terhljan
Sun. Mar 2	Main Church	10:00 am	Special Int. of Lyle Jacomb	Ann Kossar

**FEAST DAYS:**

- Feb 27 St. Gregory of Narek
- Mar 1 Our Lady’s Saturday
- Mar 2 Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time



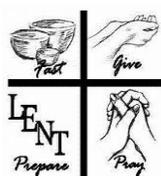
*Readings:  
Sirach 27.4-7  
1 Corinthians 15.54-58  
Luke 6.39-45*

**2025 JUBILEE YEAR: PILGRIMS OF HOPE:**



In the Bull of Indiction for the 2025 Jubilee Year SPES NON CONFUNDIT “Hope does not disappoint” (Romans 5.5), Pope Francis tells us, “Everyone knows what it is to hope. In the heart of each person, hope dwells as the desire and expectation of good things to come, despite

our not knowing what the future may bring. Even so, uncertainty about the future may at times give rise to conflicting feelings, ranging from confident trust to apprehensiveness, from serenity to anxiety, from firm conviction to hesitation and doubt. Often we come across people who are discouraged, pessimistic and cynical about the future, as if nothing could possibly bring them happiness. For all of us, may the Jubilee be an opportunity to be renewed in hope. God’s word helps us find reasons for that hope. Taking it as our guide, let us return to the message that the Apostle Paul wished to communicate to the Christians of Rome.”



**Ash Wednesday is March 5<sup>th</sup>** and marks the beginning of Lent where the Church prepares for Easter through 40 days of fasting, prayer and giving. Lent is an invitation to rearrange our priorities, to focus on what matters most and to take stock of our spiritual life. It’s a perfect time to leave behind old habits that no longer serve us and form new habits that give life to our entire being. How will you mark the Season of Lent this year? Are you ready? Now is the time to decide.

**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 Behta, 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 Pelloza, Susan Respondek, Maura Robinson, Ed Sepanary, Rae Scarnati, Vi Trevisanutto, Anđelina Wood.

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

**Pope’s Prayer Intention for February:** Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ’s mission in the priesthood and religious life.

## “HOLY MOMENTS” WEEKLY CHALLENGE

**OPEN YOUR HEART TO FORGIVENESS** – Is there someone in your life that you need to forgive? Forgiveness is a journey and each small step brings us closer to the freedom and healing that God desires for us.

This week, take some time to reflect on how your heart may be hardened by anger or resentment towards another person. Bring that person to God in prayer. Ask God to help you to see them as He does with compassion and understanding. Pray for the grace to forgive even if forgiveness feels impossible right now.

*“If we really want to love,  
we must learn how to  
forgive.”*

*St. Mother Theresa  
of Calcutta*

### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	PARISH COLLECTIONS			
	COLLECTION ENVELOPES	ELECTRONIC OFFERINGS	LOOSE COLLECTIONS	BUILDING FUND
<b>February 16, 2025</b>	<b>\$1198.00</b>	<b>\$1,778.00</b>	<b>\$237.85</b>	<b>\$1970.00</b>

FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2025		
	January 2025	YEAR TO DATE
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>\$7,737.75</b>	<b>\$7,737.75</b>
<b>Operating Expense</b>	<b>\$13,504.44</b>	<b>\$13,504.44</b>
<b>Net Gain/Loss</b>	<b>-\$5,766.69</b>	<b>-\$5,766.69</b>

During the Winter the weather sometimes makes it more difficult to attend Mass. With our ELECTRONIC OFFERING PROGRAM you can continue to support the parish financially even when you can't make it to Mass. Registration Forms are available on the Forms Rack at the back of the church or on our website.

### PARISH EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



Many thanks to all who offered their support for last Sunday's **PANCAKE BREAKFAST** fundraiser; our dedicated and hard-working volunteers, those who donated ingredients, gift cards and monetary donations, and all who came out to enjoy a delicious breakfast. Special thanks to our guest chefs, Julio Chiodo (retired DDI kitchen manager) and Jean Robillard (retired chef/owner of Bistro One), for helping us out while Fred is away. **\$1,808.29** was raised for our Boiler Replacement Project.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS



Knights of Columbus Leo Council #1130 will hold their **General Meeting on Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in Baxter Hall.** All members are welcome to attend.

The next **COR Session** will be held on **Saturday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 9 a.m. at the Columbus Centre.** This program provides an opportunity for men to encounter Christ, to pray together, to be formed in their faith and to strengthen their bonds of brotherhood preparing them for their baptismal call to evangelize within their families and communities. All men of the parish are welcome.



#### ST. ANDREW'S CWL NEWS



The **Installation of the new slate of officers** for St. Andrew's CWL Council will take place at the **10 a.m. Mass next Sunday March 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

St. Andrew's CWL is offering members an opportunity to purchase **CWL APRONS.** The aprons are dark blue in colour and carry the CWL crest on the bib. The cost is \$20.00 plus shipping. If you wish to purchase one or more aprons, please contact Diane at (807) 767-2394 before Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>.



### IN THE DIOCESE



The **EPISCOPAL ORDINATION AND CANONICAL INSTALLATION** of Rev. Alan Edward Campeau as Bishop of the Diocese of Thunder Bay will take place at **St. Patrick's Cathedral on Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** All are welcome to attend.



A **MARRIAGE PREPARATION PROGRAM** is being offered at **St. Agnes Parish – Friday, March 28 (evening) and Saturday, March 29 (all day)** for couples planning to marry in 2025 or 2026. For more information contact the parish office at 807 475-7489.



A **PRAISE AND WORSHIP EVENING** with Mass and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be offered at **St. Agnes Church on Tuesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** All are welcome.



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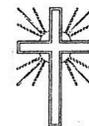


**Knights of Columbus**  
Leo Council #1130

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

For Membership information, Contact  
Mark Simpson 344-9737

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