



# 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>	To be Assigned
<b>Deacon:</b>	Rev. Mr. Andre Nicol
<b>Deacon:</b>	Rev. Mr. Joey Terhljan
<b>Minister of Service:</b>	Kathie Terhljan
<b>Bookkeeper:</b>	Isabella Hotrum
<b>Custodian:</b>	Kerry Baraniuk

### Office Hours

Monday to Wednesday - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

### 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 the Saturday and Sunday Masses.

### 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

are available in the Handicap Access Washrooms on the Main Level of the Church and in the Basement

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On this Fourth Sunday of our Lenten journey, Jesus encounters a man who was blind from birth and heals his blindness. One would expect that a miraculous healing of this nature would bring a sense of joy, not just to the man who was healed, but also to his family and community. Instead, the man is interrogated by the unbelievers; questioning whether he was ever blind or if this was just a clever ruse to promote Jesus’ agenda. But, this man remained steadfast in his conviction that Jesus had healed him and states his belief in Jesus as Lord. This gospel is not just about physical blindness, but also spiritual blindness. It challenges each of us to reflect on our own blind spots and the darkness in our lives that prevent us from experiencing the light of Christ. May our Lenten observances open our hearts and heal our spiritual blindness so that we may see the world in a whole new light.

**THIS WEEK – March 16 to March 22, 2026**

**PARISH MASS SCHEDULE:**

Date	Location	Time	Mass Intention	Requested By
Tues. Mar 17	Our Lady’s Chapel	12:10 pm	Rita Garofalo	The Family
Wed. Mar 18	Our Lady’s Chapel	12:10 pm	Elizabeth Anne Lawrence	Mark Lawrence
Thurs. Mar 19	Our Lady’s Chapel	12:10 pm	Brandon Wanakamik	Gerald
	St. Joseph’s Chapel	4:15 pm	Rita Nevins	The Nevins Estate
Fri. Mar 20	Our Lady’s Chapel	12:10 pm	Spec. Int. Ted Lamers	Kathie & Joey Terhljan
Sat. Mar 21	Main Church	5:00 pm	Duarte Sousa	Carolyn & Andrew Melro
Sun. Mar 22	Main Church	10:00 am	Ray Belanger	Emmy & Daughters



**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** will take place Tuesday through Friday in our Lady’s Chapel prior to the 12:10 p.m. Mass starting at 11:30 a.m.



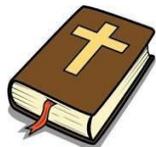
St. Andrew’s CWL invites you to join them for the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** on Fridays during Lent in Our Lady’s Chapel following the 12:10 p.m. Mass.

**SOLEMNITIES, FEASTS & MEMORIALS**

- March 17 – St. Patrick
- March 18 – St. Cyril of Jerusalem
- March 19 – St. Joseph

**SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2026**

**THE 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**



*Readings:*  
 Ezekiel 37.12-14  
 Romans 8.8-11  
 John 11.3-7,17,20-27,33b-45

**WEEKDAY MASS INTENTIONS NEEDED**



Is there someone you know who 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 is \$10 as set by the diocese. Arrangements can be made through the Parish Office or by filling out a Mass Intention Envelope located on the table at the back of the church and placing it in the Collection Basket.

**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:** Catherine Carr, Mary Carr, Joseph Fink, Wayne Harman, Ann Kossar, Bridget Lefave, Stephanie Lenton, Marie Lou Lopez, Clementine Petchenuk, George Petralia, Carmela Scali, Anne Scott, Robert Sliskovich, Liberto Soares.

**Parishioners at Home and in Long Term Care:** Manuel Alves, Christine Cerutti, Gerry Gagnon, Richard Harkof, Emmi Janko, Suzanne Michaud, Paul Morrison, Betty Ann Mutrey, Walter Respondek, Maura Robinson, Ed Sepanary, Rae Scarnati, Eulalia Soares, Vi Trevisanutto, Anelina Wood, Nora Zsakai.

**Faithful Departed:** Especially those whose first anniversary of death occurs about this time, in particular, Rudy Stemberger.

**Pope’s Prayer Intention for March:** Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.



## THE MASS: STEP BY STEP

**INTRODUCTORY RITES: The Kyrie:** The origins of the Kyrie (Lord have Mercy) are unclear; however, it was firmly in place as a hymn since the time when Gregory the Great was pope (590-604 AD). It was often used as a conclusion to the Psalms and for processions. When Latin became the official language of the Church, the Kyrie was the only prayer that was retained in its original Greek and not translated into Latin. The Kyrie was never intended to be penitential in nature and is not connected to repentance. After repenting of our sin and asking for forgiveness in the Penitential Act, we join in singing or saying this ancient hymn celebrating God's mercy and goodness that he has showered upon us.

*Kyrie, eleison*  
(Lord have mercy)

*Christe, eleison*  
(Christ have mercy)

*Kyrie, eleison*  
(Lord have mercy)

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	PARISH COLLECTIONS				
	COLLECTION ENVELOPES	ELECTRONIC OFFERINGS	LOOSE COLLECTIONS	SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	SPECIAL PROJECT/BUILDING FUND
<b>March 8, 2026</b>	<b>\$700.00</b>	<b>\$255.00</b>	<b>\$195.00</b>	<b>\$20.00</b>	<b>\$80.00</b>

	FEBRUARY	YEAR TO DATE
<b>Operating Income</b>	<b>\$10,437.20</b>	<b>\$19,498.15</b>
<b>Operating Expense</b>	<b>\$17,971.47</b>	<b>\$25,605.40</b>
<b>Net Gain/Loss</b>	<b>-\$7,534.27</b>	<b>-\$6,107.25</b>

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## PARISH EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



Join us for a tasty lunch on **Sunday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.** in Saunders Hall. Our menu consists of Soup du Jour, Porchetta on a Bun, Potato Spears and Coleslaw. The cost is \$20 for Adults, \$10 for Students and Children 6 and under eat for free. Can't stay for lunch...takeout is also available. *Proceeds from this event are in support of our Boiler Replacement Project.*

The **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION** during Lent provides an opportunity for self-examination and assists us in re-orienting ourselves towards God. For those who wish to avail themselves of individual Confession, Father Victor will be available next weekend, one-hour prior to the Saturday and Sunday Masses to hear confessions. He will also be available Tuesday through Friday prior to the 12:10 p.m. Mass starting at 11:30 a.m.



### CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE NEWS



St. Anthony's CWL Council invites you to the **73<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL DIOCESAN CONVENTION** which will take place on **Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>**. Registration forms are located on the CWL Bulletin Board at the back of the church. The registration deadline for members with dietary restrictions is March 23<sup>rd</sup> and April 13<sup>th</sup> for all other members. For more information, please contact Diane Skinner at 807 767-2394.



**LENTEN OUTREACH PROJECT** – Our annual **“40 for 40” Food Drive** in support of the **Dew Drop Inn** soup kitchen is underway. We invite you to participate, as you are able, by collecting non-perishable food items. Each weekend when you come to mass, drop off your donations in the bins that will be set up in the vestibule of the church. A list of needed items is available at the main entrance.

## FROM THE DIOCESE



March 22<sup>nd</sup> is **SOLIDARITY SUNDAY**. A special collection in support of Development and Peace – Caritas Canada's “On Track for Justice” Campaign will take place next weekend. Your donation transforms the lives of some of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers across the world. Together let's walk hand in hand with communities in the Global South who are working for justice, peace and dignity. Please give generously.



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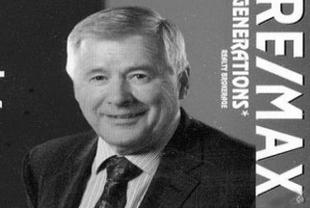
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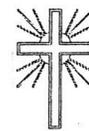


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Leo Council #1130**

Meetings 2nd Tuesdays: Officers  
4th Tuesdays: General  
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