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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

Parish Administrator:	Rev. Victor Chukwuma
Deacon:	Rev. Mr. Andre Nicol
Deacon:	Rev. Mr. Joey Terhljan
Minister of Service:	Kathie Terhljan
Bookkeeper:	Isabella Hotrum
Custodian:	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.



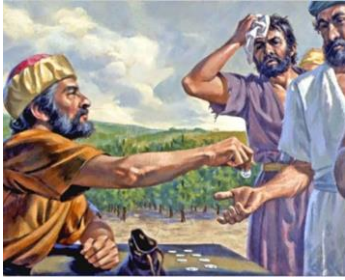
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In our Gospel from Matthew, Jesus illustrates the divine mercy of God through the parable of the vineyard workers. The just vineyard owner hires workers several times over the course of the day. At the end of the day, he instructs his foreman to pay all the workers the same wage regardless of the amount of work or the time they have spent working thus ensuring that each has received enough to support themselves and their families. However, this doesn't sit well with the workers who put in long hours and feel that they are more deserving than those who had started working later in the day. This story likely hits home for many of us. We live in a society where we work for a wage that we consider just and expect to be paid fairly for the work that we do. We resist sharing our hard-earned wealth and resources with those who do not work to earn theirs. In the first reading from Isaiah, we are reminded that God's thoughts are not our thoughts and God's ways are not our ways. God's mercy opens the doors to the kingdom of heaven to all of us. As followers of Christ, we are called to set aside the ways of this world, and live out the gospel, by thinking and acting in a manner that reflects the generosity and mercy of God.

THIS WEEK – September 21 to 27, 2026

MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Date	Location	Time	Mass Intention	Requested By
Tues. Sept 22	Our Lady's Chapel	12:10 pm	Spec. Int. of Vi Cederwall	Kathie & Joey Terhljan
Wed. Sept 23	Our Lady's Chapel	12:10 pm	Spec. Int. of Ted Lamers	Mark Simpson
Thurs. Sept 24	Our Lady's Chapel	12:10 pm	Spec. Int. of Fire Evacuees	Judy & Don Brown
	St. Joseph's Chapel	4:15 pm	Noella Prieston	Mimi Zugic
Fri. Sept 25	Our Lady's Chapel	12:10 pm	Spec. Int. of Steve Hughes	Kathie & Joey Terhljan
Sat. Sept 26	Main Church	5:00 pm	Terri Favreau	Hotrum Family
Sun. Sept 27	Main Church	10:00 am	Spec. Int. of Ann Kossar	Lyle Jacomb

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT – Tuesday through Friday in our Lady's Chapel at 11:30 a.m.

SOLEMNITIES, FEASTS & MEMORIALS

Sept 21 – St. Matthew

Sept 23 – St. Pius of Pietrelcina

Sept 24 – Blessed Emilie Tavernier-Gamelin

Sept 25 – St. Cosmas, St. Damian

Sept 26 – St. Jean de Brebeuf, St. Isaac Jogues

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Readings: Ezekiel 18.25-28

Philippian 2.1-11

Matthew 21.28-32

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, Suzanne Rymes, 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, Andelina Wood, Nora Zsakai.

Faithful Departed: Especially those whose first anniversary of death occurs about this time, in particular Lina Turpin.

Pope's Prayer Intention for September: Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.



THE MASS: STEP BY STEP

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST: The Mixing of Water and Wine – After the prayer of thanksgiving for the bread, the deacon or priest quietly says the following prayer as he pours water into the chalice of wine: “By the mystery of this water and wine may we come to share in the divinity of Christ who humbled himself to share in our humanity.” This action represents the two natures of Christ; wine for his divinity and water for his humanity. It also represents our relationship with Christ and our sharing in this Sacrament. Saint Cyprian in the 3rd century said this about it; “In the cup of the Lord, water alone cannot be offered, as wind alone cannot be. For if a person offers wine only, it starts to become the blood of Christ without us. But if the water is alone, it starts to become the people without Christ. But when both are mingled, and are joined with one another by a close union, a spiritual and heavenly sacrament is completed.”



FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	PARISH COLLECTIONS				
	COLLECTION ENVELOPES	ELECTRONIC OFFERINGS	LOOSE COLLECTIONS	SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	SPECIAL PROJECT/ BUILDING FUND
September 13, 2026	\$1085.00	\$250.00	\$154.00	\$0.00	\$580.00

FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2026			BISHOP'S CAMPAIGN 2026	
	AUGUST	YEAR TO DATE	PARISH GOAL \$15,100	
Operating Income	\$11,588.15	\$91,239.26	RAISED TO DATE \$3,610	
Operating Expense	\$19,877.11	\$105,899.76		
Net Gain/Loss	-\$8,288.96	-\$14,660.50		

PARISH EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



Our **WELCOME BACK PANCAKE BREAKFAST** is this **Sunday, September 20th** from **10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Saunders Hall**. The meal includes Finn Pancakes, Sausage, Home Fries, Coffee and Tea. The cost is \$15.00 per person and children under 5 eat for free. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go towards our Boiler Replacement Project.

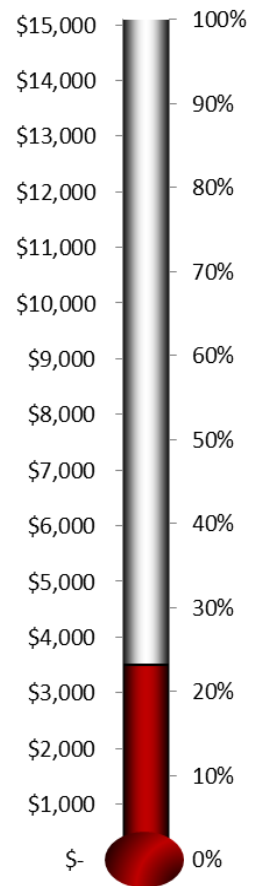
UPCOMING MEETINGS



St. Andrew's CWL EXECUTIVE MEETING will take place on **Tuesday, September 22nd at 5:00 p.m.** in the Rectory Boardroom.



The **Knights of Columbus GENERAL MEETING** will take place **Tuesday, September 22nd at 7:00 p.m.** in Baxter Hall. All members are welcome.



IN THE DIOCESE

The Thunder Bay & Area **GABRIEL NETWORK** will hold a **Community Information Meeting on Monday, September 21st at 7 p.m.** in the Oliver Room of the Oliver Road Community Centre. All are welcome. For more information, contact Mary Jo at cocoa@tbaytel.net or call 807 767-7420.



The **Diocese of Thunder Bay** is seeking a **FULL-TIME EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**. The successful candidate will work closely with the Bishop's Office, collaboratively with Ministry Offices at the Pastoral Centre and provide assistance to parishes in the Diocese of Thunder Bay. For more information, please contact their office at 807 343-9313.

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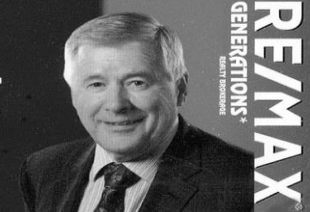
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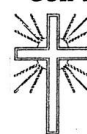


Knights of Columbus
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Meetings 2nd Tuesdays: Officers
4th Tuesdays: General
7:00 p.m. St Andrews R.C. Church

For Membership information, Contact
Mark Simpson 344-9737

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