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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 St. Matthew's Gospel, Jesus addresses the chief priests and elders, once again, through the parable of the royal wedding feast. In this parable Jesus compares the wedding feast to the heavenly banquet. The king represents God who through the prophets and the apostles extended an invitation to the chosen people to come to the heavenly banquet. The king is enraged when those whom he has sent were mistreated and killed. He extends an open invitation to all others. When they arrive, the king notices that one of the guests is not wearing the appropriate attire and he is ejected from the banquet. This gospel offers us an opportunity to reflect on our invitation to share in the heavenly banquet. God has opened the doors of the kingdom to everyone and, through our baptism, we have been clothed in the wedding garment of Christ. It is up to each of us to accept God's invitation by living our lives in a manner that is worthy of entry into the heavenly banquet of eternal life in the kingdom of God.

THIS WEEK – October 12 to October 18, 2026

MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Date		Location	Time	Mass Intention	Requested By
Tues.	Oct 13	Our Lady's Chapel	12:10 pm	Marija Prsa	Kathie & Joey Terhljan
Wed.	Oct 14	Our Lady's Chapel	12:10 pm	Emilio Caputo	Tony & Dinah Caputo
Thurs.	Oct 15	Our Lady's Chapel	12:10 pm	Spec. Int. of the Bechta Family	Judy & Don Brown
		St. Joseph's Chapel	4:15 pm	Spec. Int. of Mimi Zugic	Kathie & Joey Terhljan
Fri.	Oct 16	Our Lady's Chapel	12:10 pm	Spec. Int. of Fr. Victor Chukwuma	Mark Simpson
Sat.	Oct 17	Main Church	5:00 pm	Gino Cuglietta	Nella & Mark Lawrence
Sun.	Oct 18	Main Church	10:00 am	Spec. Int. of Joey Bechta	Dorothy Bechta

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

SOLEMNITIES, FEASTS & MEMORIALS

Oct 14 – St. Calistus I

Oct 15 – St. Teresa of Jesus

Oct 16 – St. Marie-Marguerite D'Youville

Oct 17 – St. Ignatius of Antioch

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2026

TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Readings: Isaiah 45.1,4-6

1 Thessalonians 1.1-5b

Matthew 22.15-21

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, Emmi Janko, Suzanne Michaud, Paul Morrison, Betty Ann Mutrey, Walter Respondek, Maura Robinson, Ed Sepanary, Rae Scarnati, Eulalia Soares, Vi Trevisanutto, Anadelina Wood, Nora Zsakai.

Faithful Departed: Especially those whose first anniversary of death occurs about this time, in particular Michael Plimpton and Vernest Situm.

Pope's Prayer Intention for October:

Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established through the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illness.



THE MASS: STEP BY STEP



LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST: Washing of the Priest's Hands – Following the Preparation of the Gifts, and the incensing of the altar, if done, the priest washes his hands at the side of the altar with the assistance of the servers. At this time, the priest quietly says: "Wash me, O Lord, from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin" (Psalm 51.4). The washing of hands was added to the Mass in the 7th century and since then, has occurred during various parts of the Mass before it settled into its present location at the conclusion of the Preparation of the Gifts. The practical nature of the washing was to clean the priest's hands after he handled the censer, thus the washing occurred whenever the priest used incense. The spiritual significance springs from the practical, just as the priest's hands are cleansed after preparing the gifts, so may his soul be cleansed so that he may worthily offer the Eucharistic sacrifice.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	PARISH COLLECTIONS				
	COLLECTION ENVELOPES	ELECTRONIC OFFERINGS	LOOSE COLLECTIONS	SPECIAL COLLECTIONS	SPECIAL PROJECT/ BUILDING FUND
October 4, 2026	\$1935.00	\$250.00	\$180.05	\$35.00	\$289.00

FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2026			BISHOP'S CAMPAIGN 2026	
	SEPTEMBER	YEAR TO DATE	PARISH GOAL \$15,100 RAISED TO DATE \$6,380	
Operating Income	\$8,386.25	\$99,642.79		\$15,000 100%
Operating Expense	\$16,282.98	\$123,719.82		\$14,000 90%
Net Gain/Loss	-\$7,896.73	-\$24,077.03		\$13,000 80%

PARISH EVENTS & ACTIVITIES



THANKSGIVING DAY is **Monday, October 12th**. On this day, it is fitting for God's people to offer thanks for all the gifts we have received. The bountiful produce of the earth is a visible sign of the many blessings God wants to shower on us through Christ (see Eph 1.3-10). Our God also calls us to share the goods of the earth with all people.



WORLD FOOD DAY is **Friday, October 16th**. This day has been promoted by the Food and Agriculture Organization since 1981. The Church is concerned about the issue of hunger in our world, remembering the words of the Son of Man on the last judgment of the nations, "...I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me to drink..." (Mt 25.35).

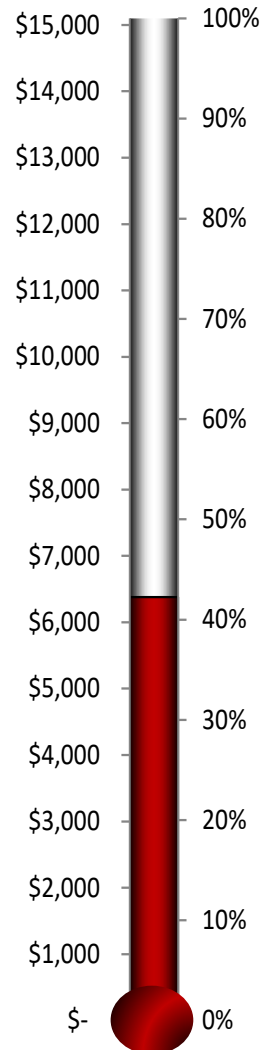
REGISTRATION FOR FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION - Students attending Catholic schools who are eligible for First Communion (Grade 2) or Confirmation (Grade 8) in 2027 will be receiving Registration Forms from their school for these sacraments. **Please complete and return them to the Parish Office by October 31st.** If your child attends a Public school, registration forms are available on the Forms rack at the back of the church. Please return the completed form to the Parish by October 31st.



Join us for our **OKTOBERFEST DINNER** on **Sunday, October 18th at 5:30 p.m. in Saunders**



Hall. Our dinner includes: German Potato Salad, Beet Salad, Pork Schnitzel, Sauerkraut & Sausage, Roasted Seasonal Vegetables, Spaetzle, and Dessert. The cost is \$30 (Adults), \$15 (Students) and Children (6 & under) eat for free. Tickets are available before/after the weekend Masses and at the Parish Office Monday thru Wednesday. Proceeds from this event are in support of our Boiler Replacement Project.



IN THE DIOCESE



Knights of Columbus Father Baxter Assembly #870 will celebrate their **75th ANNIVERSARY** on **Sunday, October 25th with an Anniversary Mass at 10:30 a.m. at St. Patrick's Cathedral.** On October 27th, 1951 over 100 Knights of Columbus members were initiated into the Fourth Degree. This is the highest honorary degree of the Order. The Knights extend an open invitation to all the faithful to join in this celebration.

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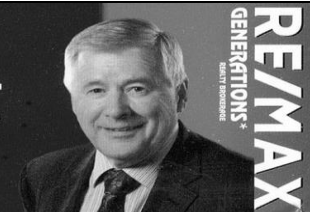
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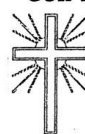


Knights of Columbus Leo Council #1130

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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