

# St. Andrew the Apostle Church

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**Solemnity of Mary  
the Holy Mother of God  
December 31, 2011-January 1, 2012**

*May God Bless Us In His Mercy.*

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## LEADERSHIP TEAM

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## **OUR MISSION IS...**

To live in God's peace by embracing the mind and heart of Jesus, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit... Centered in the Eucharist and living the Gospel as Disciples of Christ, we seek fulfillment through prayer, worship, education and Christian fellowship. As stewards of God's love, sharing our gifts and talents, we serve others both in and outside of our parish.

## **OUR VISION IS...**

To be the model of a vibrant, loving and diverse faith community, welcoming all in the Catholic tradition.

## **CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST & SACRAMENTS**

**DAILY:** 7:00 AM - Monday thru Friday  
8:30 AM - Monday thru Saturday

**WEEKEND:** Saturday: 5:00 PM  
Sunday: 8:30, 10:00, 11:30 AM  
& 6:00 PM

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
Saturday 4:00-4:30 PM (Chapel) or by appointment.

### **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

Baptism is celebrated at the 11:30 AM Mass on the first Sunday of the month, or immediately following the 11:30 AM Mass on the third Sunday of the month, except during Advent and Lent, due to the solemnity of these seasons in anticipation of Christmas and Easter.

### **SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE**

Weddings are celebrated on Saturdays @ 2:00 PM. We ask at least one year preparation time.

## FROM THE PASTOR...



A few weeks ago someone asked me if New Year's Day was a Holy Day of Obligation or not. They proceeded to ask what was so special about the first day of the year and why it is a holyday. Initially, I thought the person was attempting to be funny, and then I quickly realized that they were quite serious. My response was quick and honest. I told the person that the New Year was not a holy day, but January 1<sup>st</sup>, the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, was a Holy Day of obligation. As such, the church gives us this beautiful Solemnity on the first day of the year, so the faithful can reflect on Mary's willingness to be obedient to God's plan in her life. When Mary said "yes" to become the Mother of the Lord, she put all of her hopes and dreams aside, to become the vessel of God. As the God bearer, she really became the first tabernacle or chalice of the Lord. This is why the church gives us this beautiful Solemnity on the first day of the year, so we can follow her beautiful example of discipleship. Immediately, the person asked...what in the heck is a Solemnity ☺.

Throughout the liturgical year, the Catholic Church designates special days to celebrate different people, events and beliefs. Some of these celebrations are called *Solemnities*, others are *feasts*, and still others are *memorials*. What is the difference? Basically, it depends upon the importance the Church places upon that particular belief, event, or person. A *Solemnity* means that what the Church celebrates that day is an important part of the Catholic tradition. On days designated as *feasts*, something of lesser importance is being celebrated. *Memorials* celebrate mainly events and persons that are important only to local churches or religious groups. While the universal Church lists 17 *Solemnities* in the course of the Church year, only six of those are recognized as Holydays in the United States. Today is the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God.

In 1969 the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, formerly celebrated on October 11, was transferred to January 1, replacing the feast of the Circumcision. This is a great time to think about Mary's life as Jesus' mother, and as our mother. No matter where we are in life, it is a good way to start a new year, knowing that our Mother is always there for us. Always! Always! Always!

Mary is our model, not because she is the mother of Jesus (something we cannot imitate), but because she became a true disciple of Jesus (something we can imitate). In Luke's Gospel a woman in the crowd shouts to Jesus, "Blessed is the womb that bore you and the breasts that nursed you." Jesus responds, "Blessed *rather* are those who hear the word of God and observe it." Family ties were not his first priority, discipleship was. Jesus repeatedly said that a true disciple is one who *hears* the

word of God, and *lives* it. At the Annunciation, Mary is the first to do this. She heard the word of God and responded, "May it be done to me according to your word." Pope Paul VI, in a lengthy document on Mary, cited Mary's discipleship as the reason why she is a model for us: "She is held up as an example to the faithful for the way in which, in her own particular life, she fully and responsibly accepted the will of God because she heard the word of God and acted on it...She is worthy of imitation because she was the first and the most perfect of Christ's disciples." What she is, we are called to be.

Each year I invite the parishioners to reflect on the beautiful example of discipleship that Mary provides for us, and I urge everyone to follow that same example. What was so magnificent about this holy woman was her willingness to become the vessel of God. She accomplished this not by bringing great attention to herself and the role she played in salvation history, but by pointing others to Christ, and simply telling them to do whatever he tells you. An anonymous college student composed a poem about Mary that reads: "Today I saw a water lily growing in a pond, unconcerned about whether anyone noticed its astounding beauty. As I sat there, watching it unfold its petals noiselessly, I thought of Mary pregnant with Jesus. She, too, was unconcerned about whether anyone noticed her astounding beauty. But to those who did, she shared a secret. That beauty came not from her, but from the Jesus life unfolding its noiseless petals within her. The student's poem invites us to ask: What is one way that I might facilitate the growth of the Jesus life within me that began on the day I was baptized?"

Each year on this beautiful Solemnity, I invite the parishioners to partake in a special privilege. Most parishioners never have an opportunity to embrace the chalice of a priest. My particular chalice is filled with symbolism that reflects the light of Christ through the Blessed Virgin Mary (That is why it is blue). As Mary became the first chalice, by embodying Jesus in her womb, I invite the parishioners to commit themselves to also becoming God bearers, in their every day actions, in the way they treat their family members, in the way they treat others in the world around them. For those willing to commit to do this as their New Year resolution, I ask them to approach the Altar after Mass, embrace the chalice in both hands, and to pray, Mary, Mother of God, be Mother to me today. Help me to also become a chalice for your Son, by becoming a God bearer to those around me each day. Will you respond to God's call as generously and completely as Mary?

With a loving and grateful heart,  
Msgr. Marucci

# For Whom Shall We Pray...

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

### Saturday, December 31, 2011

8:30 AM † Sandy Klein r/o family

5:00 PM People of the Parish

### Sunday, January 1

8:30 AM † Mary De Vincentis r/o Charles De Vincentis

10:00 AM † Thomas A. Love Jr. r/o Patrick Hall & family

11:30 AM † Robert Craig r/o Salmonsens family

6:00 PM † John Rodgers r/o Kathy Rodgers

### Monday, January 2

7:00 AM † Jay Williams r/o Burns family

8:30 AM † Judy Ellen Cefaratti r/o Branciforte family

10:30 AM Mass at Voorhees Care & Rehab Center

### Tuesday, January 3

7:00 AM † Sari Rosenbaum r/o Arthur & Barbara

8:30 AM † Emily Gentile r/o Monica & Michael Fiorfetti

10:15 AM Mass at Brendenwood

10:30 AM Mass at Emeritus at Voorhees

### Wednesday, January 4

7:00 AM † Carmella Graziani r/o Honrychs family

8:30 AM For the Good Health of Thomas Kolin r/o family

10:30 AM Mass at Kressonview

### Thursday, January 5

7:00 AM † Phillip Kemmel r/o Lou & Connie Giannobile

8:30 AM Special Intentions r/o Underwood family

10:30 AM Mass at Voorhees Senior Living

### Friday, January 6

7:00 AM † Jacob Booth r/o Barbara Remsing

8:30 AM † Joe Coyne r/o Jan

10:30 AM Mass at Genesis

### Saturday, January 7

8:30 AM † Sandy Klein r/o family

5:00 PM † Pasquale Talarico r/o his wife

### Sunday, January 8

8:30 AM † John Butera r/o William Waples

10:00 AM † Molly Kelly r/o Kuchler family

11:30 AM † Kneafsey family r/o Kathy Rodgers

6:00 PM People of the Parish

**The Pastor's Online**

[MsgrMarucci@Comcast.net](mailto:MsgrMarucci@Comcast.net)

*TO EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON  
AND A TIME FOR EVERY PURPOSE  
UNDER HEAVEN...*

**“A Time To Be Born...”**

**“A Time To Be Healed...”**

*Joanne Cassidy, Rose Inzinna, Lauren Kuchler, Fred Maurer, Mary Bauman Soards, Jim Southwick, Gail Steliga, Suzanne Steliga...and all parishioners who are in nursing homes.*

**“A Time To Die . . .”**

**Richard Hearn**

*brother of Dan Hearn*

**Helen T. Pooley**

**“And a Time for Peace. . .”**

*(especially for those in the military)*

**Jon Beale**

*SS John M. Ciaccio, USMC*

*CPT. Bryan Dougherty*

*PVT. Andrew Francesconi*

*Brian Frett*

*SSG John D. Vozzelli*

*(Ecclesiastes 3:1)*

**We Pray For Those Bearing  
New Life And Expecting  
Adoption ...**

*Susan Blossom, Nicole Buckley,*

*Kathryn Fink, Jen Parker Francesconi,*

*Karen Rodgers, Debbie Schaefer,*

*Cindy Smith*

**Sanctuary Candle...**



*The Sanctuary Candle this week burns*

**In Memory of**

**Carmello & Stephania Minniti**

**&**

**Berardo & Fiordilisa Marucci**

*requested by Msgr. Louis A. Marucci*

## News and Notes...

### **A TIMELY ANNOUNCEMENT**

**ATTENTION, ALL LAY WOMEN & MEN!** *Be a Lay Minister explorer!* Consider having a graduate course experience in theology without committing to a whole program --- **and** --- at the discounted cost of \$372.50.

This is an opportunity for you to take an introductory class to assist you in discerning whether to seek the M.A. degree in Pastoral Theology, an exciting preparation for doing parish ministry.

The Diocese of Camden has partnered with Georgian Court University, the Mercy University of New Jersey, for graduate studies in theology.

Courses are available for the Spring 2012 semester, beginning the week of January 23 and ending May 9. We hope to offer them in a diocesan location for your convenience---**if**---we have a minimum of ten (10) students on board for mid-January.

Come, take the first step into *your* ministry future. Call Linda Robinson, Director of Lay Ministry Formation, for additional info at 856-583-6116 or email [linda.k.robinson@camdendiocese.org](mailto:linda.k.robinson@camdendiocese.org).

### **ACTIVE ADULTS**

Pot Luck Supper & White Elephant Exchange  
January 12, 2012  
6:00 PM in the Church Hall

For your Pot Luck assignment bring a dish to share and a wrapped gift worth at least \$10.00 (new, not used) one per couple or one per person to exchange. This is a BYOB event but water, coffee and tea will be provided. Our theme this year is "Mardi Gras." In keeping with our theme, please wear something pertaining to the theme (beads, anything green, purple or gold, fancy masks... etc.). RSVP to Carole Aspinall [856-783-1684](tel:856-783-1684) for your Pot Luck assignment. Active Adults welcomes all parishioners 50 years and older. Come out for an evening of good food and lots of friendly fellowship.

### **HEARING PROBLEMS?**

If you are having problems hearing the church services and desire to use one of the church's assistive listening devices, please see an usher before Mass to obtain a receiver and earphones. The devices enables you to hear the church service comfortably, without any background noise.

### **LITTLE ANGELS ACADEMY PRE-SCHOOL DIRECTOR POSITION**

Please see the website for further information  
[www.standrewsrc.com](http://www.standrewsrc.com).

### **What's Happening. . .**

#### **Events this week**

*(excludes Religious Education, RCIA, & Little Angels Pre-School schedules)*

#### **Monday, January 2**

7:30 PM: Evangelization Meeting, Classroom 1

#### **Tuesday January 3**

9:00 AM: MOPS, Parish Center

5:00 PM: Children's Choir, Church

7:30 PM: Contemporary Ensemble, Church

#### **Wednesday January 4**

9:00 AM: Eucharistic Adoration, Chapel

8:30 PM: NA Meeting, Classroom 2

#### **Thursday, January 5**

10:00 AM: Prayer Shawl Ministry, Nursery

7:00 PM: Active Adult Meeting, Classroom 2

7:00 PM: Choir Rehearsal

7:00 PM: Divorce Care, Lounge

7:00 PM: Galaxy Planning Meeting, Classroom 1

#### **Friday, January 6**

7:30 PM: Family of God Prayer Meeting, Chapel

### **WELCOME New Parishioners**

To Register at St. Andrew the Apostle, please stop into the Parish Office, drop this form in the collection basket, or mail it to the address above. Thank You.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

### **MSGR. MARUCCI's HUMOR BOX...**

Six-year old Angie, and her four-year old brother, Joel, were sitting together in church. Joel giggled, sang and talked out loud. Finally, his big sister had had enough. "You're not supposed to talk out loud in church." "Why? Who's going to stop me?" Joel asked. Angie pointed to the back of the church and said, "See those two men standing by the door? They're hushers."

**THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS,  
WHO DONATED THE LOVELY FLOWERS WHICH GRACE OUR WORSHIP AREA.**

**IN MEMORY OF**

Lucia & Maximo Liborio  
Cristina Rosales  
Zoilo de los Santos  
Lazare & Mariano Aguilar  
Abella Camaro  
Walter & Helen Furlong  
John Rafferty  
Harry Brennan  
Jessie, Bill & Rita Borger  
Mae & Frank Sinatra  
Sal Francesconi  
Dominick Branca  
Clara & Angelo Manzo  
Carmela & Carlo Papa  
Maria & Pasquale Branca  
Simons & Surovick family  
James Towsen  
Frank Caruso & Janis Koss  
Shirley L. Caruso  
Rose & Dominic Caruso  
Gilda & Gabriel Falco  
Margaret Crain  
Cathleen Campbell  
Joan Marie & Catherine Crain  
Charles Crain Sr.  
William Reilly  
Dolly & James Master  
Jack, Rita, Jim & Marie Master  
Dot & Frank Higgins  
Virginia & Cap Caputi  
Bud Hartman & Jack Bauman  
Joseph & Isabella Kuntz  
MaryAnn Dicken  
Florence & Cy Knasiak  
Bill & Catherine Sheerin  
Mary Rausch  
Francis Sweeney Sr  
Francis Sweeney Jr.  
Agnes Sweeney  
Anna Maria & George Howe  
Hilda McIntosh  
Mary & John Reiss  
Catherine & John Howard  
Claire & Ann Howard  
Elenor & Jack Howard  
Warren Wentzel  
Tony Dowlan  
Helen & Guy DeLucchi  
Thomas & Catherine Wentworth  
Lena & Frank D'Imperio  
Alfred Castagnola  
Mary & John Prete  
Doris & George Dorgan  
Rose Weaver  
Concetta & Sam Brocato  
Jennie & Jim Dugan  
Alfonso & Aurellie Castagnola

**REQUESTED BY**

Angelita Aguilar  
Angelita Aguilar  
Angelita Aguilar  
Angelita Aguilar  
Angelita Aguilar  
Anna Marie Rafferty  
Anna Marie Rafferty  
Ann Brennan  
Bill & Marie Borger  
Bill & Marie Borger  
Bill & Marie Borger  
Bill & Marie Borger  
Carmela Branca  
Carmela Branca  
Carmela Branca  
Carmela Branca  
Carmela Branca  
Carolrae Surovick  
Caruso family  
Caruso family  
Caruso family  
Caruso family  
Caruso family  
Charles Crain  
Charles Crain  
Charles Crain  
Charles Crain  
Charles Crain  
Claire M. Bauman  
Claire M. Bauman  
Claire M. Bauman  
Claire M. Bauman  
Claire M. Bauman  
Dan Worstall  
Danielle & Howard Riggs  
David & Catherine Knasiak  
David & Catherine Knasiak  
David & Catherine Knasiak  
Deborah Sweeney  
Deborah Sweeney  
Deborah Sweeney  
Dugan family  
Dugan family  
Eileen & Ken Smith  
Eileen & Ken Smith  
Eileen & Ken Smith  
Eileen & Ken Smith  
Eileen & Ken Smith  
Eileen & Ken Smith  
Ellen & Bill Wentworth  
Ellen & Bill Wentworth  
Fran Domers  
G. Castagnola  
G. Castagnola  
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G. Castagnola  
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G. Castagnola  
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G. Castagnola

**REQUESTED BY**

Anna Snyder  
George H. Laigaie  
Anthony & Anna Izzo  
Joseph & June Sacavitch  
James McGrogan  
Charles Rankow  
Cecilia, Pat & Mary DeMarco  
Gilbert Brooks, Sr.  
Antonio & Delina Cianci  
Cecilia Govito & Joseph Cianci  
Mr. & Mrs. Edmund Cetrullo  
Mr. & Mrs. Clem Gill  
Mr. Daniel Gill  
Joseph L. Smith  
Barlow & McAneny Families  
M/M Anthony Sentore  
M/M Lawrence Taylor  
Rose McCarthy  
M/M Ben Barton  
M/M Lawrence Taylor Jr.  
Cherricole family  
Julia Burns  
Joseph & Marie Roth  
James & Delphine Brennan  
M/M Paul Gehousky  
M/M Charles Miller  
M/M Francis Gehousky  
M/M John G. Anlage  
M/M Joseph B. Anlage  
Edward W. Anlage  
Marie & Malcolm Mattson  
Jack & Kathryn Gemender  
Phyllis & Ken Plumb  
Gemender & Geier families  
Merlino & Thatcher families  
Fred & Austin Erlanger  
Raymond & Constance Ward  
Jos. Dickson & Jos. Moss  
Kathryn & Thos. Jenkins  
Doris & Chas. Alexander  
Deborah Sheehan  
Margaret D. Walters  
Gilda Massaro  
Marie, Bill, Mary & Bud Gough  
Mae & John Smart  
Lew Long  
John E. White Sr. & Bill White  
Frank & Catherine Bramante  
Edward Trouton  
Davy family  
Tarabusi & Beaune families  
James J. Gillespie Sr.  
John & Golda Harkins  
John M. Ferrel & Leonard Burt  
Catherine Seigman  
Anita Efrain Romero  
Arcania Rigoberto Guaraz

**REQUESTED BY**

Garcia family  
George Laigaie  
George & Frances Sacavitch  
George & Frances Sacavitch  
George & Frances Sacavitch  
George & Frances Sacavitch  
Gil & Donna Brooks  
Gil & Donna Brooks  
Gil & Donna Brooks  
Gil & Donna Brooks  
Gill family  
Gill family  
Gill family  
Hamilton family  
Harry & Jean McAneny  
Helen & Ronald Taylor  
Helene & Ronald Taylor  
Helene & Ronald Taylor  
Helene & Ronald Taylor  
Helene & Ronald Taylor  
Helene & Ronald Taylor  
James Burns  
James & Diane Brennan  
James & Diane Brennan  
Jean & Larry Anlage  
Jean & Larry Anlage  
Jean & Larry Anlage  
Jean & Larry Anlage  
Jean & Larry Anlage  
Joan Geier  
Joan Geier  
Joan Geier  
Jo Ann Thatcher  
Jo Ann Thatcher  
Jo Ann Thatcher  
Jo Ann Thatcher  
Jo Ann Thatcher  
Jo Ann Thatcher  
Jo Ann Thatcher  
Joe & Marie Sheehan  
John & Karen Massaro  
John & Karen Massaro  
Kay & Bill Long  
Kay & Bill Long  
Kay & Bill Long  
Louise White  
Louise White  
Louise White  
M. J. Davy  
M.J. Davy  
Mae P. Gillespie  
Mae P. Gillespie  
Mae P. Gillespie  
Mae P. Gillespie  
Martha Guaraz  
Martha Guaraz

# WORSHIP AND MUSIC...

Contact Regan Peiffer, Pastoral Associate for Worship and Music (856-784-3878 or ReganP@standrewsrc.com)

## LITURGICAL STEWARDS FOR JAN. 7-8

### Lectors

- 5:00 Ben Vasta, Kathryn Porrini  
8:30 Larry Anlage, Dawn Benz  
10:00 Sue & Bob Bove  
11:30 Michele Stevens, Abigail Arculeo  
6:00 Paul DiNapoli, M. Dougherty

### Eucharistic Ministers

- 5:00 Millie Bandeira, Barbara Curtis, AnneMarie Flory, Chris Mc Carrick, Michelina O'Neill  
8:30 Jean Anlage, Dom Covone, Aurora DeGuzman, Marianne Kraus, Chris Parry  
10:00 Carmella Dooley, Harry Frett, Bob Gallo, Cecelia Handza, Dan Hearn, Loretta Stech  
11:30 Denise & Jim Ciarrocchi, Fran Clark, Evelyn Ebor, Tom Fanelli, Julia Graciano  
6:00 Betty Capaldi, Maynard Leistiko, Juliana Okoro, Audrey Tanner, Ann Peaks

### Ushers

- 5:00 Pat Milanese, Mike Nolan, Joseph Kennedy, Jackie Puchala  
8:30 Charlie Maschi, Elaine Bolling, Neil Rowe, Edwin Tevis, Robert Basile  
10:00 Mary Mitsos, Jeff Fleming, Bob Craft, Rob Parry, Tom Di Donato  
11:30 Rogelio Tizon, Ed Smith, Nathan Delmundo  
6:00 Jeremiah O'Connell, Mike Gines, Natalya Leistiko,

### Sacristans

- 5:00 Michelina O'Neill  
8:30 Stacy Roche  
10:00 Dave Miller  
11:30 Ronnie Frantz  
6:00 Juliana Okoro

### Greeters

- 5:00 Claire Bauman, Joan Hartman  
8:30 Norma Salvatore  
10:00 Carolyn & George Quinn  
11:30 Joe Di Stefano  
6:00 Talina & Renee Fernandez

### Altar Servers

- 5:00 Angelo Picariello, Corinne Larkin, Kara Fenton  
8:30 Alex Mackie, Andrew Pham, Rebecca Browne  
10:00 JM Tameta, Taylor Arsenault, Brandon Geary  
11:30 Kelsey Piatkowski, Vincent Melara, Sofia Campoverde  
6:00 Kasso Peaks, Michael Berthin, Bryan Gillespie

### Cantors

- 5:00 Maureen & Bill Walton  
8:30 Marianne Krauss  
10:00 Adult Choir  
11:30 Liz Horvitz  
6:00 Teen Choir/Maria Roscoe

## New Year Prayer

*God grant us this year a wider view,  
So we see others' faults through the eyes of You.  
Teach us to judge not with hasty tongue,  
Neither the adult ... nor the young.*

*Give us patience and grace to endure  
And a stronger faith so we feel secure.  
Instead of remembering, help us forget  
The irritations that caused us to fret.*

*Freely forgiving for some offense  
And finding each day a rich recompense.  
In offering a friendly, helping hand  
And trying in all ways to understand;*

*That all of us whoever we are ...  
Are trying to reach an unreachable star.  
For the great and small ... the good and bad,  
The young and old ... the sad and glad.*

*Are asking today; Is life worth living?  
The answer is only in, loving and giving.  
For only Love can make man kind  
And Kindness of Heart brings Peace of Mind.*

*By giving love, we can start this year  
To lift the clouds of hate and fear.  
written by Helen Steiner Rice*

### PRESIDER SCHEDULE FOR JANUARY 7-8

#### Saturday, January 7

5:00 PM Fr. Allen

#### Sunday, January 8

8:30 AM Msgr Marucci\*\*\*

10:00 AM Fr Allen

11:30 AM Msgr Marucci

6:00 PM Fr Allen

\*\*\*Denotes Deacon Vincent Okoro preaching



*It's not too late to join the St. Andrew's Music Ministry! Adult Choir, Children's Choir, Teen Choir, & Contemporary Ensemble are welcoming new members. We would also like to begin a Bell Choir. Contact Maureen Walton or Regan Peiffer in the Parish Office.*

# **Life Long Faith Formation...**

Contact Kate Vukicevich, Pastoral Associate for Lifelong Faith Formation (856-783-0550 or KateV@standrewsrc.com)



**"I AM THE ALPHA AND OMEGA, HE WHO WAS, WHO IS AND WHO IS TO COME, THE LORD ALMIGHTY."**

## **REVELATION 1:8**

All time belongs to Him.

In this Year of Grace 2012 let us remember that our family is called to be holy! God chose to belong to a human family, a family like ours. The family is the place where virtues can be learned, and where respect, forgiveness and love take root.

## **A PRAYER FOR FAMILY COMMITMENT 2012**

Dear God our Father, you have called all Christian families to be a sign of your love to the world.

Help us to be generous with the gifts of life and love that you have showered on our family.

May we share them so that our homes become true signs of unitive and fruitful love.

Let us never forget to thank you each day for all that sustains us and to look to Christ, who comes to us in the events of family life, in the sacraments of the Church and in service to the poor.

In all of this, our family becomes a living expression of your Church, a hallowed home of life and love. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may all of us- spouses, parents, and children – share, as members of his Body, in Jesus' mission to build a civilization of love. Father, we ask this in Jesus' name in union with the Holy Spirit. Amen.

USCCB

## **Attention Home School Families!!!**

Do you home school your children? Would you be interested in a St. Andrew Co-op?  
Please contact the Religious Formation Office.

## **Whole Community Catechesis**

January 29 at 9:30 and 11:00 AM

Topic: "How to teach my children about the great gift of sexuality" in the Catholic Tradition.

## **RCIA**

January 4, 2012

Topic: "Anointing of the Sick"

Presenter: Fr. Howard

## **THANK YOU!**

Thank you to the Murnane Family for donating their time treasure and talent for our children in the Religious Formation Program. New parishioners, they generously volunteered to make wooden materials for our "Catechesis of the Good Shepherd" Program.

## **For Reflection:**

"In tribulation immediately draw near to God with confidence, and you will receive strength, enlightenment, and instruction. John Paul II

# ***Spiritual Life Formation...***

Contact Sr. Alma Gallagher, Pastoral Associate for Spiritual Life  
(856-784-3878 or SrAlma@standrewsrc.com)

## ***Spiritual Life Upcoming Events***

### ***Women of Joy Prayer Breakfast***

**Save the date! Saturday, January 14th**

**9:00 AM–11:00 AM Parish Hall**

Each month approximately 60 women come together at the Women of Joy Prayer Breakfast to laugh, get to know each other, share a meal and reflect on their walk with God. Please join us for our next prayer breakfast which will be held on Saturday, January 14th. Please watch upcoming bulletins for more details...

### ***A Special Evening Concert With Tom Kendzia***

**Thursday, Jan 19th, 2012 7:30 PM–8:30 PM**

**For tickets or more information please contact:**

**Janice Lowry @ 856-767-7675 or via email at jldimples@msn.com**

## ***Youth and Young Adults...***

Contact Phoebe Darlington, Interim Coordinator for Youth & Young Adult Ministry  
(609-238-5438 or Phoebe.Darlington@comcast.net)

### **Youth**

#### **Galaxy Planning Meeting**

January 5<sup>th</sup>  
7:00–8:00 PM - Rm 1

#### **Open Gym Night**

January 12<sup>th</sup>  
7:00–8:15 PM - Parish Hall

#### **Second Saturdays**

January 14<sup>th</sup> Meet in parking lot  
8:00 AM–12:00 PM

#### **Galaxy Meeting January 15<sup>th</sup>**

Junior Senior  
4:15–5:45 PM 7:15–8:45 PM

#### **March for Life**

January 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:00 AM–9:00 PM

### **Young Adults**

(18-40)

#### **Young Adults Christmas Dinner to be celebrated on Epiphany**

Friday, January 5th  
6:00–9:00 PM  
Location to be determined.

#### **Young Adults Meeting**

January 8<sup>th</sup> 7:00–8:30 PM

#### **Young Adults Planning Meeting**

January 19<sup>th</sup> 7:30–9:00 PM

#### **Young Adults Event**

January 21<sup>st</sup> 6:00–9:00 PM

# Compassionate Outreach...

Contact Chris Parry, Pastoral Coordinator for Compassionate Outreach (856-906-5127 or spcp1@comcast.net)

## Human Concerns Mission Statement

"Called By Our Baptism, we the followers of Christ at St. Andrew's Parish, invite all to share their time, talent and treasure, as we seek justice and charity for those in need."

**If you would like to receive e-mails related to Compassionate Outreach 'immediate needs', e-mail Chris and she will put you on her e-mail list.**

## Christian Cupboard:

With the Holiday Baskets delivered, our pantry shelves are a bit bare. Any non-perishable food item is welcome. Always popular are cold and hot cereals, peanut butter and jellies, canned meats and tuna. Thanks to all of you who so generously donated items for our Holiday Baskets.

*'I will appoint over you shepherds after my own heart, who will shepherd you wisely and prudently. Jer 3:15*



## Holiday Baskets:

Thanks to all of you who so generously donated items for our Holiday Baskets. Over 95 Baskets were distributed to those in our neighborhood community. Also distributed to the families were the gifts under the Christmas Giving Tree. The recipients were overwhelmed by the kindness from St. Andrew's Parish. Many little ones were overjoyed with the presents found under their tree on Christmas morning. We are so thankful for your generous support to the Giving Tree and Christmas Food Basket programs.

## Our Ongoing Gift to You From Helping Hands:

If you or someone you know is in need of a ride to and from Church, or to other errands of importance, please let our Compassionate Outreach Ministry know. ***It is our ongoing gift to you---we do this with open hearts; your appreciation is our thanks.***

## Local Outreach Items Needed This Week:

Gas Stove

Small Kitchen Table and Chairs

Piano

Hi-boy Dresser

Living Room Set

Also: 54 year old woman is looking for a room to rent or an inexpensive apartment.

## Job Development:

Family in Delran looking for a part-time, energetic, warm-hearted nanny for 3 fun-loving children - 4 years, 2 years, and 5 months old. Responsibilities include constructive play with children (suggestions are welcome), warming prepared meals, and light housework (e.g., vacuuming, children's laundry, etc.). Part-time schedule is 2 days a week, likely either Tuesday/Thursday or Thursday/Friday (7:30 AM-5:30 PM).

## Position Wanted:

Woman with 16 yrs experience looking to take care of elderly or handicapped. Can do cooking, take to doctor, etc.

# **St. Andrew's Pre-School-Little Angels**

Contact Kathy Emrich, Interim Director of St. Andrew's Pre-School  
(856-435-1585 or [KathyEmrich@standrewsrc.com](mailto:KathyEmrich@standrewsrc.com))

Little Angels Academy provides an excellent and affordable preschool education experience for children from ages 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  through 4 years. Our educational programs are designed to aid in the development of each child's math and language readiness, literacy, listening skills and physical, social and emotional development all within a caring and nurturing Christian environment. Our small class sizes, experienced faculty and excellent child: teacher ratio provides for individual attention within loving, family oriented learning environment. Quality Early Childhood Education with Christian Values

Open Enrollment starts January 2<sup>nd</sup>

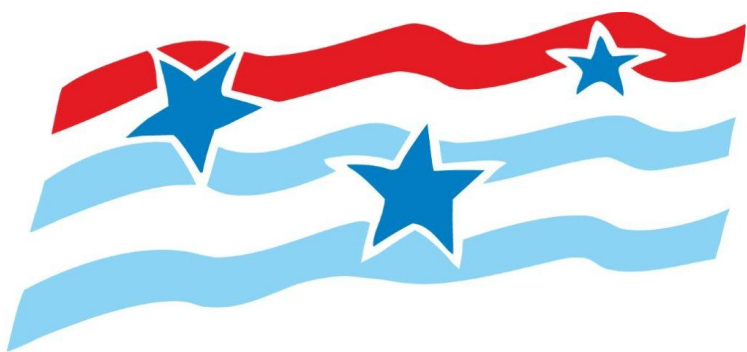
Register early...  
Space is limited!

To register,  
Please call  
Kathy Emrich, Interim Director,  
Little Angels Academy  
856-435-1585  
[www.littleangelsNJ.org](http://www.littleangelsNJ.org)

## **Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Regional School**

Contact Anthony Paolini, Director of Development, for additional information,  
(856-767-1751 or [www.olmc-school.org](http://www.olmc-school.org))

*OLMC would like to wish all St. Andrew's Parishioners a  
Happy and Healthy New Year!!*



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