Opportunities to Witness and Serve
2020-21

“As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God’s varied grace.”
1 Peter 4:10
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Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.

— Matthew 25:40

Amén, te digo, hagas lo que hagas por uno de estos hermanos menores, lo hiciste por mí.”

— Mateo 25:40
Welcome Message

Building the Kingdom of God Here and Now Through the Witnessing of a Lived Faith

Greetings and God’s blessing to each of you as you prayerfully consider your response to the abundant graces and gifts of the Holy Spirit. At the heart of Saint Andrew Catholic Church and School is a vibrant, life-giving and growing community working to reach out and spread the Gospel message of Jesus Christ to all. God will always act first, equipping us with all we need to witness and serve as a disciple in His plan of eternal salvation. How then will we respond to unlock the treasure of such a blessing for our good and that of others? At Saint Andrew Catholic Church and School, we seek to respond by “building the Kingdom of God here and now through the witnessing of a lived faith.”

Our personal response is best rooted in prayer, listening and seeking the graces of the Holy Spirit in our lives. By being open to those graces, we will be better able to determine how to properly use our time, our talents and the fruits of our labors.

This ministry guide shows the opportunities available to help in this outreach within our community and beyond. I would like every parishioner to be aware of what we do here and to be a part of it. We are called to participate in the building of God’s Kingdom, not to be onlookers. Please take time to prayerfully consider how God is calling you to be a part of our vision and mission. If you are interested in a ministry not listed here, please tell me. I am always interested in good suggestions and new ways to reach out in love of God and Neighbor.

“My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me”.  
(John 10:27) Jesus is calling you.

In Christ,  
Fr. Mark

Fr. Mark Innocenti

UNLOCKING THE TREASURE
Building the Kingdom of God Here and Now through the Witnessing of a Lived Faith
Carta de bienvenida de nuestro pastor

**Construyendo el Reino de Dios aquí y ahora a través del testimonio de una fe vivida**

Saludos y bendiciones de Dios a cada uno de ustedes mientras que en oración consideran su respuesta a las abundantes gracias y los dones del Espíritu Santo.

En el corazón de la Iglesia y Escuela Católica de San Andrés está una comunidad vibrante, que da vida, crece y trabaja para extender el mensaje evangélico de Jesucristo a todos. Dios siempre actuará primero, nos equipará con todo lo que necesitamos para testificar y servir como discípulos en su plan de salvación eterna. Entonces, ¿cómo responderemos a tales bendiciones para nuestro bien y el de otros? En la Iglesia y Escuela Católica de San Andrés, buscamos responder al “construir el Reino de Dios aquí y ahora a través del testimonio de una fe vivida”.

Nuestra respuesta personal es mejor enraizada en la oración, escuchando y buscando las gracias del Espíritu Santo en nuestras vidas. Al estar abiertos a esas gracias, seremos más capaces de determinar cómo usar correctamente nuestro tiempo, nuestros talentos y los frutos de nuestras labores.

Esta guía muestra las oportunidades disponibles para ayudar dentro de nuestra comunidad y más allá. Me gustaría que todos los feligreses sean conscientes de lo que hacemos aquí y que sean parte de ello. Estamos llamados a participar en la construcción del Reino de Dios, no sólo ser espectadores. Por favor, tómeselo el tiempo para considerar en oración cómo Dios le está llamando a ser parte de nuestra visión y misión. Si usted está interesado en un ministerio que no está incluido, por favor digame. Siempre me interesan las buenas sugerencias y las nuevas formas de amar a Dios y al prójimo.

“*Mis ovejas oyen mi voz, y yo las conozco, y me siguen*” (Juan 10:27).

Jesús te está llamando.

En Cristo, Padre Mark

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**UNLOCKING THE TREASURE**
*Building the Kingdom of God Here and Now through the Witness of a Lived Faith*
I am a little pencil in the hand of a writing God who is sending a love letter to the world.

— Saint Teresa of Calcutta

Soy un pequeño lápiz en la mano de un Dios de la escritura que está enviando una carta de amor al mundo.

— Santa Teresa de Calcuta
Our Vision and Mission in action as Disciples

**Our church patron**, St. Andrew, whose feast day we celebrate November 30 was the first of Christ’s disciples to be called. He responded by dropping his nets to lead others to Jesus (Matthew 4:18-20). We are called to emulate this example in our response to God’s abundant blessings.

**Our Vision**

*Building the Kingdom of God, here and now, through the witnessing of a lived faith.*

**Our Mission**

*We, as a Catholic faith community, cast wide our net in welcoming all people as Christ. In a spirit of generosity, we utilize our time, talents and treasure to educate and serve one another.*

**We are building the Kingdom of God here and now:**
- By sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ’s life, death and resurrection
- By community outreach and service incorporating the corporal and spiritual works of mercy
- Because nothing is more important: every soul matters to God, and He longs for each of us to be with Him and grow deeper in loving communion

**We are witnesses of a lived faith:**
- Anchored in faith in Jesus Christ and His holy Church through prayer and the sacraments, especially the Eucharist
- By witnessing, because the most powerful tools we have for drawing people to Jesus are our example and our willingness to share our faith
- Led by the Spirit into an ever deeper relationship with Jesus so that our very lives draw people to Christ and His Church

**We cast a wide net in service to God and neighbor:**
- Recognizing our local faith community is part of a diverse, global Church
- Striving to see Jesus in everyone we meet and to be Jesus to them every day
- Not just participants, but partners with Christ – deepening our own faith and actively connecting others to the love of God in response to His continuous call to conversion

**Our parish goal** is that every member of our parish would not only recognize their call but be an authentic disciple of Jesus, giving witness of a lived faith and build the Kingdom of God here and now by their actions, and that, as authentic disciples of Jesus, we would bring others to our community of disciples for the salvation of souls.
Activated disciples of Jesus, in shared mission, as stewards of God’s good gifts

Stewardship then is the grateful response of a Christian heart to all the gifts and graces received from God. As disciples of Jesus, we build the Kingdom of God by sharing our gifts of time, talents, and treasure with those around us. This is not simply a nice thing to do, but essential for the salvation of our souls.

*And the king will say to them in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.’… He will answer them, ‘Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.’*—Matthew 25:40, 45

Stewardship is an act of faith that recognizes God’s abundant gifts to us, trusts in God’s love and responds through our free will by returning those gifts in every facet of life. Stewardship also builds community. It is our hope that by getting involved you will meet other members of our parish and perhaps even introduce others to the Catholic faith.

In this booklet, you will find many opportunities to share your gifts in love of God and neighbor at Saint Andrew. Of course, you can give financially to support our church and school, but we also have many important ministries and volunteer and leadership opportunities in the parish that need dedicated people like you.

More broadly, as members of the body of Christ, we, the Church of Saint Andrew also share in the mission to work collaboratively to build and bring about God’s plan of salvation—His Kingdom here and now.
Parish Leadership
Contact Melissa Anderson at melissaa@saint-andrew.net or 763-441-1483 x310 for more information.

Finance Council: Advises the pastor and provides expertise on the overall financial operation of the parish. Experience in business, finance or accounting desirable. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of every month, 5:00-6:00 PM or as scheduled.

Pastoral Council: Advises the pastor, listens to the parish community and recommends broad priorities, goals and policies to further the mission of the parish. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of the month, 6:15-7:15 PM or as scheduled.

School Advisory Board: Advises the school principal and pastor and provides recommendations to improve the quality and operation of our parish school. Meets the first Thursday of every month, 6:00-8:00 PM.

Liturgical Ministries
Contact Diane Pederson at dianep@saint-andrew.net or 763-441-1483 x311 for more information or to volunteer.

Altar Server: Altar servers in grades 4 through 9 assist the priest during Mass and are scheduled once every one or two months. Adults are also welcome to join. Servers help the sacristan with setting up the sanctuary before Mass, cleaning up afterward and assisting the priest during Mass. Training is required.

Children’s Liturgy of the Word: Children’s Liturgy of the Word (CLOW) is an age appropriate lesson for children ages 4, 5 and 6 within the 10:30 AM Mass. C.L.O.W. is provided just before the Liturgy of the Word begins for the assembly. Contact Jatona Sanudo at 763-234-1059 or Shannon Meyer at 612-986-3727.

Greeter: Greeters are men, women and families who are outgoing and enjoy welcoming parishioners and visitors to Mass. Groups serving in the parish are also encouraged to take part in this ministry.

Holy Communion—Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister: Eucharistic ministers distribute the Body and Blood of Christ during weekend Masses and other weekday and evening masses. This ministry is open to all Confirmed and practicing Catholics in good standing. Training is required.

Lector: Lectors proclaim the Word of God (First and Second Readings) and Prayers of the Faithful (general intercessions). This ministry is open to all Confirmed and practicing Catholics. Lectors are scheduled on a weekly basis, and books are provided for home study. Training is required.

Usher: Ushers are Confirmed men, women and youth, who help provide a welcoming atmosphere for those who attend Mass at Saint Andrew Catholic Church. They assist in seating, taking up collections, guiding the communion process, distributing bulletins and emergency assistance.
**Videography and live-streaming:** Assist with electronic media and live-streaming of Mass and parish events, to include assisting with video production and post-production. Contact: Kent Yoder at youthministry@saint-andrew.net or 763-370-5565.

**Liturgical Environment**
Contact Diane Pederson at 763-441-1483 x311 or dianep@saint-andrew.net for more information or to volunteer.

**Art and Environment Committee:** Members develop and display the seasonal decorations for the Church and meet seasonally to decorate.

**Green Plant and Flower Committee:** Members care for and water all of the green plants and flowers in the Church and Gathering Area.

**Linen Care:** Volunteers launder and iron all of the linens used for our liturgical celebrations, providing cleaning and ironing supplies as necessary. Linens are picked up in the sacristy on Monday and returned by the following Saturday.

**Music Ministries**
Contact Diane Pederson at 763-441-1483 x311 or dianep@saint-andrew.net for more information or to volunteer.

**Adult Choir:** Open to anyone college-age or older, this choir sings three times per month and rehearses on Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM.

**Children’s Choir:** Open to all children of the parish in grades 2-5, rehearses on Wednesdays from 4:00 to 4:45 PM during the academic year.

**Christmas Choir/Triduum Choir:** This ministry is open to anyone college-age and older who is interested in participating in choir, but has limited availability. There are approximately six to eight weeks of rehearsals.

**Funeral Choir:** Open to all parishioners who would like to support families experiencing the loss of a loved one. Rehearsals are one hour before the funeral.

**Hispanic Musicians and Choir:** This group leads the music at the 1:00 PM Sunday Mass (in Spanish). Rehearsal is 45 minutes before Mass.

**Instrumentalists:** We enjoy having additional instruments accompany the choirs and small groups—flute, clarinet, guitar, violin, percussion, etc.

**Men’s Choir:** Open to all men of the parish, this choir sings once a month and rehearses two Thursdays per month.

**Multi-Generational Choir:** This ministry was new in 2019! Adults, teens and children will join together to lead the music.
Small Groups: This ministry is open to teens and adults who are interested in singing at the “non-choir” Masses throughout the year.

Sound Technicians: Volunteers balance the electronic sound system in the church during the weekend Masses. This ministry is open to any member post-college age and involves arriving 20 minutes before Mass begins to set up microphones and turn them on and off during Mass. Music and technology skills are beneficial.

Women’s Choir: Open to all women of the parish, this choir sings once a month and rehearses two Thursdays per month.

Youth Choir: Open to all youth of the parish in grades 6-12, rehearses Wednesdays from 5:30 to 6:20 PM during the academic year.

Parish Buildings and Grounds Care
Contact Melissa Anderson at 763-441-1483 x310 or the individuals listed below.


Cemetery Grounds Crew: Cares for and maintains the parish cemetery grounds. Contact: Richard Eversman at 763-441-7781 or 763-258-6175 (cell), Dan LeFebvre at 763-262-0122 or 763-213-5414 (cell), or John Green at 763-441-6632.

Church Cleaners: Cleaning of the Church, Monday mornings. Those assisting often stay and enjoy conversation, coffee and sweet treats. Please contact Roxanne Voss at 763-441-8822.

Perpetual Care Team: Maintains the care of cemetery monuments and headstones (two times per year). Contact: Melissa Anderson melissaa@saint-andrew.net or by phone at 763-441-1483 x310.

Saint Andrew Catholic School
Contact Sherri Stefano at sstefano@saint-andrew.net or 763-441-2216 or Ann Dettmann, Principle at adettmann@saint-andrew.net or 763-441-2216 x 327 for more information or to volunteer.

Lunch Servers: Help serve lunch during the school week, 10:45 AM-12:30 PM.

Office/Teacher Help (Office Angel): Help the office whenever and however needed, weekdays 8:30 AM-2:30 PM.

Playground Monitor: Monitor school children while at recess and help with playground needs, 11:00 AM-12:15 PM during the school week.
Youth Formation
Nicole Bourgeois - Coordinator of Youth Formation (Grades 1 - 5)  
email: NicoleB@saint-andrew.net or phone 763-441-1483 x305

Hollie Danis - Director of Youth Formation (Grades 6 - 12)  
email: HollieD@saint-andrew.net or phone 763-441-1483 x307

Kent Yoder - Coordinator of Youth Ministry  
email: youthministry@saint-andrew.net or phone 763-370-5565

2020 – 2021 Youth Formation Overview:  
For more information, links to resources, and opt in forms, please visit the parish website.

The foundation of the program this year will take place in the home. The theme will be  
"Unlocking the Treasure at Home." We will focus on cultivating shared life, shared prayer,  
shared formation, and shared mission in the domestic church.

Shared Life  GATHER for one family meal or activity together each week. When you gather,  
have everyone share a joy and a challenge from the week with one another.

Shared Prayer  RECEIVE the grace of God in Sacrament and in Word. Attend Mass every  
week as a family (via livestream, recording, or in person.) Pray with the Sunday Gospel  
reading together once a week utilizing our shared prayer guide.

Shared Formation  CULTIVATE a deeper understanding of the Bible with a common curriculum for the whole family. Utilize our once monthly age appropriate lessons and discussion guide. Families will receive a customized “treasure box.”

Shared Mission  GO out to share the joy of the Gospel through a lived experience of Christian charity/service in your neighborhood, community, or extended family. We will provide you with suggestions of ways to serve as a family.

Additional Options

Family Communities  For those families who would like to meet onsite at Saint Andrew, in addition to the once monthly home curriculum, we invite you to join a Family Community. Family Communities will dig deeper into the monthly content through activities, witness, and prayer. This is an opportunity to enter into shared life, shared prayer, shared formation, and shared mission with the greater parish. Community meetings will occur once monthly throughout the year at a consistent day and time.

Youth Communities  For teens in grades 6-12 who would like to meet in a small group setting (one to two times monthly), we will continue to offer that option either onsite or via online meetings. Youth Communities will provide an opportunity for small groups of youth to continue to share life and prayer together throughout the year.

Prayer Blanket Ministry: Volunteers make hand-tied blankets to show love and support for those who have lost loved ones in their time of mourning. Please contact William Guertin at 763-222-4121 or email at wguertin73@gmail.com.

Totus Tuus: Summer is a program for youth dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic faith through catechesis, evangelization, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship. vocations.stcdio.org/totus-tuus  Contact: HollieD@saint-andrew.net or phone 763-441-1483 x307
**Adult Formation**  
Adult formation seeks to bring each of us into a closer relationship to Jesus Christ, readied by the grace of the Holy Spirit to share ever more fully in His mission, here and now.

**Alpha**: An evangelistic service which seeks to introduce the basics of the Christian faith through a series of talks and discussions, so that everyone has the opportunity to see their friends’ lives transformed by the gospel. Contact: Randy Bayerl at 763-441-1483 x312

**Baptism Preparation** —Support parents and godparents in the roles as first teachers of the faith in preparation for the baptism of their children into the Catholic Faith. Contact Randy Bayerl at 763-441-1483 x312 or randyb@saint-andrew.net

**Catechetical Institute** —The Catechetical Institute is an ongoing formation resource from “The Seminaries of Saint Paul” for Catholic adults who wish to deepen their knowledge of the Catholic faith and further their spiritual formation. Program offered on campus at Saint Andrew Church. (www.cistudent.com) Contact: Melissa Anderson at 763-441-1483 x310 or by email at melissaa@saint-andrew.net.

**Core Disciples** —In mission with Christ, building the Kingdom, growing in faith and serving one another. This groups meets on an add hoc basis to recognize and build skills to leadership development and service within the parish. Contact Randy Bayerl at 763-441-1483 x312 or randyb@saint-andrew.net.

**Marriage Preparation** —Sponsor Couple Ministry: Provide guidance in forming engaged couples for Christian marriage through the “Fully Engaged: Growing Towards Lasting Fidelity” program with the pastor. Trained married couples meet with engaged couples four to five times to help them prepare for the sacrament of marriage in the Catholic Church. Training for this ministry is provided by the parish or the Diocese of St. Cloud. Please contact Randy Bayerl at 763-441-1483 x312 or by email at randyb@saint-andrew.net.

**RCIA, Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults** —Supports Adults 18 years and older inquiry into the life of the Catholic Faith and to assist in the formation of those baptized to come into full communion with the Catholic Church. Contact: William Guertin at 763-222-4121 or email at wguertin73@gmail.com.

**Parish Support Ministries**  
Contact Tracy Schroedl at 763-441-1483 x301 or tracys@saint-andrew.net for more information or to volunteer unless otherwise noted.

**Administrative Volunteers**: This ministry helps out in the Parish Office with projects and needs such as Church mailings, bulletin stuffers, envelope stuffing, phone calls, coffee labeling.

**Parish Volunteers**: Assist in the Church Gathering Space, welcoming, answering general questions, provide parish information, small projects: hours and days can be flexible and varied.

**Cookie Ministry**: Members bake cookies to be offered at various parish events.

**Funeral Lunch Help**: Assist with funeral luncheons by setting up, serving, cleaning up, and baking bars or cookies. Please contact Laure Hipsag at 612-518-6376 (cell) or email at funerallunch@saint-andrew.net.
Saint Andrew Prayer Line: A parish ministry responding in prayer for all needs and intentions as requested. For participation in this ministry please contact the Parish Office at 763-441-1483 x301 or the School Office at 763-441-2216 x325.

Outreach, Service and Evangelization
Baptismal Blanket Ministry: Volunteers knit blankets for all newly baptized babies within the parish. Please contact Carol Craft at 763-441-8231.

Council of Catholic Women (Elk River): All women in the parish are welcome to join for community, news, information and activity. Please contact Katie Alfveby at 763-441-1468 or Colleen Solors at 763-441-7179.

Ecclesia Domestica (the Church in the Home): A men’s ministry, lead by priests and laity and steeped in the traditions of our Catholic faith, Ecclesia Domestica is dedicated to the Christian family as the first cell in the life of the Universal Church. Let no man leave unchanged. Contact Kevin Olson at 763-807-1721.

Hospitality: Provide service, snakes, drinks after designated monthly Masses. Contact Diane Pederson dianep@saint-andrew.net or 763-1483 x311 or Sue Guertin at sguertin37@outlook.com or 763-219-2191

Knights of Columbus: The Knights of Columbus is open to practicing Catholic men age 18 or older. The Elk River council provides support for vocations and other parish priorities through events such as pancake breakfasts and more. Contact Don Walteny at 763-856-8172 or Bob Hurd at 763-498-3734.

Men’s Prayer Team (Votum Crucis: Lifting up in prayer and carrying the cross for others) A team of Catholic men dedicated to prayer for the needs of the parish and for each other. Prayer team gatherings are held the second Monday of each month, 7:00-8:00 PM. Attendance at meetings is welcome but not required. Contact John Stewart at 763-441-6145 or David Gilgenbach at 763-441-1111.

Perpetual Adoration Committee: Schedules and supports adorers for our Perpetual Adoration hours, see parish web site for schedule www.saint-andrew.net. Please contact: Eva Jahnke at 763-257-7109 or Colleen Solors at 763-441-7179 for more information.

Quilts and Crafts: This group meets Monday mornings from 9:00 AM to noon, and again in the afternoon from 1:00 to 4:00 PM to quilt and craft together. Please contact Mary Zachman at 612-868-9290 or Marilyn Corpe at 763-263-8956.

Respect Life Committee: This committee organizes, supports and hosts pro-life hospitality and speakers. This committee seeks to keep parishioners informed of events and life facts. Please contact William Guertin at 763-222-4121 or email at wguertin73@gmail.com.

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP): RSVP provides individuals age 55 and better with possibilities to serve others through a wide variety of local agencies, including many projects with limited or flexible commitments. https://www.ci.stcloud.mn.us/92/Retired-and-Senior-Volunteer-Program-RSV Contact Heather Brooks at 763-635-4505 or via email at Heather.Brooks@ci.stcloud.mn.us
Saint Andrew Social Justice Mission Outreach: Seek to understand and respond to the needs of the broader community and constructively plan to serve all people as Christ. Contact Jim Schroeder at 612-423-2927.

Scripture Study & Breath of Life Group: Faith groups who form to review Scripture and pray together—various topics of faith. Contact Eva Jahnke at 763-441-3102.

Secular Franciscan Order: This Order enables the Franciscan charism to be lived out by married and single laity and by diocesan clergy. Local fraternities meet the third Tuesday of each month. Contact Tom Geissler at 763-639-2012.

Welcome Ministry: Demonstrating the parish mission of “...welcoming all people as Christ” facilitate actions of welcoming, registering, and connect people to opportunities to be a part of and participate in our Catholic community, witnessing a lived faith. Contact: Randy Bayerl at 763-441-1483 or randyb@saint-andrew.net.

Well-Read Moms Book Club: This group meets the second Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM for fellowship, community and, of course, great reads. Contact Mona Fadness at 651-775-8486 (cell) or email at mona.fadness@gmail.com.

Hispanic Ministry (Ministerio Hispano)

Our community is rich in cultural diversity. We are blessed to have parishioners from different parts of the world who share their gifts to serve one another. Some of our families are originally from Spanish-speaking countries and are united by faith, culture and language. Contact: Lily Kreitinger, Hispanic Ministry Liaison at hispanos@saint-andrew.net or 763-441-1483 x306

There are many opportunities to participate in Hispanic Ministry:

Spanish Mass Liturgy: Ushers, greeters, lectors and Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers are needed for Spanish Mass on Sunday at 1:00 PM

Spanish Music and Choir: Lead music at Spanish Mass on Sunday at 1:00 PM

Community gatherings: The community organizes social events on many holidays, like the ones listed below. We welcome volunteers for setting up, serving and clean up and enjoying traditional meals and fellowship.

November: All Souls Day: Ofrenda and traditional meal.
December: Our Lady of Guadalupe: Mass, traditional dance and traditional meal.
Celebration during Advent:
   Posada includes a traditional meal, prayer and games for children during Advent.
January: Dia de Reyes: traditional meal and celebration of Epiphany of Our Lord
February: Dia de la Candelaria: Candlemass celebration of the Presentation of the Lord
**Community Outreach:** Helping identify and meet the needs of Hispanic families.

**Faith Formation:** If you’re bilingual, consider serving as a catechist in the Faith Formation program to support communication between families and the Parish and support our students in their learning.

In addition to considering opportunities to participate in Hispanic Ministry, we invite you to attend Spanish language Mass and participate in our community celebrations.

**Community and Service Partnerships**

**Abba Pregnancy Resource Center:** We are committed to helping women & men in crisis and unplanned pregnancy. Our desire is to provide hassle-free, no cost services. Phone 763-441-7777

**Beyond the Yellow Ribbon:** A program that create awareness for the purpose of connecting military service members and their families with community support, training, services and resources. Contact Ralph Donais at 763-441-2630 or Donita Grell at 763-528-0646.

**CAER (Community Aid Elk River):** CAER provides emergency food assistance to Elk River, Zimmerman and Otsego for families in need. Contact Carol Craft at info@caerfoodshelf.org or 763-441-1020.

**Catholic Charities:** This non-profit organization advances the charitable and social mission of the Diocese of St. Cloud through services to meet the physical, social, emotional and spiritual needs of individuals and families of all faiths and beliefs. Contact Sr. Mary Fran Reichenberger at 320-650-1550.

**Great River Faith In Action:** This organization cares for the needs of our neighbors with a special focus on the elderly and families in need, including transportation, companion services, yard work, home maintenance, collection and distribution of furniture for families. Call daytime Phone: 763-263-0274 (no voicemail) or After Hours: 763-263-4277 or email info@grfia.org.

**Great River Family Promise:** This organization helps families experiencing homelessness by providing temporary shelter, case management, transportation and resources. Call 763-441-9093 or email at info@greatriverfamilypromise.org.

**Meals on Wheels:** This organization provides meals directly to the homes of seniors and individuals with disabilities in the area. Volunteers deliver meals per an arranged schedule in the Elk River Area. Contact at Joyce Knobbe 763-441-1716.

**Timber Bay:** A ministry of Youth Investment Foundation, is an organization of dedicated youth workers committed to personal, ongoing mentorship with young people. Contact Rosie Elizondo at 612-424-7960.
Pastoral Care Team Services

Parish Nurse/Faith Community Nurse
Contact: Betsy Clark, DNP, RN at parishnurse@st-andrew.net Phone: (763) 441-1483 x308
See articles at: https://www.st-andrew.net/fcn

A Parish Nurse/Faith Community Nurse is an experienced, actively licensed registered nurse (RN) who has completed specialized professional nursing education focusing on care of the spirit as well as holistic health and prevention/minimization of illness within a faith community. Its Scope of Practice includes:

- Personal Health Counseling
- Referrals to Community Resources
- Support Group Facilitation
- Spiritual Care
- Health Education and Promotion
- Volunteer Coordination
- Advocacy

Parish nurses collaborate with the priests, deacons, parish staff, and committees of the church as well as with a wide array of professional disciplines.

Parish nursing considers the spiritual, physical, psychological, and social aspects of individuals, families, and communities to create a sense of harmony with self, others, the environment, and our Faith. Parish nursing may provide support whenever people experience health challenges and seek support from their faith community in all stages of life and its many transitions from adjustments at birth through midlife to end of life.

Parish nursing is active in homes, rehab facilities, care communities and hospitals, interacting with staff, lay leaders, the congregation and the greater community to strengthen their capacity to understand and care for one another as part of their faith tradition.

Called to this ministry from both a nursing and faith-filled background, prepared to meet people where they are, considering all people as sacred, treating them with respect and dignity.

Card Ministry: Building shared community through prayer and communications.
Contact: Betsy Clark at parishnurse@st-andrew.net Phone: (763) 441-1483 x308

Grief Ministry: Seeking caring individuals to walk with those experiencing loss of a spouse or a loved one. parishnurse@st-andrew.net Phone: (763) 441-1483 x308

Holy Communion to the Homebound and those in Care Facilities
As Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers, these individuals bring the Eucharist to those in need outside of Holy Mass. Some are also commissioned to lead Communion Services. This ministry is open to all Confirmed and practicing Catholics in good standing.
Contact: Diane Pederson at 763-441-1483 x311 dianep@st-andrew.net or Betsy Clark at parishnurse@st-andrew.net (763) 441-1483 x308 for more information or to volunteer.
Vocations

**Vocations Prayer Team:** Team dedicated to prayer for vocations—seeking God’s grace for the blessing of those called to the Priesthood, Deaconate and religious life. Contact: Deb Crane at 763-300-9181.

Also see information from the Diocese of Saint Cloud at [www.vocations.stcdio.org](http://www.vocations.stcdio.org)

**Parish Fall Festival and Other Annual Events**
Contact Melissa Anderson at melissaa@saint-andrew.net or 763-441-1483 x310 to help lead the Fall Festival each September.
- Festival chair
- Festival co-chair
- Food chair
- Children games, chair
- Ministry fair chair
- Logistics chair
- Silent and live auction chair
- Solicitation chair
- Youth entertainment
- Various day-of-event volunteer opportunities

**Tentative Schedule of Events**

**January:** Spaghetti and Lasagna Dinner, Catholic United Raffle

**February:** Quilt Bingo, Widow/Widower Dinner

**April:** Saint Andrew School Gala

**Spring:** Volunteer Appreciation Dinner

**Summer:** Extreme Faith Camp, Totus Tuus, Steubenville Youth Conference

**September:** Fall Festival

**October:** School Marathon

**November:** Turkey Bingo

**December:** Winterblast, School Christmas Program, Seasonal Choirs
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Prayer - To Witness and Serve

Almighty God, we give you praise and thanksgiving for blessing each of us with unique gifts, reflecting Your image and likeness of Love in the world.

Like Saint Andrew, you call us to follow you as disciples using these gifts for your glory, in the service of others.

Grant us then,
- Understanding
- Wisdom
- Courage
to use these gifts to unlock the heavenly treasures of holy service in Your Name.

Help us to build the Kingdom, here and now through the witnessing of a lived faith, accomplishing Your will.

Empower us to be ministers of Your love showing others mercy, hope and the truth of the Gospel message.

Keep us steadfast in our commitment to serve actively as Your disciples.

We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

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