

Welcome to
St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church
March 15th 2026 – 4th Sunday of Lent - Year - A



“The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.”. (Psalm 23:1)

Heavenly Father, thank You for Christ’s example of a man Who worked the works of God and Who used every precious moment to carry out Your will through His life. I pray that I may follow His example and live my life in complete submission to Your indwelling Holy Spirit. Give me the opportunity to share the gospel of reconciliation with others.

knowing that the night is coming when none of us will be able to work.

I pray that the good work that You started in me at salvation, will be completed to Your praise and glory at the coming of Christ, AMEN.

Freedom from spiritual blindness:

John Chrysostom, commenting on this passage, remarked: "The Jews (the Pharisees) cast him out of the Temple; the Lord of the Temple found him." If our witness of Jesus and His redeeming work in our lives causes friends or foes to reject us, it nonetheless draws us nearer to the Lord Jesus himself. Paul the Apostles warns us to avoid the darkness of sin that we might walk more clearly in the light of Christ. Do we allow any blind-spots to blur our vision of what God is offering us and asking of us?

The Lord Jesus is ever ready to heal us and to free us from the darkness of sin and deception. There is no sickness, whether physical, mental, emotional, or spiritual that the Lord Jesus does not identify with. Isaiah prophesied that the "Suffering Servant" would be bruised for our iniquities and by his stripes we would be healed. The Lord offers us freedom from spiritual blindness due to sin and he restores us to wholeness of body, mind, soul, and heart.

Augustine of Hippo, in his commentary on this Gospel passage, remarks: "If we reflect on the meaning of this miracle, we will see that the blind man is the human race ...You already know, of course, who the "One Sent" is. Unless he had been sent, none of us would have been freed from sin."

Fr. Denis Vaiz

WEEKDAY MASSES: Tuesday to Friday at 12 Noon

WEEKEND MASSES: Saturday at 4:30pm and Sunday at 10:00am

CONFESSION: Saturday at 3:30pm and Sunday at 9:00am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: conducted after Noon mass on Thursdays



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Chioma Osuagwu - Parish Administrator
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MASS SCHEDULE WITH INTENTIONS AND SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday, 17th March: **Saint Patrick**
Jim & Lucille Cullen by Cullen Family

Wednesday, 18th March: **Saint Cyril of Jerusalem**
Pat Dionne by Ivanka Rupnik

Thursday, 19th March: **Saint Joseph , Husband of Mary**
Anne-Louise Sabo by Anne Mei

Friday, 20th March : **Saint Salvator of Horta**
Holy Souls in Purgatory by Robert & Nada Rovinelli

Saturday, 21st March: **Blessed John of Parma**
George Thompson by Merina & Jack Wright
Ilario Pasquale by Pasquale Family

Sunday, 22nd March: **Saint Nicholas Owen**
Mario Tombari by Tony & Giuseppe Verrilli
Patricia Kalio by Garfield Hodgins



MASS READINGS FOR THIS WEEK: March 16th to 22nd



Monday March 16th	Isaiah 65: 17-21 John 4: 43- 54	Psalm 30
Tuesday March 17th	Ezekiel 47: 1-9, 12 John 5: 1-16	Psalm 46
Wed. March 18th	Isaiah 49: 8-15 John 5: 17-30	Psalm 145
Thursday March 19th	2nd Sam. 7: 4-5a,12-14a,16 Matt. 1: 16,18-21,24 or Luke 2:41-51a	Psalm 89
Friday March 20th	Wisdom 2: 1a, 12-22 John 7: 1-2, 10, 25-30	Psalm 34
Saturday March 21st	Jeremiah 11: 18-20 John 7: 40-53	Psalm 7
Sunday March 22nd	Ezekiel 37: 12-14 Romans 8: 8-11 John 11: 1-45	Psalm 130

March 8th

Sunday Offering	\$ 1,506.00
Loose Offering	\$ 414.45
Building Fund	\$ 3,725.00
Snow	\$ 5.00
Candles	\$ 113.05
1st Communion	\$ 313.00
Initial Offering	\$ 5.00
Easter flowers	\$ 30.00
Total	\$ 6,111.50

PADP—Weekly for the month of March. 2026

Sunday Collection	\$542.00
Building fund	\$150.00
Total	\$692.00

Thank You

Required Weekly Income: \$4,500



March 2026 – Pope’s Intention **For disarmament and peace**

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.



This 3rd Weekend

We remember the sick people who are admitted in hospitals and at home.

Let us pray for them.

Almighty ever living God, healer of the sick, we turn to You in this time of illness. Relieve the worry and sorrow of the sick persons among us with Your gentle love and grant them the grace and strength to accept this burden. We place them under Your care and humbly ask that You restore your servants to good health again. Amen



On Track for Justice – from father to daughter

Lives in the village of Piquiá de Baixo in Brazil began being disrupted in the 1980s, with the arrival of several polluting industries in their backyard. The villagers formed an association to defend their rights. Flavia's father started the fight, and she picked up the torch. Last year, after a 20-year struggle, 312 families affected by industrial pollution moved to the new, cleaner, safer village of Piquiá da Conquista. The support of Development and Peace — Caritas Canada's partner, **Justiça nos Trilhos (JnT)**, made this relocation possible for 1,300 people. Learn more about JnT's in our [Mini-magazine](#) and meet Flavia and her daughter Aylla by watching their testimonies at devp.org/lent.

Our Share Lent Solidarity Symbol for this 4th Sunday of Lent is a **mustard seed and sprout** which represent hope for tomorrow. As in the Gospel of Matthew 13:32 – “It is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree – just as our small gestures or gifts made with great love can make a BIG difference towards building a more just, and equitable world where all people can live in peace and dignity.

Listen to our Short Talk at Mass this weekend to see how your small gift to Share Lent helps bring justice and dignity to a community in Brazil.

Watch our video on YouTube - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Drqvnqi7WyM>

Mary Jane Veinott, D & P Parish Rep, St. Andrew the Apostle

- 19th March Thursday: **Small Christian Community** at 10:45am
19th March Thursday: **Stations of the Cross** follows the Noon Mass
20th March Friday: **Ladies' Craft** after Noon Mass
21st March Saturday: **The Sacrament of Baptism** at 11:00am



Knights of Columbus Centennial Council 6074

We invite all Catholic men with the desire to build families, our parish, church and community to join
The Knights of Columbus.

Council's Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61561135891648>

Online Membership Registration:

<https://www.kofc.org/secure/en/join/join-kofc.html>

For more information on this Council's activities and joining, please contact:

Grand Knight-Jamie Jamieson (Phone #: 705-524-5477)



BOILER REPLACEMENT PROJECT UPDATE



The Finance committee is finalizing the selection of a preferred contractor to perform the boiler replacement. We anticipate having a deposit paid by the end of March and will provide a further update during Parish financial presentations after Easter. Thank you to all who responded to our invitation to contribute towards this important project in 2025. We will continue our fundraising efforts in 2026. A special thank you to the Knights of Columbus for donating an additional \$3,000 to the fundraising campaign bringing our total to date to \$72,000 of our \$140,000 goal.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION (Students Grade 7—Grade 12)

If you have been baptized and received the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion, you are invited to sign up to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Please fill out the registration form found on our website;

Sacrament forms: <http://standrewsudbury.com/sacramental/>

The cost of the booklet is \$20

If you have **NOT** made your Baptism at St. Andrew the Apostle Parish, ***a copy of your Baptism certificate must accompany the registration form.***

Last date for the registration: **March 28, 2026.**

- ◆ Attend a weekend Mass (**either Sat. 4:30pm or Sun. 10:00am on April 4th or 5th, 11th or 12th**) for your child to be accepted as a candidate, receive their booklet and receive a special blessing.
- ◆ Children must complete all assignments given and bring them to the **scheduled classes and rehearsal on Tuesday, April 14th & 23rd at 6:00pm till 7:00pm. These meetings are mandatory.**
- ◆ The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place on **Friday, April 24th at 6:00pm in the church.**

We look forward to celebrating this special sacrament with you and your family.

DONATION TO OUR EASTER FLOWERS FUND

Easter Flowers



If you would like to remember a loved one through **a donation to our Easter flower fund,** please take an envelope from the basket at the back of the church; complete the information on the front with your loved one's name on the back and place the envelope in the collection.

Parishioners who have regular envelopes have the

Easter flower fund envelope in their box.



An Invitation To Join The Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is an international Order of Catholic men who are called to lead with faith, protect our families, serve others, and defend values in a busy changing world. **Centennial Council #6074** will be holding a membership drive at **St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church on the weekend of March 21 and 22, 2026.**

Membership in this fraternal organization will give you the opportunity to give back to your community, exclusive access to a top-rated insurance program to protect your family's finances, and the ability to grow in your faith. If you would like to join today, **speak to a Knight or go to KofC.org/join and enter council #6074.**





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