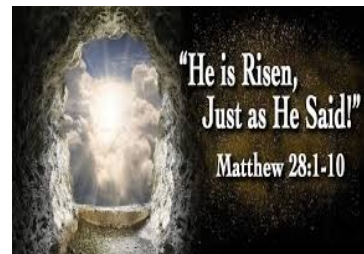
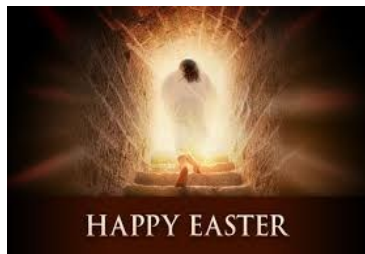


Welcome to
St. Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church
April 5th 2026 – Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of our Lord - Year - A



“This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.” (Psalm.118:24)

Heavenly Father and God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for He is alive and has become the Lord of Life. From the waters of death, You raise us with Him and renew Your gift of life within us. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ and help us to grow as Your people toward the fullness of eternal life with You. Fill me with Your love and Your life, and help me to become a person who is truly loving—a person like You. Restore me, Live in me. Love through me.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Why do you seek the living among the dead?

On Sunday morning the women who had witnessed Jesus death on the cross went to the tomb to pay their last tribute to a dead body. The disciples thought that everything had finished in tragedy. Neither were ready to see an empty tomb and hear the angel's message, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? 6. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, 7. that the Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and on the third day rise." (Luke 24:5-76). The angel urged them to believe that Jesus had indeed risen just as He had promised. In joy, they went to share the good news with the other disciples.

One thing is certain, if Jesus had not risen from the dead and appeared to His disciples, we would never have heard of Him. Nothing else could have changed sad and despairing men and women into people radiant with joy and courage. The reality of the resurrection is the central fact of the Christian faith. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, the Lord gives us "eyes of faith" to know Him and the power of His resurrection. The greatest joy we can have is to encounter the living Lord and to know Him personally. Do you celebrate the feast of Easter with joy for the victory which Jesus has won for you over sin and death?

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
HOLY ROSARY: Conducted after Noon mass on Thursdays



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Chioma Osuagwu - **Parish Administrator**
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Carol Noble - **D.O.S**



MASS SCHEDULE WITH INTENTIONS AND SAINTS OF THE WEEK

Tuesday, 7th April: **Saint John Baptist de La Salle**

Pat Dionne by Irena & Vic Pregelj

Wednesday, 8th April: **Saint Julie Billiart**

Rachel Sottile by Pauline Terrick

Thursday, 9th April: **Saint Casilda**

Anne-Louise Sabo by Shirley Miles

Friday, 10th April: **Saint Magdalene of Canossa**

Holy souls in Purgatory by Robert Kennedy

Saturday, 11th April: **Saint Stanislaus**

Deceased members of Pasquale Family by Pasquale Family

Marco Florean by Dina Florean


Sunday, 12th April: **Saint Teresa of Los Andes**

Jasmine Gregorini by Antonella Gregorini

Intention for the children of the world by Robert & Nada Rovinelli



MASS READINGS FOR THIS WEEK: April 6th to April 12th

	<p>Monday April 6th Acts 2: 14, 22-33 Matthew 28: 8-15 Psalm 16</p> <p>Tuesday April 7th Acts 2: 36-41 John 20: 11-18 Psalm 33</p> <p>Wed. April 8th Acts 3: 1-10 Luke 24: 13-35 Psalm 105</p> <p>Thursday April 9th Acts 3: 11-26 Luke 24: 35-48 Psalm 8</p> <p>Friday April 10th Acts 4: 1-12 John 21: 1-14 Psalm 118</p> <p>Saturday April 11th Acts 4: 13-21 Mark 16: 9-15 Psalm 118</p> <p>Sunday April 12th Acts 2: 42-47 1st Peter 1: 3-9 John 20: 19-31 Psalm 118</p>
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March 29th

Sunday Offering	\$ 2,636.50
Sunday Loose	\$ 629.65
Share Lent	\$ 265.00
Building Fund	\$ 605.00
Easter Flower	\$ 150.00
Candles	\$ 83.85
Native Sector	\$ 40.00
Snow	\$ 20.00
Total	\$ 4,430.00

PADP—Weekly for the month of March, 2026

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

Thank you!
Everyone!



April 2026 – Pope's Intention

For priests in crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.





This 1st Weekend

We celebrate the birthdays of those who were born in the **month of April**.
Let us congratulate and pray for them.
Heavenly Father! We thank You for the gift of life You have given to our celebrants. Kindly keep showing them Your grace and we seek that You continue to bless them. Amen.

HAPPY EASTER TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY AS WE CELEBRATE OUR FATHER'S GREATEST SACRIFICE THROUGH HIS SON, JESUS CHRIST.

MAY THE RISEN LORD FILL YOUR HEART WITH COMPASSION, JOY, LOVE, AND NEVER-ENDING BLISS. ENJOY YOUR EASTER, AND MAY YOU BE BLESSED WITH JOY THIS YEAR. MAY THE MIRACLE OF EASTER BRING YOU PERFECT PEACE.

EASTER WISHES FROM FR DENIS VAIZ



Reminder to all Confirmation Candidates

There is a first preparation meeting
on April 14th at 6.00pm in our parish hall.
All candidates and their sponsor or parent must attend.
Coordinators: Sr. Janet Ajour and Fr. Denis Vaiz.



On behalf of St. Andrew the Apostle Parish, we would like to express
our sincere appreciation for your generous donation to the Easter flower fund.

The colourful display of flowers enhanced our Easter liturgy.

Thank you again for your kindness.



Welcome to our Parish Choir on Saturday weekend mass

You are most welcome to join in our Parish Choir.

No experience needed, all ages are welcome.

Please contact our Parish office for further information.



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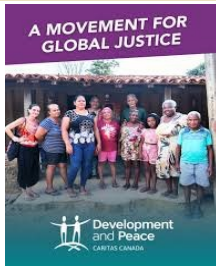
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Origin and use of Paschal Candle

- ◆ The origin of the paschal candle is uncertain. The most likely origin is that it derived from the **Lucernarium**, the evening office with which early Christians began the vigil for every Sunday and especially that of Easter.
- ◆ In turn, this rite is probably inspired by the **Jewish custom of lighting a lamp at the conclusion of the Sabbath**. The rite therefore has its roots in the very beginning of Christianity.
- ◆ In the Lucernarium rite the light destined to dispel the darkness of night was offered to **Christ as the splendor of the Father and indefectible light**. This Sunday rite was logically carried out with greater solemnity during the Easter Vigil.
- ◆ There is clear evidence that this solemn rite began no later than the second half of the fourth century. For example, **the use of singing a hymn in praise of the candle and the Easter mystery** is mentioned as an established custom in a letter of St. Jerome, written in 384 to Presidio, a deacon from Piacenza, Italy.
 - ◆ Sts. Ambrose and Augustine are also known to have composed such Easter proclamations. The poetic and solemn text of the **"Exultet," or Easter proclamation** now in use, originated in the fifth century but its author is unknown.
- ◆ From around the 12th century the custom began of **inscribing the current year on the candle** as well as the dates of the principal movable feasts. "Exultet."

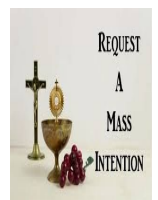


EASTER PEACE AND HOPE

Let us continue to take action in the **love and service** of Jesus for a more fair and just sharing of global resources. May the hope and peace of His Resurrection keep us **"On Track for Justice"** as a world community.

Mass Intentions

A beautiful tradition in the Catholic Church is to have a **Mass offered in the memory of or in honor of a person, or for a special intention**. There is no charge to request a Mass, but a donation is welcome and gratefully accepted. **The usual donation is \$15.**



FACTS ABOUT EASTER



- Americans spend \$1.9 billion on Easter candy. That's the second biggest candy holiday after Halloween.
- The first story of a rabbit (later named the "Easter Bunny") hiding eggs in a garden was published in 1680.
- "The White House Easter Egg Roll" event has been celebrated by the President of the United States and their families since 1878.
- The naming of the celebration as "Easter" seems to go back to the name of a pre-Christian goddess in England, Eostre, who was celebrated at the beginning of spring.
- Eggs represent new life and rebirth, and it's thought that this ancient custom became a part of Easter celebrations. In the medieval period, eating eggs was forbidden during Lent (the 40 days before Easter) so on Easter Sunday, tucking into an egg was a real treat!



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