

The Net

St. Andrew's Anglican Church

Sunday • April 30, 2017

Easter Eggs!



Children enjoy the annual Easter Egg Hunt at St. Andrew's on Holy Saturday. Thanks to the Sylvester family who brought Walter the Bunny for the kids to pet. Walter was definitely the star of the day!

Parish reaches goal for Matthew 25 Initiative!

Great news! Due to the generosity of the St. Andrew's family, \$1,144.78 was donated in support of the Matthew 25 initiative during Lent. The Brotherhood of St. Andrew pledged to match \$1,000 if the congregation raised that amount. Therefore, the grand total of the congregation's donation and the Brotherhood pledge is \$2,144.78!

All of the money will go into the Archbishop's Matthew 25 Initiative fund to help support and develop Anglican ministries and presence in underserved communities. You will be hearing much more about this initiative in the weeks and months to come. We will also have more opportunities to participate if we are called to do so.



The Daily Lectionary

Week of the Third Sunday of Easter • April 30 - May 6

Sunday, April 30 — A.M.: Psalms 144, 145 & 146; Numbers 13:1, 2, 17- 33; Mark 5:21-43; P.M.: Psalms 147, 148, 149 & 150; Deuteronomy 4:25-40; John 21:1-14

Monday, May 1 — A.M.: Psalms 1, 2, 3, 4 & 5; Deuteronomy 8; Acts 8:26-40 P.M.: Psalms 6, 7, & 8; Deuteronomy 9:1-10; Acts 9:1-31

Tuesday, May 2 — A.M.: Psalms 9, 10, 11; Deuteronomy 9:11-29; Acts 9:32-43 P.M.: Psalms 12, 13, 14; Deuteronomy 10; Acts 10:1-23

Wednesday, May 3 — A.M.: Psalms 15, 16, 17; Deuteronomy 11:1-12; Acts 10:24-48 P.M.: Psalm 18; Deuteronomy 11:13-32; Acts 11:1-18

Thursday, May 4 — A.M.: Psalms 19, 20, 21; Deuteronomy 12:1-14 (15—13:18); Acts 11:19-30 P.M.: Psalms 22, 23; Deuteronomy (14) 15:1-18; Acts 12:1-24

Friday, May 5 — A.M.: Psalms 24, 25, 26; Deuteronomy 16:1-20; Acts 12:25—13:12 P.M.: Psalms 27, 28, 29; Deuteronomy 17:(1-7) 8-19; Acts 13:13-43

Saturday, May 6 — A.M.: Psalms 30, 31; Deuteronomy 18:(1-8) 9-22; Acts 13:44—14:7 P.M.: Psalms 32, 33, 34; Deuteronomy 19 (20); Acts 14:8-28

Sunday, May 7 — A.M.: Psalms 35, 36; Numbers 22:1-21; Luke 7:11-17 P.M.: Psalm 37; Deuteronomy 5:1-21; John 21:15-25

Next Sunday's Lectionary • May 7 (Fourth Sunday of Easter, Year A)

First Reading: Acts 6:1-9, 7:2a,51-60

Psalms 23 (BCP 610)

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:13-25

Gospel: John 10:1-10

Prayers for the Church

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for Bishop Eggoni Pushpalalitha and the clergy, religious, and laity of the Diocese of Nandyal, one of the 24 dioceses in The Church of South India (United).

The Church of South India was inaugurated in 1947 by the union of the South India United Church (itself a union of Congregational and Presbyterian/Reformed traditions), the southern Anglican dioceses of the Church of India, Burma, Ceylon, and the Methodist Church in South India. A unique church was born out of the blending of the Episcopal and non-Episcopal traditions as a gift of God to the people of India and as a visible sign of the ecclesiastical unity for the universal Church. It is one of the four United Churches in the Anglican Communion and now has over five million members.

Anglican missionaries first arrived in Nandyal in 1881. The Diocese was formed in 1963, taking its name from a city in the Indian state of Andhra Pradesh, and became a part of the Church of North India before joining the Church of South India in 1975. The diocese lies an average of 666 feet above sea level and is surrounded by hills, dense forests, granite mines, and a large river.

The city of Nandyal has been a major Hindu pilgrimage site for centuries as it is ringed by nine famous temples. A large percentage of the diocesan membership are Dalits, the “untouchable” lowest caste of Hinduism and much has been done to empower them to be full and equal members of the Church of God. Dalits comprise 24 percent of the total population (now 1.3 billion people) of India. The current bishop is the first woman to be consecrated bishop in India.

Please pray especially for on-going evangelism and vocations.

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for Fr. Allen Kannapell and the people of His Church Anglican, Livonia, Michigan.

Parish Cycle of Prayer: Please pray for Amanda LaHue; Jana and Chuck Lilly; the Sisters in the Spirit Small Group; and the Staff Support Team.

Encouragement for your prayer time with God

If your long-time prayer routine is getting boring, remember that “The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, his mercies never come to an end ...” (*Lamentations* 3:22-23) “Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more.” (*Revelation* 21:1) — *From the St. Andrew's Prayer Ministries Team*

National Day of Prayer May 4

The St. Andrew's Prayer Team would like to inform our congregation of the National Day of Prayer, to be held Thursday, May 4. This is an invitation to join millions of other Americans in prayer for the welfare of our nation. The national theme, “For Your Great Name's Sake” (*Daniel* 9:19), will be observed in Washington, D.C., as well in each participating state and U.S. territories.

The tradition of a national day to pray was started in 1775 by the Continental Congress to call early Americans to pray for wisdom in forming a new nation. Later, in 1863, President Lincoln called the nation to pray for “humiliation, fasting and prayer” for a nation at war against itself. President Truman, in 1952, made it part of federal law to observe a National Day of Prayer. In 1988, President Reagan amended federal law to permanently designate the National Day of Prayer as the first Thursday of May, annually.

The local observance of the day will be held at the Statehouse in Columbus from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. A great central Ohio celebration is planned, with all sorts of dedications, individual and group prayer, Scripture reading, letters of proclamation, music, singing, school children recitation, and much more

For further information, consult nationaldayofprayer.org/ohio or Nancy Garver, coordinator, 614-898-9244.

Attendance at the state or federal events are not required to participate in this special day. For those able, consider taking 15 minutes to pray at noon, or at any other time of the day, for the mending of our spiritual and political differences that tear at our national fabric. We can also pray for positive coverage of these events by the news media. Everyone's prayer imagination is welcome for such a day as this.

Wednesday Noon Prayer Service offered every week

The Weekday Prayer Service is now being held weekly at noon on Wednesdays. The prayer service is held in the Sanctuary for the intention of our parish, the city, the state, the nation and the world. Please also feel free to bring any individual prayer needs you have to the service.

Notaries to witness healthcare documents

Didi Loseth and several others from St. Andrew's who are notary publics will be available for the remaining sessions of the Adult Forum on end-of-life issues to witness anyone who wishes to sign their Health Care Power of Attorney and/or their Living Will. They will be available before and after the 9 a.m. service, as well as immediately after the Adult Forum, which is held from 10:15 to 11 a.m. on Sundays, and before the start of the 11:15 a.m. service.

May birthdays

Liz Craig

Jeff Wilson

Eric Emery

Lorrie Slevin

Karen Brust

Judy Baird

Madeleine Sylvester

Doris Cook

Cherie Bryant

Danielle Tranchina

Bill Sterling

Alan Carter

Steve Moehring

Susan Sommerville

Hope Beverick

LuAnn Ross

Sara Moehring

Oliver Sylvester

Jonathan Cornett

Michelle Winkelman

Mary Alvarado

Donna Gough

Rick Brock

May anniversaries

Robert & Marianne Schmidt

Jim & Sue Thomas

Larry & Julie Baldwin

David & DeAn Williams

Frank & Marty Scott

Dave & Jan Johnson

Andrew & Kristin Lowery

Sue & Alex McKeown

Graduating? We want to recognize you!



St. Andrew's would like to help mark this very special milestone in the lives of the members of our parish who are graduating from high school, college or other degree program. If you, a child or a grandchild is graduating this year, please contact Judy Baird at jbaird@standrewspolaris.org or 740-584-5112, ext. 3 to be included in “The Net's” graduation notes. Please let us know the name of the graduate, their relationship to you, the school they are graduating from, and their plans following graduation. If they are a college graduate, please also include their degree.

Pictures are welcomed and encouraged. The preferred method of submitting photos is as jpeg images via email, but we can also use clear original photographs (copies will not reproduce well), which may be dropped in Judy's mail slot in the Gathering Area. Please label them on the back with the name of the graduate and your name.

Senior recognition Sunday, May 21

St. Andrew's will recognize graduating seniors, from both high school and college, on Sunday, May 21. If you're graduating, please let us know if you'll be able to join us!

Beth Moore coming to Ohio this fall

Women of St. Andrew's: Beth Moore will be coming to Toledo this fall! Early bird pricing of \$59 goes until May 16 for this one-day conference on Sept. 16. Tally Whitehead has been twice before and shares that it is an awesome, spiritually uplifting and worship-filled event. Please contact Tally at 614-578-7897 or twhitehead@standrewspolaris.org if you are interested in attending this refreshing pick-me-upper or just want more information about Beth Moore conferences. Tickets are general admission, so individuals can purchase their tickets at any time, but Tally will help coordinate a carpool caravan for that day if there is interest. The tentative schedule would be leaving church by 6 a.m. that Saturday morning and returning around 7 p.m. that night.

Women's Bible Study meets Tuesday, May 2

The Women's Tuesday morning Bible study has two sessions left before we take a break for the summer. We will meet Tuesday May 2, and Tuesday, May 16, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. to finish the study “If” by Mark Batterson.

Kroger Community Rewards now automatically renew!

Kroger now automatically renews your participation and selected charity in its Columbus area Community Rewards program, making it easier than ever for those of you who already support St. Andrew's in this way to continue that support!

For those who have not yet signed up, you can earn money for St. Andrew's while making your regular purchases! Kroger distributes rebate dollars quarterly to registered non-profits, such as our church, based upon registered shoppers. You will still earn any in-store discounts or gas points; this charitable donation is a separate extra feature. We received \$396 for the quarter ending January 31!

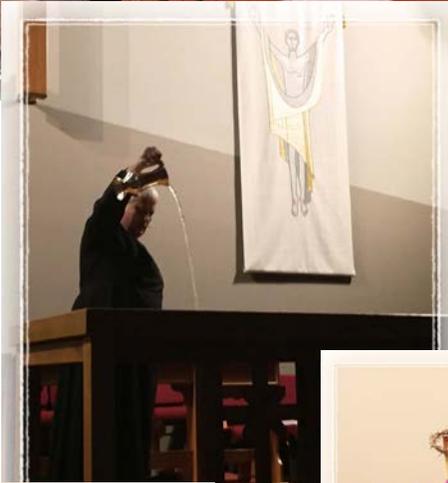
Whether a regular or occasional Kroger's shopper, your participation helps. And, your non-member church friends can sign up, too!

To enroll, have your Kroger Plus card handy and go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com. Our number is 80910, or enter St. Andrew's Anglican Church as your selected charity. Please contact Robin Field with any questions. Thank you!

Holy Week Journey



Above, Fr. Ron Baird, left, and Fr. Ed Steele read the Passion Gospel on Palm Sunday; at right, Fr. Ron washes the Altar on Maundy Thursday in preparation for Christ's sacrifice.



Above, top, Chris Bryant and Dan Brill, foreground, and Kathy and Alan Seitz, background, walk the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday; and bottom, parishioners gather at the altar for the closing prayer at the Stations of the Cross.



Above, Deacon Becky Spanos chants the Exsultet, the ancient prayer at the lighting of the Pascal Candle, after the candle has been censed on Holy Saturday; above right, Fr. Ron, Fr. Wil Verhoff and Deacon Becky at the lighting of the Pascal Candle; at right, Mike Brust steadies the ladder as Larry Baldwin re-hangs the Risen Christ banner after the Easter Vigil.



Deacon Ernie Tracy reads the Gospel on Easter Sunday.