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Weekend Masses

Saturday 5:15 p.m. • Sunday 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.

Weekly Confession

Saturdays 4:15 - 5:00 p.m. (or by appointment)

Weekday Masses

Tuesday 7:30 a.m. • Thursday 12:00 p.m. • Saturday 7:30 a.m.

Second Sunday of Easter

**Welcome to
Saint Andrew
Family
Parish!**

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Parish Office Hours

Monday—Thursday

8a.m. - 3p.m.

Friday

8:00 a.m. - Noon

(closed Noon-1:00 p.m.

For lunch)

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From The Pastor

It can be subtle or lost in the greater story of Christ appearing to His disciples in a glorified body, second in importance to Christ truly raised from the dead, is what He entrusts to His Apostles in this morning's Gospel account. He breathed on them and said receive the gift of the Holy Spirit, whose sins you forgive are forgiven, whose sins you retain are retained. Right there in the Gospel we see Christ entrust His Apostles with the power to forgive sins.

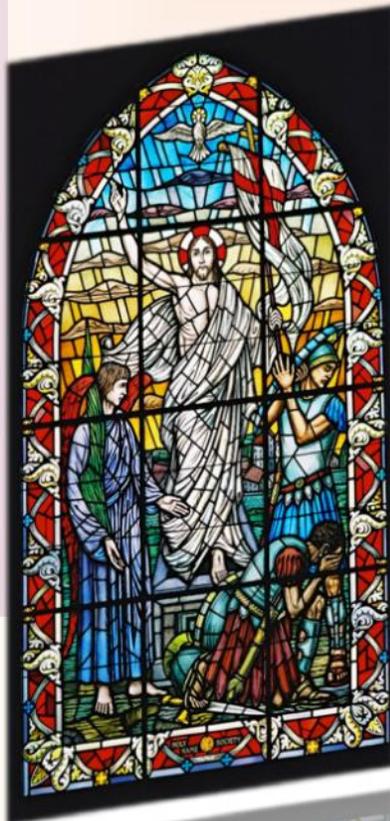
This goes so far beyond the priesthood in the Old Testament, they could offer sacrifices for sin, but could not forgive them, that was for God alone to do. Some of our Protestant brothers and sisters and even some Catholics feel that they can pray to God and have their sins forgiven. Why should you involve anyone else in asking for forgiveness? Our Gospel today is your answer to that question Jesus entrusted the power to forgive sins to the Apostles, who in turn, entrusted it to their successors down to our modern-day Bishops. Every priest is given faculties to share in that power for the good of the people of God. This is the theological understanding of confession.

The practical reason for reconciliation to my mind is even more convincing. We need to hear with assurance that this thing we did is forgiven, otherwise the doubt and fear will rule us.

So as we celebrate this Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday, let us go to confession, especially if it's been a while, and unburden our souls.

May the Peace, Grace and Love of God be with you,

Fr. Adam



Mass Schedule and Intentions for this Week

Monday, April 25

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Tuesday, April 26

7:30 a.m. Pete Holenchak / Ruth Ann Palmer

Wednesday, April 27

12:00 p.m. Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Thursday, April 28

12:00 p.m. Joe & Bob Kruse / Kruse Family

Friday, April 29

8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Saturday, April 30

7:30 a.m. Dan Eggers

5:15 p.m. John Soellner / Soellner Family

Sunday, May 1, Third Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m. Todd Smyth / Ostendarp Family

11:00 a.m. Pete Holenchak / Tom Elsbernd

Readings for

Sunday, May 1

Acts 5: 27-32

Ps 30: 2-13

Rev 5: 11-14

Jn 21: 1-19

DIVINE MERCY

“All grace flows from mercy, and the last hour abounds with mercy for us. Let no one doubt concerning the goodness of God; even if a person’s sins were as dark as night, God’s mercy is stronger than our misery. One thing alone is necessary; that the sinner set ajar the door of his heart, be it ever so little, to let in a ray of God’s merciful grace, and then God will do the rest.”

*EASTER ENGAGEMENT – 2022****THIS WEEKEND, APRIL 24, DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY— BE MERCY FOR UKRAINE***

On April 23 & 24, *a list of needed personal hygiene* items is posted in this week's bulletin insert. Consider shopping for a few items on the list and bring them next week to church on Saturday April 30 or Sunday, May 1. These items will be taken to Matthew 25 Ministries for the Ukrainian refugees.

7 weeks of outreach and Blessings!

*EASTER ENGAGEMENT – 2022****NEXT WEEKEND APRIL 30 AND MAY 1, THIRD WEEK OF EASTER***

Collecting Personal Items for Ukraine.

Items may be dropped off this weekend, at the tents between the school and church.

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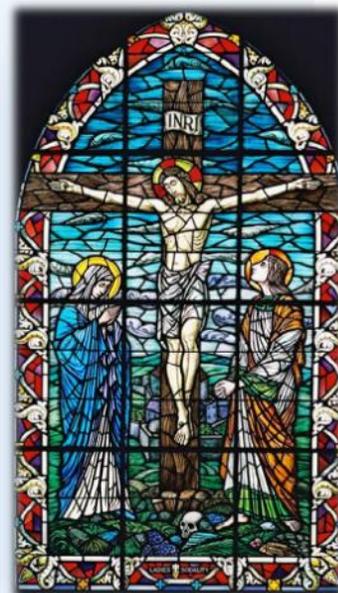
If These Walls Could Talk...

Two large stained-glass windows depict the greatest events of our Christian faith – the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. They are placed across from each other at the widest part of our church on purpose! Our church is laid out in a traditional **cruciform**, that is, in the shape of a cross. The main body of the church represents the **stipe**, or permanent upright post mounted in the ground. The part that the victim carried was the **cross bar**.

The window on the left is Christ's crucifixion according to John's gospel, the only one to include Mary and the beloved disciple, John, at the foot of the cross. Jesus says, "Woman, behold, your son." Then He says to the disciple, "Behold, your mother." Various interpretations exist for the woman and disciple. One holds that the woman is the symbol of the mother church. Jesus' disciple becomes her child and thus the mother of all disciples of Jesus bringing about the community or family of the church. The woman also emphasizes the feminine contribution to salvation replacing the negative image of Eve. Perhaps this is why the window was sponsored by the Ladies Sodality.

The Holy Name Society sponsored the Resurrection window where we see Jesus rising from the tomb. The Angel and Roman soldiers were the first witnesses. The glory of the Truth of Resurrection shines in the brilliant whiteness of Jesus' garments and the tell-tale markings on His feet, hands, and side. He holds a flag with a field of white for purity. The cross is Calvary red; the color of Jesus' blood shed for us all.

These windows represent the **cross bar** from a sacrificial death to a new life all brought about by our Savior, Jesus Christ. We all pass through this "cross bar" on our way to receive Holy Communion. Something to ponder.

***Easter Flower Donations!***

Thanks to all who donated to this year Easter flowers. Below are names along with intentions that did not make last the Easter bulletin last week.

****Marilyn and Roger Birkle - In loving memory of Allen Birkle, Wilma ns Charlie Birkle, Ron Birkle , Maurine Kuhn, Merrill and Ivelia Curless, and Jim Keplinger.***

****Kathy and mark Haglage—In loving memory of our parents.***

****Chandler Family—In loving memory of Chandler /Thompson Family***

****Alexander / Boehme Family—In loving memory of Effie Alexander and Germaine Boehme***

****From Family—In loving memory of D. Luis Aspiolea***

****Jim and Dawn Wallace—for beloved family members.***

****Andy and Erin Hoffman - For Judy DeLaet***



Saint Andrew Family's Easter Engagement!

7 weeks of outreach and blessings

For Ukraine

HOPE Emergency Project

Saint Vincent de Paul

Our blessed community, being a blessing to others!

Collecting Items
for Ukraine

Week 2 * April 24 * Divine Mercy Sunday

Sharing Mercy through outreach giving

(See list of personal hygiene items for Ukraine sent through Matthew 25 Ministries)

Week 3 * May 1 * Third Sunday of Easter

(Collection weekend of personal hygiene items for Ukraine..

Saint Andrew is partnering with Matthew 25 Ministries for distribution of items to Ukraine.)

Baby and infant supplies

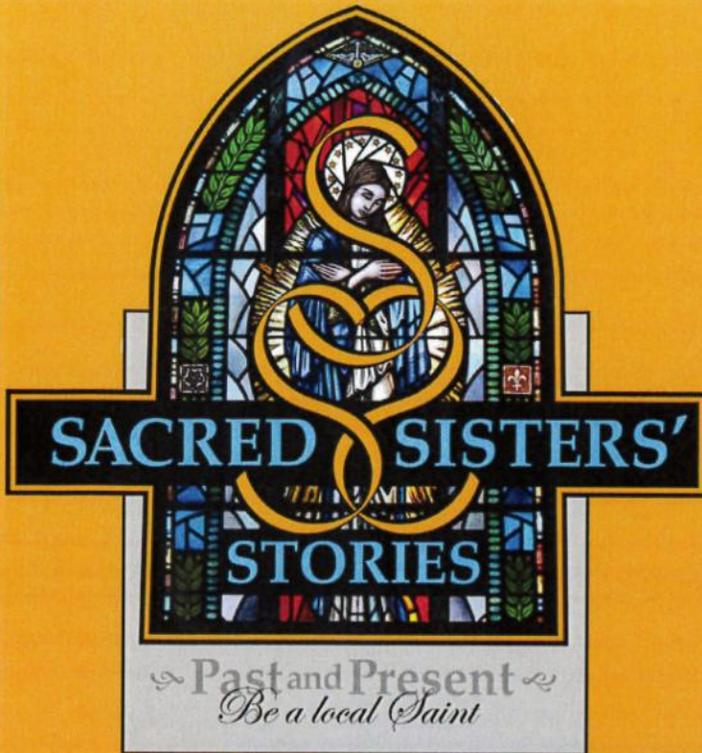
Diapers, wipes, diaper rash ointment, baby wash,
baby shampoo, baby lotion, etc.

Personal Care Products

Antibacterial soap, toothpaste,
toothbrushes, shampoo, body
wash, razors, deodorant, lotion,
feminine hygiene items, etc.

First-aid items

Bandages, gauze, pads, first aid
tape, antiseptic creams, hydrogen
peroxide, alcohol, latex gloves,
instant cold packs, etc.



A SPECIAL INVITATION TO THE WOMEN OF
STs. VERONICA, ELIZABETH ANN SETON AND ANDREW FAMILY !!!

THURSDAY, APRIL 28
7:00PM
ST. ANDREW CHURCH BASEMENT
GUEST SPEAKER: FR. DEL STAIGERS

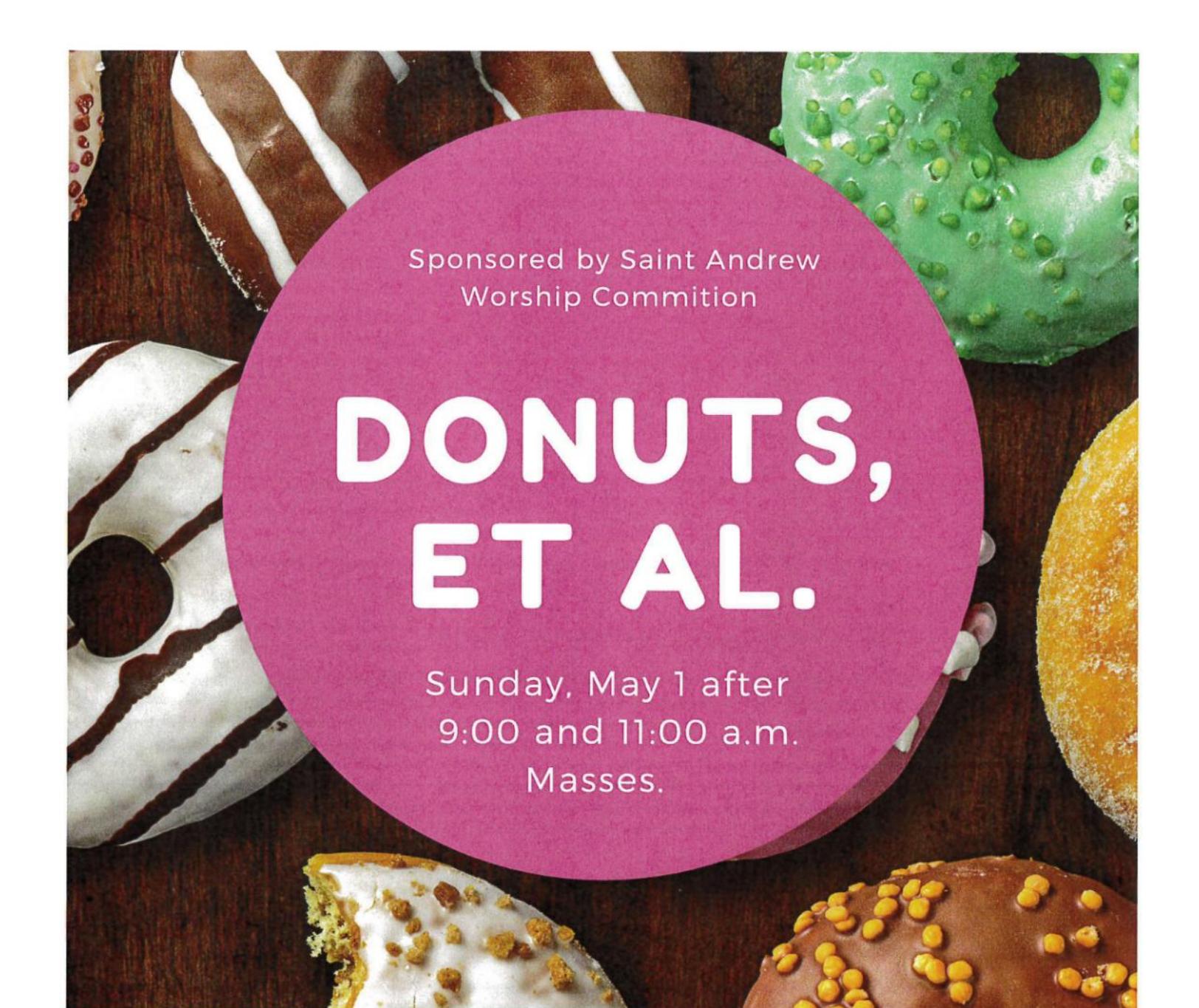
**JOIN US FOR PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, APPETIZERS,
AND TO LEARN MORE ABOUT SACRED SISTERS, YESTERDAY AND TODAY.**

**BRING A FRIEND, MOTHER, DAUGHTER, AUNT, NIECE, GODDAUGHTER,
NEIGHBOR, CO-WORKER...ALL WOMEN ARE WELCOME!**

ABOUT SACRED SISTERS' STORIES

SACRED SISTERS' STORIES IS A MONTHLY WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP GATHERING THAT IS EDUCATIONAL AS WELL AS EMPOWERING OF CATHOLIC WOMEN TO GROW IN FAITH AND WITNESS TO THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST.

WITH JESUS AND MARY AS FOUNDATION, OUR PRAYERFUL GATHERING WILL REFLECT ON THE SACRED STORIES OF SAINTLY WOMEN, BOTH PAST AND PRESENT, WHOSE LIVE'S ARE ROOTED IN CHRIST. THROUGH FAITHFULNESS TO GOD IN CHRIST, WE MODEL HOW TO PERSEVERE IN THE DARKNESS OF LIFE'S STRUGGLES AS WELL AS REJOICE IN LIVING IN THE LIGHT OF TRUTH.



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DONUTS, ET AL.

Sunday, May 1 after
9:00 and 11:00 a.m.
Masses.

**FELLOWSHIP AND FOOD??? WHAT COULD BE
BETTER! OH YEAH...IT'S FREE!!!!**

**THANK YOU SAINT ANDREW FAMILY FOR YOUR
SUPPORT AND CONSIDERATION TO VOLUNTEER
AS MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY THROUGH
ST. ANDREW MINISTRY APPEAL**

SAINT ANDREW...PRAY FOR US!



Saint Andrew Holy Hour of Divine Mercy

Sunday, April 24 , following the 11:00 a.m. Mass, NOON –2:00 p.m.

*All are invited for 2 hours of adoration.
Confessions will be heard during holy hour.*

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Ladies Sodality – SAVE THE DATE

The Annual Plant Sale is returning on Saturday MAY 14 from 9am to 2pm. in the Parish Center. Please start thinking of the plants in your yard which can be divided and donated.

In place of the Flea Market, this year we are hosting the new “Treasure Aisles.” Individual tables are available to parishioners for \$10.00 (non-parishioners \$15.00) to sell your own “treasures” -- whatever you would like.

For more information on the Plant Sale or Treasure Aisles, please send an email to turkeyexpress@yahoo.com or Shirley.soell@gmail.com. If interested, please mail your payment to St. Andrew Church, Ladies Sodality, 552 Main Street, Milford.



Ladies Sodality Meeting – April 25

All ladies of the parish are invited to join us for a Ladies Sodality meeting Monday, April 25 at 6:00 pm in the Parish Center. All women of the parish are welcome.



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