

FROM THE PASTOR

“Our” Andrew and the Apostles

Since my move to be with you in July of 2001 I have become enamored with St. Andrew – both the parish and our patron saint. When I preside at Mass elsewhere, like when I presided at Mass at the novitiate at the Little Sisters of the Poor in Dublin, I have to catch myself lest I prayer during the Eucharist Prayer, “Have mercy on us all; make us worthy to share eternal life with Mary, the virgin Mother of God, with ‘our’ Andrew and the apostles ...” Whenever I proclaim the Gospel and he is mentioned, I want to editorialize and add, “our Andrew,” after the mention of his name. I love being here at Milford and count being appointed pastor here as one of the biggest blessings of my life. I love to have the parish in the news, on the cutting edge and as the topic of people’s conversation. Recently one of our high school boys, a founding member of the Spanish club at his Milford High School, delighted my ears when he said that, as his club members were discussing a Christmas outreach project, it was suggested that someone be in touch with St. Andrew parish because of “the well known service and reputation we have within the community.” “That’s my Andrew,” I wanted to respond. I guess that I should be less possessive and say, “That’s our Andrew!”

November 30 is the Feast of St. Andrew. That’s a Monday. Evening Mass is at 7:00 p.m. on the feast of “our” Andrew.

In memory of ...

A goodly number of our people have become accustomed to giving a gift to “our” Andrew “in memory of” others. One dear soul makes her way into our parish office every so often and says, “The notice in the paper asked that ‘in lieu of flowers memorials can be made to ...,’ but I want to give my gift in their memory to St. Andrew.” To her and to others “our” Andrew is grateful.

Neither Rhyme Nor Reason

There is no reason for telling this story other than it gave me a chuckle: These two guys are watching an old cowboy and Indian movie. And in the opening scene, an Indian is hiding behind a rock about to ambush the handsome cowboy. One guy said, “I bet that Indian is going to kill that cowboy.” The other guy answers, “Never happen. The cowboy is not going to be killed in the opening scene.” His buddy comes back with, “I’ll bet you \$10 he gets killed.” The friend responds, “I’ll take that bet.” Sure enough, a few minutes later the cowboy is killed, and the losing better pays the \$10 he owes. After the movie is over, the guy says to his friend, “Look, I have to give you back your \$10. I had actually seen this movie before. I knew what was going to happen.” His friend answers: “No, you can keep the \$10. I’ve seen the movie, too. I just thought it would end differently this time.”

Father Rob Waller



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 16, St. Margaret of Scotland & St. Gertrude
7:00 p.m. Bobby Vuotto (Mary Ann McEvoy)

Tuesday, November 17, St. Elizabeth of Hungry
7:30 a.m. Carol Lamprecht (Gene Lamprecht)

Wednesday, November 18, St. Rose Philippine Duchesne
The Dedication of St. Peter & St. Paul Basilicas in Rome
7:30 a.m. Lucretia Holenchak (Behrends Family)

Thursday, November 19
7:30 a.m. Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Friday, November 20
7:30 a.m. Ruth Andrako (Arbors Rosary Group)
11:45 a.m. Al Bramble (Ed Burk)

Saturday, November 21, Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
7:30 a.m. Ray Albertson (DeJesus Family)
5:15 p.m. Irene Ballachino (Carl)

Sunday, November 22, Christ the King
8:00 a.m. Eileen Middelberg, Birthday Remembrance
9:30 a.m. People of St. Andrew Parish
11:00 a.m. Bonnie Molitor (Sue Lykins & Mary Campbell)

SEM Villa

10:00 a.m. Mahlon Smith (Kim Smith)

SEM Terrace

11:00 a.m. Gene Fontinell (Cousin Peg & Girls)

Thanksgiving Day
Thursday, November 26
Mass will be at 9:00 am

Vocation Views

When the end time comes, the wise and those who work for justice will shine forever. Dedicate your life to furthering the reign of God. (Daniel 12:1-3)

Let Us Pray Together

all the sick of our parish, our shut-ins, nursing home residents, recent hospitalized parishioners and hospitalized
Remember in your prayers all of our recently deceased family members, especially Esther Carroll, whose funeral Mass was Wednesday, November 11. May she rest in the peace of the Risen Lord.

Serving in the Armed Forces

Let us offer our prayers and our care now, and work to bring all military personnel of all nations back to their families safe and sound and whole. **Today we feature:** Adam Bush, 2004 Milford High School graduate and SMILE alumni, serving in Iraq for the second time. His address is: SGT Bush, Adam - BANDOG TROOP - 2-1 CAV, 4/2 ID - CAMP STRYKER - APO AE 09322. If your son, daughter, grandchild, niece, nephew or any family member is serving in the military, please call the Parish Office.

Lectors

The new Lectors and Gospel Readers Workbook for Cycle Year C is now available. Please stop by for your copy (to help defray the cost, we are asking for a small suggested donation of \$5.00) at the Parish Office or pick one up in the sacristy.

Available in the Parish Office

St. Andrew T-Shirt - \$10.00
St. Andrew Blankets - \$45.00
Sweet Memories Cookbook - \$15.00
Entertainment Books - \$20.00
Winterfest Raffle Tickets - \$5 each or 5 for \$20.00
The St. Andrew Church Porcelain Ornament - \$8.00
“Cat’s Meow Village” wooden keepsake of St. Andrew - \$18.00

Bulletin Deadline

Articles for the November 29th bulletin need to be in writing in the Parish Office by noon on Thursday, November 19th at 4:30 pm

SMILE Youth News

Come support the Youth Group and enjoy an all you can eat breakfast at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton TODAY from 8:30-12:30. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children ten and under. Children under 2 eat free! All proceeds will help to offset the cost of SMILE programming. Thank you in advance for your support!

SEM Villa Game Night - To all 7th-12th grade students...come to our monthly game night at SEM Villa this Thursday, November 19 from 6:30-8pm. We will be playing cards, scrabble, and Wii Bowling by request of the residents. Call Catherine at the Youth office, 831-8318 to sign up.

Many thanks... Many thanks to all who helped to make our sock and underwear drive so successful. We collected 505 pairs of new socks, 280 pairs of new underwear, 8 new undershirts and \$107 to be put towards purchasing more socks and underwear. Thank you for your support!

Seniors November Luncheon, Tuesday, November 17

at 11:30 at Bob Evans Restaurant. We will order off the menu. For transportation, please call Metchy Hance, 831-5383, Bernie Mulligan, 831-7278 or the Parish Office. Why not purchase a gift card for Bob Evans through our Scripts program? They can be purchased at the Parish Office.

Bingo Parent Team #3 Tuesday, November 17

Berns, Eckelman, A. Evans, Farlow, Gleim, Holbert, Potter, Randolph, Steffen, Wenstrup & Woodard
Bingo Caller: Terri Morrison

Dine to Donate

Dine at Applebee's (5980 Meijer Drive, Milford) and 10% of your bill will be donated to SASEAS School. Go to the school website: www.saseasschool.org and find the flyer there to print. Steps: Organizations PTO Restaurant Coupons Applebees. The next opportunity will be Wednesday, November 18 from 11 am to close. Thank you

You are Invited

The Ladies of Seton invite you to join them for a night with Elvis on Thursday, Nov. 19, 7 pm in the Seton Cafeteria. Please note, since the Miami Township parade is that same evening, it is best to go to Seton via Rt. 131 and turn onto Buckwheat.

St. Andrew Giving Tree

During the season of Advent the St. Vincent de Paul Society sponsors a Giving Tree in the parish to help families in our community and the children from the Camp Washington Child Development Center, in the St. Leo Parish boundaries, celebrate Christmas. The tags on the tree are designated by number and other pertinent information. Please take a tag off the tree next weekend, November 21/22 and return the gifts with the **original tag attached**, the Third Sunday of Advent, December 12/13. St. Vincent de Paul Society thanks you in advance for your generosity, traditionally so evident at this special time of year.

ADVENT-URE WEEKEND, November 21/22

in the Church Hall after all Masses. Come to purchase your new Little Blue Advent Book (\$1.00), and to enjoy refreshments as you consider some Advent opportunities and visit with friends. It's not too early to gift shop!

Here is a great opportunity to try a new bible teaching method for the whole family. Take home several animated interactivational DVDs to enjoy and review with your family. Test yourself and other family members on three different learning levels. Return the DVD's with your review sheet to the Parish Office during regular office hours by Dec. 5. Based on the reviews we receive. We will determine whether or not to purchase the set of 36 for

\$800 or to accept any of the other options (i.e. less DVD's purchased = more cost per DVD). Purchased individually, each DVD costs \$30 plus shipping. Contact Barb Aluotto in the Parish Office or view the DVDs in the Church Hall after each Mass next weekend.

Ladies Sodality St. Andrew Church Ornaments

Take a look at our beautiful white porcelain ornament picturing St. Andrew Church on one side and the welcoming front doors on the other. They can be purchased November 22 after Mass in the Church Hall, at Winterfest on December 5, at the Candlelight Dinner on December 7 or in the Parish Office. We only have a limited supply left. These unique ornaments make memorable gifts for a baptism, confirmation, first communion, graduation or a remembrance of a St. Andrew wedding. Cost is \$8.00. Profits go toward altar needs.

Ladies Sodality Candlelight Dinner, Monday, December 7

Rosary at 5:40 pm and Mass at 6:00 pm. A full course catered dinner and an evening of fun for \$12.00 begins after Mass (7:15 pm) in the Parish Center. Tables can be reserved for parties of 8 to 10 – all other reservations will be open seating. Please e-mail: Janniemc6591@zoomtown.com or call Jan McRoberts, 831-4616 for information. Reservations due Monday, November 30.

CONGRATULATIONS

to the following students who achieved honors the first quarter of the 2009-2010 academic school year

Mt. Notre Dame

First Honors: Abigail Vollmer

Second Honors: Elizabeth Evans, Kayla Grome, Lauren Johnston, Madeline Lindner, Riley Vollmer, Brennan White, Morgan Wolfe & Sally Yee

St. Ursula Academy

First Honors: Jena Moeller, Caroline Mueller & Mary Mueller

Our Sincere Thanks

The St. Andrew Bereavement Committee wishes to thank everyone who participated in our Memorial Mass on Sunday, November 8. The music at Mass, the wonderful voices and to those who donated baked goods for our reception. **Thank You!!**

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Nearly 40 million people in the United States live below the poverty line, and more than 13 million of those are children. The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) works to create lasting solutions to the problem of poverty through real community change. Funds also support the Black and Indian Mission, educational efforts of the Catholic Social Action Office and administration of these funds. Please donate prayerfully and generously to CCHD next weekend to help those in poverty help themselves. Visit www.povertyusa.org to learn more.

Sharing God's Gifts, November 1, 2009

We need an average of \$14,250 per week in our Sunday Collection
Sunday Envelope Collection (342 used).....\$11,238.59
Sunday Loose Collection.....\$744.05
Dimes Collection.....\$2.20

Our second Winterfest Raffle Early Bird winner was Jennifer Lohmueller. She received \$100. Each Sunday in November a new early bird winner of \$100 will be drawn. You can either mail your tickets to the Parish Office, 552 Main Street, Milford, or put them in an envelope in the Church offering at Mass. The Stewardship Committee will also be selling tickets at all Masses this weekend.

Thank you for Memorials Received

In Memory of Rita Leming

Linda Stiffler & Errol Melnick
Alberta Wardlaw

Ruth & Jack Rugh
Rose Lenz

Don & Rosemary Cazel
Charles Ringwald
Barbara Steer
James & Jeanne Rueger

Julia Beers
Glynn & Judy Johnson
Larry & Jill Garrison

In Memory of Harvey Mason
Carol & Vince Marino and Children

Thank you to the Sponsor of the Week- Smithson Insurance

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, November 16

9:30 am SALT Meeting Room,
Parish Center
7:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Meeting
Parish Library
7:00 pm SASEAS School PTO
Church Hall
7:30 pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Room,
Parish Center
7:30 pm Choir Practice
Church

Tuesday, November 17

Seniors luncheon at Bob Evans at 11:30 am
7:00 pm BINGO (Team #3)
Parish Center
7:00 pm Christ Renews His Parish Women's Team #7
Andrew's H

Wednesday, November 18

9:30 am Wednesday Bible Study Meeting Room,
Parish Center
7:00 pm SASEAS Booster Volleyball Coaches Meeting
Church Hall
7:00 pm Toastmasters Meeting Room,
Parish Center

Thursday, November 19

6:30 pm SMILE Games Night at SEM Villa
7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous
Parish Library
7:00 pm Christ Renews His Parish Men's Team #8
Andrew's House

Friday, November 20

7:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous
Parish Library

November 21/22 weekend

The Giving Tree will be up in Church

Obtain Your Advent Blue Book in Church Hall

Sunday, November 22

9:30 am & 11:00 am PREP Classes
9:30 am RCIA Meeting Room,
Parish Center
7:00 pm Confirmation Meeting

