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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.



From the pastor's desk...

Dear Friends,

This weekend's readings deal with a tough subject, that of divorce. There is a lot of outright anger at the Catholic Church over its teachings on divorce, as well as a lot of confusion about what an annulment is. I wanted to take a moment and walk you through some of the tough questions surrounding this touchy subject.

First, the Church does not acknowledge civil divorce, it assumes a sacramental marriage and the words of scripture are clear, "what God has joined no man can separate". The Church acknowledges the need to separate especially if one spouse feels endangered.

Secondly, separation or divorce do not keep you from the sacrament of the Eucharist. What does, and I ask you to prayerfully consider this point, is when a divorced person starts dating again or remarries without an annulment. (Without an annulment, in the Church's perspective you are still married to your first spouse)

Thirdly, an annulment is not a divorce. An annulment says that something, at the time of marriage, was present that made the sacrament not really stick. So even though it has the appearance of a marriage there was something at the root of the relationship that made it look like a marriage when in reality it never was. This is found in the scripture account in Matthew chapter 5 verse 30 when it says separating from a spouse is only okay "if the marriage was unlawful" to begin with. So, the annulment looks at things that made the marriage unlawful from the perspective of God, not Ohio.

If you need to start the annulment process please contact me, it is free of cost and relatively painless. My goal is always to help you heal and try and get you back to the sacrament of the Eucharist.

I know for many of you this is a hard thing to talk about, I am sorry if it divorce has touched your family and heart. I hope this pastors letter helps clear up some things for you concerning the Church's teaching on Annulments.

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

Fr. Adam

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, October 4

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

Tuesday, October 5

7:30 a.m. **Judy Kolsto** / Megan Anderson

Wednesday, October 6

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

Thursday, October 7

12:00 p.m. **Mary Beth Westfall** / JoAnne & Ken Lacey

Friday, October 8

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

Saturday, October 9

7:30 a.m. **Mary Jayne Ely** / Worship Commission

5:15 p.m. **Norm Milewicz** / Kathy & Mark Haglage

Sunday, October 10, Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. **Robert & Peggy Jones** / Jones & Barbara Families

11:00 a.m. **Nick Shooner** / Von George

Next Sunday, October 10 Readings:

Wis 7: 7-11

Psalms 90: 12-17

Heb 4: 12-13

Mk 10: 17-30



VERY IMPORTANT INFORMATION REVIEW AND COMMENT ON DRAFT "FAMILIES OF PARISHES"

Make sure your voice is heard! Beacons of Light, the archdiocese-wide pastoral planning process currently underway, will result in all parishes being grouped into "Families" under the leadership of one pastor. A draft of this proposed plan has been made public and comments are welcomed.

www.BeaconsAOC.org.

Do not miss this opportunity to provide your input to this important initiative which will shape the future of our archdiocese.

Mass Schedule

Daily Mass ~

Monday ~8:00 a.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 Tuesday ~7:30a.m. at St. Andrew
 Wednesday ~Noon at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 Thursday ~**12:00 p.m. Noon** at St. Andrew
 Friday ~8:00 a.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
 Saturday ~7:30a.m.

Saturday Vigil Masses~ 5:15 p.m. St. Andrew
 5:00 p.m. St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Sunday Masses ~ 9:00 & 11:00a.m. at St. Andrew
 8:00 and 10:00a.m. & 12:00 p.m. at
 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Seton link - www.venue.streamspot.com/04a860b8

SMILE

High School Meeting Our High School group will be meeting on Sunday, October 3 from 7-8pm at the **St. Andrew Campus**. We plan to meet outside behind the school or in the youth room inside the school. Hope to see you there!

“Simply Seniors”

(Formerly 55 and Alive!) Thank you to all the seniors of our parish who attended the first Fifty Five alive event.

It was wonderful to see everyone. After some consideration we have changed the name to “**Simply Seniors**”. We will plan on having a function every other month on a Tuesday around noon.

Our next event will be on **Tuesday October 26th a noon**. Brown bag lunches will be offered at no charge and served. If there are any dietary restrictions, please bring a bagged lunch. There will be lots of time for mingling. We will have a short presentation by Pam Hazard and Elizabeth Otte on saints. Hope you can join us.

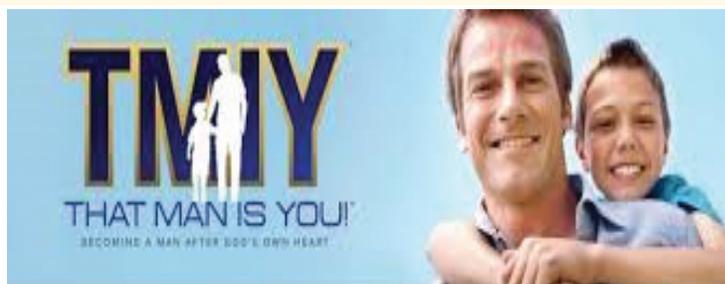
Ladies of Charity

At St Gertrude's at 6543 Miami Ave in Madeira is having their Craft and Gift show on Saturday, Oct 16, from 9am to 3pm. Gifts in all price ranges. All proceeds benefit the poor.

A BIG Thank You

to all involved in helping make

Oktoberfest 2021 a grand success!
 See the attached flyer in today's bulletin.



Join us in a transformational experience for men who desire to grow in their own journey.

“TM:Y” has returned and is looking for men, (**fathers, sons, brothers, uncles, nephews, etc....**) interested in growing in faith and fellowship with other men. We gather every Friday in the church basement at 6:00 a.m. for breakfast, a presentation and fellowship conversation. For more information contact:

Drew Corman: drew.corman@gmail.com

St. Andrew and St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Confirmation

CLASSES

2 year -7th & 8th grade formation

First Wednesday of each month

6:45 to 8:00pm
 St. Andrew's school

If you have a 7th or 8th grader who has not been Confirmed, and is NOT enrolled in SASEAS school or FOF, and wish for them to be Confirmed, please contact Kathy or Elizabeth at the parish office.



St. Andrew

2021 OKTOBERFEST

THIS YEAR'S CELEBRATION WAS A GRAND SUCCESS! THANKS TO THE MANY VOLUNTEERS WHO SET-UP, WORKED A BOOTH, SOLD A TICKET, ETC... WITH SPECIAL THANKS TO KEITH PHILLIPS WHO HAS CHAIRED THIS EVENT FOR ??? YEARS!! AND WE ESPECIALLY NEED TO THANK THE HOLY NAME SOCIETY FOR HOSTING THE EVENT.

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2ND PLACE - BREYDE LINZ AND SEAN O' CONNER

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NCYC

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October 2021

Dear Parishioners:

We are writing to you today as **friends and supporters** of the SMILE Youth Group to request assistance in attending the upcoming National Catholic Youth Conference being held November 2021 in Indianapolis, Indiana. The theme for the conference this year is "**Ablaze.**"

The National Catholic Youth Conference will be a great experience for our Youth Group because it allows us to meet thousands of other young Catholics from around the country at the largest gathering of Catholic youth anywhere in the United States! This year about 10,000 young Catholics will gather to celebrate our Catholic faith as we share in daily Mass, the opportunity to go to Confession, listen to talks and go to workshops on faith and other interesting topics while also participating in safe, fun activities during the three-day conference. The number of participants is typically 20,000+ but numbers have been reduced due to covid.

The cost of the Conference is about \$550 per person (this includes the 3-day Conference fee, lodging for 3 nights, and transportation) in addition to food. This truly is an amazing experience and we are trying to make it as affordable as possible for our parish youth and adult chaperones wishing to attend. We are asking for your support first through prayer and then any financial contributions, if you are able. All donations are tax deductible. If you would like to help our parish teens, please send your check written to **St. Andrew/SMILE** in to the Parish Office with "**NCYC**" in the memo line. If you would like to learn more specifics about the Conference feel free to visit www.ncyc.info. Thank you so much in advance for your donations and especially for your prayers. Nothing that we do would be possible without them!

Sincerely,

Catherine Fasano & the SMILE teens

Attention Men of – Saint Andrew and Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton

Join other men of both parishes for fellowship and faith sharing.

Sessions are held in
Saint Andrew Church basement

Every Friday morning beginning September 24

6:00 a.m. breakfast

6:30 a.m. presentation

7:00 a.m. discussion and fellowship.

For more information email:
drewman651@gmail.com



First Reconciliation and First Communion

Sacrament classes are held 6:45 to 8pm the first Wednesday of each month. If you have a 2nd grader and they are not enrolled in SASEAS school or another approved religion program, your child should be enrolled in these classes.

Next class is October 6 in St. Andrew's Church Hall



2nd grade parent meeting

There is a 2nd Grade Parent Sacrament Meeting on Wednesday, October 6 at 6:45pm in St. Andrew Church. This includes ALL 2nd Grade Parents whose children will receive the Sacraments this year. (Children need not attend).

Meeting will be livestreamed/recorded on the St. Andrew website for those unable to attend.

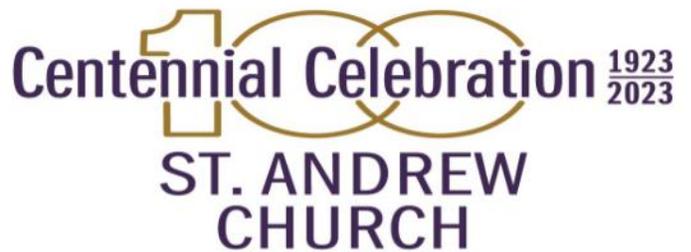


Sharing God's Gift Sunday Offerings, September 12, 2021

Weekly Collection Total	\$	7,220.50
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Weekly Collection Budget	\$	15,000.00
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