

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time — September 2nd, 2012

Mass Schedule & Intentions from September 1—9, 2012

Saturday	5:00PM	+	Giuseppe Presti by wife Agata Presti & family Marisa Stancato by Ida Berardy & family
Sunday	9:00AM	+	Francesco Gullone by Salvator & Immacolata Gionvinazzo John Silvestri by Lina Maddalena Bobby Linton by Solange James For the People of our Parish
Monday	11:00AM		No Mass
Tuesday	7:00PM	+	Giuseppe Bruno by Joe D'Alimonte
Wednesday	9:00AM	+	Yolanda Franchetti by Teresa Fazzalari
Thursday	9:00AM	+	In thanksgiving to the Lord by M & V
Friday	9:00AM	+	Carmela & Mike Fazzalari by Teresa Fazzalari
Saturday	5:00PM	+	Eamon Morris by wife & family Rugero & Caterina Sdao by Frank & Franca Sdao Esha Bagchi-Grand by Betty Leon
Sunday	9:00PM	+	Mario Ricci by Mary & family Joseph Violi by wife & family Mike & Nancy Mammoliti by daughter Anna Giovinazzo Carmelo & Maria Mazzei by Roger & Caterina Sdao For the People of our Parish
	11:00PM		

Upcoming Parish Events

St. Andrew's Annual Golf Tournament Fundraiser: Sunday September 9th, 2012. Purchase tickets for \$50 at the Parish Office. Or attend dinner only for \$15.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults): Classes will begin in late September. Contact the Parish Office for more information or to register.

Mass with Anointing of the sick: September 8th and 9th with all Masses.

Great Adventure Bible Study for kids is an adaptation of Jeff Cavins' Bible study program. Mark your Saturday mornings starting September 22nd.

Fresh Homemade Pie Sale: just in time for Thanksgiving. Please Support this Youth Ministry Fundraiser.



St. Andrew's Annual Golf Tournament

There has been a change to the location of the Golf Tournament on September 9th. **The location has changed to Sparrow Lakes Golf Club** located at 105 South Pelham Rd. in Welland. All other details remain the same.

The Tournament will begin at 2pm with a Shotgun Start with dinner at St. Andrew's Parish Hall at 5:30pm.

Family of the Week

A very sincere thank you to the members of the Atkinson family who worked to replace the light bulbs above the altar last weekend. Mark, Emily and Elijah gave generously of their time for the benefit of our parish; we are very grateful to them for this service.

Mass with the Anointing of the sick - Sept. 8/9

With all Masses the coming weekend, we provide an opportunity for the sick and elderly to celebrate this Sacrament. It is a continuation of Jesus' ministry that conveys several graces and imparts gifts of strengthening in the Holy Spirit against anxiety, discouragement, and temptation and gives peace and fortitude (CCC1520). These graces flow from the atoning death of Jesus Christ as referred in Mathew 8:17



Be Doers

Paul had insisted that salvation comes through faith. Some of his followers took this to the extreme of believing that it wasn't necessary to DO anything — just trust God. James seems to be specifically countering this attitude. He tells us to be active in our faith, noting that pure religion demands involvement in social justice.

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Last Sunday's Collection - \$1562.55
Bless you for your continued generous support.



Saint Andrew the Apostle, pray for us

The Lord has had pity on us From a sermon by Saint Augustine

Happy are we if we do the deeds of which we have heard and sung. Our hearing of them means having them planted in us, while our doing them shows that the seed has borne fruit. By saying this, I wish to caution you, dearly beloved, not to enter the Church fruitlessly, satisfied with mere hearing of such mighty blessings and failing to do good works. For we have been saved by his grace, says the Apostle, and not by our works, lest anyone may boast; for it is by his grace that we have been saved. It is not as if a good life of some sort came first, and that thereupon God showed his love and esteem for it from on high, saying: "Let us come to the aid of these men and assist them quickly because they are living a good life." No, our life was displeasing to him. He will, therefore, condemn what we have done but he will save what he himself has done in us.

We were not good, but God had pity on us and sent his Son to die, not for good men but for bad ones, not for the just but for the wicked. Yes, Christ died for the ungodly. Notice what is written next: One will hardly die for a righteous man, though perhaps for a good man one will dare even to die. Perhaps someone can be found who will dare to die for a good man; but for the unjust man, for the wicked one, the sinner, who would be willing to die except Christ alone who is so just that he justifies even the unjust?

And so, my brothers, we had no good works, for all our works were evil. Yet although our actions were such, God in his mercy did not abandon us. He sent his Son to redeem us, not with gold or silver but at the price of his blood poured out for us. Christ, the spotless lamb, became the sacrificial victim, led to the slaughter for the sheep that were blemished – if indeed one can say that they were blemished and not entirely corrupt. Such is the grace we have received! Let us live so as to be worthy of that great grace, and not do injury to it. So mighty is the physician who has come to us that he has healed all our sins! If we choose to be sick once again, we will not only harm ourselves, but show ingratitude to the physician as well.

Let us then follow Christ's paths which he has revealed to us, above all the path of humility, which he himself became for us. He showed us that path by his precepts, and he himself followed it by his suffering on our behalf. In order to die for us – because as God he could not die – the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. The immortal One took on mortality that he might die for us, and by dying put to death our death. This is what the Lord did, this is the gift he granted to us. The mighty one was brought low, the lowly one was slain, and after he was slain, he rose again and was exalted. For he did not intend to leave us dead in hell, but to exalt in himself at the resurrection of the dead those whom he had already exalted and made just by the faith and praise they gave him. Yes, he gave us the path of humility. If we keep to it we shall confess our belief in the Lord and have good reason to sing: We shall praise you, God, we shall praise you and call upon your name.

APOSTOLIC LETTER ("MOTU PROPRIO DATA" PORTA FIDEI)
OF THE SUPREME PONTIFF BENEDICT XVI FOR THE
INDICTION OF 'THE YEAR OF FAITH'

13. One thing that will be of decisive importance in this Year is retracing the history of our faith, marked as it is by the unfathomable mystery of the interweaving of holiness and sin. While the former highlights the great contribution that men and women have made to the growth and development of the community through the witness of their lives, the latter must provoke in each person a sincere and continuing work of conversion in order to experience the mercy of the Father which is held out to everyone.

During this time we will need to keep our gaze fixed upon Jesus Christ, the "pioneer and perfecter of our faith" (*Heb 12:2*): in him, all the anguish and all the longing of the human heart finds fulfillment. The joy of love, the answer to the drama of suffering and pain, the power of forgiveness in the face of an offence received and the victory of life over the emptiness of death: all this finds fulfillment in the mystery of his Incarnation, in his becoming man, in his sharing our human weakness so as to transform it by the power of his resurrection. In him who died and rose again for our salvation, the examples of faith that have marked these two thousand years of our salvation history are brought into the fullness of light.

By faith, Mary accepted the Angel's word and believed the message that she was to become the Mother of God in the obedience of her devotion...With joy and trepidation she gave birth to her only son, keeping her virginity intact. Trusting in Joseph, her husband, she took Jesus to Egypt to save him from Herod's persecution. With the same faith, she followed the Lord in his preaching and remained with him all the way to Golgotha...

...**By faith**, the Apostles left everything to follow their Master. They believed the words with which he proclaimed the Kingdom of God present and fulfilled in his person. They lived in communion of life with Jesus who instructed them with his teaching, leaving them a new rule of life, by which they would be recognized as his disciples after his death. By faith, they went out to the whole world, following the command to bring the Gospel to all creation and they fearlessly proclaimed to all the joy of the resurrection, of which they were faithful witnesses.

By faith, the disciples formed the first community, gathered around the teaching of the Apostles, in prayer, in celebration of the Eucharist, holding their possessions in common so as to meet the needs of the brethren.

By faith, the martyrs gave their lives, bearing witness to the truth of the Gospel that had transformed them and made them capable of attaining the greatest gift of love: the forgiveness of their persecutors...

By faith, across the centuries, men and women of all ages, whose names are written in the Book of Life, have confessed the beauty of following the Lord Jesus wherever they were called to bear witness to the fact that they were Christian: in the family, in the workplace, in public life, in the exercise of the charisms and ministries to which they were called.

By faith, we too live: by the living recognition of the Lord Jesus, present in our lives and in our history.

(To be continued next week)