



SAINT ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

December 19, 2021 · 10:30 AM
The Fourth Sunday of Advent
Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Everyone is Welcome at Saint Andrew's

A special welcome to all visitors. We are delighted you have joined us for worship!



Saint Andrew's is a parish of the **Episcopal Church within the Diocese of Upper South Carolina**. Over time, our identity as a parish has come to be defined by our commitment to **worship** in the distinctive splendor of Anglo-Catholic tradition, to **witness** through word and deed to the life changing implications of Jesus Christ's reconciling love, and to **welcome** unreservedly all God's children into Christ's Body, the Church.

If you are not familiar with Episcopal Church worship, we have tried to make our worship bulletin easy to follow. All of the prayers and responses for the congregation are printed in the bulletin. Page numbers that are prefaced by "**BCP**" reference pages in the **red Book of Common Prayer** found in the rack on the back of the pew in front of you. Hymns are referenced by hymn number and can be found in the **blue Hymnal** also in the pew rack.

As you depart worship, we hope you will enter your name and contact information in our **visitor's book** located on a stand in the narthex (the little room that you pass through on your way in and out of the main doors of the church). We would also love to have you join us for **coffee hour** in the Parish Hall immediately after the 10:30 AM mass. Thank you for blessing us with your presence!

Restrooms

are located on the first floor of the Parish House.

Use the door to the left of the church,
closest to the parking lot.

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www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving

Your donations can also be mailed to the Parish Office
at 1002 S. Main St. Greenville, SC 29601

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Members of the Vestry

Erin Culbertson, Senior Warden (2022);

Scott Chastain, Junior Warden (2023);

John Rhodes, Clerk (2023);

Cheryl Banks and Ethan Cashwell (2022);

Charles Shields (2023);

Allison Giambrone-Wilson,

Riley Owens, and Kelly Proffitt (2024)

Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Voluntary

Magnificat primi toni (Magnificat on the First Tone)

Dietrich Buxtehude
(c. 1637-1707)

After the opening announcements, the ringing of the bell signals the people to stand for the beginning of the mass.

Advent Prose (sung by the choir)

Antiphon: Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness. *Verse 4 (Cantor):* Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, my salvation shall not tarry: I have blotted out as a thick cloud thy transgressions: Fear not, for I will save thee: For I am the Lord thy God, the Holy One of Israel, thy Redeemer. *Antiphon.*

The Word of God

Opening Hymn, No. 66

Come, thou long expected Jesus

STUTT GART

After the opening procession, as the hymn continues, the Celebrant will asperse the people with holy water.

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity

Celebrant Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Unison or harmony

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Kyrie

Hymnal S89

Hassler, arr. James McGregor

The Collect of the Day (chanted)

<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>People</i>	<i>Celebrant</i>
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The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit. Let us pray.

Celebrant We beseech thee, Almighty God, to purify our consciences by thy daily visitation, that when thy Son our Lord cometh he may find in us a mansion prepared for himself; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

All

A - men.

After the Collect, the people sit.

First Lesson

Micah 5:2-5a

You, O Bethlehem of Ephrathah, who are one of the little clans of Judah, from you shall come forth for me one who is to rule in Israel, whose origin is from of old, from ancient days. Therefore he shall give them up until the time when she who is in labor has brought forth; then the rest of his kindred shall return to the people of Israel. And he shall stand and feed his flock in the strength of the Lord, in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God. And they shall live secure, for now he shall be great to the ends of the earth; and he shall be the one of peace.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Hymn, No. 437

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord (Magnificat)

BIRMINGHAM

Second Lesson

Hebrews 10:5-10

When Christ came into the world, he said, "Sacrifices and offerings you have not desired, but a body you have prepared for me; in burnt offerings and sin offerings you have taken no pleasure. Then I said, 'See, God, I have come to do your will, O God' (in the scroll of the book it is written of me)." When he said above, "You have neither desired nor taken pleasure in sacrifices and offerings and burnt offerings and sin offerings" (these are offered according to the law), then he added, "See, I have come to do your will." He abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And it is by God's will that we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand.

Sequence Hymn, No. 265

The angel Gabriel from heaven came

GABRIEL'S MESSAGE

The Gospel

Luke 1:39-55

Gospeller The Holy Gospel ☩ of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leaped for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her by the Lord." And Mary said, "My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his servant. Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name. His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation. He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts. He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty. He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants forever."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Sermon

The Rev'd Fr. Gary Eichelberger

After the Sermon, all stand and say together the words of the Creed.

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life X of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People, Form I

Celebrant Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

The people kneel.

Intercessor With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy".

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Andrew, our Bishop; Daniel, our Bishop-elect; Gary, our Rector; Tommy, our Seminarian; and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord;

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For our president, Joseph; our governor, Henry; and our mayor, Knox; for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For this city, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For Barbara, Bella, Bill, Brett, Chuck, Debbie, Dick, Duane, Ephraim, Ginger, Jahnyah, Jane, Jennie, Jim, Jodi, Joyce, Ken, Leigh Ann, Levi, Lori, Margaret Lee, Marvin, Mary, Meredith, Mike, Miles, Nancy, Parker, Patt, Peter, Ray, Raymond, Sandy, Sheila, Steve, Susan, Theresa, Weesie, and Winnie, as well as those whom you are invited to name now, either silently or aloud [*pause for people to add names*], let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For all who have died X in the hope of the resurrection, especially those whom you are invited to name now, either silently or aloud [*pause for people to add names*], and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

Intercessor That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, have mercy.**

After any additional prayers of intercession and thanksgiving, the Intercessor continues with the following commendation.

Intercessor In the communion of Blessed Mary, Mother of God; Blessed Joseph, her spouse; Blessed Andrew, our patron; and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

People **To thee, O Lord our God.**

After a moment of silence, the Celebrant says a concluding collect before introducing the Confession.

Confession and Absolution

Celebrant Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

A period of silence is observed.

All **Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon ✠ and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Following the Absolution, the people stand for the Peace.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And with thy spirit.**

Then the ministers and people may greet one another with words of Peace and/or a slight bow.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

After the exchange of the Peace, the Celebrant invites those celebrating their birthdays or anniversaries to come forward. If anyone comes forward, the Celebrant invites the people to join in the following prayer.

All **Almighty and gracious God, we give thee thanks for each of these thy servants as they celebrate their special day. Watch over them as they begin another year, and give them grace to keep the vows and promises they have made. Bless and guide them wherever they may be; strengthen them when they stand; raise them up if they fall; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; and may thy peace which passes all understanding abide in their hearts all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Holy Communion

After the opportunity for Birthday and Anniversary Blessings, the Celebrant says an Offertory Sentence and returns to the altar. Then, after the people's offering of bread and wine are brought forward, the people sit during the Offertory Anthem as the altar is set and other offerings are collected from the people. (An offering can also be made by placing it in the offering plate located on the table in the aisle by the font or online at www.standrewsgreenville.org/giving.)

Offertory Carol

Hail! Blessed Virgin Mary

Italian carol arr. by Charles Wood
(1866-1926)

1. Hail! Blessed Virgin Mary!

For so when he did meet thee,

Spake mighty Gabriel,

and thus we greet thee.

Come weal, come woe,

Our hymn shall never vary.

Hail! Blessed Virgin Mary!

Hail! Blessed Virgin Mary!

2. Ave! Ave Maria!

To gladden priest and people

The angelus shall ring

from every steeple,

To sound his virgin birth,

Alleluia!

Ave, Ave Maria!

Ave, Ave Maria!

3. Archangels chant Osanna,

And Holy! Holy! Holy!

Before the Infant born

of thee, thou lowly,

Aye-maiden child of

Joachim and Anna;

Archangels chant Osanna.

Archangels chant Osanna.

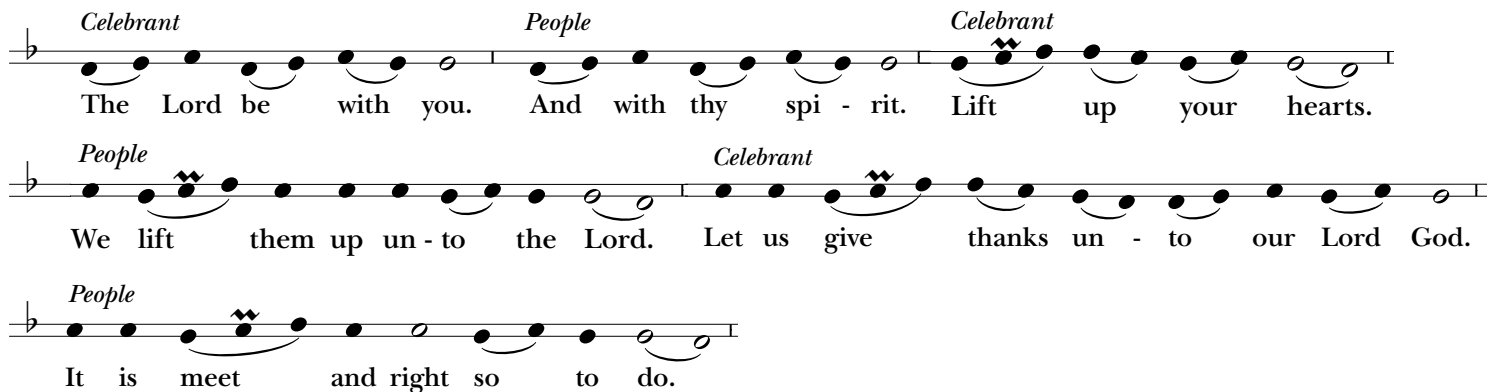
After the Offertory Anthem, the choir is censed. Then the people stand, are censed, and remain standing as the other offerings are brought forward and received with the following words.

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.

People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

The Great Thanksgiving Rite I, Prayer II

The people remain standing for the opening of the Eucharistic Prayer, which can be found on page 340 in the Book of Common Prayer. The responsive portions are provided below.



Celebrant The Lord be with you. *People* And with thy spirit. *Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them up un - to the Lord. *Celebrant* Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

People It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant chants the Preface and Proper Preface followed by

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

Sanctus/Benedictus

Hymnal S117

James McGregor

All **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts; heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Blessed is he ☩ that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

The people kneel or stand as the Celebrant continues, speaking the Eucharistic prayer on behalf of the people (full text found on page 340 of the prayer book). As the prayer is concluding, the Celebrant chants the following, and the people respond with the Great Amen.

Celebrant By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

All 
A - men.

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

The Lord's Prayer

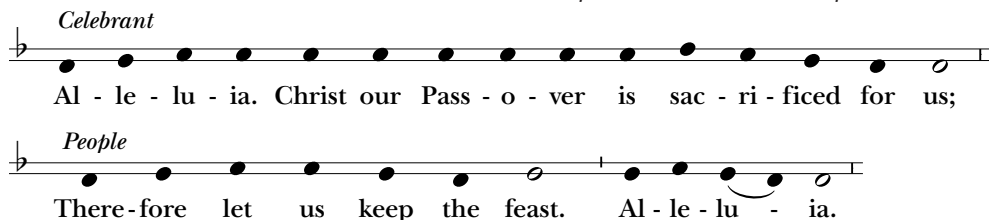
Hymnal S119

Plainsong

All **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept before the following is sung.



Celebrant Al - le - lu - ia. Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

People There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

Fraction Anthem

Hymnal S169

Ray W. Urwin

Cantor My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.

All **My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.**

Cantor Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood dwell in me, and I in them.

All **My flesh is food indeed, and my blood is drink indeed, says the Lord.**

Prayer of Humble Access

All **We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.**

Invitation to Communion

Celebrant The Gifts of God ✠ for the People of God.

After the Blessed Sacrament has been distributed to the altar party and the choir, all are welcome to come forward to the altar rail at the direction of the ushers. At the altar rail, all baptized Christians are invited to receive the Blessed Sacrament, and those who are not yet baptized are invited to indicate a desire to receive a blessing by crossing their arms upon arrival at the altar rail. (Our rector is always eager to speak with anyone who is not yet baptized about preparing for and receiving the sacrament of Baptism.)

For those receiving the Blessed Sacrament, a wafer will be placed in the palm of your hand or upon your tongue after which the chalice is offered. If you need a gluten-free wafer, you may request one from the priest at the altar rail. Should you wish to receive wine by intinction (dipping), allow the chalice bearer to take the wafer from your open palm and intinct for you. Should you be unable to manage the steps, please notify one of the ushers so that Holy Communion can be administered at your pew.

Communion Hymn, No. 268

Ye who claim the faith of Jesus

JULION

Postcommunion Prayer

Upon the Celebrant's invitation to prayer, the people kneel.

Celebrant Let us pray.

All **Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.**

Advent Blessing

Celebrant May the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father ✠, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be amongst you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

After the Blessing, the people stand.

Retiring Processional Hymn, No. 56

O come, O come, Emmanuel

VENI, VENI, EMMANUEL

The Angelus (sung)

Blue Pew Card

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Voluntary

Fugue on the Magnificat (S. 733)

J. S. Bach
(1685-1750)

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. You are invited to either take your bulletin home or to place it in the recycle bin in the narthex.

Given the penitential nature of the season, we do not have flowers on the altar during Advent with the exception of the Third Sunday, Gaudete Sunday.

Announcements & Upcoming Events

Thank You to Everyone Who Supported Our 2022 Annual Pledge Campaign! We Have Reached Our Goals!! | Even after our formal campaign concluded, we have gratefully continued to receive pledges, and, as of earlier this week, **we exceeded our goals with 102 pledges (including 10 new pledges!) and over \$300,000 in dollars pledged.** Thank you to all who have already submitted their pledges--for helping to make this **the highest number of pledged dollars ever in a Saint Andrew's Annual Pledge Campaign!** If you have yet to make your pledge, the pledge card can be found online at

www.standrewsgreenville.org/pledge

Poinsettias for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Poinsettia dedication forms can be found in your bulletins this week. Deadline for orders is today. Suggested donation for each plant is \$15. You can also email the Parish Office with your order and dedication today.

Coffee Hour Is Back! | **After the 10:30 AM Mass** | Please sign up to provide refreshments and set up in the weeks ahead. We currently need volunteers for January 2, 23, and 30. A sign up sheet can be found in the Parish Hall or via online at www.standrewsgreenville.org/signup

Election of 2022 Parish Officers | We are pleased to announce that, at this past Sunday's vestry meeting, which included our outgoing, current, and new vestry members, Erin Culbertson was re-elected Senior Warden, Scott Chastain was re-elected Junior Warden, and John Rhodes was elected Clerk. Outgoing vestry member Rusty Infinger was elected Finance Committee Chair. In addition, Jamie Hinds was elected to another one-year term as Treasurer. Allison Giambone-Wilson, Riley Owens, and Kelly Proffitt, began their service as new vestry members. We are so thankful for all of their willingness to serve! We also want to express our gratitude to our three outgoing members, Jim Arnau, Helen Farmer, and Rusty Infinger!

2021 CHRISTMAS EVE & DAY SCHEDULE

Friday, December 24

The Eve of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ

4:00 PM Creche & Carols Family Service

10:30 PM Sacred Music

11:00 PM Solemn High Mass

Saturday, December 25

The Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ

12:00 Noon Low Mass

Please note: No 8:30 AM Mass on December 26, the First Sunday after Christmas

Parish Office Schedule | The Parish Office will be closed December 24, 27, and 31. Please note: Father Gary will be out of the office December 27-31.

Year End Giving to Saint Andrew's | As you wrap up your charitable giving for the calendar year 2021, please consider a year-end gift to Saint Andrew's Episcopal Church. You may record a one-time online gift via the "Donate" link found on our website. You can also make a 2021 tax year donation by placing it in the offering plate today, by sending it by U.S. mail with a 2021 postmark, or by hand-delivering it to the parish office before the end of the year. *(Note that the office will be closed on December 31.)*

2022 Ordo Kalendars Available | Reserve yours today! \$5 each. Email: office@standrewsgreenville.org

Nursery During Worship to Reopen | We are hoping to reopen our nursery in the near future. While we plan to have one staff member in the nursery during the 10:30 AM Mass, we will need at least one parish volunteer each Sunday to serve as our second nursery caregiver. If you have gifts for working with infants and young children – and have "Safe Church" training (and are fully vaccinated), we could use your help! If you are interested, please e-mail office@standrewsgreenville.org. More details to come!

Services Beyond Advent and Christmas:

- **The Feast of Epiphany | Thursday, January 6 | 6:30 PM**
The Feast of Epiphany, one of the Principal Feasts of the Church Year, is when we remember the visit of the Magi to the Christ Child. At our evening mass, we will include the Blessing of the Chalk, an Epiphany tradition.
- **The Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord (Baptismal Sunday) | January 9** | Anyone desiring to be baptized or to have a child baptized, please speak with or e-mail Father Gary (rector@standrewsgreenville.org).

Weekly Schedule

Sundays

8:30 AM, Low Mass, Rite II (*not on 12/26*)

10:30 AM, Sung High Mass, Rite I (also via livestream)

Wednesdays

6:30 PM, Healing Mass, Rite I

Every Third Wednesday of the Month

5:30 PM Rosary in Church

Every Fourth Wednesday of the Month

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

follows the 6:30 PM Mass