



# ST. ANDREW'S NEWS

My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Lent and Easter have come early this year, the earliest they will be in many of our lifetimes, in fact. And, at first I was dismayed, "It's too soon after the Incarnation to be thinking about the Resurrection!"

However, on Ash Wednesday I received a daily reflection from Richard Rohr that really helped me frame this early entrance into Lent. In part, Rohr shares, "...Christmas is already Easter because in becoming a human being, God already shows that it's good to be human, to be flesh. The problem is already somehow solved. Flesh does not need to be redeemed by any sacrificial atonement theory." (You can read the full entry here - <https://cac.org/incarnation-is-already-redemption-2016-02-10/>)

This was a great reminder of God's love for us and for all of God's Creation. **The repentance we focus on during Lent is about opening our minds and hearts to the great reality of our existence in God, it should be a time for letting go of our fractured perception of the world and reawakening to our unity with God and all Creation.**

If we're not careful, the penitential language of Lent can get us off track, thinking that we have to turn our back on the world and the pleasures of Creation in order to be worthy or merit the Cross and Resurrection to which we journey. Since God affirmed our human existence through God's Incarnation in Jesus Christ, turning our back on this Creation is counterproductive, at best. Lent is also not a time for trying to "measure up" to God's love in Jesus Christ.

**Lent should be a time for taking full measure of God's love of us and of Creation.** Our Lenten tools, whether acts of mercy, prayer, almsgiving, or Scripture study should assist us in being present to God incarnate in THIS MOMENT.

When we are fully present in our lives, we are present to the Divine Presence, the Eternal Life which Jesus came to point us towards. When we are fully present we are able to love with all our minds and hearts and spirits, and are awakened to God

## Calendar at a Glance

- Mar 3 Children's Clinic
- Mar 6 Youth Group 11:30am
- Mar 13 Vestry Meeting 11:45am
- Mar 15 Taize Worship and Healing 6:30pm
- Mar 20 Palm Sunday 8am and 10am
- Mar 22 Holy Tuesday, Gospel of Mark 6:30pm
- Mar 24 Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm
- Mar 25 Good Friday Services Noon & 7:00pm
- Mar 25 Good Friday Stations of Cross 1:00pm
- Mar 27 Easter Sunday
  - Sunrise Service 6:00am
  - Family Easter Service 10:00am
  - Easter Potluck 11:30am
- Apr 7 Children's Clinic
- Apr 16 Vestry Retreat

## On-going

- Tuesdays: Evening Prayer & Holy Eucharist 6:30pm
- Wednesdays: Men's Group, Nickel's Diner, Rio Rico 8:00am
- Thursdays: Bible Study at Tubac 10:00am
- 2nd & 4th Saturdays: Casa Blanca Chapel in Santa Cruz County Building in Sonoita

incarnate in our friends, in our enemies, in the natural world around us, in all of God's Creation. **Only then can we begin to bring together all the pieces of brokenness which do not match God's plan for Creation.**

As we finish our Lenten journey, may our devotions bring us deeper and deeper into the real presence of God in our lives, the God who brings all together in Christ. As we approach our great Paschal Feast, I pray that we will fully appreciate God's redemption of all the brokenness of our world through the glorious Resurrection of our Redeemer Jesus Christ.

Peace be with you

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## Funds being collected for summer camp

— Jean Moehlman, Director of Children and Youth Ministries

It may seem like summer is a far away, but our children and youth are eagerly looking forward to going to summer camp in Prescott. Last year with all of your generous donations, the church was able to send three to summer camp with all expenses paid. Ashley Verdugo, Linnea Moehlman, and Raymond Barta all spent a week up in Prescott.

I am asking you all again this year to help send our children to Chapel Rock. Each week-long camp costs \$390 per student. The large “fish bowl” for camp will be in the Narthex from now until camp starts in June. I hope you each can dig deep in your pockets to help our church children learn more about God and to expand

## Ashes-to-Go offered at Garrett’s

Fr. Ernie, assisted by Jim Lee and Rodger Babnew, administered ashes at Garrett’s parking lot on Ash Wednesday during the noon hour. 89 people came to receive ashes there.



*Our Vision: St. Andrew’s strives to be the face of Christ within our walls and beyond our doors.*

## Daughters of the King

April is the 131st Anniversary of the founding of the Daughters of the King. Perpetua chapter at St Andrews will celebrate our founding by hosting the Coffee Hour on April 17th.

### Taboo Conversations

—Barbara Laupmanis

Conversations such as politics and religion cause such visceral and divisive emotion. It seems we sink to our lowest selves when these topics are brought up. We are so certain that what we believe is correct; if someone has a differing belief, we become frustrated. We blame the media, the republicans, the democrats. We have so often heard there are no red states, or blue states, only the United States, and as citizens of the United States, we have freedom of speech and freedom of religion, but these values seem to disappear, during the political season. We think perhaps, if we just speak louder, and not listen to the opposing side, we will convince others that our beliefs are the right ones.

I am reminded, at times such as these, as a Christian, I am to treat others as I would like to be treated, and to love my neighbor as myself, but is this what we do when we so vehemently disagree with the beliefs of others? Do we respectfully and truly listen to differing opinions, without insults or misrepresented facts?

I believe debates and discussions are good. We are very fortunate to live in a free society. So the next time we find ourselves in a somewhat "heated" discussion, remember first we are children of God, and treat our neighbors as we would like to be treated. Perhaps when the cacophony of voices diminishes, we may just learn something.

*Barbara is a member of Daughters of the King, a group of women who pray daily.*

## ECW Retreat Saturday, March 5

The women of St. Andrew's will hold their annual Lenten retreat on Saturday, March 5 at the church. We will meet in the chapel at 9 a.m. and end by 3 p.m. We will be following Jesus in his last few days, listening to voices of the women who loved him.

There is no charge, and lunch will be provided; an optional offering will be collected, however. To sign up please e-mail Shirley Gibb at [sjuanitagibb@gmail.com](mailto:sjuanitagibb@gmail.com) All women are invited.

## Men of the church host our Mardi Gras Taco Tuesday

On Tuesday, February 10, the men of the church hosted the third Taco Tuesday Mardi Gras celebration for the congregation and the community. Ground turkey and ground beef tacos were on the menu, with beans and rice rounding out the offerings. In St. Mary's Hall there were all the condiments used with tacos and beverages. A wide variety of cookies made sure there was a dessert to please the most bacchanalian of tastes. Tables were decorated with Mardi Gras beads and masks. It was the sort of wild celebration you would expect of Episcopalians.



Service with a smile! Pictured from front are Scott Bramblett, Fr. Ernie and Jim Lee.



Condiments and a variety of salsas made sure each person's taco was to their liking.



Lada Hardwick, Art Whipple and Sigrid Maitrejean enjoy post-taco fellowship.



Good food and good fun. Plus, 8am and 10am church attendees had a chance to catch up. Left to right at the table are Kate Hudson, Lorna Larsen, Elizabeth Campbell, and Teddy Wingfield.

## Bishop Smith visited St. Andrew's Children's Clinic

On February 4 Bishop Kirk Smith visited The Children's Clinic, starting in the office where he was greeted by Deacon Jim Fitzsimmons and Fr. Ernie. He next attended a Children's Clinic Board meeting before touring the Clinic with Jim Fitzsimmons.



In the Orthotics & Prosthetics Dept. Rev. Michael Meyers, CPed., explained some of the problems he sees in fitting

special shoes to accommodate extra foot width, AFOs, prosthetics, and other concerns. The Clinic uses all parts of the church. This department meets in the Vesting room.

In the kitchen a team of volunteers were preparing nachos as the next course for the patients and their families. The first course is fruit such as apples, oranges or even strawberries. Then comes the popular nachos. By 10:15 there will be sandwiches, sloppy joes or hot dogs. Finally about 11 there will be cookies. Beverages of coffee and lemonade or hot cocoa are always available. Food bags are sent home with the patients and their families.



## St. Andrew's Preschool & Child Care Center

With half the school gone, we have accomplished many things. The children in the Red Room are almost done learning Letterland and will soon be able to start reading. The majority of the children in the yellow and blue rooms are writing their names. All of the children have learned their colors, shapes, and numbers, in both English and Spanish. All three groups continue to attend chapel with Father Ernie, a part of the curriculum that the children look forward to each week and enjoy immensely. Church member Shirley Gibbs reads to the children on Tuesday mornings and has become well known to the children as "Grandma Shirley". Fortunately we have maintained full enrollment and are currently assisting 13 families with scholarships that are provided by First Things First or grants awarded for this purpose.

The preschool will remain accredited by the National Association of Young Children (NAEYC) until 2020. In addition to the NAEYC accreditation the



center has a three star rating from Quality First.

In the next few months the preschool children will be practicing songs and dances to present at the Talent Show being held on Saturday April 9, 2016, in the St. Mary's Hall; everyone is welcomed to attend. During the talent show the drawing for the raffle will be held.

Once again the staff of St. Andrew's Preschool would like to extend an invitation to anyone who would like to come read or volunteer at the center. Please feel free to come and visit to get a firsthand experience of what the preschool is all about. We would also like to thank everyone for their continued support.



## New vestry members elected at Annual Meeting January 31

The congregation gathered after a potluck meal on January 31 to hear and receive written reports about the past year, to elect new officers and to look ahead to 2016. Annual reports and congregation directories are available in the office if you did not get them.

The current vestry now stands as follows:  
Senior Warden-Martha Zybko,  
Junior Warden-Steve Ferreira.

Class of 2016: Kate Endersbe-Treasurer, Sally Lockwood-Clerk, Patti Oliver, Suzette Smith

Class of 2017: Shirley Gibb, Jean Ross, Karen Sykes, Brian Young

Class of 2018: Chuck Gruneisen, Jean Moehlman, Katie Tadeo, (open)



March	April
3 James (Buck) Clark	2 George Hedges
5 Bea Noe	2 Marilyn Hedges
7 Lee Crowder	3 Bill Sykes
8 Ernie Galaz	4 Sharon Whipple
8 David Moehlman	12 Sigrid Maitrejean
9 Jill Webb	12 Keri Jelks
11 Brian Young	16 Vicki Fitzsimmons
14 Chuck Nelson	22 Patti Oliver
15 Dick Blake	
15 Linnea Moehlman	
16 Gail Lockwood	
19 Jane Bock	
29 Carol Bock	
29 Gary Pottinger	
30 Rev. Anne Vellom	



## January Financial Report

—Kate Endersbe, Treasurer

Note: The monthly financial reports and Vestry minutes are hanging on the big bulletin board in St. Mary's Hall.

<i><b>INCOME</b></i>		<i><b>EXPENSES</b></i>	
Plate Offerings	\$222.86	Fund Raisers	\$0.00
Building Use Donations	\$1,050.00	Loan Payment	\$455.60
Fund Raisers	\$90.00	Salaries & Benefits	\$8639.81
Pledge Support	\$9,658.43	Outreach Expense	\$2,209.11
Investment Support	\$2.59	Music & Worship	\$377.75
Weekly Offerings not pledged	\$1,487.75	Education Expense	\$00.00
Contributions	\$221.00	Administration	\$1,665.41
Altar Guild	\$60.00	Premises Expenses	\$5,584.26
Outreach Designated Income	\$69.00		
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$12,861.63</b>	<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$18,931.93</b>

## ROTA or (Schedule of Service Participants)

Date	8:00 Lay Reader	8:00 Healing Team	10: Chalice Bearer	10 Lay Reader	10 Healing Team
Mar 6	R. DeLong	K. Rodes	I. Tadeo	M. Hedges	J. Lee
Mar 13	T. Brown	L. Clapper	J. Lee	P. Parkinson	S. Ferreira
Mar 20	R. Brown	L. Clapper	D. Moehlman	Jack Ross	D. Moehlman
Mar 24	<i>Maundy</i>	<i>Thursday 7:00</i>	R. Babnew	M. Hedges	
Mar 25	<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>12:00 Noon</i>		E. Campbell	
Mar 27 <i>Easter</i>	L. Clapper	L. Clapper	J. Moehlman Thurifer: R. Babnew	A. Jehle	P. Ferreira
Apr 3	R. DeLong	L. Clapper	R. Babnew	M. Friedmann	J. Lee
Apr 10	T. Brown	K. Rodes	I. Tadeo	K. Endersbe	S. Ferreira
Apr 17	R. Brown	L. Clapper	J. Lee	E. Campbell	D. Moehlman
Apr 24	L. Clapper	K. Rodes	D. Moehlman	M. Hedges	P. Ferreira

Date	Coffee Hour Hosts	Ushers	Counters
Mar 6	Sara Cobb & Martha Zybko	Jim Lee and Kate Hutson	Ken Briggs
Mar 13	Clair Danielson & Katie Tadeo	Brian & Lindsey Young	Lou Clapper
Mar 20	Patty, Gail, & Friends	Martha Zykoko & Sara Cobb	J. & J. Ross
Mar 27	Easter Potluck	Miriam Berke & Marilyn Hedges	Karen Sykes
Apr 3	Marilyn Hedges, Jack & Jean Ross	Jim Lee & Kate Hutson	Ken Briggs
Apr 10	Maureen Friedmann	Jean & Jack Ross	Lou Clapper
Apr 17	Daughters of the King	Brian & Lindsey Young	J. & J. Ross
Apr 24	<b>Open</b>	Miriam Berke & Marilyn Hedges	Karen Sykes

Note: The Casa Blanca Chapel meets in the Community Room in the Santa Cruz County Building in Sonoita at 10:00am on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month.

### Readers at Casa Blanca Chapel

Mar 12	Karol Koon
Mar 26	Jo Dean
Apr 9	Dorothy Sturges
Apr 23	Karol Koon

### Flowers for the Altar

No flowers during Lent

Mar 27: Easter Lilies and spring flowers

Apr 3: Marilyn and George Hedges-Anniversary

Apr 10: Mary and Dick Messick

Apr 17: **Open**

Apr 24: Kate & John Endersbe: for her parents

## Noticias Breves en español



3 de marzo— Clínica para Niños de San Andrés- todo el día

5 de marzo- Retiro del grupo de Mujeres (ECW) a las 9:00-3:00

6 de marzo- Grupo de jóvenes 11:30am

13 de marzo- Reunión del Vestry (la junta directiva a las 11:30am)

15 de marzo—Tazie

20 de marzo— Domingo de Ramos 8:00 y 10:00am

22 de marzo—Martes Santo, Leyenda de Evangelio de Marcos

24 de marzo— Jueves Santo 7:00pm

25 de marzo— Servicio de Viernes Santo 12:00, Via Cruces 1:00pm

25 de marzo— Servicio de Viernes Santo 7:00pm

27 de marzo— Domingo de Pascua

Santa Eucaristía a la salida del sol 6:00am

Mis para la familia 10:00am

Almuerzo estilo 'potluck' 11:30am

7 de abril— Clínica para Niños de San Andrés-todo el día

16 de abril-Retiro del Vestry 9:00-4:00

### Que continua

*Miércoles:* Grupo de hombres, Nickel's Diner, Rio Rico, 8:00am

*Martes:* Vespertina y Santa Eucaristía 6:30pm

*Segundo y cuarto sábado del mes:* Capilla Casa Blanca, en el edificio del condado de Santa Cruz, Sonoita, 10:00am

## Coordinators of Lay Ministries

Contact the coordinator if you are assigned, are unable to complete the responsibility and can find no substitute. If you are trading dates with someone, please call the church office so that the bulletin can be printed correctly.

### Lay Readers/Chalice Bearers:

Jim Fitzsimmons (520-625-4341).

### Healing Team:

Sara Cobb (520-394-2721).

### Counters and Office Volunteers:

Elizabeth Campbell (520-909-4175).

Ushers: Marilyn Hedges (520-399-0477).

## Newsletter and Internet Submissions

Newsletter and internet submissions are appreciated. Your material can be published in our print newsletter and digitally on Facebook or our website. Photos of church activities are always welcome.

The next newsletter deadline is April 22. Please submit your articles as Word documents, if possible. Email your submissions to editor Sally Lockwood at [slockwood584@gmail.com](mailto:slockwood584@gmail.com) and to the church office at

## How to donate food for our Food Banks

In the narthex of the church, just to the right of the front door as you enter, there is a collection basket for food to be donated to a food bank here in Nogales. This is another way that you can help to care for our neighbors. Thanks to Art Whipple who has accepted the responsibility of taking the food to the food bank.

## INVEST IN ST. ANDREWS Donate to the Endowment Fund

A reminder from Louis Clapper,  
Endowment Fund Chairman

## Church Office Hours and Emergency Contacts

Office Hours are Tuesday through Friday, 9:00-12:00pm

Fr. Ernie's hours: Tuesdays—Thursdays 9:00-Noon and by appointment.

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### **Holy Week Services**

**Holy Tuesday 6:30pm**

**Maundy Thursday 7:00pm**

**Good Friday Service Noon**

**Stations of the Cross 1:00pm**

**Good Friday Service 7:00 pm**

**Easter Sunday**

**6:00am & 10:00am**

**Potluck 11:30am**