



ST. ANDREW'S NEWS

“All things come from you, Lord...”

We say these familiar words each time we celebrate the Eucharist. This phrase expresses the humility and gratitude with which we try to approach the Table of the Lord.

And, recently I was prompted to consider this attitude more deeply when one of our many wise parishioners stated, “When I pray, I don’t need to ask for anything anymore. I just give thanks. Because everything is a gift.” Wow! What insight, what humility, what acceptance! This person’s simple words said so much about the spiritual life.

When we are living in a place of deep faith, there really can be no other response than acceptance and gratitude, can there? In acceptance and gratitude, one must be present to God’s extravagant love. When we live in complete expectation of God’s guidance and blessing, we can only respond with deep love and appreciation.

However, it can be difficult to be there - in such deep connection with God. Life can be messy and complicated. So much of our lives can be taken up with anxiety, disappointment, resentment, and plain busyness. How do we interrupt those patterns so we can live in gratitude and acceptance? What does it take to get there? Well, I’m pretty sure it begins with practice. Consciously and diligently giving thanks to God for everything. And, this doesn’t happen without slowing down a bit. It’s hard to take notice of God’s blessings when your body (and mind) are on the go all the time. You, literally have to “stop and smell the roses.” It takes a certain amount of discipline, but also acceptance that one can only do it imperfectly. But, the rewards are immediate. Because, as soon as you start giving thanks for things throughout the day, you begin to notice more and more just how blessed you are. It reminds me of a church marquee I once read that stated, “Get rich quick. Count your blessings.” And, it’s really true. What also begins to happen when you take time to thank God throughout the day, is that less and less the things you are thankful for are “things,” and

Calendar at a Glance

Sept 1 Children’s Clinic

Sept 18 Vestry Meeting 11:45am

Sept 19 ECW at Lorna Larsen’s 11:00am

Oct 6 Children’s Clinic

Oct 17 ECW at St. Andrew’s 10:00am

Oct 21-22 Diocesan Convention, Phoenix

On-going

Tuesdays: Evening Prayer & Holy Eucharist
6:30pm

Wednesdays: Men’s Group, Nickel’s Diner,
Rio Rico 8:00am

Thursdays: Eucharist and Bible Study at
Messick’s in Tubac 10:00am

2nd & 4th Saturdays: Casa Blanca Chapel in
Santa Cruz County Building in Sonoita
10:00am

more and more they become the intangibles of life, those things that really matter - life, love, goodness...and a very real sense of God’s presence.

As you become more and more present to God’s blessings in your life, you actually are becoming more and more present to God. Because, it is through Creation and the good that happens in our lives that God chooses to become incarnate. As we become more and more aware of God’s presence, our anxieties lessen and our resentments slip away. Living in gratitude makes us less prone to disappointment. But, one of the things I’ve noticed most when I’m living in an “attitude of gratitude” is that I am less critical of myself and of others. It becomes easier to live out the Great Commandment, and also easier to

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forgive myself when I am not.

So, I commend us all to the practice of gratitude as a means to connect with God and as an aid in loving your neighbor as yourself. I also offer this short quote from Fr. Richard Rohr:

All that is needed is *surrender* and *gratitude*. Our job is simply to thank God for being part of it all and allow it to happen. The many burdens we carry are not just ours. We are in this together. The sin that comes up in us is not just our sin; it is the sin of the world. The joy that comes up in us is not just our personal joy; it is the joy of all creation. We are in this together as the living Body of God. All we can do is accept and give thanks.

In Christ,
Ernie+

Capital Project Planning Team works for our future

—Elizabeth Campbell, coordinator

A group has been formed to solicit input and explore opportunities in regard to a possible capital campaign for St. Andrew's. Input is being gathered from parishioners and representatives from the Preschool, Clinic and other community groups. The primary question is, "How can we restore and enhance St. Andrew's to better serve our community and meet our needs as church in the future?"

Current committee members include Father Ernie, Raymond Bean, Preschool Director Cynthia Bustamonte, Elizabeth Campbell, Deacon Jim who represents the Clinic, Sigrid Maitrejean, Karin Rhodes, Karen Sykes, and our Junior and Senior Wardens. In addition to gathering additional input from parishioners and other stakeholders, the committee will also solicit opinions and advice from commercial building and architecture professionals about how to best group and prioritize projects. Elizabeth is also researching local, regional and national potential funding sources for the campaign.

The committee plans to present its findings and recommendations at the Vestry Meeting in January or February 2017. If you have questions or input, feel free to talk with Father Ernie, Elizabeth or a committee member.

SAVE THE DATE—ST. ANDREW'S BARBECUE IS COMING!

—Jean Moehlman, co-chairman

Saturday, November 12th is St. Andrew's 64th Annual Barbecue. Serving hours are 4:30-7:30 pm. Mark your calendar now because you don't want to miss this St. Andrew's favorite.

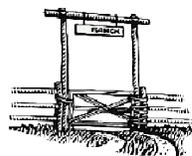
If you're new to St. Andrew's, this is pit-roasted beef barbecue that we roast in our in-ground pit behind the Church. With the delicious meat, we serve cole slaw, tortillas, beans, salsa, beverage, and dessert. There are eat in and take outs available.

This is a fun fundraiser. We get to know each other better, and we have an opportunity to visit with our Santa Cruz Valley neighbors who come each year.

Jean Moehlman and Katie Tadeo will co-chair again this year. They will have jobs for everybody—just ask them. Sign up early to get your favorite job and shift. There is something for everyone to do: busing tables, serving food, shredding barbecue, packaging barbecue, putting the meat in the pit/taking it out, working in the kitchen, cleaning up, selling tickets/taking money. We have sit down jobs and standing jobs. This year we will also be in need of a truck to haul the meat pots to and from the pit on Friday evening and late morning Saturday.

We are asking everyone to either bake or buy cakes, pies, brownies, or cookies that we can serve as dessert. You can bring these to the Church the Sunday before, throughout the week, on Friday or you can bring your dessert during the day on Saturday. Cakes and pies will be used in the eating in area; brownies and cookies will be used in the take out area. As per health code, we do ask that no desserts contain whipped toppings or cream fillings that would need to be refrigerated.

Of course the biggest request is that we need everyone to sell tickets. Tickets packets will be mailed out the first week of October. Thank you in advance in helping with St. Andrew's BIGGEST fundraiser of the year!



2017 Stewardship Committee announces plans

—Jack Ross, Stewardship Chairman

The following parishioners are serving on this year's Stewardship Committee: Elizabeth Campbell, Lou Clapper, Dcn. Jim Fitzsimmons, Phil Eiker, Shirley Gibbs, Lynne Nelson and Chairman Jack Ross.

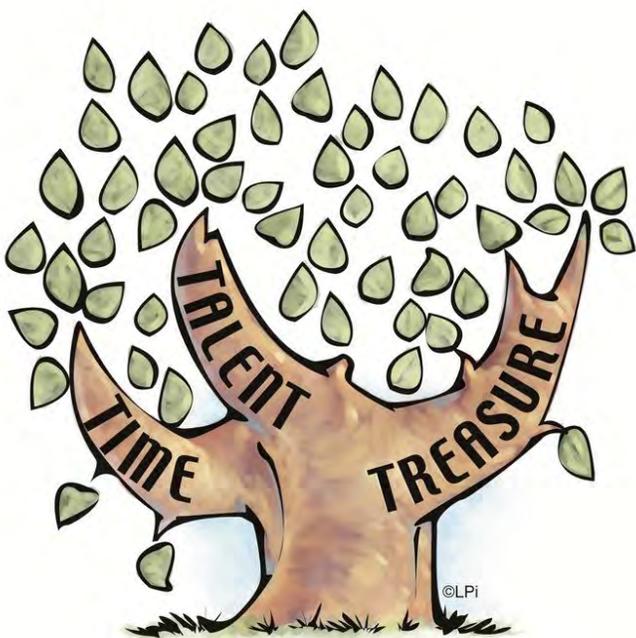
Historically our annual pledge campaign begins in the fall culminating in gathering pledge cards on All Saints Day in November.

Beginning in September we will have one member of the committee speak briefly each Sunday about what stewardship means to them. There will be speakers for the 8 and 10 o'clock services and Saturdays at Casa Blanca.

During October the committee and several vestry members will be calling every parishioner on our rolls. The phone call is intended as a check-up to see how St. Andrew's is doing; a chance for parishioners to talk and for us to listen.

After the calls are completed, pledge cards will be available at church, mailed or hand delivered. All pledges should be returned during November when they will be gathered and blessed at the altar.

If for any reason you do not want to be called, please contact a member of the stewardship committee or Fr. Ernie.



Open letter to the congregation from the Stewardship Committee

Dear Members of St. Andrew's,

Our Stewardship Committee is planning the Annual Fall Pledge Drive for 2017, where we will ask for your continued support of our church budget. Through your commitments of time and money to St. Andrew's, we support many ministries. We are blessed with a thriving Sunday School, Preschool and Children's Clinic. Your support is greatly appreciated and crucial to these programs as we strive to be the face of Christ within our wall and beyond our doors.

I believe we at St. Andrew's have a message of acceptance and love that can make a difference where we live, and in our own lives. When each of us makes a commitment to pledge we not only strengthen our church, we strengthen our faith – we let go and let God.

In our Sunday Service and whenever we present a money offering, we repeat this offertory sentence: *"All things come from you, O Lord, and of your own have we given you."* (1 Corinthians 29:14). Dwell on that verse for a minute, let it sink in. Everything, all we have - even our money – comes from God.

And what we put in the offering plate? It came from God! Really? Then why is it so difficult to give it back? I believe it's a matter of Faith; giving from the heart is a faith journey; trusting God as the giver is something we grow into. The point is to give back with a grateful heart.

St. Andrew's people have always been generous in giving; you give generously to UTO twice a year, you helped send ten children to Episcopal Summer Camp this year, you exceeded goals for raising funds in the Summer Appeal and you volunteer in the office, in the worship services, at the BBQ and where ever you are needed. Your gifts to St. Andrew's make possible our mission to live out Christ's ministry in the world.

I ask you to thoughtfully consider giving back to God through your 2017 pledge.

Thank you.

Jack Ross
Stewardship Chairman

ECW plans for fall

—Marilyn Hedges, Coordinator

Our September ECW meeting will be at Lorna Larsen's home on Monday the 19th at 11:00am. We haven't met for a few months so there will be a lot to discuss such as finances, BBQ Basket Raffle, and sharing ideas for the upcoming December special events. Please bring a small salad to share with everyone. Drinks and dessert will be provided. Directions to Lorna's house will be sent out on Monday, September 12th, which is a week prior to the meeting.

In October we'll be meeting at St. Andrew's in St. Mary's Hall on Monday the 17th starting at 10:00am. Please bring all your donations for the BBQ Basket Raffle since we'll be creatively putting the baskets together. This has always been a really fun time. Lunch TBA.

We welcome all St. Andrew's and Casa Blanca Chapel women to all of our meetings. It was great getting to know some of the women that attend Casa Blanca at our summer luncheons. Please continue to join us and to share your special interests and ideas with all the other ladies.



St. Andrew's Children's Clinic

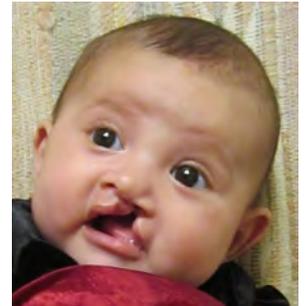
—Vicki Fitzsimmons



We hope everyone got to see the great article in the *Arizona Daily Star* about The Clinic. Click on these links [Article link](#) and [Slide Show](#) from the *Daily Star*. If not, it is posted on our bulletin board in St. Mary's Hall. We had an apprentice reporter and photographer with us all morning of our August clinic. In October, we will have a volunteer videographer with us to film footage for our new video. We'll let you know when that is available.

Many thanks to everyone helping to fluff flowers for our float in the White Elephant Parade scheduled for the last Saturday in October. Photos are posted on the Clinic [Facebook](#) page. If you haven't "liked us", please do!

We are once again preparing for our Annual Cleft Palate/Cleft Lip Mission at CIMA Hospital in Hermosillo on October 15-19. Surgeries will



be performed by doctors from Children's Surgery International from Minneapolis. Kylie Sanchez was 6 months old when her mother brought her to The Clinic for surgery assessment. Now she is almost 3 years old and comes to Clinic for speech therapy. Note the profound difference the surgery made in her appearance, but it also affected the shape of her mouth and her ability to eat, drink, and speak. Her family is exceedingly grateful for what The Clinic does to help their daughter.

Church young people led music at Back to School service on August 21

Sunday, August 21 at the 10:00 service blessings were offered for students and teachers as they return to school.

The children of the parish lead the music for the service.



Birthdays



September	October
2 Craig Pottinger	3 Todd Brown
3 Kate Hutson	3 Derwent Suthers
10 Jack Ross	4 Isabella Kruger
13 Ken Parkinson	9 Steve Ferreira
21 Lee "Skip" Vellom	15 Jinny Cochrane
24 Estela Taylor	23 Sergio Ahumada
25 Joyce Taylor	23 Glenda Newman
12 Curtis Kraushaar	27 Liam Young
13 Susie Spater	29 Karol Koon
17 Roxanne Brown	29 Gabriela Verdugo

St. Andrew's Preschool & Child Care Center

—Cynthia Bustamante, Director

August 1, 2016, marked the first day of school for 37 eager preschoolers at St. Andrew's Preschool. The new school year began with some cries, laughter, excitement and joy on the part of both parents and children.



This coming school year will be filled with many new and exciting learning activities for the students. The children once again will plant the garden beds which provide an exceptional learning opportunity. During the September and October months the children will begin learning their colors, numbers, shapes, and letters as well as creating art work to display around the preschool walls. The Thanksgiving Pageant and Fall Fundraiser will be held in November. Father Ernie will continue to conduct chapel every Wednesday at 10am.

This school year the staff will also be preparing for the Quality First Assessment to obtain a four star rating. At this time the center is still accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children, NAEYC. These recognitions have and will continue to motivate the staff to provide a safe, nurturing, loving, and challenging learning environment for all children who attend.

We invite everyone to visit the preschool and all volunteers are welcomed. If interested please call the preschool at 520-281-0133 for more information. The center is open Monday – Friday, 7:00am to 5:30pm.

Welcome to new Office Coordinator

We welcome Beth Bramblett as our new Business Manager. She will be handling all our purchasing, interacting with vendors, and facilitating the use of our facility by guests. There will still be office volunteers to help Beth and to be in the office when Beth is working from home. Office hours are 9-12 Tuesdays through Fridays.

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

Contribute to the Preschool with Amazon Smile

Did you know that if you order from Amazon Smile, not just Amazon, a portion of the sale can come back to St. Andrew's Preschool? Put in Amazon Smile in the web browser; sign in to Amazon Smile; choose our preschool, and they will receive money from your Amazon purchase.



ROTA or (Schedule of Service Participants)

Date	8:00 Lay Reader	8:00 Healing Team	10: Chalice Bearer	10 Lay Reader	10 Healing Team
Sept 4	R. Delong	L. Clapper	D. Moehlman	D. Harrelson	Sara Cobb
Sept 11	T. Brown	K. Rodes	B. Young	K. Endersbe	Steve Ferreira
Sept 18	R. Brown	L. Clapper	D. Harrelson	P. Parkinson	David Moehlman
Sept 25	Lou Clapper	K. Rodes	I. Tadeo	D. Barta	Patty Ferreira
Oct 2	K. Rodes	L. Clapper	D. Moehlman	A. Jehle	Sara Cobb
Oct 9	R. Delong	K. Rodes	J. Moehlman	E. Campbell	Steve Ferreira
Oct 16	T. Brown	L. Clapper	B. Young	J. Ross	David Moehlman
Oct 23	R. Brown	K. Rodes	I. Tadeo	D. Harrelson	Patty Ferreira
Oct 30	L. Clapper	L. Clapper	D. Harrelson	M. Hedges	Sara Cobb

Date	Coffee Hour Hosts	Ushers	Counters
Sept 4	Patty Ferrerira & Friends	Clair Danielson & Albert Wascher	Ken Briggs
Sept 11	Youngs & Lorraine Breathaur	Miriam Berke & Marilyn Hedges	J. & J. Ross
Sept 18	Vicki & Jim Fitzsimmons	Luana & Dan Barta & Grandkids	Lou Clapper
Sept 25	Katie Tadeo & Jean Moehlman	Brian & Lindsey Young	Karen Sykes
Oct 2	Gail Lockwood & Friends	Pam Parkinson & Kate Hutson	Ken Briggs
Oct 9	Marilyn Hedges & Luana Barta	Clair Danielson & Albert Wascher	Ken Briggs
Oct 16	Jean & Jack Ross	Anne Jehle & Marilyn Hedges	J. & J. Ross
Oct 23	Open	Lindsey & Brian Young	Lou Clapper
Oct 30	Beth Bramblett & Sally Lockwood	Luana & Dan Barta & Grandkids	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.

Flowers for the Altar



Sept. 18 In memory of Michael Noe
 Sept. 25 Gail & James Lockwood for Gail's parents
 Oct. 2 In memory of Daniel Larsen
 Oct. 9 Celebration of life of Andy Ross

Readers at Casa Blanca Chapel

Sept 10	Dorothy Sturges
Sept 24	Karol Koon
Oct 8	Jo Dean
Oct 22	Dorothy Sturges

All are welcome at a Vestry meeting

The next meeting of the Vestry will be September 18 at 11:45am in the Chapel. All are invited to attend.

Noticias Breves en español



1 de septiembre-Clínica para Niños-todo el día
18 de septiembre-Reunión del Vestry (la junta directiva) a las 11:45
19 de septiembre-Grupo de Mujeres (ECW) a las 11:00 en la casa de Lorna Larsen
6 de octubre-Clínica para Niños de San Andrés-todo el día
17 de octubre -Grupo de Mujeres (ECW)
23-24 de octubre-Conferencia anual Diocesana-Phoenix

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).

The mission of St. Andrew's Nogales is to provide a place of shared faith and a warm, accepting church family of all ages, living out Christ's ministry.

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 October 24. Please submit your articles as Word documents, if possible. Email your submissions to editor Sally Lockwood at slockwood584@gmail.com and to the church office at standrews@standrewsaz.com.

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.

How to help with Coffee Hour

Choice dates are still available for the rest of the year to host a Coffee Hour. Contact Karin Rodes 520-841-2448, khrodes@gmail.com for more information.

Church Office Hours and Emergency Contacts

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

Fr. Ernie's hours: Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 9:00am-12:00pm and by appointment.

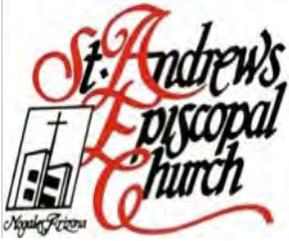
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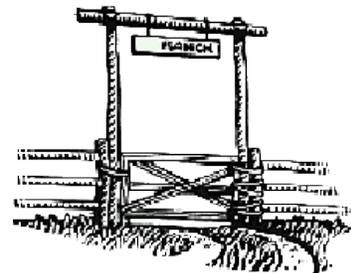
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