Saint Andrew, also known as Andrew the Apostle, was a Christian Apostle and the older brother to Saint Peter. According to the New Testament, Andrew was born in the village of Bethsaida on the Sea of Galilee during the early first century. Much like his younger brother, Simon Peter, Andrew was also a fisherman. Andrew's very name means strong and he was known for having good social skills. In the Gospel of Matthew, it is said Jesus was walking along the shore of the Sea of Galilee and saw Andrew and Simon Peter fishing. It is then he asked the two to become disciples and "fishers of men." The Gospel of John tells a story, stating Andrew was a disciple of John the Baptist. When Jesus walked by one day, John the Baptist stated, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" It is then that Andrew and another made the decision to follow Jesus. Little else is said about Andrew in the Gospels, but it is believed Andrew was one of the closer disciples to Jesus. It was he who told Jesus about the boy with the loaves and fishes, according to John 6:8. When Philip wanted to speak to Jesus about Greeks seeking him, he spoke to Andrew first. Andrew was also present at the last supper. Per Christian tradition, Andrew went on to preach the Good News around the shores of the Black Sea and throughout what is now Greece and Turkey. Andrew was martyred by crucifixion in Patras. He was bound, rather than nailed, to a cross, as is described in the Acts of Andrew. He was crucified on a cross form known as "crux decussata," which is an X-shaped cross or a "saltire." Today this is commonly referred to as "Saint Andrew's Cross." It is believed Andrew requested to be crucified this way, because he deemed himself "unworthy to be crucified on the same type of cross as Jesus." St. Andrew is commemorated on November 30.



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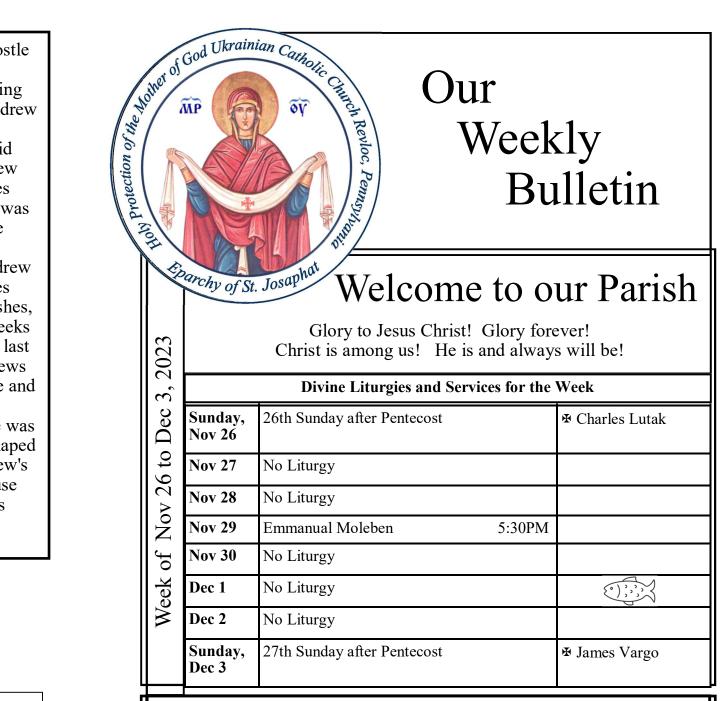
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If you are looking for a closer relationship with Jesus Christ and are looking for a home, you are welcome to be part of our kid friendly family in Christ. You have found your way home. **26th Sunday after Pentecost** 

**Ephesians 5:9-19** 

Luke 13:10-17

#### *Troparion (Tone 1)*

Though the stone was sealed by the Judeans and soldiers guarded Your most pure body, You arose, O Savior, on the third day, and gave life to the world. And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of Life: Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Your kingdom! Glory to Your saving plan, O only Lover of Mankind.

#### Kondakion

You arose in glory from the tomb and with Yourself You raised the world. All humanity acclaims You as God, and death has vanished. Adam exalts, O Master, and Eve, redeemed from bondage now, cries out for joy: "You are the One, O Christ, Who offers resurrection to all."

#### Theotokion

When Gabriel uttered to you, O Virgin, his "Rejoice!" - at that sound the Master of all became flesh in you, the Holy Ark. As the just David said, you have become wider than the heavens carrying your Creator. Glory to Him Who dwelt in you! Glory to Him Who came forth from you! Glory to Him Who freed us through birth from you!

### Prokeimen

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous.

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

## Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

God gives me vindication, and has subdued peoples under me.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to His posterity forever.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Communion Verse Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Alleluia (3)

# **PARISH NEWS**

Weekly Collection - November 19, 2023 - \$222.00. Thank you for your generosity. Relief for Ukraine - Amount collected to date \$6,483.00. Saturdays with Jesus - Catechism classes will be December 9th Adults 10:00-12:00 and Children 2:00-3:30. 2024 Envelopes - Anyone who currently does not have envelopes and would like a box for next year, please see Deacon Chris. Envelopes will be distributed in early December. St Nicholas Visit - St. Nicholas will make his 54th visit to our parish on December 3.

We will have a covered dish dinner and presents will be given to the children. Please bring your family and friends. Sign up sheet is in the vestibule.

Happy 14th Anniversary to Carrie and Derek May God grant them good health, long life and many happy years! Многая і благая літа!

## **Praver List**

Parishioners: Millie & Steve Deskevich, Connie Butkus, Kathy Ott, Sarah Kelt, Gary Maurer, the Lutak family, Jeremiah Hunt, Margaret Reighard. Friends of the Parish: Jennifer Maurer, Breanna Borlie, Tom and Kris, Richard Shonk, Ryder McDermitt, Steve Helsel, Patricia Dragani, Eugene, Kevin Rogers, Darla Tishok, the Williams family, Patty Hunt, Kevin Blem, Linda Kusmierski.

To add or remove a name, place your request in the collection basket.

## What is "Saturdays with Jesus"?

Saturdays with Jesus is a monthly gathering to learn more about our church and faith. We will be taking a closer look at the words of the Divine Liturgy. This will be for the next several months.

Classes will be December 9 Adults 10 to 12 Children 2 to 3:30

## Joke of the Day

You can't fool the kids in Sunday school, they are way too smart... 'If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale, and gave all my money to the church, would I get into heaven?' I asked the children in my Sunday school class. 'NO!' all the children answered. 'If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would I get into heaven?' Again the answer was, 'NO!' 'Well, 'I continued,' then how can I get to heaven?' A five-year-old boy shouted, 'You gotta be dead!'