

St. Andrew Calendar:

- **Sunday Jan 25th** **MASS at 10:30am** Rosary at 10:00am
 Mass Intention – Marie Berger
- **Wednesday Jan 28th** **FAITH FORMATION MEETING @ 6:00pm**
- **Sunday Feb 01st** **MASS at 10:30am** Rosary at 10:00am
 Mass Intention – Bill Ehrecke
- **Monday Feb 02nd** **BLOOD DRIVE 2:00pm – 6:30pm**
- **Monday Feb 02nd** **MARY'S ANGELS COMMITTEE MEETING @ 6:00pm**
- **Wednesday Feb 04th** **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION CLASSES @ 5:30pm**
 Menu: A Holy Cow Mash UP!!
- **Sunday Feb 08th** **MASS at 10:30am** Rosary at 10:00am
 Mass Intention – Carol Ehrecke
- **Wednesday Feb 11th** **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING @ 6:00pm**
 ❖ **Adoration @ 5:30pm**

WEEKLY MINISTRIES:

SUNDAY JAN 25

SACRISTAN:	PHYLLIS AVESING
SAFETY AND SECURITY:	DREW SMITH AND JILL HALLIGAN
ALTAR SERVERS:	LIBBY KLAREN, TAYLOR GOSSE AND MATT CARLSON
LECTORS:	JIM FRIES AND LYNN RUBLEY
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	PHYLLIS AVESING AND SHIRLEY SCHMIDT
GREETERS:	JESSI ZUBECK AND SHIRLEY SCHMIDT
USHERS:	CALDWELL FAMILY
GIFT BEARERS:	GOSSE FAMILY
CANTOR:	LARRY EWERS
MONEY COUNTERS:	PAT SHEEHEY AND TINA GIPPLE

SUNDAY FEB 01

SACRISTAN:	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
SAFETY AND SECURITY:	BRIAN PITTNER AND CHRIS RUBLEY
ALTAR SERVERS:	KENNA KURTZ, ELLA HERBERS AND PHYLLIS AVESING
LECTORS:	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:	LYNN RUBLEY AND TINA GIPPLE
GREETERS:	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
USHERS:	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
GIFT BEARERS:	KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
CANTOR:	RAY HARRE
MONEY COUNTERS:	STEVE GEERING AND TINA GIPPLE

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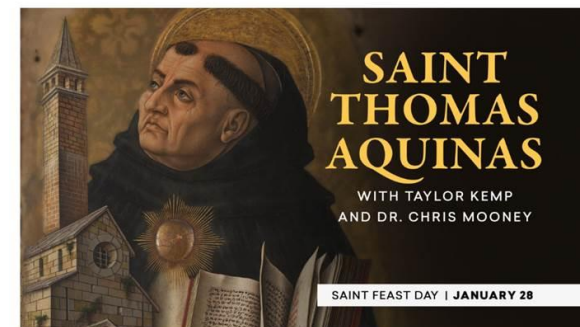
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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday Jan 25, 2026

This Week on Formed:

St. Thomas Aquinas | Catholic Saints



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St. Thomas Aquinas was given one of the greatest minds in history. He devoted his life to studying God. Not only did St. Thomas cover almost all of theology, but he also did it while maintaining theological accuracy.

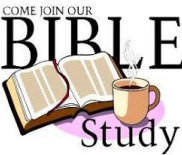
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Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism
Dave Ramsey, a leading financial wellness speaker, offers an online course that has helped many. The Knights of Columbus are gauging interest in his Financial Peace University program and will plan the event if enough people respond. To participate or inquire about information, contact Jay Matlock, a Knights of Columbus member, or email jaycmatlock@gmail.com.

The Knights of Columbus's next meeting will be on **Monday, February 9, 2026**, **NEW TIME** at 6 p.m. in the Parish Conference Center. For more information, please contact Chris Rubley at 563-594-9851 or Clemente Escalante at 563-554-0787.



Our Bible study group will be meeting every two weeks on Thursdays at 1:00 PM to study the “Gospel of Matthew” beginning January 22, 2026 until we have finished the two books. If you wish to join us, please call Connie Motto at 563-381-3698 or Pat Sheehey at 563-381-2215 or 563-340-0351 so that we have a book for you.



CEW - Christian Experience Weekend
Our Lady of Lourdes will host an overnight weekend retreat, open to all denominations, on Jan 30–Feb 01, 2026 for WOMEN and Feb 13-15, 2026 for MEN at St. Joan of Arc Catholic School, 6900 Hopewell Avenue, Bettendorf, IA. Deacon Matt will be one of the Spiritual Directors! See Deacon Matt for registration forms.



CEW - Our Lady of Victory will host an overnight weekend retreat, open to all denominations, on Feb 20–Feb 22, 2026 for WOMEN and Mar 6-8, 2026 for MEN at OLV, 4105 North Division St. Davenport, Iowa. Contact Tina Gipple for more information and/or registration form.

The Catholic Messenger* annual subscription drive is due on January 30th.** The cost of the Messenger this year **is \$30**. Every household is required to subscribe to the Messenger. Subscription envelopes are in your Dec/Jan packet of envelopes or blank ones are on the table in the Gathering Area. Checks should be made payable to St. Andrew and returned in the Sunday Offertory baskets. ***Thank you!

**2025 YEAR END CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS
FOR TAX PURPOSES ARE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP FROM JILL
IN THE GATHERING AREA**

From the Desk of Deacon Matt

Have you ever noticed that when Jesus begins his mission and goes out to call disciples, he does not go to Jerusalem, to the temple, or to a synagogue at all? Instead, he goes down to the shores of the Sea of Galilee. As he told religious authorities later, he came to call sinners, not the righteous. He chooses to go down to the sea to walk among sailors and fishers, not up to the synagogue to find those at prayer. St. Andrew along with his brother Simon, were the first to be called to join Jesus. Our own parish is named after this worthy Saint. By our baptism, we are each called to be disciples of the Lord. We are called to follow Jesus. We are Jesus’ hands and voices now, called to spread the gospel, by living to give the Gospel with our lives. Today we hear how He sets an example for the first disciples . . . and for His current disciples. Saint Paul urges the Corinthians to unity in Christ. I urge the community here at St. Andrew to unity in each other. The problem Paul addresses is not one of diversity, for indeed Paul initiated diversity by living to give the Gospel in cities and towns all over the Mediterranean, where he encountered many different cultures, languages, and traditions. My Brothers and Sisters, the problem was divisiveness and rivalries. Corinthians were allying with the person who introduced them to Christ, rather than with Christ himself. The church, Paul realized, must be one, and be one in Christ. And so should the parish at St. Andrew. There cannot be divisiveness and rivalries if we are to be called Christian. If we are Living to Give the Gospel, then we are Glorifying the Lord and Becoming the Good News by Being the Good News.

Shalom Shalom

WEEKLY OFFERINGS AS OF 01/18/2026					
WE HAVE 151 FAMILIES REGISTERED AS ACTIVE MEMBERS	ACTUAL MONTH OF JAN	BUDGET MONTH OF JAN	TOTAL TO DATE	2025-2026 GOALS YEAR ENDING 06/30/2026	
31 OF 125 ENVELOPES	\$ 2,040.00	\$10,466.00	\$ 17,083.33	\$ 94,849.00	\$ 205,000.00
12 OF 26 ELECTRONIC	\$ 1,057.00				
CASH (LOOSE)	\$ 100.00	\$ 401.00	\$ 583.33	\$ 3,291.00	\$ 7,000.00
CHILDREN'S	\$ 58.00	\$ 176.00		\$ 310.00	\$ -