

St. Andrew Calendar:

- ❖ **Sunday May 17th** **MASS at 10:30am - Graduates Recognition**
 - Rosary at 10:00am
 - *Mass Intention – Sandy Remley*

- ❖ **Wednesday May 20th** **SAFETY/SECURITY MEETING @ 5:30pm**

- ❖ **Sunday May 24th** **MASS at 10:30am**
 - Rosary at 10:00am
 - *Mass Intention – Helen Stohl*

- ❖ **Sunday May 31st** **MASS at 10:30am**
 - Rosary at 10:00am
 - *Mass Intention – Barbara Bockenfeld*

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WEEKLY MINISTRIES:

SUNDAY MAY 17

SACRISTAN:	PHYLLIS AVESING
SAFETY AND SECURITY:	BRIAN PITTNER AND DREW SMITH
ALTAR SERVERS:	PRESTON ZUBECK, ELLA HERBERS AND PHYLLIS AVESING
LECTORS:	BONNIE STRONG AND STEPHANIE MIGAWA
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	PHYLLIS AVESING AND SHIRLEY SCHMIDT
GREETERS:	BONNIE STRONG AND LISA SMITH
USHERS:	CALDWELL FAMILY
GIFT BEARERS:	MIGAWA FAMILY
CANTOR:	KAMRIN VARELA
MONEY COUNTERS:	STEVE GEERING AND BOB BRUS

SUNDAY MAY 24

SACRISTAN:	SHIRLEY SCHMIDT
SAFETY AND SECURITY:	BRIAN CALDWELL AND JILL HALLIGAN
ALTAR SERVERS:	KENNA KURTZ, TAYLOR GOSSE AND MATT CARLSON
LECTORS:	JIM FRIES AND LYNN RUBLEY
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	MARY NELSON AND TINA GIPPLE
GREETERS:	JESSI ZUBECK AND BONNIE STRONG
USHERS:	GOSSE FAMILY
GIFT BEARERS:	BOLDT FAMILY
CANTOR:	RAY HARRE
MONEY COUNTERS:	BONNIE STRONG AND STEVE GEERING



7th SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday May 17, 2026

This Week on Formed:



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Saint Rita of Cascia: The True Story

A compelling docu-drama that tells the whole story of the amazing life of St. Rita of Cascia, the very popular saint who lived in Italy in the 14th century. Famous as the patroness of hopeless situations, St. Rita dealt with many very difficult and tragic events in her life. Through it all she developed a profound faith in God that was the source of her great strength, and why she is such a popular saint for all those dealing with difficult events in their own lives.

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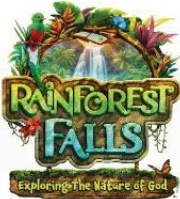
ST ANDREW SISTERS IN CHRIST

Meeting will be
MONDAY JUNE 01, 2026
at 6:00pm



Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism

The Knights of Columbus will meet on
Monday June 8th, 2026, at 6 p.m. (new time)
in the Parish conference center. For details,
please contact Chris Rubley at 563-594-9851 or
Clemente Escalante at 563-554- 0787.



RAINFOREST FALLS VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 22nd – 26th, 2026

Exploring The Nature of God
More information is available on flyers in the Gathering Area!!!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2026 GRADUATES!!



HIGH SCHOOL

Koltin Clark
Clayton Dierickx
Beau Stevens

Austin Clark
Taylor Migawa

COLLEGE

Lauren Durst

Kamrin Varela

To report child abuse contact: Iowa Department of Human Services Child Abuse Hotline: 800-362-2178. If the abuse involves clergy or church personnel, also notify Alicia Owens, the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Davenport at 563-349-5002 or vac@diodav.org.

From the Desk of Deacon Matt

This weekend we are celebrating our Graduates. May they be instruments of peace in our world and continue their faith journey living to give the Gospel. May we as a parish continue to be inviting to them and show them how to Glorify the Lord by being the Good News as we all become the Good News. The Diocese is encouraging us to continue in our efforts to relocate our Tabernacle. We are building our platform for the Tabernacle in the rear of the Sanctuary behind the Altar. The beautiful flowing sheer curtains give us an artistic image of the netting used by St. Andrew to “catch fish.” It is important for us to understand that what happens at the Altar, during the Liturgy of the Eucharist, is to be our focal point. This imagery is meant to help us see the miracle that occurs in this Sacred Space... that we are called to be “fishers of people” in this world! We ARE St. Andrew!!!!

Today we are reminded that Jesus is with us. As he promised his disciples, he is with us always. He joined us in our human condition to share our suffering, redeem us from our sins, and lead us to eternal life with God. What he accomplished transcends the problems of every age, no matter how serious they are. It is now up to us, with the Lord’s help, to do what we can to solve the world’s problems, if only a little at a time.

Just before entering into his Passion, Jesus told his disciples that what they do for the least among them they do for him. Indeed, in addition to us putting on Christ in baptism, Christ is present in our neighbor in need. As Paul would say, with the “eyes of [our] hearts” enlightened (Ephesians 1:18), we can see Christ in those who are hungry or thirsty, those lacking decent clothes or shelter, those ill or imprisoned. My friends, Jesus is not only “up there in the sky”; he is also here on earth, in us and in the least of our sisters and brothers. Jesus Himself is challenging us to Live to Give the Gospel, Glorify the Lord, and Become the Good News by Being the Good News to each other.

Shalom Shalom

WEEKLY OFFERINGS AS OF 05/10/2026					
	WE HAVE 149 FAMILIES REGISTERED AS ACTIVE MEMBERS	ACTUAL MONTH OF MAY	BUDGET MONTH OF MAY	TOTAL TO DATE	2025-2026 GOALS YEAR ENDING 06/30/2026
37 OF 124 ENVELOPES	\$ 4,957.00	\$10,571.00	\$ 17,083.33	\$ 161,869.00	\$ 205,000.00
9 OF 25 ELECTRONIC	\$ 822.00				
CASH (LOOSE)	\$ 142.00	\$ 203.00	\$ 583.33	\$ 5,154.00	\$ 7,000.00
CHILDREN'S	\$ 32.00	\$ 89.00		\$ 898.00	\$ -