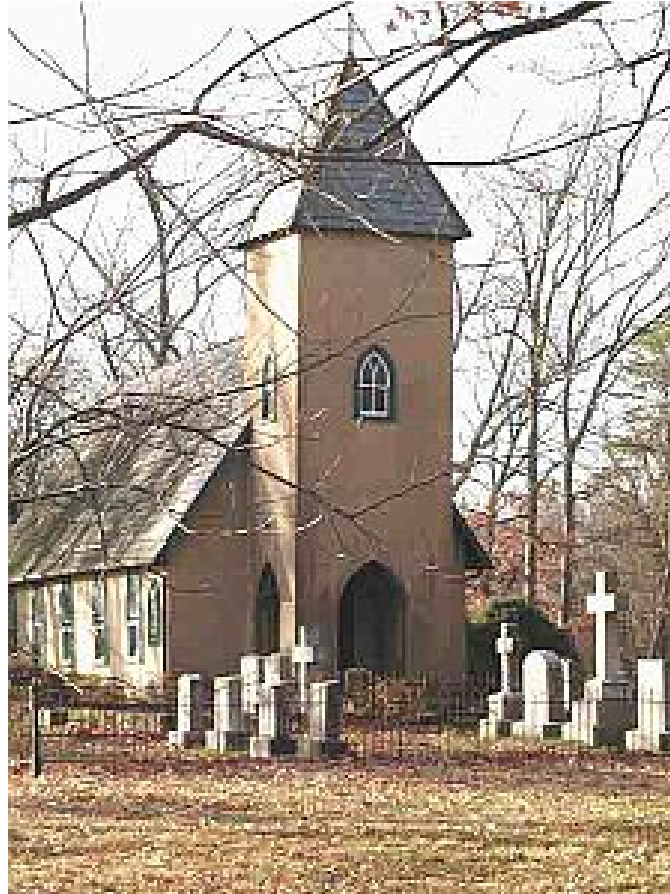


Saint Andrew the Apostle

Catholic Apostolic Church in North America

Celebrating at Grace Church, Casanova VA



September 9, 2012
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

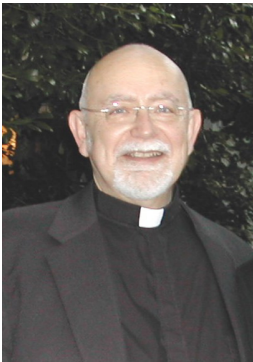




**The Most Reverend
Anthony F. Santore
Diocesan Bishop
*CACINA Presiding Bishop***



**The Most Reverend
Carl Purvenas-Smith OSB**



**The Reverend Ron Stephens
Pastor
St. Andrew the Apostle Parish**



**The Reverend Michael Meyer
Assistant Pastor
St. Andrew the Apostle Parish**

WELCOME!

We are glad you joined us today – be it as our guest or as one of our parishioners. As you open your heart and celebrate with others at Mass you will find that God is here.

It was Saint Augustine who said that a person's heart is restless until it finds rest in God. He was right, because we were made in the image and likeness of God and are not truly happy until we are at rest in Him.

It might give you comfort to know that you are not alone. Many of us searched for a church home where we could practice the true faith we embrace everyday and where beliefs reflect real life. You are among others who experienced restlessness in some part of their lives and came to find rest in God. We offer fellowship and community, and extend love, hope, and joy to everyone who enters our doors. We are part of the family of God and rejoice that you are with us.

God Bless you,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anthony Santore'.

The Most Reverend Anthony F. Santore
Presiding Bishop

**SCRIPTURE READINGS and MASS
INTENTIONS for the WEEK**

Today's Readings –

First Reading: Isaiah 35:4-7

Second Reading: James 2:1-5

Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

Monday

Mass Intention People of the Parish

Tuesday

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Wednesday

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Thursday

Mass Intention People of the Parish

Friday

Mass Intention Friends and family who
who have gone to their rest

Saturday

Mass Intention Bishop Santore and all
members of the Clergy

Next Sunday's Readings –

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9

Second Reading: James 2:14-18

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

Source of Readings: The Catholic Calendar Page

The actual (Canadian) readings that we use each
week can be found online at –

<http://www.catholicdoors.com/homilies/index.htm>

If you click on a homily for that day, the readings
will follow that homily.

**Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all
circumstances.**

—1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

WE PRAY ...

For the unemployed and the under-employed that they soon find
suitable and fulfilling work, and receive just compensation for their
labor.

For all who suffer with HIV and those who have died from AIDS.

For all who are sick or injured including Sharon Meyer, Tom Wilt, Fr.
Tom Ruppel, Barry O'Hare, Mark Brabazon, Bishop Carl, Elijah
Frazier, Rich Kall, Colin Brooker, Liam Tait, Anna, Fr. Joe Reynolds,
Wilbert & Bertha Stephens, Barbara Bromley, Kay Reese, Annie
Reilly, Gil Brooker, William Wyatt, Lorry Michel, Fr. Ron, Shea, Agnes
Zueger, Teresa Martin, Irving Hooper, Tara, Betty Strother, Gary
McPherson, Dennis McKeeman, Dawn Watson, Beth Jenkins, Dee
Kellett, Jim Casey.

For all who are suffering with cancer including Agnes Reed, Mary Ann
Hassan, Rachel Navatta, Lucy Walbroehl, Nikola Testa, Wanda Wisser,
Aubrey Hale, Renee Fry-Hawker, Clark Kall, Lynn Vosburgh, Theresa
Bates, Jane Condry, Lyle Brenneman, Andy Reed, Edward Linares,
Anne Biggins.

Finances –

The Constitution and Canons of CACINA states: *[T]he laity
have the right to control matters pertaining to the financial
affairs of the Parish with the approval of the Pastor and
diocesan bishop ... and ... the duty to financially support their
Parish, diocese and CACINA*

Last Week's Collection: \$ 441.00

Thank you for your generosity!

St. Andrew's has a *PayPal* account for those who prefer to contribute
electronically or via credit card. You can contribute directly from a link
on our website or, if you have your own *PayPal* account, you can
easily send payments via email.

*"Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is
yearning for You, o Lord my God. My soul is thirsty for God,
the living God." Psalm 43, 2-3*

Reflection on Today's Readings

By Larry Gillick, S.J.

Orderliness was godliness for the people of Israel to whom Isaiah was announcing what we hear in our First Reading. This idea of strict order comes from the nightly observances of the heavenly arrangements of stars and planets. God was “up there” and so being “down here” was meant to reflect that consistency, reliability and brightness. There was, for the prophet, a “day”, a “time”, and a “then”, of disorder here on earth which would be re-ordered and earth and heaven would be joined and experienced.

Sin and disobedience of any kind would result in fracturing of the unity in some way. To be blind, deaf or lame would be viewed as being out of order. Earth and earthlings were to be like the stars, but there were break-ups.

What we hear today is the promise of these fractures being healed, not only those of the physical human body, but in the earthly places as well. The dry land will be with water and the flowers will bloom again. The orderliness of God will be present and the fractions will be made whole. It will be the day and time of the Promised One, the Messiah!

Our Gospel reading today ends with the great affirmation of Jesus, that He has done all things well. He has come down from the heavens and has been bringing about physical order as was promised. Jesus has met the Messianic test. We have proof, He heals the person from his being unable to hear or speak and in other situations the blind to see. The heavens have come down and earth will become again a well-planted, well-ordered and well-producing garden.

In doing baptisms of infants I love the final blessings of the child's ears and mouth. I am deeply aware of all that this little person will hear and based on that what he/she will say. What will they hear about themselves which will free or bind them to speak well or ill of the person now newly claimed for Christ. Jesus heals this man's ears and ability to speak. In the Jewish communities of those times, this man's being “out-of-order” separates him. Having hearing difficulties in itself can distance the hearing impaired from others as well. So this man was at a double-distance which naturally results in his feeling inferior, or less a person, unrelational.

The physical healing is secondary then to how he will hear his truth. Jesus came to give us back our selves, our truth, His truth within us. Perhaps we listen to “old” voices whose sounds are so familiar that they drown out “new” voices which are like newly-purchase shoes which are not comfortable when first tried on. This healed-hearer lives with who he now is and part of that is who he was in his eyes and those of the community. This re-entering his true self takes healing-time too. When Jesus prays, “Be open” He is speaking both of the physical and interior ears. He is speaking of how the man is to listen to what he now is free to speak having had his mouth opened as well. He is invited to be open to what Jesus is saying about his past, present and future.

A person who is hearing-impaired, touched by Jesus lets go of being confined by the defining name, “Deaf man, deaf woman, deaf child”. This “person-who-was-deaf ” now is newly named and he is renamed and is called to live that “redeemed” identity. As long as this man defines himself by his being deaf he was injuring himself. None of us is defined by an easy adjective. He, along with the others, is told not to say anything about Jesus' identity, but it seems this man and the others didn't listen and spoke well of the Man who had done these things well. If this man really heard who Jesus had told him he was, then he could not have kept silent any more. If he continued listening to the “old” voices then he kept quiet according to his “old” definition. We are primarily who God has said we are, in Christ and we take time to hear it over and over again. In prayer, in the Sacraments, we are invited to be “open” to our true selves and name.

Daily Prayer this Week

This week's daily communion with our Lord can be about the mysteries of self-sacrifice and healing. In the back of our minds each day, we can have a desire to take time out of our busy days just as Jesus did, for prayer and speaking to his Father. We can be aware of the judgmental religious leaders of Jesus' time, who ignored the beam of wood in their own eyes to point out the splinter in someone else's eye. We can also ask for the vision to see how we might be blind to our own snap judgments of others.

If we begin each morning by praying a desire, the rest will follow for the day. *“Good morning, Lord. Thank you for this day. Help me today to bring to you the parts of myself that need your healing. Be with me as I face the poverty, hunger or tears of this day.”* We can go into this prayer, in more depth or detail while we are in the shower or getting dressed. If we let these desires make their way into the background of our day, we can focus our consciousness no matter what we are doing.

Even in activities that require “our full consciousness” and attention, it is possible to shape that consciousness in the context of our desires. For example, I might be in an important meeting, that doesn't allow me to day dream. But, I can walk into that meeting room saying in my heart, *“Okay, Lord, be with me here. While I'm so tempted to be seen as a 'success' here, heal all of that focus on myself and free me to do my best and to be attentive to the needs of others. Let me focus on you and your desires for the greater good here.”*

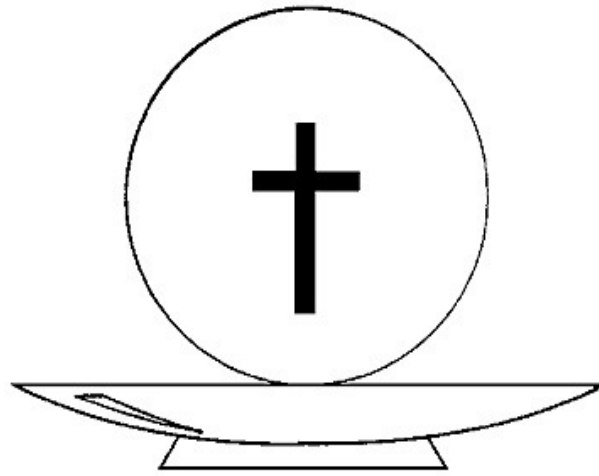
Especially when we are facing something that is quite difficult, requiring real self-sacrifice and genuine love, we can let our background conversation with the Lord release us from our “typical” response or behavior. *“Lord, I'm so full of fear sometimes. I see you boldly heal the man with the withered hand in front of the steely gaze of your critics. You healed because you knew it was the right and compassionate thing to do. Help me to be more courageous in choosing the right thing in my life today.*

“Daily Reflections” and the “Weekly Guide for Daily Prayer” are available from Creighton University's **Online Ministries** web site: <http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/online.html>
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Greystone, a local employer in Warrenton, has partnered with Fauquier Habitat for Humanity to build a house. <http://fauquiernow.com/page.cfm/article/Greystone-to-help-Habitat> Ground breaking for the duplex, located in Habitat's Sterling Court Community (off Academy Road), is scheduled for September. Greystone is sponsoring one unit in the duplex, at a cost of \$75,000, and will contribute some labor. A low income family, a single mother with two children, has qualified to purchase the house. The family has funds for the down payment and will contribute 400 hours of sweat equity. Habitat will sell the house to the family and provide an interest free loan. Volunteers are also invited to participate in the build. Build time will be Wednesday mornings and Saturday, after the foundation is completed.

Two events are planned to assist in the fundraising. On September 17, Greystone is title sponsor at a golf tournament benefitting both Fauquier Family Shelter and Habitat. The tournament will be held at Dominion Valley Country Club in Haymarket. On Nov. 4, Greystone is hosting a wine and food pairing party at Morais Vineyards in Bealeton. As you can see from the link, <http://www.moraisvineyards.com/>, the facility is beautiful. Recently opened, it is becoming a venue for weddings and other special occasions. A silent auction will also be held at this event, with all auction proceeds going directly to Habitat.

For more information, please see Sheila Jenkins.



Our Eucharistic Ministers are available to those who are ill or incapacitated and would like to receive the Holy Eucharist.
Please contact us and one of them will be happy to share the Eucharist with you.

Schedule for Lay Readers & Ministers

<i>Date</i>	<i>1st Reading</i>	<i>2nd Reading</i>	<i>Prayers of the Faithful</i>	<i>Eucharistic Minister</i>
2-Sep	Matt	Mary Ann	Matt	Mary Ann
9-Sep	Cooper	Linda	Cooper	Linda
16-Sep	Aggie	Rich	Rich	Aggie
23-Sep	Sam	Dan	Sam	Dan
30-Sep	Craig	Craig	Craig	Gil

Join in the Celebration. Holy Trinity Parish announces the dedication of its new church home on Sunday, September 30th at 2:00pm. You are invited to share in this blessed occasion. A reception will immediately follow at Holy Trinity, 13515-A Dulles Technology Drive, Herndon VA 20171.

Kindly RSVP by September 22nd to -
AnthonySantore24@gmail.com (703-405-0365)
Fbroussard1@cox.net (703-966-8145)

An email was sent earlier in the week regarding Volunteer Opportunities within the Parish. Please complete and return the form no later than September 15th. Copies are also available at the back of the church. Thank you for your assistance!

Parish Financials

ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE PARISH
Income/Expense by Category
01/01/2012 through 08/31/2012

	<u>August</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>	<u>Annual Budget</u>
INCOME			
Weekly Collections	1,626.00	15,133.25	20,000.00
Charitable Contributions	<u>212.00</u>	<u>937.00</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	<u>1,838.00</u>	<u>16,070.25</u>	<u>24,000.00</u>
EXPENSES			
Rent	700.00	5,498.00	9,000.00
Charity	1,500.00	4,784.00	4,000.00
Advertising	325.00	2,701.25	3,250.00
Special Events	75.00	1,275.00	2,000.00
Clergy Stipend	100.00	850.00	1,750.00
National Church Assessment	0.00	560.00	1,000.00
Insurance	0.00	609.00	600.00
Telephone	37.53	299.36	500.00
Lenten Appeal	0.00	0.00	500.00
General Assembly	0.00	780.00	500.00
Supplies	99.00	540.96	450.00
Savings	0.00	0.00	350.00
Bank Charges	<u>0.00</u>	<u>22.12</u>	<u>100.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES	<u>2,836.53</u>	<u>17,919.69</u>	<u>24,000.00</u>
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	<u>(998.53)</u>	<u>(1,849.44)</u>	<u>0.00</u>

ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE PARISH
Net Worth - 08/31/2012

ASSETS	
Prepaid Rent	700.00
Cash and Bank Accounts	<u>16,452.95</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>17,152.95</u>

CACINA Parishes / Missions

- *St. Paul the Apostle – Brooksville, FL*
- *St. Bernadette Mission – Spring Hill, FL*
- *St Charles of Brazil – Lansdowne, MD*
- *St. Theresa's Sanctuary – Minneapolis, MN*
- *Holy Innocents Cathedral Parish – Halcottsville, NY*
- *Sts. Francis and Claire of Assisi – Putnam Valley, NY*
- *Sts. Serguis & Bacchus – Jackson Heights, NY*
- *St. Benedict Mission – Brooklyn, NY*
- *Cana House Community – Portland, OR*
- *New Creation Abbey – York Springs, PA*
- *Holy Trinity Parish – Herndon, VA*
- *St. Andrew the Apostle – Warrenton, VA*

Religious Communities

Order of St. Benedict
Franciscan Order of Reconciliation

PARISH INFORMATION

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Follow the blog at <http://cacina.wordpress.com/>

Find us on YouTube at <http://www.youtube.com/user/CACINACatholics>

For more information about St. Andrew the Apostle Parish, please visit us online at
www.andrewtheapostle.org

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Mass 10:45 am

Grace Church

5096 Grace Church Road, Midland VA 22728

Confession

Before mass on request

Baptism and Confirmations (by appointment)

During Sunday Mass

Marriage (by appointment)

Contact Bishop Tony, Father Ron, or Father Mike