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The President's Corner

BROTHERHOOD STORYTELLING

President Jeff Butcher
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We traveled to Kalamazoo, MI July 12-13, for the Province V Synod meeting. About 400 brothers and sisters were present for a ministry fair with 62 different small workshops covering a myriad of topics. Recovery VP for the Brotherhood, Karl Colder, discussed "Faith Based Response to the Opioid Crisis." Men's ministry was well-represented. The Brotherhood also had an exhibit to promote the idea that every parish deserves a men's ministry program grounded in prayer, study, and service.

Once again, Waring Webb, Province V President, and I were well received. Over 20 participants visited our booth seeking further information on the rebranded men's ministry through the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. It was truly gratifying.

The unfortunate position we found ourselves, we had only three verbal stories from the entire Province of 14 dioceses. Interested persons, especially the younger ones, wanted to know what we were doing in their diocese. Since we did not have a single written report from the any Province V Chapter we concentrated our stories on what was taking place throughout the country with our seven missions.

Thus, it is apparent we have much work to do in telling our individual stories of how we are changing people's lives in our local parishes. The common consensus today for us to attract younger men is we need to talk about what we are doing. Men are looking for a mission that is greater than themselves. Moreover, they want to be contributing their time, talent, and money on activities that improve their local community. We are doing this all the time but aren't telling anybody what we are accomplishing.

This is the reason we have launched a Storytelling Contest for the entire Brotherhood. It is evident that when we have had growth spurts it can be directly attributed to how well we are telling our stories face-to-face with one person. The time has arrived for us to rejuvenate

ourselves with that proven technique we can transfer to the generations behind us.

The last Synod presentation I attended was entitled "The 5-minute Tale, Storytelling with a Slam." Professor Rob Osterman, Church of the Resurrection in Clarkston, MI gave some very insightful tips. Was this a coincidence? I think not. Coincidence is when God acts anonymously.

Let me share what the Professor pointed out to us: 1.) It must be true; 2.) Personal; 3.) Time, 4 to 6-minutes; and 4.) Theme driven.

Now, I will preface this speaker was preparing us for doing a Podcast or entering a storytelling competition. The concepts are still pertinent to our contest.

- Time-Setting: How did you feel? Did you win/beat the Devil? What do you want the audience to get out of your story?
- Where do you start the conversation? Beginning, middle or end with flash backs? Equally import is the hook.
- Know your audience---no profanity.
- How to end by going back to hook.
- Avoid a written outline. Your story must be from the heart

For our purposes, we would like to create podcasts with our submissions. We will keep it anonymous if you like or you will be invited to share your story.

Why are we asking for your story? We want you to "Let Your Andrew Out" with the types of stories that make for great personal invitations for others to come and join us.

We have tens of thousands of men out there who are seeking to know, "What can I do that is greater than myself?" There are also many more who need Jesus as the path to a better life. What story or stories can you share about your own life and your walk with Jesus and the Brotherhood of St. Andrew? Let's get to it!



Directly Speaking

WHAT'S YOUR STORY?

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Every letter from a member that comes into the office, every new member application, every contribution I see myself. Many of the new members get a personal call from me welcoming them to the Brotherhood. Occasionally I call in response to a letter that I find quite moving. One of my principal tasks from our Board is relationship building. It is an absolute joy to do so.

I am so humbled by what I hear on these phone calls. In the last 30 days, I've heard some pretty noteworthy stories. Let me share a few with you now.

A story from Alabama came from a 99-yr old retired chemist who has lived in Tuskegee. Imagine being able to talk with someone who was able to speak in first-person about the Tuskegee Airmen, the impact of our ministry on countless men and youth over a 75+ year span of time. He even does emails!

Another came from a brother in Colorado who lived in an orphanage in the Pacific northwest. What church he had before his parents died was not of the Episcopal/Anglican tradition, but a priest in our tradition routinely visited the children there. That led to him joining a Boy Scout Troop, later becoming an Eagle and giving a lifetime of volunteering in that field. He knew as a teen he wanted to be a part of the belonging he felt in our community of faith.

This week I made a call to Memphis, Tennessee to express thanks for another remarkable story, one of a man who remembered how his father would always make those Brotherhood meetings and now, years after his father's death he too is a part of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

Each of these stories is a priceless jewel and reminders to me of the difference that one-on-one personal contact with one another to share Jesus makes a difference. Recently I was reading the National President's Address to our annual convention from 1932. In those days it was common for the House of Bishops to meet concurrently with our conventions, a day when we had 102,910 members and a staff of 78. In his remarks before both bodies, he said: "A good sermon can indeed be inspiring. But it's the personal story of one to another that will convict a man for Christ."

What's your story, dear reader? Never underestimate the difference you can make in the Kingdom of God by simply being authentic in your own story. Please continue to share them with us and those in your own community.

**SHARE YOUR BEST STORIES OF
FAITH, MINISTRY, AND/OR THE
BROTHERHOOD AND WIN A
PRIZE!**

Deadline: September 1, 2019

Send stories to:

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New Chapter Installed at St. Peter & All Saints, Kansas City, Missouri



Brothers in the Chapter welcomed to the Brotherhood include: Bob Noll, Hank Rector, Tom Graves, John Thompson, Clay Glenn, Greg Taylor, Tom Simpson, Gary Whitlow, Larry Christie, Father Jonathan Frazier, Larry Kennedy, Dennis Lee, Scott Miller

On Sunday, June 23, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew's National President Jeff Butcher attended St. Peter & All Saints Episcopal Church in Kansas City, Missouri. The new Chapter was installed during the regular Sunday service. Presenting the new Chapter was Chapter director Clay Glenn. Twelve of the Chapter's thirteen members were able to attend the installation. Those present were presented with Brotherhood lapel pins by President Butcher. The new Chapter was blessed by newly-received Brother, the Rev. Jonathan Frazier, Rector of St. Peter & All Saints.

Following the service, the Chapter hosted a celebration buffet in the parish hall.

Chapter Installed at Holy Innocents in Valrico, Florida

On Sunday, June 30, a new Chapter of the Brotherhood was installed at Holy Innocents Episcopal Church in Valrico, Florida. Included in the photos are Christopher Hagman, Chapter Director; Dan Snead, Vice Director; Jeff Engerski, Secretary, and Gary Cartwright, Treasurer.



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We're Growing Fast!

Is there a new or revitalized Chapter in your area? Share news and photos with us at editor@brothersandrew.net.

New Ideas to Try

Fishing for... New Brothers



In the tradition of St. Andrew, here's a simple idea to draw attention to your Chapter this summer in a very fun and visual way, attracting potential new Brothers.

1. Secure a high-traffic space amidst your church buildings and place a small rowboat there. Chances are one of your Brothers will have a boat you can borrow or know someone who has a boat you can use for a couple of months.

2. Create boxes or bags with the names of the Brotherhood's areas of mission emphasis on each box or bag. Be sure to include:

- Prayer
- Study
- Service
- Sharing God's Love
- Having Fun Together
- Discipleship/Mentoring
- Human Trafficking
- Mentor Network Training
- Prison/Restorative Justice
- Racial Reconciliation
- Recovery
- Scouting
- Veterans

3. Stack these boxes or bags in your boat. Another alternative—you could draw and cut out cardboard/poster board fish and write the names of these ministries on each fish, stacking them in the boat or hanging them above the boat. Not artistic? This would be a fun project to partner on with a church school or youth group.

4. Make and place a sign or banner above the boat that says, "Join the Brotherhood of St. Andrew as We Open Our Nets and Share God's Love Locally and Globally" You can get very inexpensive temporary banners made at your local chain office supply store.

5. Be sure to also include a sign with a way to contact your Chapter and publicize any upcoming regular meetings or special events.

6. If possible, offer a supply of small fliers telling more about your Chapter and what you are planning. Invite and welcome!

7. If you try this at your church, don't forget to snap a photo, share it to editor@brothersandrew.net, and let us know what happened!





FORE!

HELP WITH YOUR NEXT BROTHERHOOD GOLF SCRAMBLE

You asked—you've got it!

We have received more requests for help promoting fund-raising golf scrambles than any other type of Brotherhood Chapter event. Here are a few tips that may help you with yours.

- 1. Give it a name or a fun theme** to set it apart from other golf scrambles in your area. There are an ever-increasing amount of golf scrambles as fund raisers and, if you're creative with a fun theme, yours will be the most memorable. (If you want to brainstorm some possible themes, contact editor@brothersandrew.net).
- 2. Focus in on raising funds for one strong cause** that no one else in your community is doing. Associate your cause with one of the Brotherhood focuses, such as Recovery, Veterans, Scouting, or Prison Ministry, or Human Trafficking.
- 3. Build interest by involving a local "celebrity"** on several of the scramble teams. For example, if you can snag a local TV news anchor or the editor of your community's newspaper, you will get lots of free residual media buzz. You can also recruit an initial high-profile team out of the business, political, or sports community to jump start entries from people and teams who want to network with these leaders. A carefully-recruited team will help you quickly fill up the scramble.
- 4. Consider offering a parallel opportunity** for those who don't or can't participate in golfing. Example: while your scramble is going on, offer a card party type of event in the club house with entry fees, door prizes, and table prizes. Or, you could run a parallel trivia fest. Any of these events have the potential to double the amount of money you raise from the golf alone.
- 5. Hopefully, you are using** the create an event and electronic payment features on Facebook to promote your scramble. If you need some help walking you through this, contact editor@brothersandrew.net
- 6. If you aren't already, end the day with a nice dinner** for the golfers, their guests, the club house participants, and any others from your church or ministries you would like to invite. Use the dinner to do maybe ten minutes of promotion about your Chapter and invite participation in a Brotherhood meeting or upcoming event.
- 7. Divide up the list** and have your Brothers send personalized handwritten notes to each of the day's participants, inviting any men who attended to a future event with your Chapter.

Here is a sample of a fill-in-the-blank church bulletin insert to use to help promote your next scramble.

You may want to use a variation on this to:

1. **Enlarge and put up on the golf course bulletin board**, and on other community bulletin boards, to promote the event.
2. **Print stacks of 5 x 7 fliers to leave at local community gathering places** such as your YMCA, library, or WalMart.
3. **Work with your local newspaper on an ad** that could be underwritten or sponsored by one of their regular advertisers in support of your cause. The sales department at your local newspaper would likely be

pleased to partner with you on an ad like this. The same order of info from the flier can be used to construct a news release for your local church-related and secular media.

This information is available as a downloadable fill-in-the-blank file at [TheCross.Online](#).



PROVINCE III BROTHERS GATHER IN HISTORIC VIRGINIA SETTING

Province III Brothers gathered in Williamsburg, Virginia on Saturday, June 8, to reflect upon our historic Anglican and Episcopal past while working toward a faithful future.

Bruton Parish Church, in the heart of Colonial Williamsburg, has origins going back to 1674. The Brothers experienced Holy Eucharist in the church and met in the



Brothers worshipped at Historic Bruton Parish Church, dating back to 1674.

church's parish hall just a short stroll away. One of the focuses for the day was The Episcopal Church commitment to a set of practices to follow Jesus called The Way of Love. This way of being was inspired through the leadership of Presiding Bishop Michael Curry. Brothers shared informally with one another about their parish and regional ministries, from Opioid crisis mitigation to Scouting. The Brothers spent some time clarifying voting process and other procedural matters for the Province. Conrad Jones was elected Province III Brotherhood President and the group expressed enthusiastic appreciation for the lengthy service of Ken Evans in that role.



Province III Brothers spent much time in discussion, held elections, and thanked outgoing President Ken Evans for his dedicated service.

Following their meeting, several Brothers journeyed a few miles away to historic Jamestown, the first English settlement in America dating back to 1607. A large portion of the stone framework of the 17th Century Anglican church established there still remains. The message? The world changes but the love of God through Jesus Christ, and the Anglican and Episcopal presence, endures through time. Thanks be to God!



Friendships were renewed as Brothers came from many parishes throughout the Province.



Brother Kari Colter from the national leadership team (on the left) with new Province president Conrad Jones.

WHAT I LEARNED FROM MY FIRST BROTHERHOOD MEETING

KATHY L. COPAS, EDITOR, THE CROSS



At my first Province Brotherhood gathering in Province III, I had the opportunity to talk informally with a lot of Brothers from many different parish settings. Here are some things I heard. Are you having similar conversations in your Chapter? Tell us about it at editor@brothersandrew.net

- **It is exciting to see renewed growth** in the Brotherhood but we still must be vigilant about involving newcomers as our older men age out. This outreach is more important to our vitality than ever before. And, we must work hard at not only inviting new men but being very intentional about helping them to assimilate into our ministry.
- **There is still confusion** in some parishes about what is called “Men’s Ministry” in a parish and what is called “Brotherhood of St. Andrew.” We need to work more intentionally about sharing how the Brotherhood’s national and international initiatives are presented and what it really means to be a part of a connected churchwide ministry like the Brotherhood. We also need to clarify membership dues, where they go, and how they are put into action in support of our churchwide ministry initiatives. We need to work harder, in general, to manage and communicate expectations related to membership.
- **The churchwide Brotherhood initiatives** are all exciting and vitally important to being the hands and feet of Christ in the world. However, giving adequate attention to all of them can be overwhelming for many parishes. Could we perhaps best begin as parishes by focusing on taking on just one or two of our initiatives and do those really well?
- **How can we help** more people understand that the Brotherhood is much more than just getting together for a meal and Bible study and see the impact we are having on major programs of ministry in our church and world? How we are changing lives and living out the Gospel? How can we also help more men to sense the value of the Brotherhood as a place to come for personal and spiritual support and assistance? How can we help men understand that the Brotherhood is a great place to make and deepen friendships with other men in a world where that is often a challenge?
- **We need to work harder at building and nourishing leadership** at the Province, diocesan, and parish levels. We need to always have a focus on forming new Brotherhood Chapters and helping our already active ones get to the next level.
- **How can we become much more intentional** about working with our seminarians and preparing them to support the ministry of the Brotherhood as they become ordained and begin to serve in parish roles?
- **We need to work harder** on reaching our youth at all levels---especially by providing support for Scouting and camping activities and helping our youth to develop leadership skills. They are our future.
- **We need to remember** to always allow the Holy Spirit to work through us and continually encourage new talents and skills to emerge from our members in sometimes unlikely ways and places. We need to let the spirit guide us and keep us limber and readily adaptable as new needs and opportunities present themselves.

CALENDAR & EVENTS

July

- 21-26 Union of Black Episcopalians Los Angeles
- 28 James L. Houghteling (D. 1910)
- 30 Executive Board Call 1-2 p.m. EST

August

Make a Will Month

- 17-19 Tennessee Churchmen Conference Sewanee
- 27 Executive Board Call 7-8 pm EST

September

Habitat for Humanity Created 1976

Suicide Prevention Month

- 9 Grandparent's Day
- 11 Patriot Day
- 13 Atlanta Assembly/Province IV Sewanee
- 14 Sewanee TN
- 15 Atlanta Assembly/Province IV Sewanee
- 24 Executive Board Call 1-2 pm EST

**WHAT IS YOUR CHAPTER
DOING FOR ANY OF THE
SPECIAL DAYS ON THE
CALENDAR?**

OKLAHOMA BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW MEN'S RETREAT HAS THE THEME "OPEN THE EYES OF OUR FAITH"

By Robert Baker

Our 2019 Men's Retreat was a rewarding experience facilitated by the Reverend Canon Scott Gunn, Executive Director of Forward Movement. We were blessed with a record turnout of 23 filling the Bishop's Lodge at Saint Crispin's Camp and Conference Center in the middle of Oklahoma. In addition to men from several parishes around the state, we were honored to have John Norton, Diocesan Coordinator for Dallas, and Roy Benavides, Province VII President from Alto, NM in attendance.

Although there were threats of stormy weather and a cancelled flight out of Cincinnati for our retreat leader, everything went well once we got started. Thankfully, Father Sam Colley-Toothaker stayed in



Bottom Row: Jim Campbell, Roy Benavides, Bard Moss, Jeffrey Cox. **Middle Row:** Mark Youngblood, John Norton, Tom Owens, David Smith, Richard Medlock, Bob Baker, Gene Melton. **Top Row:** the Rev Scott Gunn, Doug Crews, the Rev John Marlin, Paul Hatley, Charlie Nutter, David Cressman, Rev Dion Crider, Pete West, Craig Walsh, Rev Sam Colley-Toothaker, Jay Cannon

Tulsa to meet Father Gunn's arrival Thursday evening, about 8 ½ hours after his original expected time. And the rains proved not to be of any hindrance to our activities.

We got underway on Friday morning in the usual manner of everyone telling a little bit about themselves before



Private Session with Father Gunn

the first session. Father Gunn laid out the plan of studying selected collects designated for the Easter season. He first gave us the typical template for most collects that the church has used for centuries, as follows:



The Reverend Canon Scott Gunn facilitated the Oklahoma retreat

THE COLLECT TEMPLATE

- 1. Address to God:** *O God...
O Lord...*
- 2. God's Action:** *who has..., who gives...*
- 3. Our Request:** *Grant us..., Open to us...*
- 4. Reason for Request:** *so that..., that we may...*
- 5. Closing Salutation:** *through Jesus Christ (and completing the Trinity). Amen.*

We read each of the selected collects and reflected on them. We also considered questions about each collect as it might apply to our lives.

SESSION 1—EASTER DAY COLLECT

The Liturgy of the Easter Vigil BCP page 285.

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

Reflections:

- How does the glorious resurrection call you to redemption from sin?
- What does Jesus' harrowing of Hell mean to you?

SESSION 2—THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER COLLECT *BCP page 224*

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

Discussion:

- Encounter on the Road to Emmaus occurred on the same day as the resurrection Easter Day.
- Jesus was unrecognizable until “the breaking of the bread”.
- “Were not our hearts burning within us?” There was something special about this man.
- Where do we meet Jesus in our own lives?
- We need to see Jesus as the hungry, thirsty stranger (“the least of these”).
- Can you remember when your eyes were opened? Or, if not, what would it take?
- Proclaim redemption.

SESSION 3—FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER *BCP page 225*

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Reflection:

Following is hard; it requires trust. We are men; we lead! Following implies that we are going somewhere. When we are following Jesus, we really don't know where we are going. We must put ourselves in His hands.

Where am I called to go; how do I know if I'm leading or following?

SESSION 4—ASCENSION DAY COLLECT *BCP page 226*

Almighty God, whose blessed Son our Savior Jesus Christ ascended far above all heavens that he might fill all things:

Mercifully give us faith to perceive that, according to his promise, he abides with his Church on earth, even to the end of the ages; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

Reflection:

Jesus leaves us in the hands of the Holy Spirit, who by virtue of the Trinity, imparts God's will and Jesus' love to guide us on our spiritual pathway.

Will I be able to discern God's message?

Forward Movement and Discipleship Discussion

Father Gunn recommended *Renewal Works* at Forward Movement for our own spiritual growth. There are different programs that serve as catalysts for wherever you happen to be on your spiritual journey.

We are now in the Post-Christian Era; we can't presume that everyone attends church on a weekly basis. Some churches are growing, but many are declining (by 2% annually for us). Episcopalians tend to be more complacent. We need to be more eager to learn and grow. Humility is an important virtue in interesting others in our church. As the Brotherhood of Saint Andrew, one approach could be: “If you were going to be in a men's group, what would it be like?” What are the barriers that need to be bridged?



Break Between Sessions

Continued on next page.

We concluded the retreat with Holy Eucharist on Saturday morning in an Upper Room Chapel in our building. As always, this concluding worship service served as a meaningful end to celebrate our time together at this beautiful Saint Crispin's facility near Seminole, Oklahoma.

We will continue to use the first weekend in May for this Thursday evening through Saturday morning retreat. For April 30—May 2, 2020, we plan to have The Reverend Matt Marino as our retreat leader. He has a mission of looking at upcoming generations of young men to help carry the banner of Saint Andrew into the future.



After Holy Eucharist on

A BROTHERHOOD COLLECT

O Lord, who knows all our thoughts and desires: Give to us those gifts of discipleship needed to bring others nearer to You, so that, by our lives we may, like Andrew, cast our nets far and wide to fish for men and youth; through your Blessed Son Jesus Christ with you and the Holy Spirit for ever and ever.

Amen.

HOW ABOUT AN AUGUST ICE CREAM SOCIAL PLANNING SESSION?

Most of us are accustomed to Saturday morning breakfast gatherings but how about changing it up for August and offering an early Sunday evening ice cream social planning session for the upcoming church and Brotherhood year?

- 1. Publicize your event starting right now.** Encourage your Brothers to each commit to bringing one guest. Keep it simple and brief—one hour to an hour and a half is best.
- 2. Offer basic white and chocolate ice cream,** as well as a low or no-calorie option. Provide some bowls, spoons, and cones. Set up a simple ice cream toppings bar.
- 3. Begin your gathering by introducing everyone** with a simple icebreaker question like, “What is the best thing you have experienced this summer?” or “Where did you go for summer vacation?”
- 4. Distribute some calendars** and ask your Brothers for some program or ministry ideas for the upcoming year. Make notes about what is suggested and figure out how these ideas can be incorporated. Especially encourage newcomers to offer suggestions. This is also a great time to seek feedback on when and where you have been meeting and determine if you may want to make some adjustments.
- 5. Consider closing with Compline** and end on a positive note of excitement and anticipation about the church year to come.



SHARE

**Tell your story or your Chapter's.
Share it with the Brotherhood.**

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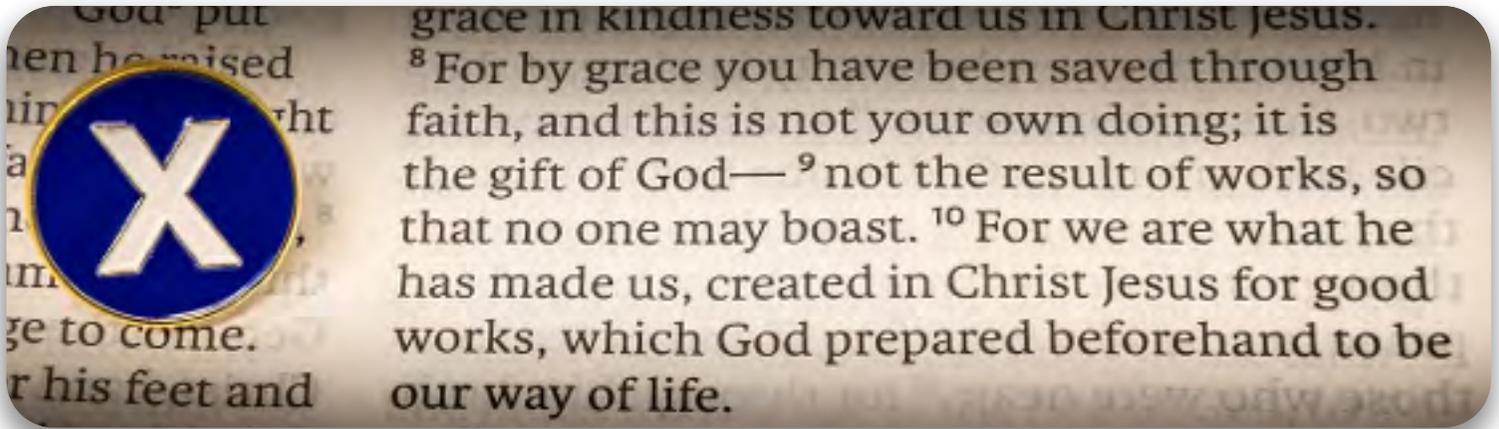
Important Submission Guidelines!

- **Please submit text and pictures as separate files attached to the same email.**
- **Text should be either in a Microsoft Word or Google Docs document or a generic RTF file format.**
- **Photos are encouraged.**
 - ▶ **High quality, 250 dpi photos** in a .jpeg, .jpg, or .png file format please.
 - ▶ **If your file size is too large to email, please contact us** for the a link where you can upload them.
 - ▶ **Please provide captions for all photos submitted.** Include names, location, and photo credit when appropriate.

As always, we're happy to answer any questions!

Attention: Did your parish try to send us a story about your work with your area's Muslim community? Please contact us at editor@brothersandrew.net Thanks!

OUR BROTHERHOOD PIN (From Page 48 of the Brotherhood's devotional handbook.)



We wear it daily on the left collar, left lapel, or tie to remind us of what we are about in our life as Brothers Andrew. The pin, about one centimeter in diameter, comprises three parts: the Gold Circle; the Blue Field; and the White Cross of St. Andrew.

- **THE GOLD CIRCLE:** Symbolizes God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It reminds us of God's grace without which we cannot live nor do anything of worth. It reminds us of our Discipline of Prayer to pray daily for the spread of Christ's Kingdom and for God's blessing on the labors of the Brotherhood. Prayer constitutes our response to God who is symbolized by the circle.
- **THE BLUE FIELD** is symbolic of our faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. We are reminded to be faithful in following Jesus and in obeying him, thereby manifesting our love for Him. The blue field brings to mind our Discipline of Study of the Holy Scriptures and the teachings of the Church to attain a better understanding of how to follow Christ and bring others into his kingdom. Our study enables God to build our faith and our faithfulness.
- **THE WHITE CROSS:** symbolizes Andrew, who brought his brother to meet Jesus. Years later,

Andrew was crucified on a saltire ("X") cross because he persisted in the face of opposition in telling the unchurched about Jesus. The white cross reminds us of our Discipline of Service, to make continuous efforts, week by week, to bring others nearer to Christ through his Church.

We repeat Ephesians 2:8-10 as we daily put on the Emblem to summarize the above symbolism: Grace and Brotherhood of St. Andrew Prayer; Faith and Brotherhood of St. Andrew Study; Works and Brotherhood of St. Andrew Service.



Martyrdom of Saint Andrew in the Nuremberg Chronicle