

How is a Chapter Started?

A chapter is usually started by a few laymen interested in the Brotherhood with the strong encouragement of the priest. The men of your parish might not know that The Brotherhood of St. Andrew is a men's ministry. You may want to suggest the possibility of forming a chapter to them.

Please consider scheduling an informal meeting to determine the interest by the men in starting a Brotherhood Chapter, at a weekend breakfast or offering coffee and cake as refreshments for the prospective members who are invited to attend.

To learn more of the procedures for starting a chapter, please contact our Central Office at the address listed on the outside front panel or visit our website.

The only requirement for membership is that the man be a baptized Christian. Annual dues of \$40 are assessed prior to St. Andrew's Day, November 30th.

Please explore the possibility of serving with us in the spread of Christ's Kingdom among men and boys.

Our Three Disciplines:

THE DISCIPLINE OF PRAYER is to pray daily for the spread of Christ's Kingdom, especially among men and youth, and for God's blessings upon the labors of the Brotherhood.

THE DISCIPLINE OF STUDY is to study the Holy Scriptures regularly and the teachings of the Church, to attain a better understanding of how to follow Christ and bring others into his Kingdom.

THE DISCIPLINE OF SERVICE is to make continuous efforts, week by week, to bring others nearer to Christ through his Church.



A NOTE TO CLERGY



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The Brotherhood of St. Andrew has been a ministry to men for over 125 years. By emulating the act of Andrew, the first Brother, Andrew reached out to men in rooming houses, providing Bibles and inviting them to come to church for worship, to hear the Holy Scriptures and to accept Jesus into their lives. They brought men to be baptized and these men were later confirmed in the church. Brothers Andrew were evangelizing men and leading them into Christ's Kingdom. The Brotherhood grew, and became an international ministry.

There is no limit to our ministry to men as long as the mission purpose is to be willing to share our faith with other men, and that we have accepted Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. This is the mission to which God calls the Brotherhood of St. Andrew - to bring others nearer to Christ through his Church.



If you do not have a chapter of The Brotherhood of St. Andrew in your parish, you may not know about our ministry.

This brochure will provide you with some information about our ministry to men and boys in the Episcopal Church, and will explain further what a chapter in your parish can mean to you.

More information can be provided to you from our website, our Central Office or from a field representative if you have more questions needing answers.

Our sole purpose since our founding in 1883 has been "For the Spread of Christ's Kingdom among men" which is written in our corporate charter passed by the United States Congress and signed by President Theodore Roosevelt in 1908.

Our purpose establishes us as an Evangelism ministry. The Brotherhood seeks to bring men to a personal faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.

We hope that after you have read about us, and perhaps talked to some of our members, that you will encourage forming a chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew in your parish.

These are some of the ministries that members of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew might perform as a chapter in your parish:

- Pray for you daily, for your work and ministry
- Visit the sick, elderly and shut-in
- Conduct Bible Studies
- Call on newcomers and visitors, encouraging them to take an active part in the parish
- Organize and train parish members in one-on-one discipleship
- Minister to the physically disabled, to people in skilled nursing facilities and in correctional facilities around the Country
- Work together to support other parish or diocesan ministries such as: Alpha, Cursillo, Daughters of the King, Faith Alive and Kairos
- Support and oversee youth ministry in the parish, including the Boy Scouts