St Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church

895 North Broad Street Lexington, TN 38351

Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil 4:30 PM Weekdays: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 11:30 AM

Sunday 9:00 AM Thursday 9:00 AM

Reconciliation: 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment.

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday: 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

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Pastoral Emergency outside of office hours: 731-968-7944

St Regina Catholic Church

108 Skyline Lane Parsons, TN 38363

Phone: 731-847-2054

Mass Schedule: Sunday 11:00 AM Weekdays: Wednesday 5:00 pm

Reconciliation: 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment.

Office Hours: Monday and Thursday 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM Wednesday 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM

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Staff

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St Regina: Secretary: Pat Humble

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Maintenance and Grounds for St Regina: Jim Molitor





Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2022





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Mass Intentions

December 3rd: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina December 4th: Ray Fuchs + by the Bartels

December 7th: Harold Segerson +

December 10th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina December 11th: Chauncy Hanna + by Maurice Wills

OUR FASCINATING FAITH

The Immaculate Conception (December 8)

December 8 we celebrate the patronal solemnity of the United States and the greatest of Mary's Advent festivals. On that day we remember Mary's conception in the womb of her mother (and nine months later, on September 8, we celebrate Mary's birth). In this liturgy, we affirm our belief that God prepared Mary to be the mother of the son of God by allowing her a share, from the moment of her conception, in the salvation that would be won for all by Christ.

Five mothers make their presence felt on December 8. The first is Eve, the mother of all the living. The second is Mary's mother, who conceived, brought to birth, and nurtured an "immaculate" daughter who would become the mother of the Word made Flesh. The third is Elizabeth, who conceived her son John "in her old age." The fourth, of course, is Mary herself. Finally, the letter to the Ephesians and the texts of the Mass for this feast remind us that the Church has been "chosen" to be a spiritual mother. We pray: "The image of the Virgin is found in your Church . . . Trace in our actions the lines of her love, in our hearts her readiness of faith."

In this Advent time, we are called, as Mary was, to make room for Christ in our hearts. What will it take, what will be the cost for us to become, as Marv became, real "bearers of the Word?" Let us be open to the intercession of Mary on our behalf, that we may become more and more like her beloved Son.

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HARMONY

Have you ever known a moment when, just for a brief instant, you felt that all was right with the world? It is just such a moment, stretched into eternity, that the writer of Isaiah describes in today's first reading: the perfection of everything, centered in God's spirit, where knowledge, justice, and awe in God's presence reign. In such a paradise, everyone sees eye to eye and thinks in harmony with each other, as Saint Paul describes in his letter to the Romans. Even animals with a natural animosity toward one another coexist peacefully. John the Baptist understood that such harmonious relationships do not simply happen. They are the fruit of living in right relationship with God and others.

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R.C.I.A.

Thursday

6:00 pm

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

WEEKLY OFFERING

November 20th

Budget \$1816 \$8304.01 Actual \$100 Bldg. Over \$6588.01



Christmas Program and Pot Luck

Sunday, December 11th, after Mass

The meat will be provided by the Church. Please bring a dish to share with everyone. There is a sign up sheet on the table in the Narthex. There is also a sheet to sign up for decorating.

TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR A

First Reading — He shall bring justice for the afflicted: the earth shall overflow with the knowledge of the LORD

(Isaiah 11:1-10).

Psalm — Peace and justice will come in the day of the Lord (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — Glorify God by living in harmony with one another, welcoming each other as Christ welcomed you (Romans 15:4-9).

Gospel — Produce good fruit worthy of your baptism; repent, for the reign of God is near (Matthew 3:1-12).

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Grant Adams, Chuck Amrhein, Cathy Amrhein, Lucien Cravens, MaryAnn Maness,

Relatives

Kelli Blankenship, Thomas Blankenship, Austin Ernst, Emily Ernst, Jackie Donnett, Andrew Grower, Nicholas Kirkpatrick, Jenny Moore, Andrew Morlan, Yu Youn Suk, Joe Wall

Friends

Emma Cupples, Sunny Maness, Bobbie Keeton, John Henry Maness, Glen Melton, Fr Robert Ponticello, Park Mi Kung, Na Song Ae

WORDS OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE TO **JUAN DIEGO**

"Let not your heart be disturbed. Do not fear that sickness, nor any other sickness or anguish. Am I not here, who is your Mother? Are you not under my protection? Am I not your health? Are you not happily within my fold? What else do you wish? Do not grieve nor be disturbed by anything."

Liturgical Ministers

December 11th:

Lector: Kathleen Kirkpatrick

Server:

Eucharistic Minister: Kathleen Kirkpatrick Sacristans: Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Kevin

Altar Linens: Eleanor Michie, Khuyen

Segerson

Ushers: Men of the Parish

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-3, 10ac, 11-13;

Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10; Mt 11:28-30

Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12;

Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac, 3b, 15-16, 18-19;

Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10; Ps 146:6-10; Jas 5:7-10;

Mt 11:2-11

Mass Schedule



Monday: 11:30 am Tuesday: Communion Service 12:30 pm Wednesday: 11:30 am Thursday: 9:00 am **Friday:** 11:30 am Sunday Vigil: 4:30 pm **Sunday:** 9:00 am

Coming Events

Scripture Study Group: The next class will be December the 9th and 16th. There will be no class in January and February.

December 1st through the 5th: The office will be closed for Mary Alyce will be on vacation.

Tuesday, December 6h: Deacon Moss's class from 1:00 to 2:00.

Wednesday, December 7th: The office will be opened from 1:00 to about 3:00.

Thursday, December 8th: The office will be closed for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

Sunday, December 11th: 6:00 pm Mass for the

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe