

St Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church

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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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St Regina Catholic Church

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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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Mass Intentions

January 1st: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

January 8th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

Prayer at the Manger: With Mary and Joseph

May we follow the faithful, loving witness of Mary and Joseph

as we seek to bring Jesus, your Word, into the world.

May we always follow his Gospel,

now and forever. Amen.

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BLESSINGS

Today's readings include another account of the story of Jesus' birth. The reading from the book of Numbers reminds us that we are blessed. We are looked upon with kindness and grace. The psalm and Galatians remind us of the blessings given through God's Son. Luke tells of our ultimate blessing, that Mary, a human being like us, gave birth to a child who is God's Son. Mary, a young mother, watches all that is happening around the birth of her son. She listens as the shepherds bring messages from angels, a message she also received from an angel, about her son. Yet Mary remains silent. She keeps all this news about her son to herself. She reflects on all these experiences. The only thing she shares is the name of her son, Jesus, a name given him before he was even conceived. Her silence leaves us wondering if this is how one responds to such a great blessing.

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OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Resolve to Spread God's Mercy and Peace

Imagine: two New Year's celebrations in little over a month! In late November, Advent began the new liturgical year, and today the secular New Year 2023 begins. In today's Gospel, everyone who heard it was amazed by the story the shepherds told of the angels' message regarding the child. Mary herself continued to reflect on all these things in her heart. With religious persecutions raging, international and domestic conflicts seething, our family and friends suffering various difficulties, and COVID not yet entirely in the rear-view mirror, not to mention our own personal problems, how much our world needs Jesus as another New Year veiled in mystery begins! As we pray for God's mercy to enfold our world and embrace each of us in 2023, let our New Year's resolution be to live for others, as Mary did, a channel of God's mercy and an instrument of Christ's peace.

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TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR A

First Reading — All the ends of the earth will behold the salvation of our God (Isaiah 52:7-10).

Psalm — The whole world has seen God's salvation (Psalm 98).

Second Reading — God has spoken to us through the Son, the very imprint of God's being (Hebrews 1:1-6).

Gospel — The Word became flesh; from his fullness we have all received grace (John 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]).

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

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

Relatives

Kelli Blankenship, Thomas Blankenship, Austin Ernst, Emily Ernst, Jackie Donnett, Andrew Grower, Geoffrey Kirkpatrick, 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

TIME

Do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.

—Benjamin Franklin

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Mary, the Holy Mother of God;
The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord;
World Day of Prayer for Peace;
New Year's Day

Monday: Ss. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen

Tuesday: The Most Holy Name of Jesus

Wednesday: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Thursday: St. John Neumann

Friday: St. André Bessette; First Friday

Saturday: St. Raymond of Penyafort; First Saturday;
Julian Calendar Christmas

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12;
Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8;
Mt 2:13-18

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:36-40

Friday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 [12-17];
Ps 128:1-5; Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18

Sunday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7;
Lk 2:16-21

Mass Schedule



Tuesday: Communion
Service at 12:30
Sunday Vigil: 6:00 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am

Coming Events

Scripture Study Group: There will be no class in January and February.

The office will be closed January 2nd for the holidays.

Please welcome Father Brian Timby. He will be with us during the month of January while Father Anthony is on vacation.



**Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults**

No

R.C.I.A.

In January

Liturgical Ministers

January 1st:

Lector: Jerry Kirkpatrick

Server:

Eucharistic Minister:

Sacristans:

Altar Linens: Patty Wall

Ushers: Men of the Parish

WEEKLY OFFERING

December 25th

Budget	\$1816
Actual	Not Available