

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

St Regina Catholic Church

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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



First Sunday of Lent

February 26, 2023



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Mass Intentions

February 25th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

February 26th: Healing of James Trim by Jim & Lois Freeland

February 27th, Mar 1st, Mar 3rd: Healing of Terra Raupp by David Raupp

March 4th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

March 5th: Healing of Terra Raupp

CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

Prayer during Lent

Holy God,
now is the acceptable time to return to you.
As we walk the path of these forty days,
may we turn away from sin
and embrace a life of goodness and truth.
Strengthen us on our Lenten journey
and keep us focused on the cross and resurrection
of your Son, our Savior and Redeemer.
He is Lord forever and ever. Amen.

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Liturgical Ministers

March 5th:

Lector: Jerry Kirkpatrick

Server:

Eucharistic Minister: Heather McKee

Sacristans: Heather McKee, Melanie Sadler

Altar Linens:

Ushers: Men of the Parish

WHO WE ARE AND WHOSE WE ARE

The Lenten season is a fresh invitation to explore again who God is, who we are, and what it means to be human. We begin by hearing the tragic story of the first humans in the book of Genesis. As Paul describes in Romans, our struggles started when our ancestors broke the bond of unity with God, sought self-sufficiency, and grew apart from their true purpose and identity. In Matthew's Gospel, we see how Jesus resists the lure of living outside of unity with God. Jesus rejects false promises of possessions, power, and status. Instead, he puts his life in his Father's hands. As our model for living as a fully human person, Jesus demonstrates that we are created to live in relationship with and trust in God, and in harmony with and for all of creation.

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OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Lent

One of the liturgical reforms mandated at the Second Vatican Council was that the focus of the season of Lent should be restored as a time of preparation for—or renewal of—baptism. The bishops at the Council were aware of the fact that the origins of Lent as a distinctive liturgical season lay in the early centuries when the Church celebrated the sacraments of Christian initiation only once a year, at the Easter Vigil. In order to prepare those who were to receive those sacraments, a special period of preparation (eventually lasting forty days) gradually developed.

By the time of the Second Vatican Council, the initiatory character of Lent had long been forgotten, and it had become simply a time of penance focused on individual spiritual renewal. The introduction of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and the revision of the Lectionary after the Council have changed all of that. Now the Sunday scripture readings during Lent are very carefully selected with an eye to the journey of those preparing to be initiated at the Easter Vigil. Once again, the entire community is asked to undergo penance in solidarity with the candidates for Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

Thus, in order to appreciate fully the meaning of the readings during this season, the “filter” through which they must be heard is always the knowledge that we are helping to prepare our sisters and brothers in the catechumenate for their initiation at the Easter Vigil.

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TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR A

First Reading — The man and the woman ate the fruit of the one tree that God had told them to avoid, and their shame overtook them (Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7).

Psalm — Have mercy on us sinners, O Lord (Psalm 51).

Second Reading — Death reigned from Adam to Moses, but now grace and life abound in Christ Jesus (Romans 5:12-19 [12, 17-19]).

Gospel — Jesus was led into the desert by the Spirit and there he fasted for forty days and forty nights (Matthew 4:1-11).

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

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

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, Ceren James, Sunny Maness, John Henry Maness, Glen Melton, Fr Robert Ponticello, Park Mi Kung, Na Song Ae

WEEKLY OFFERING

February 19th

Budget	\$1816
Actual	\$1199
Bldg.	\$0
Short	\$617

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: First Sunday of Lent

Monday: St. Gregory of Narek;
Julian Calendar Lent begins

Friday: St. Katharine Drexel; Abstinence;
First Friday; World Day of Prayer

Saturday: St. Casimir; First Saturday

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15;
Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11; Ps 34:4-7, 16-19; Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10; Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19;
Lk 11:29-32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8;
Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28; Ps 130:1-8; Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19; Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8;
Mt 5:43-48

Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a; Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22;
2 Tm 1:8b-10; Mt 17:1-9

Mass Schedule



Monday: 11:30 am
Tuesday Communion Service 12:30 pm
Wednesday: 11:30am
Thursday: 9:00 am
First Friday: Adoration from 9:00 to 11:30 and Mass at 11.30 am
First Saturday: 9:00 am
Sunday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am

**Stations of the Cross
on Fridays during
Lent at 4:00 pm**



GOOD TIMING

The best time to do something worthwhile is between yesterday and tomorrow.

—Anonymous



**Rite of Christian Initiation
for Adults**

R.C.I.A.

February 9th

At 6:00 pm