

St Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church

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Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil 4:30 PM
Sunday 9:00 AM

Weekdays: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 11:30 AM
Tuesday: Exposition 6:00 pm , Mass in Spanish 6:30 pm
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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DRE for St Regina: Christina Hammond

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Maintenance and Grounds for St Regina: Jim Molitor



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 20, 2023



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Mass Intentions

August 19th: Parents + of Stan Stevens
August 20th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

August 27th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

VOICE OF A PROPHET

We reflect upon the voice of the prophet in this Sunday's readings. We hear of the suffering and the rescue of Jeremiah. We hear how Jesus anticipates his suffering and death. As with Jeremiah and Jesus, the prophets were sent by God to the leaders and people of Israel. A prophet is one who speaks truth to the powerful, exposing their darker hidden motives and injustices. The prophet presents a way forward that aligns with God's purposes. A prophet can force people away from a comfortable neutrality or indifference. The prophet creates an urgency to make a choice: Are we content with the status quo, or are we to change our ways and pursue a new and better path? Today, we may also ask, how do we identify and respond to prophets of our time? How might we provide a prophetic voice in our Church and in our world?

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OUR FASCINATING FAITH

The Documents of Vatican II—Church Meets World

While the entire Second Vatican Council was convened precisely to bring the Church into conversation with the contemporary world, the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World (*Gaudium et Spes*) explicitly addresses the subject. Ratified by a vote of 2,309 to 75 and promulgated on December 7, 1965, this document was not foreseen by the planners of the Council. Instead, it grew out of the deliberations on the floor of the first session, and is the only Vatican II document originally drafted in a modern language (French). It is also the first document issued by such a council to address the entire world.

Gaudium et Spes sets out to describe the condition of the peoples of the world, and then recommends ways that the Church can address the issues that confront them. In establishing this dialog between world and Church, it outlines the mission of the Church. If the Church is to fulfill its mission, we must recognize that there is no division between the sacred and the secular. We must make the joys, hopes, sorrows, and anxieties of all peoples our own; we must overcome every type of discrimination; we must heal the rift between science and faith. The hopeful vision of the Constitution on the Church in the Modern World is not the Church *against* the world, but the Church *with* the world. Especially in our own divisive days, we must reclaim this hopeful vision and make it our own.

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TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR A

First Reading — Thus says the LORD: "Stand firm in justice; do what is right" (Isaiah 56:1, 6-7).

Psalm — May all the peoples exalt you, O God! (Psalm 67).

Second Reading — The gifts and the calling of God are unable to be revoked (Romans 11:13-15, 29-32).

Gospel — Jesus told the Canaanite woman of great faith, "It shall be done as you wish" (Matthew 15:21-28).

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Kathy Amrhein, MaryAnn Maness, James Trim

Relatives

Friends

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12

Sunday: Is 22:19-23; Ps 138:1-3, 6, 8; Rom 11:33-36; Mt 16:13-20

CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

Hail, Holy Queen (Salve, Regina)

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy:

our life, our sweetness, and our hope!

To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve;

to you do we send up our sighs,

mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.

Turn then, most gracious advocate,

your eyes of mercy toward us;

and after this our exile

show us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God

R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Liturgical Ministers

August 27th:

Lector: Saturday: John Butler

Sunday: Lois Freeland, J J Broadway

Server:

Gifts: Mr & Mrs Jim Freeland

Eucharistic Minister:

Sacristans:

Altar Linens: Maura Raudry, Lucia Tobar

Ushers/Collection: Shawn Wall, Kevin Ernst

Coming Events

Sunday Scripture Study Group: Will meet on Fridays at 10:00 am. The next meeting is August 25. Everyone is welcome!

WEEKLY OFFERING

August 13th

Budget	\$1816
Actual	\$810
Bldg.	\$0
Short	\$1006

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: St. Pius X

Tuesday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wednesday: St. Rose of Lima

Thursday: St. Bartholomew

Friday: St. Louis; St. Joseph Calasanz

Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary

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Polling Form Insert

Robert McMain, Vice Chair of Bishop's Pastoral Council, attended the Parish Council meeting Monday evening. He suggested that the council members fill out the form to better help the Bishop and each parish.

Father Anthony and our Council, would like your feedback on this form. No names are required. Any comments are welcome. Please return by the end of August.

THE POWER OF PRAYER

Much prayer, much power!

Little prayer, little power!

No prayer, no power!

—Anonymous