

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

Staff

Pastor: Father Anthony Onyekwe

St Andrew: Administrative Secretary: Mary Alyce Fiechtl

St Regina: Secretary: Pat Humble

Financial Secretary for both Parishes: Mary Alyce Fiechtl

DRE for St Andrew: Lois Freeland

DRE for St Regina: Christina Hammond

Maintenance and Grounds for St Andrew: Joey Wall

Maintenance and Grounds for St Regina: Jim Molitor



Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 27, 2023



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Mass Intentions

August 27th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

September 3rd: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

WHO IS JESUS?

Jesus poses the question “But who do you say I am?” in today’s Gospel passage. It is a question posed to Peter and the disciples, to Matthew’s first readers, and to the Church today. Peter’s confession of faith in Jesus as Christ and Son of God was a culmination of what the disciples had experienced in their life with Jesus thus far. Jesus affirms Peter’s declaration as a gift from God. But it was only the beginning of Peter’s understanding of what these words actually meant, and how the disciples saw themselves in light of this truth. As Jesus and the disciples turned toward Jerusalem and to the cross, the disciples perhaps pondered their own identity, together with their dawning understanding of Jesus’ identity. For us, the journey of faith, initiated and sustained by the Holy Spirit, means an ongoing reflection upon who Jesus is and who we are.

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OUR FASCINATING FAITH

The Documents of Vatican II—The Decrees

As mentioned earlier, the four Constitutions were not the only documents issued by the Second Vatican Council. There were also nine Decrees. Here is a list of them, with a word about the significance of each.

The Decree on Instruments of Social Communication (*Inter Mirifica*) calls on the Church to use modern means of communication to proclaim the gospel.

The Decree on Ecumenism (*Unitatis Redintegratio*), while clearly outlining the uninterrupted succession in the Roman Catholic Church since the beginning, seeks reunion with the other Christian churches and ecclesial communities. Historical blame on both sides is acknowledged for the separation that now exists, and dialogue is encouraged, with reform of the Catholic Church as part of the process. In *Ut Unum Sint*, his encyclical on ecumenism, Pope Saint John Paul II himself proclaimed that Vatican II committed the Catholic Church irrevocably to the ecumenical effort.

The Decree on the Bishops’ Pastoral Office in the Church (*Christus Dominus*) picks up where *Lumen Gentium* left off, giving a job description for bishops and urging shared decision-making (collegiality). Diocesan pastoral councils were also established by this decree.

The Decree on Priestly Formation (*Optatam Totius*) revises the Council of Trent’s rules for seminary formation—now including scripture, ecumenism, and history, among others—and allows for local guidelines.

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TODAY’S READINGS FOR YEAR A

First Reading — Eliakim is destined by God to be a father to those who live in Jerusalem (Isaiah 22:19-23).

Psalm — Your kindness, O Lord, lasts forever; remember those you have created (Psalm 138).

Second Reading — How deep are the riches and the wisdom and the knowledge of God! (Romans 11:33-36).

Gospel — Jesus asked the disciples, “Who do you say that I am?” (Matthew 16:13-20).

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Kathy Amrhein, MaryAnn Maness, James Trim

Relatives

Friends

Coming Events

Sunday Scripture Study Group: Will meet on Fridays at 10:00 am. The September meeting dates are 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th. Everyone is welcome!

WEEKLY OFFERING

August 20th

Budget	\$1816
Actual	\$1040
Bldg.	\$0
Short	\$776

IMPRESSIONABLE

When we try to make an impression, that’s exactly the impression we make.

—Anonymous

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday: Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: St. Augustine
- Tuesday: The Passion of St. John the Baptist
- Friday: World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation; First Friday
- Saturday: Blessed Virgin Mary; First Saturday

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

Mass Schedule



Monday: 11:30 am

Tuesday: Exposition at 6:00 and Mass in Spanish at 6:30 pm

Wednesday: 11:30 am

Thursday: 9:00 am

First Friday: Adoration 9:00 to 11:30 with Mass at 11:30 am

First Saturday: 9:00 am

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am

Special Collection

Catholic Universities

September 3, 2023

Polling Forms

Robert McMain, Vice Chair of Bishop’s Pastoral Council, attended the last Parish Council meeting. 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 feed back on this form.. No names are required. Any comments are welcome. Please return by the end of August. If you missed the form last Sunday, there are more on the table in the Narthex.

Liturgical Ministers

September 3rd:

Lector: Saturday: John Butler

Sunday: Jerry Kirkpatrick, Kathleen Kirkpatrick

Server:

Gifts: The Nick Williams Family

Eucharistic Minister: Kathleen Kirkpatrick

Sacristans: Kathleen Kirkpatrick

Altar Linens: Sheri Parkinson, Susan Booth

Ushers/Collection: Joey Wall, Luis Tobar