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

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 Email: saintreginaTN@gmail.com Website: streginacatholicchurch.org

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Staff

Pastor: Father Anthony Onyekwe

St Andrew: Administrative Secretary: Mary Alyce Fiechtl St Regina: Secretary: Pat Humble

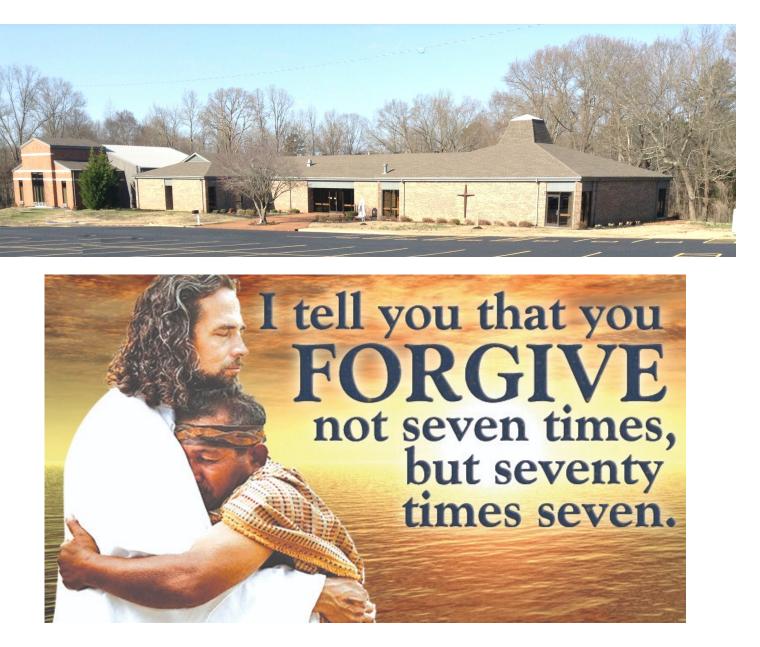
Financial Secretary for both Parishes: Mary Alyce Fiechtl

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DRE for St Regina: Christina Hammond

Maintenance and Grounds for St Andrew: Joey Wall

Maintenance and Grounds for St Regina: Jim Molitor



Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 17, 2023





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Mass Intentions

September 17th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

September 24th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

Prayer after the Rosary

O God, whose only-begotten Son, by his life, death,

and resurrection,

has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life;

grant, we beseech you, that,

meditating upon these mysteries

of the Most Holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary,

we may imitate what they contain

and obtain what they promise,

through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

WEEKLY OFFERING

| Sep | tember 10th |
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| Budget | \$1816 |
| Actual | \$978 |
| Bldg. | \$0 |
| Short | \$838 |

Líturgícal Mínísters

September 24th:

Lector: Saturday: John Butler Sunday: Lois Freeland, J. J. Broadway Server:

Gifts: Carmen McDaniel, Khuyen Segerson Eucharistic Minister: Carmen McDaniel Sacristans: Carmen McDaniel Altar Linens: Sheri Parkinson, Susan Booth Ushers/Collection: Jose Palomino, Jim Freeland

MISSING THE POINT

"You missed the point," we might be tempted to shout at the servant in today's Gospel. His master had just forgiven a huge debt when he cried for mercy, and yet, when given the opportunity to show mercy himself, he instead acted violently and with retribution toward a fellow servant. Certainly, he had missed the point of his master's merciful actions toward him, and suffered the consequences as a result. He missed the point. He is not alone, however. We all "miss the point" sometimes—we miss the point of God's enduring covenant of love, and miss the mark in our call to live as though we are the Lord's, for this is who we are. God's love is always about what is just and right. As God's people, we are to live and die for the Lord, forgive even when it doesn't make sense to do so, and leave the rest in God's hands.

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OUR FASCINATING FAITH

The Second Vatican Council and the Church Today

In the fifteenth chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, we read of what became known as the "Council of Jerusalem," which addressed the Christian communities of Gentile origin in Antioch, Syria, and Cilicia. The letter proclaiming the results of that council's deliberations begins, "It is the decision of the Holy Spirit and of us." Thus it is with every council of the Church. The "spirit of Vatican II" is none other than the Holy Spirit—Pope Francis in April 2013 called the Council "a beautiful work of the Holy Spirit." So while you might perhaps see one parish or another promote itself as a "Vatican II parish," in truth every parish must be a Vatican II parish.

Because we are human, implementation of any council of the Church takes time, and that of Vatican II will continue to move in fits and starts. There will be differences over the meaning and application of some of the Council's decisions for years to come. But those near-unanimous votes (by thousands of bishops!) made each document the law of the Church. When in doubt we can always consult with the Holy Spirit at whose inspiration the Second Vatican Council was convened, and under whose guidance its conclusions were reached.

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FORGIVE OTHERS

There are many kinds of alms the giving of which helps us to obtain pardon for our sins; but none is greater than that by which we forgive from our heart a sin that someone has committed against us.

TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR A

First Reading — Remember the commandments and hate not your neighbor (Sirach 27:30 — 28:7).

Psalm — The Lord is of surpassing kindness to those who fear him (Psalm 103).

Second Reading — Whether we live, or whether we die, we do so for the Lord (Romans 14:7-9).

Gospel — Forgive one another from your heart (Matthew 18:21-35).

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Kathy Amrhein, MaryAnn Maness, James Trim

Relatives

Friends

St. Andrew's Ladies Guild

The 1st regularly scheduled meeting of the Ladies Guild will e on Wednesday evening, October 4th, at 6:30 pm, here at the church.

A light supper, fellowship, a very short business meeting and a surprise demonstration will be included. The meeting will conclude about 7:45 pm.

All women of the parish are invited and encouraged to attend.

If you have any questions, please call or email Ann Ledet, at 813-525-7027 or

Church Pictures

Anyone or family that has not had their picture taken for our membership wall, please see Heather McKee after Mass.

Heather will be at the Saturday Vigil Mass on September 30th. She will also show the pictures that have been taken and to get the names of the parishioners in the picture.



Smile!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

| Monday: | 1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7-9; Lk 7:1-10 |
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| Tuesday: | 1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-3ab, 5-6; |
| | Lk 7:11-17 |
| Wednesday: | 1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-6; Lk 7:31-35 |
| Thursday: | Eph 4:1-7, 11-13; Ps 19:2-5; Mt 9:9-13 |
| Friday: | 1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-10, 17-20; Lk 8:1-3 |
| Saturday: | 1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-5; Lk 8:4-15 |
| Sunday: | Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18; |
| | Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a |

Mass Schedule





Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

R. C. I. A.

Classes will start on Thursday, September 28th at 6:00 pm

Registration forms are on the table in the Narthex. Please return the paper by next Sunday.

Coming Events

Sunday Scripture Study Group: Will meet on Fridays at 10:00 am. The September meeting dates are 22nd and 29th. Due to conflicts, there will be no meeting dates in October. Everyone is welcome!

Mary Alyce will be out of the office Friday, September 22nd till Tuesday, September 26th. She will be in the office on Wednesday, September 27th. Then, she will be out Friday, September 29th till Monday, October 2nd.