# 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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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

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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









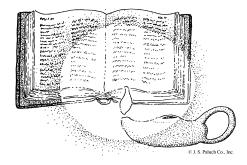
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Your ways, O LORD, make known to me; teach me your paths. — *Psalm 25:4* 

# **Mass Intentions**

February 17th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina February 18th: Dan Duvais +

February 25th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

#### WEEKLY OFFERING

Februa	ary 11th
Budget	\$1816
Actual	\$658
Bldg. Repairs	\$0
Short	\$1158

# Líturgícal Mínísters

February 25th: Lector: Saturday: Mark Bartel Sunday: Rayna Howard, Monica Wall Server: Gifts: The LeRoy Howrad Family Eucharistic Minister: Carmen McDaniel Sacristian: Carmen McDaniel Altar Linens: Sheri Parkinson, Susan Booth Ushers/Collection: Joey Wall, Luis Tobar

#### **REPENT AND BELIEVE IN THE GOSPEL**

Lent is the time of year we devote to scrutinizing our lives in the light of our baptism into the death and resurrection of Jesus. Today's readings are a nice shorthand catechism of what our baptized lives mean. As Noah passed through the waters of the flood to a covenant with God, so did we enter into a covenant, a promised relationship with God through our baptism.

Peter's letter gives an explicit explanation of what our baptism means: it is an appeal we make to God for a clear conscience. How do we obtain this clear conscience? The words proclaimed by Jesus immediately following his temptation show us the way: "Repent, and believe in the gospel" (Mark 1:15). It might be a good spiritual exercise to keep these readings before us throughout the entire season of Lent, a means to help us return to a life lived by our baptismal promises.

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#### FEAST OF FAITH

#### Seasonal Changes for the Liturgies of Lent

Today is the First Sunday of Lent. During this season of preparation for Easter, our churches look stark and simple—no flowers at the altar, no festive banners or decorations. And our liturgies feel different, too. The organ is quiet except to accompany the singing of the assembly. The Gloria, our Sunday song of rejoicing, is not heard except on solemnities, and we will not sing the Alleluia, our joyful acclamation of praise, until the Easter Vigil. "Alleluia cannot always / Be our song while here below," says an eleventh-century hymn. "Alleluia our transgressions / Make us for a while forego; / For the solemn time is coming / When our tears for sins must flow" (*Alleluia dulce carmen*, J. M. Neale, trans.).

These changes in the liturgy will catch our attention, and make us eager for the festive outpouring of joy that will return with Easter. This year, may the stripped-away liturgies of Lent remind us to strip away what is not essential in our lives to make space for the crucified and risen One, and thus to be ready to sing "Alleluia" once again when Easter returns.



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults R. C. I. A.

Classes will be on Thursdays, at 6:00

#### **TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR B**

**First Reading** — I will set my bow in the clouds to serve as a sign of the covenant between me and the earth (Genesis 9:8-15).

**Psalm** — Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant (Psalm 25).

**Second Reading** — The water of the flood prefigured baptism, which saves you now (1 Peter 3:18-22).

**Gospel** — Jesus was tempted by Satan, and the angels ministered to him (Mark 1:12-15)

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#### **REMEMBER IN PRAYER**

#### Parishioners

Kathy Amrhein, MaryAnn Maness, Eddie McDaniel, James Trim

> **Relatives** Gustavo De Paz

**Friends** Lauren Lewis

#### **Adult Reflection**

Starting this Sunday, Mary Jane Clutch will host an Adult Reflection class while the children attend PRE. All adults are welcome to attend.



#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday:	Reading 1: Leviticua 19:1-2, 11-18; Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46
Tuesday:	Reading 1: Isaiah 55:10-11; Gospel: Matthew 6:7-15
Wednesday:	Reading 1:Jonah 3:1-10; Gospel: Luke 11:29-32
Thursday:	Reading 1: 1 Peter 5:1-4; Gospel: Matthew 16:13-19
Friday:	Reading 1: Ezekiel 18:21-28; Gospel: Matthew 5:20-
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Saturday:	Reading 1: Deuteronomy 26:16-19; Gospel: Matthew
-	5:43-48

### **Mass Schedule**



Monday: 11:30 Tuesday: Adoration at 6:00 and Mass in Spanish at 6:30 pm Wednesday: 11:30 Thursday: 9:00 Friday: 11:30 Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm Sunday: 9:00 am

#### **Coming Events**

**Sunday Scripture Group** will meet Fridays, at 10:00, on February 23rd.

Due to a conflict, the office will be open on Thursday, February 22nd and closed on Friday, February 23rd.

#### THE QUALITY OF CHANGE

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To change and to change for the better are two different things.

—German proverb

#### Ladies Guild

Thank you to all who baked for, donated to and purchased from the very successful Ladies Guild Bake Sale. Funds raised will be used for funeral dinners, new parishioner welcome Sundays and other future projects.

Next Sunday, February 25th, after the 9 am Mass, the Ladies Guild would like to welcome our new parishioners. If you have joined St Andrew in the the last year or so, please stop by our table in Barni Hall after Mass to introduce yourselves, say hello and enjoy some coffee and donuts.