St Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church

895 North Broad Street Lexington, TN 38351

Mass Schedule: Saturday Vigil 4:30 PM Weekdays: Monday, Wednesday and Friday 11:30 AM

Sunday 9:00 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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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

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Staff

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Maintenance and Grounds for St Regina: Jim Molitor





Fourth Sunday of Lent March 10, 2024





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God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

— John 3:17

Mass Intentions

March 9th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina March 10th: Petra F. Vargas +

March 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, and 15th: Petra F Vargas +

March 16th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

March 17th; Petra F Vargas +

Parish Council

If you would like to be on the Parish Council, please let Mark Bartel or Father Anthony know. It is time to replace Jerry Kirkpatrick and one other person.

Liturgical Ministers

March 17th:

Lector: Saturday: Mark Bartel Sunday: Eleanor Michie, Nick Williams

Server:

Gifts: Sheri Parkinson, Khuyen Segerson **Eucharistic Minister:** Deacon Jim Moss

Sacristian:

Altar Linens: Maura Raudy, Lucia Tobar Ushers/Collection: Shawn Wall, Brian Muetze Jr

GOD'S MERCY

Today's reading from the second book of Chronicles contains a sort of "mini-history" of Israel. It highlights God's mercies in choosing Cyrus the Persian to be an instrument of deliverance when the people were in captivity in Babylon. Despite their sinfulness and the deserved punishment they were undergoing, God's mercy was lavished on the people in the form of a miraculous act of liberation.

The Letter to the Ephesians, in much more theological terms, gives a similar account of a God "who brought us to life with Christ—by grace you have been saved." The author stresses that it was when we were "dead in our transgressions" that God saved us, an act of pure grace. He emphasizes that it is not our own efforts that freed us from sin ("this is not from you"); rather, "it is the gift of God." This, of course, is the heart of the entire Pauline corpus, that salvation comes to us by faith in God's mercy, revealed in the death of Jesus.

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FEAST OF FAITH

Lent, a Season of the Word

Each year on the First Sunday of Lent we hear one of the Gospel accounts of the temptation of Jesus. In Luke's account, the devil cites the scriptures repeatedly, urging Jesus to interpret them in a false, self-serving way—if God sends angels to protect those whom God loves (as it says in Psalm 91), then prove it! But Jesus resists this insidious temptation by turning to scripture passages that tell of right relationship with God—living by God's word, trusting in God, and worshiping God alone.

Jesus himself listened to the inspired word of God and let it shape and form him. Through the liturgy, we do the same. The readings we hear at Mass can teach us, but that is not their primary function. Rather, the scriptures are meant to reveal the Lord to us, to let us experience his presence, and to form us in our Christian identity. Christ's presence is realized by his spoken word, "since it is he himself who speaks when the Holy Scriptures are read in the Church" (Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, 7). In the readings proclaimed at Mass, we hear the voice of Christ himself.

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WEEKLY OFFERING

March 3rd

Budget \$1816

Actual \$2169.40

Bldg. Repairs \$527

Over \$880.40

TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR B

First Reading — The wrath and the mercy of the Lord are revealed in the exile and liberation of the chosen people

(2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23) or 1 Samuel 16: 1b, 6-7, 10-13a.

Psalm — Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you! (Psalm 137) *or Psalm 23*.

Second Reading — By grace you have been saved (Ephesians 2:4-10) *or Ephesians 5:8-14*.

Gospel — The Son was sent by God so that the world might be saved through him (John 3:14-21) or John 9:1-41 [1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38].

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Kathy Amrhein, MaryAnn Maness, Eddie McDaniel, James Trim

Relatives

Gustavo De Paz

Friends

Lauren Lewis

Our annual St Pat's Fund Raiser will be Thursday, March 14th.

Please bring your donations in this week. The office is open 8:00 to 12:00.

Please be generous with your time to help make this a success!

Coming Events

Sunday Scripture Group will meet Friday, on March 22nd, at 10:00, .

No **PRE Class** on March 17th due to Spring Break.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Reading 1:Isaiah 65:17-21; Gospel: John 4:43-54
Tuesday: Reading 1: Ezekiel 47:1-9, 12; Gospel: John 5:1-16
Wednesday: Reading 1: Isaiah 49:8-15; Gospel: John 5:17-30
Thursday: Reading 1: Exodus 32:7-14; Gospel: John 5:31-47
Friday: Reading 1: Wisdom 2:1a, 12-22; Gospel: John 7:1-2,

10, 25-30

Saturday: Reading 1: Jeremiah 11:18-20; Gospel: John 7:40-53

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

Medjugorje 25th of the month message

"Dear Children! Pray and renew your heart so that the good which you have sown may bear the fruit of joy and oneness with God. Darnel has seized many hearts and they have become unfruitful; that is why, you little children, be light, love and my outstretched hands in this world which yearns for God, Who is love. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Ladies Guild

The March meeting of the Ladies Guild will be help Wednesday, March 13th at 6:00 pm, in Barni Hall. Please join the ladies for a brief meeting and fellowship. All ladies of the parish are invited and encouraged to attend.

ATTN Catholic men of St. Andrew and St. Regina. We are wanting to start a council here at St. Andrew. We need 25 men to get it started. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex or contact Brian Muetze for more info. 815-508-6059.



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The last class will be March 14th, at 6:00 pm