

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

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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

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DRE for St Regina: Christina Hammond

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Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024



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Let us love not in word or speech
but in deed and truth.

— 1 John 3:18

Mass Intentions

April 27th: Parishioners of St Andrew
and St Regina

April 28th: Joe Wall +
by Eleanor Michie

May 5th: Parishioners of St Andrew and
St Regina

WEEKLY OFFERING

April 21st

Budget	\$1816
Actual	\$1177
Bldg. Repairs	\$100
Short	\$539

Liturgical Ministers

May 5th:

Lector: Saturday: John Butler

Sunday: Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Monica Wall

Server:

Gifts: Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Kevin Ernst

Eucharistic Minister: Johnny Wall, Stephanie
Page, Kathleen Kirkpatrick

Sacristian: Kevin Ernst

Altar Linens: Sheri Parkinson, Loretto Yarbo

Ushers/Collection: Joey Wall, Luis Tobar

BEARING FRUIT

Few of us, even when we meditate on the image of the vine and branches, stop to really think about how God “prunes” us. For some there is the danger of thinking that we are already producing fruit for the kingdom, in deed and truth as John says, perhaps raising a family, being active in our parish, and so on. But even those branches which are bearing fruit, the Gospel tells us, can be pruned to produce still more. Today Saul, freshly “pruned” by his conversion, arrives in Jerusalem and meets resistance. Since he had been persecuting Christians, this was only natural. But even after he is accepted and begins to bear fruit, he meets further adversity, and his letters are filled with many accounts of how his trials “pruned” him to produce greater fruit for the kingdom. Like him, as long as we remain in Christ we will continue to bear fruit and, when the will of the Father determines it is time to prune us, the strength of the true vine must enable us to endure it.

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FEAST OF FAITH

The Homily

The ambo, or pulpit, is a special place—it is the place for God’s word. That is why it is not used for all the spoken words of the Mass, even important words like the collects and the blessing. The ambo is only used for the scripture readings, and for the homily and the prayer of the faithful.

The homily is part of the Liturgy of the Word. It flows from the readings we have just heard, and helps us to understand the way in which God is speaking to us today. The homily is not a lecture, a catechism lesson, or a speech. It is more like an exhortation; it has an urgency about it, for it calls us to find ourselves in the scripture, to live the faith we profess, to see our world by the light of the Gospel. The homily, in itself a response to God’s word, demands a response from us. There are many styles of preaching and many ways to respond to the scriptures. But whether the homily is weak or strong, an open ear and an open heart can find in it an abundance of spiritual nourishment.

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Job Opening Starting July, 2024

A secretarial position for a bilingual person will be open July, 2024. This is a part-time position. If you are interested, please bring your resume to the office.

TODAY’S READINGS FOR YEAR B

First Reading — Barnabas reported to the apostles how Saul had seen the Lord on the way (Acts 9:26-31).

Psalm — I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people (Psalm 22).

Second Reading — This is God’s commandment: that we may believe and love (1 John 3:18-24).

Gospel — I am the true vine; whoever remains in me will bear much fruit (John 15:1-8).

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Kathy Amrhein, MaryAnn Maness, James Trim

Relatives

Gustavo De Paz

Friends

Virtus Leadership Training

The diocese is now offering training to adults to facilitate Adult training for those who will be working with our youth. Currently, Jean Stevens is the only person from our parish who is certified. Our goal is to have at least 4 trained facilitators. The training will be offered in Jackson At St. Mary's on Friday, May 24th from 9 am to 4 pm. Lunch will be provided. Please see Lois Freeland or text her at 770-714-7167 if you are interested. It is important that we register you ahead of time.

Yard Sale

Youth group and Ladies Guild will be sponsoring a garage sale at our Church on **Saturday, May 4th, from 7:00 to 1:00.**

Volunteers are needed to make this a success.

HOLIEST FLOWER

Mary is the lily in God’s garden.

—St. Bridget of Sweden

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-5; Jn 14:6-14

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21;
Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 10:25-36, 34-35, 44-48; Ps 98:1-4;
1 Jn 4:7-10 or 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 15:9-17
or Jn 17:11b-19

Mass Schedule



Monday: 11:30

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

Wednesday: 11:30

Thursday: 9:00 am

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

First Saturday: 9:00 am

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am

SMALL TASKS

Each small task of everyday life is part of the total harmony of the universe.

—St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Coming Events

May 5th: Last PRE class

Thursday, May 9 at 6:00 pm: First Reconciliation for our First Communion students at St. Andrew. Students must attend.

May 12th: First Communion and May Crowning

May 19th, 1:00 to 3:00 pm: Year end celebration at the lake. See the flyer for more information

The Sunday Scripture Study Group will meet May 10th, 17th, and May 24th, at 10:00 am.