

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: 8:00 AM to 12:00 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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Staff

Pastor: Father Anthony Onyekwe

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St Regina: Secretary: Pat Humble

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DRE for St Regina: Christina Hammond

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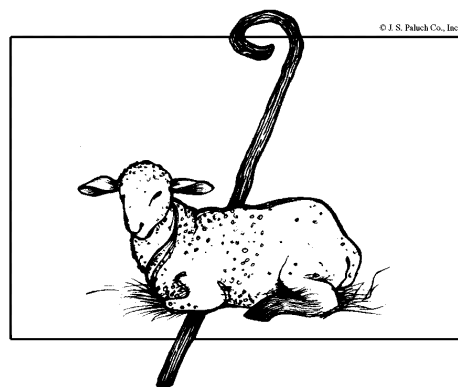
Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Behold, the days are coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up a righteous shoot to David.
— *Jeremiah 23:5a*

Mass Intentions

July 21st: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina
July 28th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

WEEKLY OFFERING

July 14th

Budget	\$2287
Actual	\$2068
Bldg. Repairs	\$120
Short	\$99

Liturgical Ministers

July 28th:
Lector: Saturday: Mark Bartel
Sunday: Lois Freeland, J J Broadway
Gifts: Mr & Mrs LeRoy Howard
Eucharistic Minister: Carmen McDaniel
Sacristian: Carmen McDaniel
Altar Linens: Rayna Howard, Patty Wall
Ushers/Collection: Jose Palominom, Jim Freeland

THE DAYS ARE COMING

Separation, isolation, and hostility are terrible things. We are, sadly, too familiar with all of them in our modern life, whether we look at world events or events in our own neighborhoods and families. All three readings today refer to these same sad human conditions.

The prophet Jeremiah describes world conditions as if the people of his time were sheep who had been scattered by poor leadership and corrupt shepherds. But “the days are coming,” he assures us (Jeremiah 23:5), when a new shepherd, a just king, will come. We meet that king in the second reading and the Gospel. Paul reminds us in the Letter to the Ephesians that all divisions can now cease in Christ Jesus, who has brought us together through his blood. In Mark’s Gospel we see Jesus himself, looking with pity on those searching for him as if they were sheep without a shepherd.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

“Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while” must have been chosen for this summer season by a committee eager for a vacation. For the apostles, the promise of rest was foiled by the needs of the people who discovered their hideaway and pressed them into ministry. Some people do indeed use their vacation for ministry and mission, giving an intensity of service otherwise not possible. For most of us, vacation is a time when we can grow more aware of God’s plan, and can renew the bonds of love with family and friends in times of play and leisure.

The disciples learn today that there is no place so out of the way that the life of worship and ministry is disengaged. Giving yourself to summer worship will enrich you, delight you, and give you a sense of the word of God’s progress in your heart. In today’s world, summer is the time when we are most acutely aware of the beauty of the world. Gratitude and wonder are fertile soils for God’s word to take root and prosper. Welcome the visitor today, and resolve that when you travel, you will be faithful to Sunday worship.

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MISSION

God has created me to do some definite service. God has committed some work to me which has not been committed to another. I have a mission.

—John Henry Newman

TODAY’S READINGS FOR YEAR B

First Reading — I shall gather the remnant of my flock and bring them back to their meadow (Jeremiah 23:1-6).

Psalm — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — You who were once far off have become near by the blood of Christ (Ephesians 2:13-18).

Gospel — When Jesus saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he began to teach them many things (Mark 6:30-34).

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Kathy Amrhein, MaryAnn Maness, James Trim

Relatives

Gustavo De Paz, Salvador Valdivia

Friends

Pat Rafferty

Department of Religious Education is in need of substitute teachers for the coming PRE year. If you could help out, please see Lois Freeland after 9 am mass or call/text her at 770-714-7167.

FEAST OF FAITH

The Prayer Over the Offerings

In the liturgy of the 1570 Missal, this prayer was called the “secret” prayer. It was “secret” not because its content was mysterious, but because it was prayed in silence by the priest, who only recited the conclusion aloud: . . . *per omnia saecula saeculorum*. With the reforms of the Second Vatican Council, we again hear these rich prayers spoken aloud. They remind us to prepare ourselves for what is to happen in the Eucharistic Prayer, for it is not only the bread and wine that will be transformed.

The Prayer Over the Offerings is a prayer for transformation, an expression, in a few words, of all that we hope that the liturgy will accomplish in our lives. We ask God to accept the gifts we present, and to change us even as God hallows the bread and wine. As we listen carefully to the Prayer Over the Offerings, we are reminded of what it is that we seek in the Eucharist: to be made holy; to be drawn closer to God; to come to eternal joy, unity, peace, and salvation.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ex 14:5-18; Ex 15:1bc-6; Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday: Ex 14:21 — 15:1; Ex 15:8-10, 12, 17; Mt 12:46-50
Wednesday: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15; Ps 78:18-19, 23-28; Mt 13:1-9
Thursday: Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Friday: Ex 20:1-17; Ps 19:8-11; Mt 13:18-23
Saturday: Ex 24:3-8; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Mt 13:24-30
Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:42-44; Ps 145:10-11, 15-18; Eph 4:1-6; Jn 6:1-15

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
Friday: at 11:30
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 9:00 am

Adult Reflection

Mary Jane Clutch is hosting an Adult Reflection class while the children attend PRE. All adults are welcome to attend. The class will resume on Sunday, August 11th, about 10:15am.

Coming Events

The Sunday Scripture Study Group will meet on Fridays at 10:00 am. The dates for August are the 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th. Everyone is welcome to attend.