

# St Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church

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Lexington, TN 38351

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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

**Bilingual Secretary:** Monday and Thursday 8:00 AM to 12:00 AM; Tuesday 4:00 PM to 6:00 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

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**Pastoral Emergency outside of office hours:** 731-968-7944

## Staff

**Pastor:** Father Anthony Onyekwe

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**St Regina: Secretary:** Pat Humble

**Bilingual Secretary for St Andrew the Apostle:** Carmen McDaniel

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**DRE for St Regina:** Christina Hammond

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**Maintenance and Grounds for St Regina:** Jim Molitor



**Twenty-First  
Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
August 25, 2024**



# Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Times

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As for me and my household,  
we will serve the LORD.  
— Joshua 24:15b

## Mass Intentions

Aug 25th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

Aug 27th: In Honor of Father Anthony Onyekwe on his 29th Anniversary as a Priest by Debbie & Tom O'Bryant

Aug 29th: In Honor of Ken Frankowiak on his 90th Birthday by Kathleen Kirkpatrick

Sept 1st: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

### THE WAY

It's hard to train a child in a way the parents don't go themselves.

—Anonymous

## Liturgical Ministers

Sept 1st :

**Lector: Saturday:** Kay Bartel

**Sunday:** Kathleen Kirkpatrick, Fatima Placencia

**Gifts:** The Robert Trim Family

**Eucharistic Minister:** Johnny Wall, Stephanie Page, Kathleen Kirkpatrick

**Sacristian:** Kevin Ernst

**Altar Linens:** Sheri Parkinson, Susan Booth

**Ushers/Collection:** Joey Wall, Luis Tobar

**Collection Counters:** Brian Muetze, Joey Wall

### DECISIONS

There is an axiom that states, "Not to decide is to decide." This saying was popular in the turbulent times of the Vietnam War. It urged us not to allow others to answer the moral questions raised by our nation's involvement in that terrible conflict, but to decide for ourselves. Making such choices is never easy. Avoiding them is common. Jesus, for his part, was not only a gallant risk-taker, but a clear decision-maker. As he pursued the mission to which the Father called him, he continually decided for us and for the Father. He worked hard to lay out a scenario that would enable others to make similar choices. Never did he make decisions for others or force others into decisions, even decisions that had eternal ramifications. Jesus is inviting us to make such decisions today. We won't be absolutely sure. What is sure, however, is the command that issues from God's word: Take the risk. Decide!

### FEAST OF FAITH

#### Come, Spirit!

The presider at the Eucharist can choose from among a number of different Eucharistic Prayers, all of which follow a similar pattern. Almost always, they begin with an *epiclesis*, a Greek word that means "invocation upon" or "calling over here." At this moment in the prayer, the priest calls down the Holy Spirit upon the gifts of bread and wine that we have brought to the altar: "Father, we bring you these gifts. We ask you to make them holy by the power of your Spirit, that they may become the body and blood of your Son" (Eucharistic Prayer III). The words of the prayer are accompanied by the ritual gesture of the laying on of hands, the ancient sign of the gift of the Spirit, which is also used in most sacramental celebrations, from the rite of confirmation to the ordination of deacons, priests, and bishops. Liturgists sometimes call this first *epiclesis* the *epiclesis* of consecration. Later in the Eucharistic Prayer, there will be another *epiclesis*, the *epiclesis* of communion, as the priest asks that the Holy Spirit be sent upon us to transform us. "Grant that we, who are nourished by his body and blood, may be filled with his Holy Spirit, and become one body, one spirit in

### BLESSED

If you have sight, you are blessed. If you have insight, you are a thousand times blessed.

—Anonymous

### TODAY'S READINGS FOR YEAR B

**First Reading** — Joshua challenges the Israelites to serve either the Lord or other gods. They choose the Lord (Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b).

**Psalm** — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

**Second Reading** — Paul reflects on how husbands and wives should reverence and love each other (Ephesians 5:21-32 [2a, 25-32]).

**Gospel** — Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life (John 6:60-69).

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

#### Parishioners

Kathy Amrhein, MaryAnn Maness, James Trim, Deacon Jim Moss, Gigi Lui

#### Relatives

Gustavo De Paz, Salvador Valdivia, Jeronimo Davalos, Emily Whitten

#### Friends

Andrew Morlan, Pat Rafferty

### Ladies Guild

The next meeting of the Ladies Guild will be Wednesday, September 11th, at 6 pm in Barni Hall. All ladies of the parish are invited and encouraged to attend.

### WEEKLY OFFERING

August 18th

Budget	\$2287
Actual	\$805
Bldg. Repairs	\$ 0
Short	\$1482

### Adult Reflection

Adult Reflections class today after social. There will be **No** class Sunday Sept 1st due to Labor Day Holiday. All adults are welcome to attend.

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22

Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51

Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32

Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51

Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13

Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8; Ps 15:2-5; Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

### Mass Schedule



**Monday:** 11:30 am

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

**Wednesday:** 11:30

**Thursday:** 9:00 am

**Friday: 11:30 am**

**Saturday Vigil:** 4:30 pm

**Sunday:** 9:00 am

### Coming Events

The Sunday Scripture Study Group will meet on Friday August 30th at 10:00 am. Everyone is welcome to attend.

September 1st: **No PRE** due to Labor Day Holiday.

Parish Picnic will be September 7th, starting at 4:00 pm, Mass at 4:30 pm and meal following. Sign-up sheet in Narthex.

**YOU CAN SAVE A LIFE!** Don't forget to sign up for **CPR classes** on September 7th, 14th & 21st. Sign up sheet on table in the Narthex.