## 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 and Friday: 8:00 AM to 1:00 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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### **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

Bilingual Secretary for St Andrew the Apostle: Carmen McDaniel

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DRE for St Andrew: Lois Freeland DRE for St Regina: Christina Hammond

Maintenance and Grounds for St Andrew: Joey Wall

Maintenance and Grounds for St Regina: Allan Duncan





The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ June 22, 2025





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As often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes.

— 1 Corinthians 11:26

### Mass Intentions

June 22nd: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

June 29th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

#### **National Collection**

June 29, 2025

Peter's Pence Collection

# Liturgical Ministers

June 29th:

Lector: Saturday: Mark Bartel
Sunday: Lois Freeland, JJ Broadway
Gifts: The Brian Muetze Family

Eucharistic Minister: Carmen McDaniel, Sheri

Parkinson, Maria Valdivia **Sacristans:** Carmen McDaniel

**Altar Linens:** Eleanor Michie, Khuyen Segerson **Ushers/Collections:** Jim Freeland, Luis Tobar

Collection Counters: Jim Freeland

#### THE GIFT OF THE EUCHARIST

Today we hear how Abram encounters Melchizedek, "king of Salem . . . and a priest of God Most High" (Genesis 14:18). Melchizedek appears nowhere else in scripture, but is nonetheless significant. Psalm 110 declares of the great King David, "You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek," a description later given (in the letter to the Hebrews) to Christ as High Priest.

Early Christians saw in Melchizedek's bread and wine the bread and wine of the Eucharist; Paul's account of the Last Supper (in today's second reading) is the oldest one in scripture. In the Gospel, Luke describes Jesus providing bread for a crowd in words similar to Paul's, words still used by the Church: Jesus takes bread, gives thanks, breaks it. Together, these three readings reveal how Christian priesthood, Christ's Real Presence, and the call to serve those in need are all found in the gift of the Eucharist.

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#### **Reflection question:**

How am I part of the Body of Christ in the world?

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#### TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

We owe today's beautiful feast to a valiant woman who suffered a great deal to establish a feast out of her love for the Eucharist. Juliana was a nun in Belgium in the thirteenth century. She served in a hospital for lepers. She became convinced through her prayer that the liturgical year was incomplete because it had no feast for the Eucharist. Her efforts were not welcome, and a supervising priest sought to punish her for promoting a feast that "nobody wanted." He even had her accused of financial mismanagement and banished her from her convent.

Shortly after she was exiled, the bishop approved the feast. It quickly spread through Europe. In those days, people very seldom received Holy Communion, and so the processions through the streets with the eucharistic bread not only led to an awareness of Christ's hunger to be with us, but prepared the way for a deeper desire to receive Christ's Body and Blood in more frequent Communion. The feast grew rapidly, but Juliana disappeared into poverty and a hidden life. She ended her days as an "anchoress," a woman living in seclusion in a room attached to a parish church. Imagine her delight at seeing us gathered at the table of the Lord on this day, aware of Christ's presence in our midst, sharing fully in Christ's Body and Blood. Our celebration today invests her struggle and sorrows with dignity and meaning.

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#### **TODAY'S READINGS Year C**

**First Reading** — Melchizedek brought out bread and wine and blessed Abram (Genesis 14:18-20).

**Psalm** — You are a priest forever, in the line of Melchizedek (Psalm 110).

**Second Reading** — Paul gives his description of the institution of the Eucharist (1 Corinthians 11:23-26).

**Gospel** — Jesus feeds the crowd with five loaves and two fish (Luke 9:11b-17).

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# REMEMBER IN PRAYER Parishioners

Chuck and Kathy Amrhein, MaryAnn Maness, Deacon Jim Moss, Father Brian Timby, James Trim

#### Relatives

Jeronimo Davalos, Patti Harden, Gail Jowers, Gustavo De Paz, Polly Scott, Salvador Valdivia, Judy Wall, Chase Rushing

#### **Friends**

Oscar Diebold, J T Hunt, Lauren Lewis, Betty Moore, Andrew Morlan, Danny Pratt, Pat Rafferty, Allan Shipp, Eileen Weaver

#### **PRAYER OF THE WEEK**

#### The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

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

Monday: Genesis 12:1-9; Ps 33:12-13; G Mt 7:1-5 Tuesday: Isaiah 49:1-6; Ps 139:1b-3,13-14ab. 14c-15;

G Luke 1:57-66,80

Wednesday: Genesis 15:1-12,17-18; Ps 105:1-4,6-9; G Mt

7:15-20

Thursday: Genesis 16:1-12,15-16; Ps106:1b-2,3-4a,4b-5;

G Mt 7:21-29

Friday: Ezekiel 34: 11-16; Ps 23:1-3a,3b-4,5,6; G Luke

15:3-7

Saturday: Genesis 18:1-15; Lk 1:46-47,48-49,50-55;

G Mt 5-17

Sunday: Acts 12:1-11; Ps 34:2-3,4-5.6-7.8-9; G Mt 16:

13-19

### **Mass Schedule**



Monday: 11:30 am
Tuesday: Exposition at 6:00 pm
and Mass in Spanish at 6:30 pm
Wednesday: 11:30 am
Thursday: 9:00 am

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

#### **Coming Events**

The **Gospel to Life Reflection group** will meet on Fridays at 10:30 am. The date for June is the 27th. The dates in July are 11th, 18th and 25th. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Friday, July 4th, the office will be closed in observance of the Fourth of July holiday. First Friday Adoration will take place from 9:00-11:30 am, followed by Mass at 11:30 am.

Youth Group meeting, Sunday, July 13th at 10:30 am.

The **St Andrew and St Regina Parish Picnic** will be held on Sunday, September 7, 2025, at 10:00 am at St Andrew. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for a day of fellowship, food and fun! Volunteers will be needed-thank you in advance for your help!