

St Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church

895 North Broad Street
Lexington, TN 38351

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

St Regina Catholic Church

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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
Financial Secretary for both Parishes: Mary Alyce Fiechtl
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



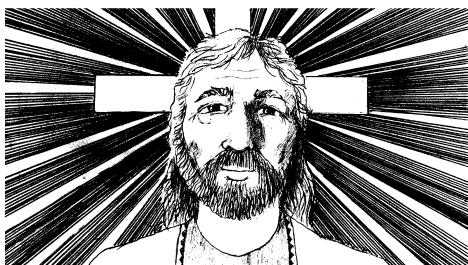
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 17, 2025



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Jesus endured the cross, despising its shame, and has taken his seat at the right of the throne of God.
— *Hebrews 12:2*

Mass Intentions

August 17th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

August 24th: Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

A reminder that the Rosary is prayed before Sunday Mass, beginning at 8:30 am. If you would like to lead, please feel free to volunteer.



Liturgical Ministers

August 24th:
Lector: Saturday: Kay Bartel
Sunday: Patricia Hudson, Adriana Limon
Gifts: The John Wall Family
Eucharistic Minister: Mary Alyce, Carmen McDaniel, Stephanie Page
Sacristan: Mary Alyce, Kasandra Mendoza Garcia
Altar Linens: Maura Raudry, Lucia Tobar
Ushers/Collections: Luis Tobar, Kasandra Mendoza Garcia
Collection Counters: Luis Tobar, Tommy Page

PROPHETS

We reflect upon the voice of the prophet in this Sunday’s readings. We hear of the suffering and the rescue of Jeremiah. We hear how Jesus anticipates his suffering and death. As with Jeremiah and Jesus, the prophets were sent by God to the leaders and people of Israel. A prophet is one who speaks truth to the powerful, exposing their darker hidden motives and injustices. The prophet presents a way forward that aligns with God’s purposes. A prophet can force people away from a comfortable neutrality or indifference. The prophet creates an urgency to make a choice: Are we content with the status quo, or are we to change our ways and pursue a new and better path? Today, we may also ask, how do we identify and respond to prophets of our time? How might we provide a prophetic voice in our Church and in our world?

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LIVE TODAY WELL

Today well lived makes every yesterday a dream of happiness and tomorrow a vision of hope.

—Kalidasa

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Long ago, a signet ring was an essential part of the wardrobe of influential people. A letter or document would be sealed with hot wax, and a signet ring pressed into the wax would affirm the origin of the document. In the case of the pope, at least from the thirteenth century, the ring was used to seal public documents with hot lead, saving the red wax for private letters. The public documents were called *bullae* after the Latin name for the lead stamp, and we still call them “papal bulls.”

It is not surprising, therefore, that a signet ring has long been bestowed as part of the inauguration of a pope. The ring is called the *Pescatorio*, or “Ring of the Fisherman.” It reminds the wearer of his link with Peter, and his responsibility to continue the apostolic ministry of “fishing for human beings.” Until 1842 it actually functioned as a signet ring. Now, each pope receives a new gold ring at the beginning of his ministry. It goes on the fourth finger of his right hand and bears some fisherman design, usually St. Peter casting nets from a boat, as well as the pope’s name in Latin. A custom that endures for the pope, but not so much for bishops, is for people being introduced to him to kiss the *Pescatorio* as a sign of respect for his teaching authority. Another enduring custom is for the ring to be smashed and defaced at the pope’s death, originally a way of preventing counterfeit deathbed documents.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

TODAY’S READINGS Year C

First Reading — They took Jeremiah and threw him into the cistern (Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10).

Psalm — Lord, come to my aid! (Psalm 40).

Second Reading — Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, the leader and perfecter of faith (Hebrews 12:1-4).

Gospel — I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing (Luke 12:49-53).

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REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Chuck and Kathy Amrhein, MaryAnn Maness, Deacon Jim Moss, Father Brian Timby, James Trim, Dora Magana, LeRoy Howard, David Raupp

Relatives

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

Friends

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

Religious Education Substitute Teachers Needed

The Department of Religious Education is in need of substitute teachers for the coming PRE year. If you are able to assist, please see Lois Freeland after Mass or contact the Parish Office.

CLERIFICATION

The St Andrew and St Regina picnic will be held on Sunday, September 7th, with Mass at 10:00 am, followed by the picnic.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Judges 2:11-19; Ps 106; G Matthew 19:16-22
Tuesday: Judges 6:11-24a; Ps 85; G Matthew 19:23-30
Wednesday: Judges 9:6-15; Ps 21; G Matthew 20:1-16
Thursday: Judges 11:29-39a; Ps 40; G Matthew 22:1-14
Friday: Ruth 1:1,3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146; G Matthew 22:34-40
Saturday: Ruth 2:1-3,8-11;4:13-17; Ps 128; G Matthew 23:1-12
Sunday: Isaiah 66:18-21(123C); Ps 117:1,2; G Luke 13:22-30

Mass Schedule



Monday: 11:30 am
Tuesday: Adoration 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 Event

Wednesday, August 27th, Knights of Columbus meeting. Dinner at 6:00pm, Rosary at 6:45 and meeting at 7:00pm. All knights and Catholic men interested are encouraged to attend.

Get Ready for a Day of Fun and Fellowship!
Come and enjoy the St Andrew and St Regina Parish Picnic following the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, September 7th. Please sign up in advance—the sign-up sheet is on the table in the Narthex.

There will be no PRE on **Sunday, August 31**, in observance of Labor Day weekend.

Financial Report as of July 31, 2025:

As of July 31, 2025:	Current Y-T-D	Prior Y-T-D
Income: \$3510.00	\$3510.00	\$6706.00
Expenses: \$7313.94	\$7313.94	\$6024.13
Shortfall: (\$3803.94)	(\$3803.94)	\$681.95