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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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

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





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Mass Intentions

December 6th: For the Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

December 7th: In memory of Elvia Reid+ by Mr. and Mrs. Robert Storms

December 14th: For the Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

National Collection

Retirement Fund for the Religious December 14, 2025

Our Lady of Medjugorie's November 25, 2025 Message

"Dear children! In this time of grace, I am calling you to follow me. Pray for those who do not pray and do not want peace and joy, which only the Most High can give. May your souls be united in the joy of expectancy and your heart will be filled with peace. You will be convinced, little children, that all will be good and that God will bless all; because the good that you give will return to you, and joy will enfold your heart because you are with God and in God. Thank you for having responded to my call.

Alter Flowers

In preparation for Advent there are envelopes available to all to help beautify the church for the season.

Liturgical Ministers

December 14th:

Lector: Saturday: John Butler Sunday: Rayna Howard, Monica Wall Gifts: The Maria R Perez Family

Eucharistic Minister: Carmen McDaniel, Sheri Parkinson, Joey Wall

Sacristan: Carmen McDaniel **Altar Linens:** Eleanor Michie

Ushers/Collections: Jim Freeland, Shawn Wall Collection Counter: Jim Freeland, Shawn Wall

OUR FASCINATING FAITH The Immaculate Conception (December 8)

December 8 we celebrate the patronal solemnity of the United States and the greatest of Mary's Advent festivals. On that day we remember Mary's conception in the womb of her mother (and nine months later, on September 8, we celebrate Mary's birth). In this liturgy, we affirm our belief that God prepared Mary to be the mother of the son of God by allowing her a share, from the moment of her conception, in the salvation that would be won for all by Christ.

Five mothers make their presence felt on December 8. The first is Eve, the mother of all the living. The second is Mary's mother, who conceived, brought to birth, and nurtured an "immaculate" daughter who would become the mother of the Word made Flesh. The third is Elizabeth, who conceived her son John "in her old age." The fourth, of course, is Mary herself. Finally, the letter to the Ephesians and the texts of the Mass for this feast remind us that the Church has been "chosen" to be a spiritual mother. We pray: "The image of the Virgin is found in your Church . . . Trace in our actions the lines of her love, in our hearts her readiness of faith."

In this Advent time, we are called, as Mary was, to make room for Christ in our hearts. What will it take, what will be the cost for us to become, as Mary became, real "bearers of the Word?" Let us be open to the intercession of Mary on our behalf, that we may become more and more like her beloved Son. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.



OCIA Class 6:00-7:00 pm

	Sunday Collection		
Collection	Weekly	Year to Date	
11/30/2025	\$1,492.00	\$36,299.55	
Budget	\$2,201.92	\$47,708.31	
Difference	(\$709.92)	(\$11,408.76)	

Christmas Basket Assistance

The Ladies Guild, together with our parish community and in support of the Homeless Coalition of Lexington, invites your help in preparing two family Christmas baskets. Turkeys have already been provided; we are requesting side items to complete the baskets. A sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex. Please return all items by Tuesday, December 16.

TODAY'S READINGS Year A

First Reading — He shall bring justice for the afflicted; the earth shall overflow with the knowledge of the LORD (Isaiah 11:1-10).

Psalm — Peace and justice will come in the day of the Lord (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — Glorify God by living in harmony with one another, welcoming each other as Christ welcomed you (Romans 15:4-9).

Gospel — Produce good fruit worthy of your baptism; repent, for the reign of God is near (Matthew 3:1-12).

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Parishioners

Chuck and Kathy Amrhein, Deacon Jim Moss Juan Plascencia, James Trim

Relatives

Alicia Castellanos, Emily Royal, Salvador Valdivia

Friends

Andrew Morlan

Coming Event

Beginning Sunday, December 7, Father will offer a Spanish Mass at 5:00 pm.

Sunday Scripture Study Group, December meetings will be held Friday, December 12 and Friday, December 19 at 10:00 am Everyone is invited.

Monday, December 8, Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Holy Day of Obligation. St Andrew Mass at 11:30 am and at St Regina 5:00 pm.

The office will be closed on Monday, December 8th in observance of the Holy Day.

Hispanic Celebration-Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Saturday, December 13, Mass at 6:00 pm, followed by the Dance Group and celebration. Sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Contact Anabel Gonzalez with any question.

Christmas Program and Potluck, Sunday, December 14 following the 9:00 am Mass. A potluck sign-up sheet is available on the table in the Narthex. Children are asked to wear Christmas colors for the program: red, green, white or gold.

Parish Council Meeting, Monday, December 15 at 6:00 pm.

Knights of Columbus meeting, Wednesday, December 17, dinner at 6:00 followed by rosary 6:45 then meeting at 7:00 pm

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Genesis 3:9-15,20; Ps 98:1; Eph 1:3-6,11-12; G

Luke 1:26-38

Tuesday: Isaiah 40:1-11; Ps 96; G Matthew 18:12-14 Wednesday: Isaiah 40:25-31; Ps 103; G Matthew 11:28-30 Thursday: Isaiah 41:13-20; Ps 145: G Matthew 11:11-15

Rv 11:19a;12:1-6a,10ab; Ps Jdt 13:18bcde,19;

G Luke 1:39-47

Saturday: Sirach 48:1-4,9-11; Ps 80; G Matthew 17:9a,10-13

Isaiah 35:1-6a,10; Ps 146:6-7,8-9,9-10; James

5:7-10; G Matthew 11:2-11

Mass Schedule



Monday: St Andrew 11:30 am St Regina 5:00 pm **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

Sunday Afternoon: 5:00 pm Mass in Spanish

Advent Penance Services:

St Regina, Wednesday December 10th Mass at 5:00 pm followed by reconciliation at 5:30 pm. St Andrew, Friday December 12th Mass at 5:00pm followed by reconciliation at 5:30 pm.



Ladies Guild Meeting

The Ladies Guild will meet Wednesday, December 10 at 6 PM in Barni Hall. A cookie exchange will be held; please bring three dozen of your special cookies to share. After selecting a dozen to take home, the emailing cookies will be donated to local nursing home staff. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.