

### THE GLORY OF THE DIVINE WAY

Today's readings draw us into ageless, vibrant depths. Followers of God's law, we belong to ancient traditions. Children of God, we marvel at the freshness of creation. The Old Testament readings, from Sirach and the Psalms, celebrate the rich blessings we receive when we observe God's commands—not because we are slaves to the law, but because the law gives life in abundance. Saint Paul's Letter to the Corinthians confirms the glory of divine law, but warns that God's ways tend to be unpopular and misunderstood in this world. Paul speaks of the ancient wisdom of God, which is mysteriously both "hidden" and "revealed." God does not have secret codes that we earthly mortals cannot understand; in love, God reveals the glory of the divine way in Jesus. Saint Matthew's Gospel emphasizes the importance of living in God's law, enlivened by a deep and personal relationship with Jesus.

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### CATHOLIC PRAYER CORNER

#### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.



Mark your calendar for the St Patrick's Day Reuben Sandwich Lunch on Tuesday, March 17. More details to follow.

### Funeral Arrangements for Deacon Jim Moss:

**-Visitation:** Friday morning, February 20, 9:30am—11:00am with the Rosary following at 11:00 am, St Mary Catholic Church, US Hwy 45 Bypass, Jackson.

**-Funeral Mass:** Friday morning, February 20, 11:30am, at St Mary Catholic Church.

### Weekly Family Rosary

Each Sunday, a PRE student and family are invited to take home the parish rosary, pray together during the week, and return it the following Sunday so another family may do the same. Sign-up sheet in the

Donating **Alter Flowers** is a lovely way to honor a loved one, glorify God, and beautify the sanctuary. Flowers can be donated in honor of a living person, in memory of someone who has died, in celebration of an anniversary or other milestone, or simply for the Glory of God. The honoree will be named in the weekly bulletin. Contact the Parish Office for assistance.

Join us in prayer as we pray the rosary before Sunday Mass at 8:30 AM.

All are welcome, and those who feel called to lead are invited.



Looking for a way to illuminate your Lenten journey? Join us for **St Mary's Light of the World** annual retreat weekend Friday, February 27—Sunday, March 1, 2026. For more information and to register, contact St Mary's Catholic Church at 731-669-2596. For questions please see Kathy Oszkinis after Mass.

Our monthly Snack Program supports local school children. Donations of snacks are always appreciated. A collection basket is located in the Narthex.

### THE CURE

The only known cure for fear is faith.

—Lena K. Sadler

# St Andrew the Apostle Catholic Church

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**Weekend Mass Schedule:** Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm Sunday 9:00 am  
**Weekdays:** Monday, Wednesday and Friday 11:30 am, Thursday 9:00 am  
Tuesday: Exposition 6:00 pm, Mass in Spanish 6:30 pm

Reconciliation 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment

**Website:** [saintandrewcatholicchurch.org](http://saintandrewcatholicchurch.org)

## GOSPEL MATTHEW 5 17-37

Jesus said to his disciples:  
*"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets. I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. Amen, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or the smallest part of a letter will pass from the law, until all things have taken place."*



## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 15, 2026



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### Staff

**Pastor:** Father Anthony Onyekwe

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**Office Hours:** Monday, Friday: 8:00 am - 1:00 pm, Thursday 8:00 am -12:00 pm, Tuesday 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm

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

### Mass Schedule



**Monday:** 9:00 am  
**Tuesday: Adoration** 6:00 pm and  
**Mass in Spanish** at 6:30 pm  
**Wednesday:** 11:30 am  
**Thursday:** 9:00 am  
**Friday:** 9:00 am  
**Saturday Vigil:** 4:30 pm  
**Sunday:** 9:00 am  
**Sunday Spanish:** 5:00 pm

### Mass Intentions

February 14th: For the Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina  
 February 15th: The second anniversary of the passing of Petra Vargas by Sergio Vargas  
 February 16, 17, 19, 20 and 21st: Intentions of the Catholic Extension Ministry  
 February 22nd: For the Parishioners of St Andrew and St Regina

### REMEMBER IN PRAYER

#### Parishioners

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

#### Relatives

Alicia Castellanos, Emily Royal, Salvador Valdivia,  
 Mike Greteman

#### Friends

Andrew Morlan, Teresa Palmer, Judy Stanfill

### Liturgical Ministers

**February 22nd**  
**Lector Saturday:** Mark Bartel  
**Lector Sunday:** Lois Freeland, JJ Broadway  
**Gifts:** The Alejandro Gonzalez Family  
**Eucharistic Minister:** Patricia Hudson, Johnny Wall  
 Joey Wall  
**Sacristan:** Lucia Tobar, Carmen McDaniel  
**Altar Linens:** Susan Durfee,  
**Ushers/Collections:** Joey Wall, Jose Palomino  
**Collection Counter:** Jim Freeland,

### Sunday Collections

Collection	Weekly	Year to Date
2/8/2026	\$3,648.00	\$59,536.55
Budget	\$2,201.92	\$47,708.31
Difference	\$1,446.08	\$11,828.24

### TODAY'S READINGS Year A

**First Reading** — God allows us to make choices, but we are not to choose injustice or sinfulness (Sirach 15:15-20).

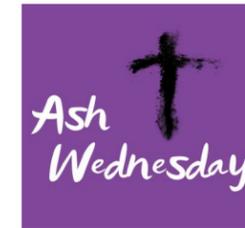
**Psalm** — Blessed are they who follow the law of the Lord! (Psalm 119).

**Second Reading** — God's wisdom is mysterious and hidden (1 Corinthians 2:6-10).

**Gospel** — Jesus has come not to abolish but to fulfill the law and the prophets (Matthew 5:17-37).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

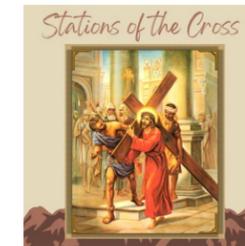
Monday: James 1:1-11; Ps 119; G Mark 8:11-13  
 Tuesday: James 1:12-18; Ps 94; G Mark 8:14-18  
 Wednesday: Joel2:12-18(219); Ps 51:3-4,5-6ab,12-13,14, 17  
 2 Cor 5:20-6:2; Ps 95; G Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
 Thursday: Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-2,3,4,6; G Luke 9:22-25  
 Friday: Isaiah 58:1-9a; Ps 51; G Mt 9:14-15  
 Saturday: Isaiah 58:9b-14; Ps 86; G Luke 5:27-32  
 Sunday: Genesis 2:7-9;3:1-7(22A); Ps 51:3-4,5-6,12-13,17  
 Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12-17,17-19; G Mt 4:1-11



**Mass and Ashes, Wednesday, February 18th, at 11:30 am at St Andrew and at 5:00 pm at St Regina.**  
**6:30 pm to 7:00 pm Ashes only at St Andrew**

**Catholics ages 14-59** should fast by eating only one full meal and two smaller meals that do not equal a full meal. **Pregnant women, nursing women, people over 60, and children under 18** are not obligated to fast on Ash Wednesday.

**All Fridays of Lent** are days of abstinence (no meat) for those 14 and older.



**Stations of the Cross** will be held each Friday during Lent, beginning Friday, February 20, at 4:30 PM at St Regina's and Friday, February 27, at 5:30 PM St Andrew's.  
 Please refer to your *Easter schedule* for all dates and times.

**National Collection**  
 Church in Central and Eastern Europe  
 February 22, 2026  
 Home Missions  
 February 22, 2026

**Commitment Sunday**  
 for the Annual Catholic Appeal starts  
 February 22, 2026.  
 Look for your commitment letter in the mail.  
 Please be generous.

### Coming Events

**Parish Council meeting,** Monday, February 16, at 6:00 PM.

**Monday, February 16, the office will be closed for Presidents' Day. Mass will be at 9:00 AM for the holiday.**

**Ash Wednesday, February 18:** Mass with distribution of ashes will be held at St Andrew at 11:30 AM and at St Regina at 5:00 PM. Ashes only will be distributed at St Andrew from 6:30 to 7:00 PM.

**Knights of Columbus meeting on** Wednesday, February 18, beginning at 6:00 PM. Dinner followed by the rosary and meeting. All Knights and Catholic men of the Parish are encouraged to attend.

**Scripture Study meeting,** Friday, February 27, at 10:00 AM. All are welcome to attend.

**Stations of the Cross** begin this Friday, February 20, at St Regina at 4:30 PM and next Friday, February 27, at St Andrew at 5:30 PM.



**OCIA class Thursday**  
**6:00-7:00 PM**