



# ST ANDREW'S

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## 6TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### FEBRUARY 16, 2025

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#### PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

The mission of St. Andrew's Catholic Church is to carry on the ministry of Jesus Christ, as members of His living body, the Church, to bring the Kingdom of God into the world through evangelization, worship, religious education, and service in our families, in our parish, and in our community.

*We welcome all visitors to St. Andrew's Catholic Church this weekend. We hope you enjoy your stay in the Ozarks, and may God protect you on your trip home.*

#### WED, FEB. 19

12:00pm Mass  
+Souls in Purgatory

#### SUN, FEB. 23

11:00am Mass  
+Henry Aehlert

#### GOSPEL REFLECTION

I craved four things as a teenager: success in sports, food, fun and the attention of popular people. However, I noticed that as I acquired them, I was more unsatisfied than before. So, I'd strive even more energetically, achieve more, and the sense of emptiness was greater still. These four things started to feel like burdens or even curses. Soon after, I encountered Christ in my high school youth group. Experiencing his love was totally different than anything those four things previously produced. It produced a lasting happiness.

Jesus utters a kind of four-fold curse in this week's Gospel of Saint Luke's "woes": "**Woe to you who are rich...who are filled now...who laugh now...who are well-spoken of**" (cf. Luke 6:24-26). How marvelous that these correspond perfectly to the four things that obsessed my teenage soul: riches, food, laughter and good reputation. The "woes" the Lord speaks are warnings: when those things are the *purpose* of your life, you'll be miserable. He is saying, "You'll be happy, or blessed, in the measure that these things do not determine the shape of our lives, and the kingdom of God does."

To some degree, we're all spiritual teenagers, addicted to one or more of those four "woes." How splendid that the Lord wants his to bless us — that is, to satisfy us, make us laugh with joy, and in the kingdom of God, offer us what will truly satisfy us. But first let's admit what is causing our "woes."

— Father John Muir ©LPi



## PRAYER LIST

Heidi Bernardo, Angela Block, Nancy Blaze, Ray Buyle, Karen Dobbins, Maureen Fancher, Krystyna Gala, Pat Goulet, John Goulet, Donald Hammond, Keith Harris, Dennis Hassman, Tootie Hassman, John Hartz, Vicky Hartz, Carson Hofstetter, Lisa Jansen, Frances Jarosz, Tricia Kesinger, John LaRochelle, Elsie Lowry, Fr. Nazarus Maduba, Maddalyne Norris, Joe Palmere, Christine & Val Perovich, Joe Regalado, Pat Smith, Tamara Steagall, Wade Strong, Phyllis Stubenfall, Jeff Sutterfield, Ron Thomas, Steven Triner, Susan Turner, Diane Vandersteen, Thomas Waldrup Sr., Pam Whyte

*To add or delete names from the prayer list, please send an email to [saintandrewsvellville@gmail.com](mailto:saintandrewsvellville@gmail.com).*

## CONTACTS, COMMITTEES, MINISTRIES, & SERVICES

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<b>Food Bank</b>	Marv Topf	453-6443
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<b>Knights of Columbus</b>	Vaughn Johnson	337-842-0387
<b>Legion of Mary</b>	Floyd Crawford	321-8826
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## PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome to St. Andrew's! For questions, call the office at 870-449-4850. You can now register online at:

[www.osvhub/harrisoncatholicsta/directory/register](http://www.osvhub/harrisoncatholicsta/directory/register).

## FLOCKNOTE SIGN-UP

Stay updated on parish events! Visit

[flocknote.com/marymotherofgodchurch](http://flocknote.com/marymotherofgodchurch) or text "flocking" to 84576. Contact Melissa Garrison at 870-449-4850 for help.

## ONLINE GIVING

You can now make your tax-deductible contributions online!

Visit: [www.osvhub.com/harrisoncatholicsta/giving/funds](http://www.osvhub.com/harrisoncatholicsta/giving/funds).

## FREE RESOURCE FOR FAMILIES

Formed.org, a Catholic streaming service, offers movies, audiobooks, and daily reflections. Visit

[harrisoncatholic.formed.org](http://harrisoncatholic.formed.org), search for "Mary Mother God," select "Harrison" location, and create an account. Enjoy!

## FREE VIDEO SERIES

Strengthen your faith and family with the Knights of Columbus' "Mission of the Family" video series—five short, free videos (under 14 minutes each) at [kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html](http://kofc.org/en/campaigns/into-the-breach.html). Find the original "Into The Breach" series under "CATEGORIES" on the same page for more inspiration.

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Jim Neff	<b>Feb. 4</b>
Denise Belaire	<b>Feb. 6</b>
Chris Carter	<b>Feb. 6</b>
Joshua Weeden	<b>Feb. 6</b>
Joe Palmere	<b>Feb. 9</b>
Diane Miller	<b>Feb. 10</b>
Cindy Nixon	<b>Feb. 15</b>
Diane Mikrut	<b>Feb. 23</b>
Clyde Prastaro	<b>Feb. 23</b>
Eleanor Selvocki	<b>Feb. 21</b>
Svetlana Skorich	<b>Feb. 27</b>
Barrett Jackson	<b>Feb. 28</b>

## JANUARY INCOME & EXPENSES

Envelopes	\$9,595.00
Loose	\$813.06
Building Fund	\$1,527.00
Other	\$115.00

<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>+\$12,050.06</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>	<b>-\$9,132.90</b>

<b>DIFFERENCE</b>	<b>+\$2,917.16</b>
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<b>Capital Expense</b>	<b>-\$3,647.73</b>
<b>CASA Grant</b>	<b>+\$2,000.00</b>

## CATHOLIC ARKANSAS SHARING APPEAL

Did you know that your CASA offerings are a source of funding for the education of our Seminarians? Your faithful support helps provide the best in intellectual, personal and spiritual training and education that all our Seminarians deserve. They have given everything for us and the Church, do we owe them any less than the best that we can give? Become a Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal supporter!

## ENTHRONEMENT OF THE SACRED HEART

Enthroning the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a powerful act of adoration, declaring Him “King of Our Family” and welcoming His reign into your home. This devotion sanctifies your household and promotes acts of charity, peace, and justice that spread His Social Reign. Contact **Floyd Crawford** with St. Andrew’s Legion of Mary for more information.

## STAY CONNECTED WITH ARKANSAS CATHOLIC

Get *Arkansas Catholic*, your award-winning diocesan newspaper, for just \$32/year (\$30 for seniors) and enjoy local Catholic news, spiritual enrichment, and commentary. New subscribers in February receive a FREE copy of Lenten Gospel Reflections 2025 by **Bishop Robert Barron**. Subscribe by picking up an envelope in the vestibule, visiting [arkansas-catholic.org](http://arkansas-catholic.org), or calling (501) 664-0125. Prefer digital? Get the FREE Arkansas Catholic Digital Edition instantly at [digital.arkansas-catholic.org](http://digital.arkansas-catholic.org).

## LENTEN RETREAT & BIBLE STUDY

Join Mary Mother of God Parish for a Lenten Retreat & Bible Study on the Luminous Mysteries with author, speaker, and catechist **Amy Schisler** on Saturday, **Feb. 22**, from 9:30am–4pm Cost is \$40 (includes study guide, light breakfast, and lunch). Sign-up sheet available in the hall.

## PASTA PALOOZA

Mark your calendars for our annual Pasta Palooza! It’s happening this Friday, **Feb. 28**, 2025, from 4 to 6 pm. The cost is just \$10 per person, and kids under 10 will be free. We’ll have a delicious spread of pasta and salad dishes, plus dessert and a refreshing beverage. Can’t wait to see you there!

## DOLR’S SCHOOL OF SPIRITUAL DIRECTION

The Diocese of Little Rock is accepting applications for its three-year School of Spiritual Direction program starting Sept. 2025. Open to Catholics in good standing with at least one year of spiritual direction, space is limited. Request an application by **Mar. 1**, with submissions due by April 1. Contact **Ines Mahfouz** at [imahfouz@dolr.org](mailto:imahfouz@dolr.org).

## GUEST SPEAKER: JIMMY AKIN

Mary Mother of God Parish presents **Jimmy Akin** on Sunday, **Mar. 2**, 2025, from 2–5pm in their Parish Hall. Explore the history of the Eucharist and enjoy a dinner provided by the Knights of Columbus after the event.

## ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICES

St. Andrew's will hold the following services on Ash Wednesday, **Mar. 5**:

- Mass at noon
- Prayer Service at 5:30pm.

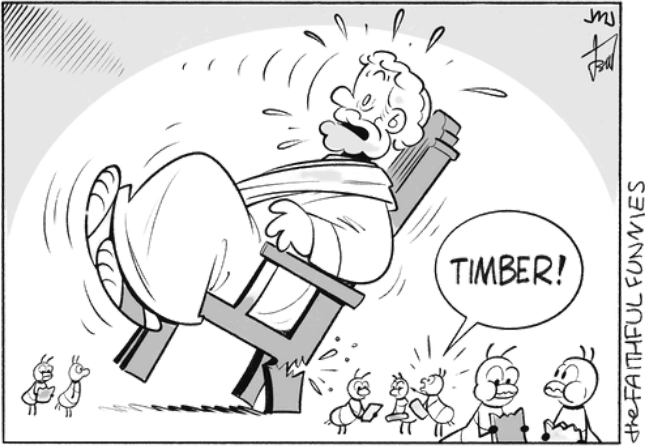
Mary Mother of God will also have an Ash Wednesday Mass at 5:30pm.

## SUPPORT GROUP FOR MEN

*The Augustine Way*, a confidential faith-based support group for men overcoming pornography addiction, launches on Saturday, **Mar. 8**. Regular meetings are held on the 2nd Saturday of each month in the Parish Hall Basement at Mary Mother of God Church, Harrison, AR. Contact **Fr. Ben Riley** or email [pastor.mmg.church@gmail.com](mailto:pastor.mmg.church@gmail.com) for more information.



“What is a termite’s favorite feast day?”



“The **Chair** of St. Peter!”

**FUN FACT!**

The feast of the Chair of St. Peter honors Peter as the head of the apostles, and by extension, the pope as the head of the Roman Catholic Church.

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### LIVE THE LITURGY

Too many of us make the mistake of expecting prosperity here on Earth as a reward for following Christ. But Jesus is very clear: sorrow and hardship are a part of life. But when we offer these sufferings to Christ, they become transformed. They become blessed. And so do we.

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### CATHOLIC TRIVIA

**Question:** What is the term for sharing of the faith through witness of life and word?  
**Answer:** Evangelization.

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### OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 16, 2025

- Sunday: 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday: The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order; Presidents' Day
- Tuesday:
- Wednesday:
- Thursday:
- Friday: St. Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
- Saturday: The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle
- Next Sunday: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Kids' corner!

## PUZZLE

Can you draw this angel from heaven identical to the first drawing?



## MISSION

Are any of your neighbors lonely? Go out of your way to show Jesus' love to those people.

