



ST ANDREW'S

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18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 2, 2026

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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.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

In his song, "Lose Yourself," the artist Eminem raps, "the mood all changed."

We all know that moment when the mood changes, when life turns from lighthearted to deadly serious. That happens in

today's Gospel. Jesus has just heard that John the Baptist, his cousin, forerunner, and friend, has been murdered. As Matthew tells us, **"When Jesus heard of it, he withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself."** Until now, he had been teaching in parables and healing quietly. But John's death signals a new phase. The shadow of the Cross begins to fall. Evil shows its teeth.

And how does Jesus respond? Not with rage or despair. He goes to a lonely place to go into deep communion with his Father. From that silence comes action. He feeds the multitude. Out of grief comes generosity. Out of sorrow, life.

This is the rhythm of every disciple's life. When tragedy or violence breaks our hearts, we face a choice. We can react, or we can retreat into prayer — like and with Christ. This is the hidden place where pain becomes compassion and compassion becomes self-gift.

Lord Jesus, when life intensifies, draw me into Your quiet strength. In that hidden place with You and the Father, turn my heartbreak into the bread of love for the world. Amen.

— Father John Muir, ©LPi

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7TH

11:00am Adoration & Confessions

12:00pm Mass

SI - James Skorich

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9TH

11:00am Mass

SI - All St. Andrew's
Parishioners

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.

CONTACTS, COMMITTEES, MINISTRIES, & SERVICES

Annulment Advocate	Dc. George Gussy	404-0546
CCW	Beth Gipson	816-726-9099
Finance Council	Cindy Nixon	405-8809
Food Bank	Marv Topf	453-6443
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Spiritual Direction	Janice Triner	421-2594
Youth Ministry	Karen Carter	404-2065



ONLINE GIVING

You can now make your tax-deductible contributions online! Visit:

www.osvhub.com/harrisoncatholicsta/giving/funds.

PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome to St. Andrew's! For questions, call 870-449-4850.

Register online at

www.osvhub.com/harrisoncatholicsta/directory/register.

FLOCKNOTE SIGN-UP

Stay updated on parish events! Visit

flocknote.com/marymotherofgodchurch or text "flocking" to 84576. Contact Melissa Garrison at 870-449-4850 for help.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration is now available at St. Andrew's 24/7.

Call 870-449-4850 or 870-741-5234 for the door combination.



PRAYER LIST

Lorna Aberer, Mikayla Anderson, Adien Briggs, Nathan Bruno, John & Elena Canter, James Canter, Maureen Carder, Cindy, Aaron Cigara, Darlene Coffman, Robert Connelly, Mike Dorner, Krystyna Gala, Dennis Hassman, Lisa Jansen, Jessika Jennings, Jeremiah, Denise Jorgensen, Haven Jorgensen, Joshua, Tricia Kesinger, Jennette Knasiak, Amber Knowles, John LaRochelle, Elsie Lowry, Joanne Mustion, Catherine Myers, Jim Neff, Christine Perovich, Mary Ann Regalado, Robert, Tamara Steagall, Marie Steagall, Wade Strong, Nancy Sutterfield, Mary Thoen, Janice Triner, Stephen Triner, Susan Turner, Cooper Webb.

Those in our nursing home and prison ministries.

To add or delete names, email to saintandrewsyellville@gmail.com.

LIVE-STREAM MASS

The Mary Mother of God Parish has updated its video system and now streams Mass on YouTube, as not everyone has a Facebook account.

Here's the link to access Live Mass on YouTube. <https://www.youtube.com/@HarrisonCatholic/streams>

FORMED: FREE RESOURCE FOR FAMILIES

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

harrisoncatholic.formed.org, search for "Mary Mother of God", select "Harrison" location, and create an account. Enjoy!



The Catholic Diocese of Little Rock is committed to protecting children and young people. If you are aware of abuse or have been abused by Clerics, Church volunteers, or Church workers, please contact the State of Arkansas Hotline for Crimes against Children at 1-800-482-5964 and the Chancellor | General Counsel, Dcn. Matthew A.

Glover, (501) 664-0340 ext. 361. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Little Rock: Laura Gottspomer at (501) 499-9110. Diocese of Little Rock, 2500 N. Tyler Street, Little Rock, AR 72207.

THANK YOU (CHRISTMAS IN JULY)

Thank you to everyone who gave so generously to our Christmas in July program. Because of your kindness and cheerful giving, \$980.00 was raised to help provide a Christmas party and gifts for the residents of The Springs of Creekside. Your generosity will help bring joy, fellowship, and holiday cheer to the residents. We are grateful for every gift, every prayer, and every person who helped make this outreach possible. Thank you for helping make Christmas a little brighter.

CCW MEETING

Attention ladies! The next CCW meeting and luncheon is Saturday, **Aug. 8**. We will meet in the Adoration Chapel at 11:30am for the Rosary, followed by lunch (provided by the volunteers from our last meeting) and our meeting. The Yellville Area Food Closet item for August is canned fruit. See you there!

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

Aug. 12: *What Do You Seek?*

Aug. 19: *How Can We Know That God Exists?*

Aug. 26: *God Reveals Himself to Us.*

All sessions are open to everyone. Catholics and non-Catholics alike. Come grow in your faith, deepen your understanding of the Catholic faith and learn to live the Gospel more fully. A meal will be provided starting at 6:00pm, with classes beginning at 6:30pm. All are invited to attend!

PROJECT RACHEL RETREAT

Project Rachel will offer a Day of Prayer and Healing on Saturday, **Aug. 29**, from 9am–5pm in the Northwest Arkansas area. This one-day retreat is for anyone seeking healing after a past abortion. Hope and support are offered by a trained team, including others who have experienced this journey to healing. To register, call or text the confidential helpline at 501-663-0993 or email projectrachel@dolr.org. All inquiries are strictly confidential, and the retreat location will be shared only with registered participants. This non-judgmental ministry of the Diocese of Little Rock's Respect Life Office wants you to know that you are loved and prayed for.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD GOAL

This year's goal for Operation Christmas Child at St. Andrew's is 15 shoeboxes. Watch for bulletin announcements and a link to our Build A Shoebox Online (BASBO). Our goal for BASBO is also 15 shoeboxes. Shoeboxes are due back by November 16. Remember to make your shoebox fun, full, and personalized!

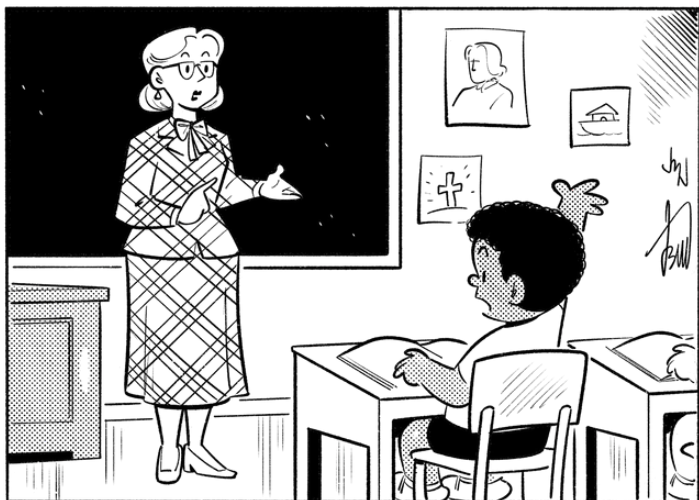
TRAVELING STATUE & SACRED HEART ENTHRONEMENT

The Legion of Mary invites parishioners to sign up for the Traveling Statue of Our Lady and for an Enthronement of the Sacred Heart in your home. Choose a date and contact Floyd Crawford at 870-321-8826 to sign up.

KNIGHTS WELCOME BREAKFAST

Please join the Knights of Columbus as St. Peter the Fisherman welcomes its new pastor, Fr. Alex. St. Andrew's parishioners are invited to this celebratory welcome breakfast. Come hungry, bring your smiles, and help make Fr. Alex feel at home. The only "cost" is that each attendee offers at least one prayer that our Knights are doing God's holy will. A sign-up sheet is located in the Parish Hall.





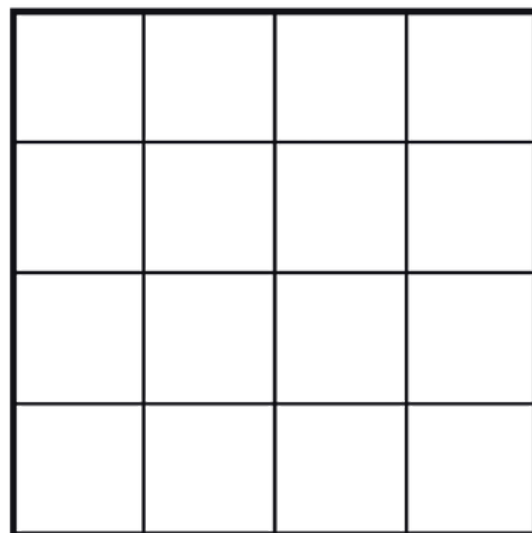
"Why is St. Dominic's feast day in August?"
 "Because those are the **Dog Days** of summer?"



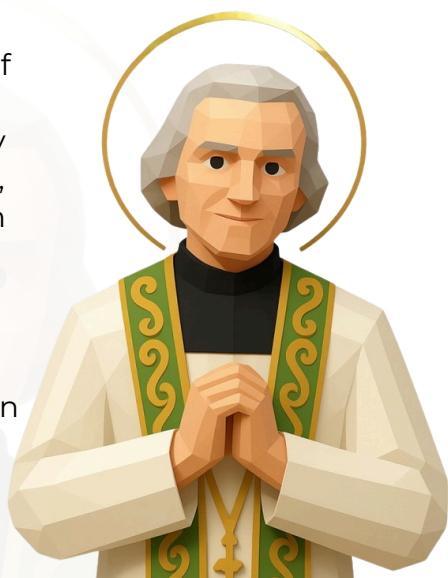
FUN FACT!
 In iconography, St. Dominic is often pictured with a dog because, while expecting, his mother dreamed of a dog carrying a torch in its mouth, running about the world, setting it on fire! St. Dominic went on to found the Order of Preachers, the Dominicans.

PUZZLE

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St. John Vianney, the humble Curé of Ars, spent up to sixteen hours a day in the confessional, turning a forgotten village into a "hospital for souls." He is now the patron saint of parish and diocesan priests, a model of burning love for God and tireless care for his flock.



**ST. JOHN VIANNEY, GUARD AND
 INSPIRE OUR PRIESTS**

MISSION

Donate groceries to a food pantry.

OBSERVANCES OF THE WEEK

- Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Tuesday: St. John Vianney, Priest (left)
- Wednesday: The Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major
- Thursday: The Transfiguration of the Lord
- Friday: St. Sixtus II, Pope, and Companions, Martyrs; St. Cajetan, Priest
- Saturday: St. Dominic, Priest
- Next Sunday: 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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