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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

Does God ignore or act a bit rough with you?

Jesus crosses the border into the pagan region of Tyre and Sidon, the territory long outside the covenant. There, a

Canaanite woman calls out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David." At first, he is silent. Then he rebuffs her. "It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs." But the Church Fathers saw this not as an insult but as an initiation. Christ draws out of her heart a deeper faith.

She presses on. "Please, Lord, even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters." Jesus' silence and response solidify her humility and trust. She thus becomes a model for prayer for centuries of Christians. St. Augustine said she shows how sinners come to grace by moving from silence to humility to perseverance.

This woman is the Church. She is you and me. She is every soul who dares to cry out from the margins, who endures divine silence until it turns to compassion. When Jesus says, "**O woman, great is your faith,**" it is the joyful cry of God discovering faith where the world least expects it. Even the smallest crumb of Your mercy, Lord, is enough to heal the soul. Do we have the courage to show faith like that?

— Father John Muir, ©LPi

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19TH

~~11:00am~~ NO Adoration or
Confessions

~~12:00pm~~ NO Mass

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23RD

11:00am Mass
SI-Mary Kucala

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.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

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!

STANLEY ROTHER DOCUMENTARY

A feature-length documentary on Blessed Stanley Rother, endorsed by Bishop Anthony B. Taylor will be showing across Arkansas **Aug. 25-27** in English and Spanish. The movie, "American Martyr: The Stanley Rother Story," narrated by actor Martin Sheen, tells the story of the Oklahoma priest who gave his life for the flock he served in Guatemala.

You can watch it at 7pm Aug. 25-26 in English in Little Rock, North Little Rock, Conway, Cabot, Rogers, Fort Smith, Fayetteville and Searcy. Watch it Aug. 27 in Spanish in Little Rock, North Little Rock, Fayetteville and Rogers. The film is presented by the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City. Buy your tickets now at <https://bit.ly/rotherdoc>. For more information, visit www.rotherdoc.com.

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.

MAGNIFICAT MEAL

Please join us for our Magnificat Meal on Saturday, **Sept. 12** from 10-1, with Guest Speaker Patti Drake: "The Joy of the Lord is my Strength." St Joseph Spiritan Center, Conway, AR. Tickets: \$20. Register online: tinyurl.com/3z23dvww. Deadline to register: **Sept. 4**. For questions, email: magnificatcentralarkansas@gmail.com

THE CALL INFO MEETING

The CALL in Marion County will host a "Get the Scoop" info meeting on foster care and adoption **Aug. 21** at 4pm in the Fellowship Hall at Main Street Church of Christ, 116 E. Main St., Yellville. Bring the kids and enjoy some ice cream!

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.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Operation Christmas Child fun facts. What is a WOW item? That is a toy or stuffed animal that when the child opens the shoebox it makes them say "WOW". It could be a stuffed animal for a young child, a soccer ball for someone older, a pretty dress with accessories for a young girl, a doll with an extra outfit or two. Use your imagination and let God direct your choices.

COATS FOR KIDS

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank you for your generous donations to the Coats for Kids campaign. St. Andrew's collected \$600.00 toward purchasing coats for the local youth. Your donations will make an impact!

FAITH. NEWS. INSPIRATION.

Get uplifting stories, useful tips and important news from Arkansas Catholic, Pope Leo and the Diocese of Little Rock. Subscribe to the twice-monthly aSpire for free at arkansas-catholic.org/aspire-email-newsletter.

RESPECT LIFE YOUTH ART CONTEST

Students in PreK–8th grade are invited to take part in the Diocese of Little Rock's annual Respect Life Youth Art Contest. This year's theme is "Mary, Mother of Life – Pray for us!" Entries may be submitted **Sept. 1–21, 2026**. All artwork will be displayed during Respect Life Month at Morris Hall, with awards presented on Respect Life Sunday, **Oct. 4** at 2:30 p.m. at St. Edward Church Hall. More information can be found in the St. Andrew's Parish Hall.

OBSERVANCES OF THE WEEK

- Sunday: 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Wednesday: St. John Eudes, Priest
- Thursday: St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
- Friday: St. Pius X, Pope
- Saturday: The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Next Sunday: 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

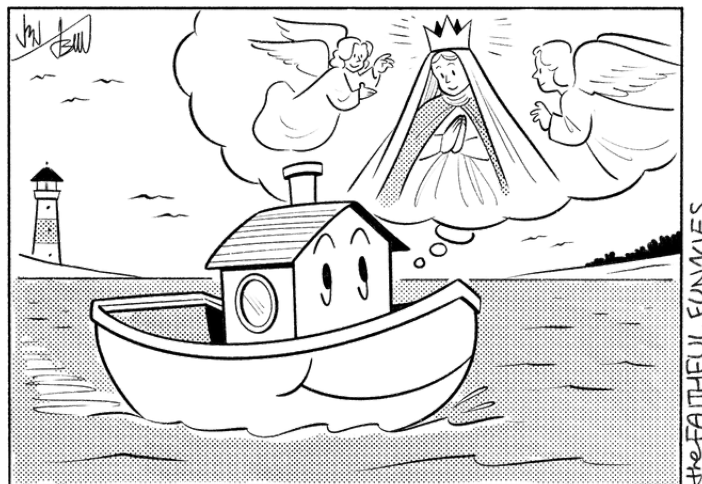
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The Queenship of Mary honors her royal dignity as Mother of God and her loving rule over us that flows from the Assumption. Pope Pius XII established this feast in 1954, and it is now celebrated on August 22, within the octave of the Assumption.



**MARY OUR QUEEN,
LEAD US TO YOUR SON.**

"What's a boat's favorite Marian feast?"



"The Queenship of Mary!"



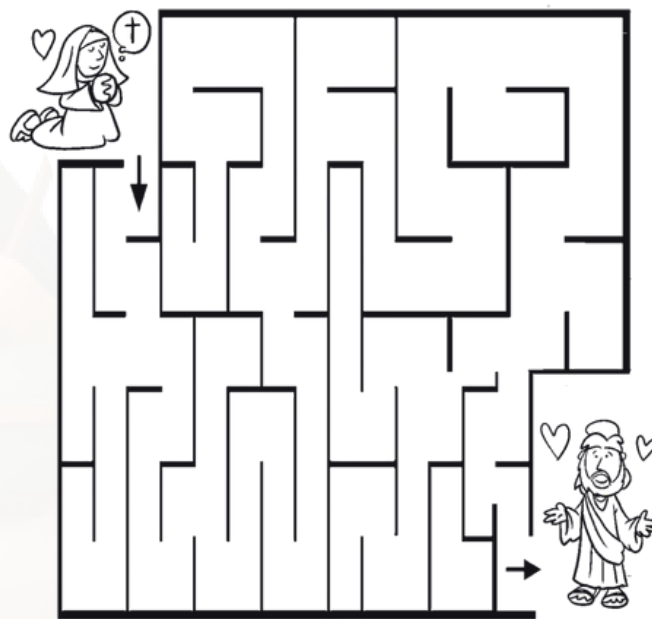
FUN FACT!

In very old traditions, such as the Old Testament, kings often had multiple wives, which meant many children. In those situations, a mother would often secure the crown for her son, so the title of "queen" went to the king's mother.

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PUZZLE

Help this woman find Jesus.



MISSION

If you know someone who is sick, be brave and pray about it. Jesus can do anything.

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
Head Sacristan	Stephen Triner	321-2773
Knights of Columbus	Vaughn Johnson	337-842-0387
Legion of Mary	Floyd Crawford	321-8826
Library/Archivist	Joanne Mustion	321-0479
Music Ministry	Scott Vasconcellos	209-417-4239
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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, Jones Family, 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, Ray Wood.

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.