



ST ANDREW'S

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26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME SEPTEMBER 27, 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.

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.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

This Sunday, Jesus tells a short, uncomfortable story.

A father asks two sons to go work in the vineyard.

One says no, but later goes.

The other says yes, but never shows up. It is a

parable so simple, we almost miss how sharp it is. Jesus is clear about who it is for. This is not aimed at pagans or outsiders. It is aimed squarely at religious people, people who know the right words and sound obedient.

Jesus is not condemning unbelief so much as disobedience. The polite hypocrisy that says the right things while quietly resisting the Father's will. St. John Chrysostom put it bluntly, "Not words, but deeds, are what God requires. Nothing so exasperates Him as insincere obedience, while nothing so delights Him as repentance."

Every disciple must face that mirror. Do I publicly profess faith in Christ while privately resisting what He asks of me? It is easy to say, I believe in God in my heart. But if faith never becomes action, it slowly becomes an illusion.

Jesus does not expose hypocrisy to shame us. He reveals it to heal us. He wants our hearts and our deeds to speak the same word, to let our yes truly mean yes. Like the second son who initially refused but afterwards changed his mind and went, Jesus invites us to step into the Father's will, however late, however imperfectly.

Challenge: Where are your public faith and private obedience divided? Where do you say, I will go, but never enter the vineyard? Go, get to work, even if it is late. The Father's vineyard is still open.

— Father John Muir, ©LPi

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 2ND

11:00am Adoration & Confessions
12:00pm Mass

SI – St. Andrew Parishioners

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4TH

11:00am Mass
†Deceased members of the
LaVigne Family

COATS FOR KIDS

The Knights of Columbus will provide coats for children in the area and at St. Andrew's. If your child or a child you know needs a coat, please sign up in the Parish Hall. We need a contact name, phone number, email, gender for the coat, and size. The last day to sign up will be Sunday, **Sept. 27**.

ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES

Weds. Sept. 30 - Lesson 8: The Paschal Mystery: Jesus Delivers Us From Evil

Weds. Oct. 7 - Lesson 9: The Holy Spirit: God Dwells in Us

Weds. Oct. 14 - Lesson 10: Christian Prayer: God Invites Us Into Relationship

Weds. Oct. 21 - Lesson 11: The Old Law and the New: Learning Freedom

Weds. Oct. 28 - Lesson 12: The Church: God's Family

All sessions are held at Mary Mother of God in Harrison and 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!

THIS FALL, GROW IN FAITH. STAY CONNECTED

Stay connected to your Catholic community with Arkansas Catholic, the state's weekly Catholic newspaper. New subscribers can receive the print edition for six months for the special introductory rate of just \$15. Each issue brings you news of the Church in Arkansas, stories of faith and service and coverage of the people, parishes and ministries that make our Catholic community special. This offer expires **Sept. 30** and applies only to new or lapsed subscribers. Prefer reading online? A digital edition is also available for free at digital.arkansas-catholic.org. Subscribe today at arkansas-catholic.org/subscription-fall-sale/ or call (501) 664-0125.

THEOLOGY ON TAP

Fr. Ben will be presenting a "Theology on Tap" at TallGrass Bar & Grill on Saturday, **Oct. 3**, following the 5pm Mass. The parish will provide appetizers. Parishioners will be responsible for purchasing their meals and drinks. A sign up sheet is located in the Parish Hall.

TallGrass Bar & Grill, 418 S. Main Street, Harrison, AR 72601. For questions please call 870-741-5234.

PRE CLASS START DATE

PRE (Primary Religious Class) will begin on Sunday, **Oct. 4** at 9:30 and end promptly at 10:30. Please make arrangements to be available to meet your child after class.

SWEET SUNDAY

Please join us on Sunday, **Oct. 4** after the 11am Mass for coffee and doughnuts in the Parish Hall. Everyone is invited for food, fellowship and fun!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

It's a busy time for Operation Christmas Child. Our area team is planning a Community Packing Party for **Oct. 17**. This will take place from 10-12 noon at the LC Sammons Youth Center in Mountain Home. We will be packing 550 shoeboxes with help from the community. You all are invited to attend. It will be a fun time!

LEGION OF MARY MINISTRY MEETING

Are you interested in learning more about the Legion of Mary or the Legion of Mary Auxiliary? Please plan on joining the team on Sunday, **Oct. 18** after the 11am Mass for lunch and to learn more about the Legion of Mary ministry.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING & INTERNET SAFETY PRESENTATION, SAFE HAVEN SUNDAY

The Diocese of Little Rock Task Force Against Human Trafficking and Pornography will be offering a presentation at our parish on protecting children, teens, and adults from human trafficking, pornography, and online exploitation. The session will also introduce Safe Haven Sunday, a diocesan initiative to help families create safer digital environments.

All are welcome to attend. Teens and children under 18 Years of age must be accompanied by a parent or Legal guardian.

Date & Time: Sunday, **Oct. 25** after 11am Mass; For questions contact: Melissa Garrison

CAREGIVER RETREAT

The Faith and Health Ministry at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church in Little Rock invites all caregivers to its annual retreat on Saturday, **Nov. 7**, from 8 a.m.- 3 p.m. The cost to attend is \$20 and there are limited scholarships available. To register, visit bit.ly/caregiver-retreat or contact Debbie Meiklejohn at 501-666-5073.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

Join Father Ben and author Amy Schisler as they walk in the footsteps of Christ, **April 6-15, 2027**. Come and see! We warmly invite you to join us on an unforgettable pilgrimage to the Holy Land, where we will walk in the footsteps of Christ and experience the Gospel in a deeply personal way. We will pray and celebrate Mass in Nazareth--the hometown of Mary and Joseph--visit Cana where couples may renew their wedding vows, and stand on the Mount of Beatitudes where Jesus proclaimed the Sermon on the Mount. We will visit Capernaum, Tabgha, Caesarea Philippi, and the site of the Transfiguration. In Judea, we will stand on the Mount of Olives, pray in the Garden of Gethsemane, see Christ's tomb at the Holy Sepulchre, and visit Bethlehem to celebrate Mass at the birthplace of Our Lord. See flyer located in Parish Hall to scan QR code for more details.

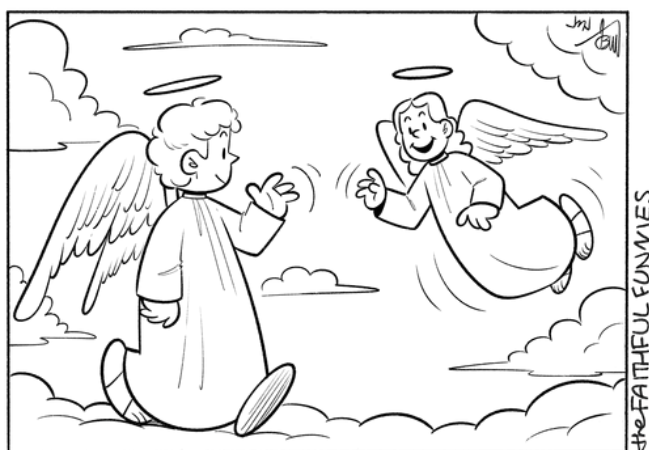
ST. ANDREW'S MINISTRY SIGN UP FOR 2027

Beginning next Sunday in the Parish Hall you will have the opportunity to sign up for various Parish Ministry. We ask that you prayerfully consider giving part of your time and talent as a member of a St. Andrew ministry. Sign up sheets will be available in the Parish Hall.

OBSERVANCES OF THE WEEK

- Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Priesthood Sunday
- Monday: St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs
- Tuesday: Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels
- Wednesday: St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church
- Thursday: St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church
- Friday: The Holy Guardian Angels
- Next Sunday: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday

"How do angels greet each other?"



"Halo!"

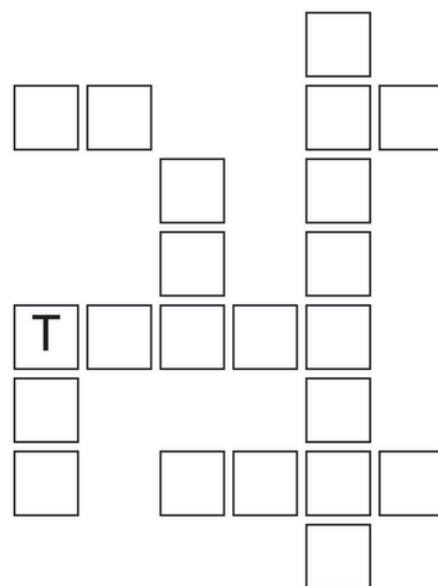


Angels are spiritual beings created by God. St. Augustine calls them "the mighty ones who do His word, hearkening to the voice of His word."

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PUZZLE

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares:
Go and work today in the vineyard.



MISSION

Show kindness to a friend. Help someone pick up a mess they made, just because you love Jesus.

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
Parish Manager	Melissa Garrison	870-741-5234
Pastor	Fr. Ben Riley	870-741-5234
Pastoral Council	Sue Bruns	sbruns59@gmail.com
Property Manager	Kelly Gipson	816-726-9001
Rosary Crusade	Daksha Thomas	449-4784
Religious Education	Janice Triner	421-2594
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, Amber Knowles, John LaRochelle, Elsie Lowry, Ginny McEwen, Miko, Joanne Mustion, Catherine Myers, Jim Neff, Nekrilova Obsana Petrovna, Joe Palmere, Christine Perovich, Mary Ann Regalado, Robert, Carol Stark, Tamara Steagall, Marie Steagall, Wade Strong, Nancy Sutterfield, Janice Triner, Stephen Triner, Susan Turner, Tammy Uccello, Fran VonRhein, Earlene Waldrup, 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.