

# SAINT ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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# Sunday, March 14, 2021

This Week Wednesday, March 17 - Noon Mass

Mass Intention - +Jim Migliore

Sunday, March 21 - Mass at 11 a.m.

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Mass Intention - Parishioners Special Intentions

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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.

# Awake, O Sleeper!

This morning came a little earlier than I would have liked — Daylight Savings Time always does. Sometimes that morning sunlight seems more intrusive than illuminating. You're still half-lost in sleep, and that sun is demanding of you a lot more than you're ready to give.

I've said it, and I'm sure you've said it, too. "Just five more minutes." You hit the "snooze" button on your iPhone once (maybe twice? Show of hands?) and turn away from the window.

So many kings of the Old Testament were steadfast in their sleepy ways, rejecting the light their God tried to share with them. Likewise, John tells us that, though Light — Christ — was sent into the world, the world preferred darkness.

Sometimes it seems, when reading through Scripture, that all throughout salvation history, God has been trying to pull back the curtains, to rouse us from our defiant slumber. And we resist Him. Time and time again, we resist Him.

Light brings a certain responsibility with it. It seems to compel productivity. Furthermore, there's no hiding in the light. Any photographer worth his salt knows how to manipulate it, highlighting the good and casting some merciful shade on the bad.

As we enter into the fourth week of Lent, we're getting so close to the main event. Can we handle the light that will come on Easter morning, bursting into the tomb as the stone is rolled away? Can we keep ourselves from hitting the "snooze" button on our souls, and sit up to face the dawn of a new day?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

# Please remember in your prayers...

Aunt Gina, Bill Birch, Rhonda Bolen, the Carder Family, Floyd Crawford, Pat & Phil Dagenais, Frank Fasco, Pam & Jack Fortner, Bob Friedl, Natasha Grinder, Edie Hampton, John Hartz, Vicki Hartz, Cindy & Dan Howard, Lesley & Vaughn Johnson, Patsy Johnson, the Kensinger Family, Fred and Jeannie Kernan, Larry Knasiak, John LaRochelle, Linda Lowe, Lisa, Serenity Monroe, Carol Mueller, Mustion, Debi Myers, Catherine Myer, Tim Neal, Nancy & Keith, Jim & Chris O'Sullivan, Terrence O'Sullivan, Bob Parent, Ardis Rastetter, Astrid Rastetter, Deacon Mark & Elizabeth Scouten, Kerry Skurka, Carmie Kohl Smith, Mary Smith, Marie Steagall, Tamara Steagall, Joe & Diane Stefans, Wade Strong, Jill Swanson, Terry, Jeanette Vandenhandel, Justin Weeden, Alison Weyers, Don & Donna Wilkes, Bob Zurn.

Please pray for victims of the COVID-19 and all who treat and care for them. Please also pray for extra blessings for all who work to keep our water, power, mail, protective services, and other services going.

To add or delete names, please email standrewprayer@gmail.com or contact Denise Jorgensen at 870-445-4810

#### CONFIRMATION WITH BISHOP TAYLOR

On Sunday, March 21, 2021 at 2 PM, Bishop Taylor will be coming to Mary Mother of God Church in Harrison to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Any parishioner who has not been confirmed will need to contact Robin in the Harrison church office as soon as possible to begin the process. The church office phone is 870-741-5234 or you can reach Robin at <a href="mailto:mmgchurch@yahoo.com">mmgchurch@yahoo.com</a>

# IT'S EASY TO BE ACTIVE IN OUR PARISH

Musicians, Sacristans, Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Communion, Gift Bearers, Altar Servers, Ushers, Greeters, Nursing Home Visitors. If you can serve in any of these ministries, even if you want to wait until Covid is done, please see or call Steve Triner at 870-321-2773. Join us as we serve the Lord.

Serve the Lord with joy; come before him with singing - Psalm 100:2

## **FEBRUARY 2021 COLLECTIONS**

General Collection:	\$4,477
Maintenance Fund:	\$591
Black & Indian Missions:	\$50
Central & Eastern Europe:	\$391
Ash Wednesday:	\$265
CASA to Date:	\$834 or 13%

# CONTACTS, COMMITTEES, ORGANIZATIONS & SERVICES

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Home Phone:
Cell Phone:
E-Mail:
Previous Parish:
Parish Town:
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# **WEEKLY PRAYER**

## **READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 14, 2021**

**SUN 3/14** 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn

3:14-21 or 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/

Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

MON **3/15** Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54

**TUE 3/16** Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [8]/Jn 5:1-16

WED 3/17 Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 [8a]/jn 5:17-30

THR 3/18 Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47

FRI 3/19 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [37]/Rom 4:13, 16-

18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a

**SAT 3/20** Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53

**SUN 3/21** Jer 31:31-34/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15 [12a]/Heb 5:7-9/Jn 12:20-33

or Ez 37:12-14/Rom 8:8-11/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [7]/Jn 11:1-

45 or 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45

### **OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 14, 2021**

**Sunday:** 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent; Daylight Saving Time begins

Wednesday: St. Patrick, Bishop; St. Patrick's Day

**Thursday:** St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

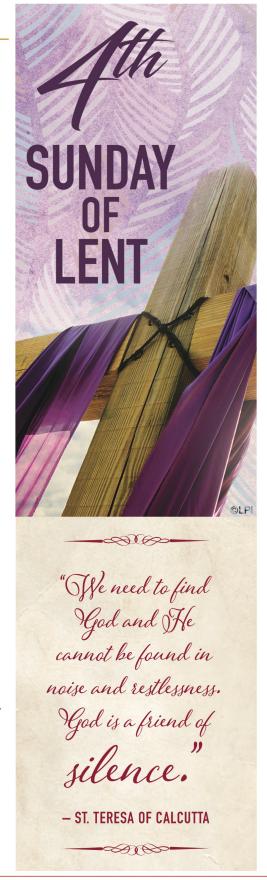
**Friday:** St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

**Sunday:** 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

### LIVE THE LITURGY

#### Inspiration for the week

God's messengers always seem to get mocked. They speak a truth that some folks do not want to hear. While on the one hand we admire them, we also are quite happy keeping them at a distance. After all, they are not referring to me but someone else, aren't they? We often wrongly conclude that because we may be more avant-garde, contemporary, politically sensitive, and untraditional, we are somehow more in the light than others. People tend to prefer darkness more than light, even the most spiritually sensitive among us. The light always carries with it the richness of God's mercy and compassion which see beyond ideologies and concepts to relationships that cultivate life, earthly and eternal. Every hand of compassion and mercy extended to a human being must always point back to God. The call always involves ordering our lives in accord with our truth and essence of being. As God never forgets us, we must never forget God. Now is the time to take stock of our infidelity and return to the light, even though it is difficult to look at.



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.



### DIOCESE OF LITTLE ROCK

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March 3, 2021

To the people of the Diocese of Little Rock,

The following statement of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops addresses concerns that many have regarding the available COVID-19 vaccines:

'The approval of Johnson & Johnson's COVID-19 vaccine for use in the United States again raises questions about the moral permissibility of using vaccines developed, tested, and/or produced with the help of abortion-derived cell lines.

'Pfizer and Moderna's vaccines raised concerns because an abortion-derived cell line was used for testing them, but not in their production. The Johnson & Johnson vaccine, however, was developed, tested and is produced with abortion-derived cell lines raising additional moral concerns.

'The Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith has judged that 'when ethically irreproachable Covid-19 vaccines are not available ... it is morally acceptable to receive Covid-19 vaccines that have used cell lines from aborted fetuses in their research and production process.'

'However, if one can choose among equally safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines, the vaccine with the least connection to abortion-derived cell lines should be chosen. Therefore, if one has the ability to choose a vaccine, Pfizer or Moderna's vaccines should be chosen over Johnson & Johnson's. 'While we should continue to insist that pharmaceutical companies stop using abortion-derived cell lines, given the worldwide suffering that this pandemic is causing, we affirm again that being vaccinated can be an act of charity that serves the common good.'

In practical terms, here in Arkansas we are not currently given a choice regarding which vaccine to receive — each place has only one option to offer. Therefore, unless this changes, Catholics here can — and, in the interest of the common good, should — receive whichever vaccine is offered, including the Johnson & Johnson vaccine.

If for reasons of personal conscience any Catholic refuses a vaccine when it becomes available, that person has a moral obligation to do their utmost to avoid becoming a vehicle of transmission to others, especially the most vulnerable.

Sincerely in Christ, +Anthony B. Taylor Bishop of Little Rock

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# Lenten Day of Recollection -- "Constructing Our Lives for Christ"

will be offered on Tuesday, March 23. Led by Br. Roch McClellan, OSB, the day begins with registration at 8:30 AM and includes two conferences, opportunity for reconciliation, Stations of the Cross, Eucharistic Adoration, Noon prayer with the monks, lunch, and ends with Mass in the Coury House Chapel. \$25 for the day. Call 479-934-1290 or email <a href="mailto:couryhouse@subi.org">couryhouse@subi.org</a> for reservations. Space is limited to 20 people.

