



SAINT ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Third Sunday of Advent Sunday, December 18, 2022

Wednesday, December 21 -

Mass intention:
+Jean Wigner

*This
Week*

Sunday, December 25 -

Mass at 11 AM

Mass intention: +Stanley Kucala



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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.

LIVE THE LITURGY

"God is with us." This is the one constant in the unpredictability of life. The particulars of our lives can change, not only instantly but dramatically. People experiencing a time of peace can easily find themselves at war. Times of prosperity can rapidly become times of want. Our vision for the future can be destroyed, and our securities placed in jeopardy. These final days of Advent allow us to make final preparations. The true safety and security we seek can only come from God. The rest, harmony, and peacefulness we desire are found in God alone. How do we know this to be true? God Himself gave us a sign: Emmanuel, God with us. Do not be afraid, and do not be unbelieving. Hold fast to what God has done in giving us His only begotten Son. We do not have to anxiously attempt to control life's unpredictability. All we need to do is make sure that our hearts are in the proper place and seeking the right things!

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*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, ORGANIZATIONS & SERVICES

Adult Scripture Study:	Janice Triner	421-2594
Buildings, Maintenance:	Kevin Goulet	421-9921
Catholic Youth Ministry (CYM):	Karen Carter	404-2065
Council of Catholic Women:	Marcie Topf	453-6443
Custodian:	Frances Strong	
Deacon:	George Gussy	404-0546
Emergency Relief:	Cindy Nixon	405-8809
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Finance Council:	Cindy Nixon	405-8809
Food Bank:	Marv Topf	453-6443
Eucharist for the Homebound:	Floyd Crawford	321-8826
Library, Archivist:	Joanne Mustion	321-0479
Liturgy, Sacraments, and Devotions:	Steve Triner	321-2773
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Religious Educ.; Formation:	Janice Triner	421-2594
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Secretary	Denise Jorgensen	445-4810
Social Justice, & Charitable Outreach:	Cindy Nixon	405-8809
Spiritual Direction:	Janice Triner	421-2594
Tribunal:	Dc. George Gussy	404-0546

LAST CALL FOR DELICIOUS!

The Knights of Columbus fruitcake sale is here! Floyd Crawford is selling delicious Abbey fruitcakes for \$35 each in the vestibule.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION THIS AFTERNOON

There will be several priests available for the Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Peter the Fisherman Church in Mountain Home this Sunday, December 18th from 2-4 PM.

So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and line of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no guest room available for them. – Luke 2:2-7

SAFETY FIRST

If you are in the church during the week, please make sure all lights you turned on are turned off and **all doors are securely closed and locked** before you leave.

Please remember in your prayers...

Vern Anderson, Baby Berkley, Beth, Mr. & Mrs. David Brewer, Maurice Cantwell, Jennifer Cates, Cody Connor, Mike Crawford, Pat Dagenais, Phil Dagenais, Debbie, Chance Dodson, Dale & Billie Sue Doman, Dan Dorman, Emily, Eura Droher, Louise Eckroat, Elizabeth, Janet Ernst, Patty Eubanks, Anna Maria Evans, Maureen Fancher, Jason Fernandez, Audrene Goulet, Pat Goulet, Lori Godfrey, Ruth Haley, Robin Haller, Meg Hampton, John Hartz, Vicki Hartz, Dennis Hassman, Billy Higgins, Jeff Hoffman, Paul Hunt, Lisa Jansen, Johnny, Tricia Kensinger, Jeanne Kernan, Pat Kohl, John LaRochelle, Gloria Maffei, Gene McEwen, Ashlyn Meece, Susie Mulhern, Catherine Myer, Allie Neel, Scott Neuweg, Michael Nighbert, Terrence O'Sullivan, Josh & Robin Phillips, Astrid Rastetter, Bev Rastetter, Ted Rastetter, Tony Rastetter, Joe Regalado, Joe Lee & Debbie Regalado, Robert Skorich, Skylar, Dr. John Spore, Tamara Steagall, Mary Ann Stewart, Dan & Nicole Storms, Gene Strong, Junior Strong, Wade Strong, Dee Supergan, Jill Swanson, Bob Theissen, Gretchen Topf, Stephen Triner, Diane Vandersteen, Keith Venable, Thomas Waldrup, Sr., Rea Walker, Justin Weeden, Alison Weyers, Mark Wilbanks.

Please pray for all who are suffering with the current batch of viruses. Please add prayers for all who have been subjected to deadly violence in our country. Please pray for those dealing with the aftereffects of blizzards and heavy snows.

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



OCIA WEDNESDAY

December 21 & 28, 2022

NO CLASS this week or next

Sign up for **Formed** at <https://formed.org/> to see hundreds of videos and to learn more about our Faith.

VIGIL CANDLES

If you wish to light a 6-day vigil candle, a donation of at least \$3 is requested. ~~This donation almost covers the cost of the candles.~~

HELP THE YELLVILLE FOOD CLOSET

The food pantry needs donations, and in October they like to receive donations of soup, chili, and stew. The box for donations is right by the front door. Please pop a couple of extra items into your cart for the pantry. Recent articles have informed us that Hamburger Helper and other kits may need perishable foods that recipients don't have or can't afford.

- Peanut butter
- Canned soup
- Canned fruit
- Canned vegetables
- Canned stew
- Canned fish
- Canned beans
- Pasta and rice

Did you know you could support The Yellville Area Food Closet at no cost to you by shopping on Amazon? Instead of typing [amazon.com](https://www.amazon.com), type [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) on your computer. Sign in like you normally would, and select The Yellville Area Food Closet as your organization. Prime users are included, so this doesn't effect your membership. Every little bit helps out!



Being Catholic ...

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS WITH THESE CATHOLIC TRADITIONS

1. Go to Midnight Mass
2. Read or chant the announcement of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ from the Roman Martyrology — <https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/liturgical-year-and-calendar/christmas/christmas-proclamation>
3. Add figures to your manger and bless it — <https://www.usccb.org/prayers/blessing-christmas-manger-or-nativity-scene>
4. Pray before the baby Jesus — <https://predmore.blogspot.com/2011/12/prayer-before-creche.html>
5. Make your own nativity play with children or grandchildren
6. Decorate and bless your Christmas tree — <https://www.usccb.org/prayers/blessing-christmas-tree>
7. Make and light a Christ candle
8. Do more works of mercy
9. Celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family
10. Celebrate Mary and world peace on January 1
11. Bless your home and household on Epiphany — <https://www.usccb.org/prayers/blessing-home-and-household-epiphany>
12. Send the magi on a journey through your house
13. Celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Find the entire article here - <https://teachingcatholickids.com/celebrate-christmas/>

Do you have a question about the Faith that you'd like to see answered here? Please send it to standrewprayer@gmail.com with the subject line: Being Catholic question

DECK THE HALLS... AND THE ALTAR

Please hang around after Mass today to help decorate St. Andrew's for Christmas. Your kids are welcome to join you.



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 for Canonical Affairs, Dr. Matthew A. Glover, (501) 664-0340, ext. 361. For pastoral assistance please contact the Victim Assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Little Rock: Laura Gottsponer (501) 664-0340, ext. 425.



Memorials and Honorariums

Pick up an envelope to make a donation for altar flowers for this Christmas season. All poinsettias and decorations will remain throughout the Christmas Season on the Altar.

Memorial For

From

Adeline & John Majestic	Donna & Frank Zaerr
Glenn & Ardis Rastetter	Janice & Stephen Triner
Stephen & Elinore Triner	Stephen & Janice Triner
Eugene LaRochelle	John LaRochelle
Dorothy LaRochelle	John LaRochelle
Dorothy Tendall	Frank & Cindy Nixon
Morris Buttner	Frank & Cindy Nixon
Bernie Stark & son, B.J.	Carol Stark
Ken Krzyzaniak & daughter, Karen	Carol Stark
Bernie Kohl	Anonymous
The Kruep Family	Mary Garrison & Melissa Garrison
The Garrison Family	Mary Garrison & Melissa Garrison
Raymond Garrison	Mary Garrison & Melissa Garrison

St. Joseph the Steward

St. Joseph is one of the greatest examples of stewardship we have in the Gospels. Here is a man who understands care and reverence for the property of God, a man chosen to be steward over the very life and breath of God's Son and Spouse.

Joseph was mindful. He recognized what belonged to God. When he understood that Mary was to be the mother of God, he was not jealous or bitter. He did not presume to claim ownership over her.

Joseph was prayerful. He accepted the opportunity to be in relationship with God, even if it was in a radical and unexpected way. How many of us would trust a crazy dream we have where an angel tells us our fiancée is carrying the Son of God? Well, those of us who are already profoundly connected to God through prayer. Joseph was open to receiving God, and so he was open to the truth in a way many of us would not have been.

Joseph was gracious. Even before he had full understanding of the situation, he was unwilling to expose Mary to shame. He did not give himself over to feelings of betrayal.

Joseph was committed. He persevered. The Lord had no shortage of strange and even dangerous-sounding tasks for Joseph, but he submitted to each one.

Joseph was accountable. When he awoke from his dream, "he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him, and took his wife into his home."

Joseph was a man entrusted with many gifts, and he gave of them wisely. Let us pray that we have the grace to follow in his example.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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Kids' Corner

SHARING THE GOSPEL

God brought Jesus into the world as a tiny baby. Jesus was God's Son. He was so powerful that he could have gotten anything he wanted. But Jesus did not come to earth to be a rich, selfish ruler. He did not need a palace or fancy clothes. Jesus came to show you that God is with you all the time. He was born to be the king over your life. He gave up his own life to rescue you from your sins, so that you could be close to God forever.

Read today's Gospel and color this picture



PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for sending Jesus to rescue me.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Tonight after dinner, ask your family to light some candles, turn off the lights, and sing some of your favorite Christmas songs about Jesus.

Draw a picture of baby Jesus



WANNA BE AN ALTAR SERVER?

We need to have more servers, so we can rotate through and give our servers a day off now and then. If you are interested, talk to Fr. Ben or Steve Triner.

Readings for the week of December 18, 2022

Sunday, December 18 - Isaiah 7:10-14; Psalm 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7c, 10b]; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-24

Monday: Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a; Psalm 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Luke 1:5-25

Tuesday: Isaiah 7:10-14; Psalm 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6; Luke 1:26-38

Wednesday: Song of Songs 2:8-14 or Zephaniah 3:14-18a; Psalm 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21; Luke 1:39-45

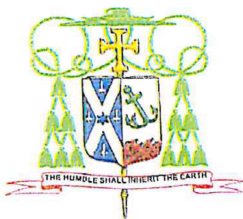
Thursday: 1 Samuel 1:24-28; 1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd; Luke 1:46-56

Friday: Malachai 3:1-4, 23-24; P Psalm s 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14; Luke 1:57-66

Saturday: Morning: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Psalm 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29; Luke 1:67-79

Sunday: Vigil: Isaiah 62:1-5; Psalm 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a); Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Matthew 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Day: Isaiah 52:7-10; Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3]); Heb 1:1-6; John 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14



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Christmas 2022

Dear Friends,

As St. Therese of Lisieux prayed for our priests she said, "Let your holy love surround them and shield them from the world's contagion. Bless their labors with abundant fruit and may the souls to whom they minister be their joy and consolation here and in heaven their beautiful and everlasting crown."

The Diocese of Little Rock has 17 retired priests who receive monthly benefits from the Clergy Welfare Fund. Many of these priests continue a life of service by hearing confessions, pray for parishes and congregations and even substituting in parishes for pastors absent due to vacation or illness. Most of our priests work well into their 70's and beyond, caring for the spiritual life and welfare of their people. They have given us the gift of their hearts and their lives of service and dedication; let us give them the gift of assurance that their retirement days are spent with dignity and care.

The Christmas Collection in the Diocese of Little Rock is the primary source of income for the Clergy Welfare Fund. Your support will help us continue to provide benefits for our retired priests, and build the fund to meet our future obligations.

I appeal to you to join me in supporting this special collection taken at all Christmas masses. Please continue to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood in our Diocese, and for happy and healthy retirement for those who have served us so well throughout the years. Pray also for those priests in active ministry who deserve our support, encouragement, and care.

I pray daily for you and your loved ones! May you receive the peace and joy of Christ this Christmas season and every day of the coming year.

Sincerely In Christ,

+Anthony B. Taylor
Bishop of Little Rock

