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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.

SAINT ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday, January 29, 2023

This Week Wednesday, February 1, 2023 - NO Mass

First Friday, February 3 - Mass at Noon: +Glenn & Ardis Rastetter (St. Blaise - Blessing of Throats)

Sunday, February 5 Mass at 11 AM:

+Mike Kucala (Blessing of Throats)



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.

Readings for the week of January 29, 2023

Sunday, January 29 - Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13; Psalm 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (Matthew 5:3); 1 Corinthians 1:26-31; Matthew 5:1-12a

Monday, January 30 - Hebrews 11:32-40; Psalm 31:20, 21, 22, 23, 24; Mark 5:1-20

Tuesday, January 31 - Hebrews 12:1-4; Psalm 22:26b-27, 28 and 30, 31-32; Mark 5:21-43

Wednesday, February 1 - Hebrews 12:4-7, 11-15; Psalm 103:1-2, 13-14, 17-18a; Mark 6:1-6

Thursday, February 2 - Malachi 3:1-4; Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Hebrews 2:14-18; Luke 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Friday, February 3 - Hebrews 13:1-8; Psalm 27:1, 3, 5, 8b-9abc; Mark 6:14-29 **Saturday, February 4 -** Hebrews 13:15-17, 20-21; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6; Mark 6:30-34

Sunday, February 5 - Isaiah 58:7-10; Psalm 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a); 1 Cor 2:1-5; Matthew 5:13-16

CONTACTS, COMMITTEES, ORGANIZATIONS & SERVICES

Adult Scripture Study:	Janice Triner	421-2594
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SECOND COLLECTION - TODAY

Today, our parish will take up the 138th annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast, [including our diocese, which received \$31,000 from the Black and Indian Mission Collection last year]. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! You can help meet unmet needs with a generous contribution today. Thank you for your support.

HELP THE YELLVILLE FOOD CLOSET

The food pantry needs donations, and in February 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 beans
- Canned vegetables Canned stew Canned fish
- · Pasta and rice

THE JESUS PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Please remember in your prayers...

Vern Anderson, Baby Berkley, Barry, Beth, Mr. & Mrs. David Brewer, Maurice Cantwell, Jennifer Cates, Coty Connor, Floyd Crawford, Pat Dagenais, Phil Dagenais, Canaan Darnell, Debbie, Chance Dodson, Dale & Billie Sue Doman, Dan Dorman, 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, 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, Michael Nighbert, Terrence O'Sullivan, Reida Phelan, 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, Wade Strong, Dee Supergan, Jill Swanson, Stephen Triner, Diane Vandersteen, Keith Venable, Thomas Waldrup, Sr., Rea Walker, Justin Weeden, Alison Weyers, Roy Whyte, Mark Wilbanks.

Please pray for all who are suffering with the current batch of viruses. Please pray for angry people, that will find a way to express their displeasure without harming others..

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

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.



WHO'S ST. BLAISE?

You may be familiar with the annual "blessing of throats" that many parishes in the United States use to commemorate the beloved bishop and martyr. St. Blaise lived in the fourth century in Turkey and Armenia. Due to

religious persecution, he was forced to flee and hide in a cave in the back country in order to save his life.

History has it that one day a group of hunters stumbled upon where St. Blaise was living. They found the bishop kneeling in prayer, surrounded by wolves, lions, and bears that he had tamed. The legend has it that as the hunters dragged Blaise off to prison, a mother came with her young son who had a fish bone lodged in his throat. At Blaise's command, the child was able to cough up the bone and thus lived.

Today we remember the saint on his feast day by taking two candles, crossing them against the throat, and saying the following prayer:

Through the intercession of St. Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from ailments of the throat and from every other evil. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen. ©LPi



Being Catholic ...

THE NEXT COLUMN HAS THREE DIFFERENT RETREATS

IN IT. WHY DO WE WANT TO GO ON ONE?

Social media has made it far too easy for me to share my opinion. These virtual spaces tend to strip our words of all empathy. Someone will post something that I think is nonsense, and I just have to tell them why — and quickly! Hurry! Before they delete it! Nine times out of ten, when the dust is settled, I find that I've said too much and listened too little. As I've gotten older, the motto I try (not always successfully) to live by is this: You do not have to be on the attack all of the time, even if it's for what you think is the truth.

I can't help but notice that the first thing Jesus does when he hears of the arrest of John the Baptist is to retreat. He doesn't punch a hole in a wall or take to the streets in protest. He withdraws. And what does he do after withdrawing? A lot of praying, I would imagine. A lot of thinking, a lot of reflecting. A lot of listening to the voice of his Father.

Sometimes we mistake stillness with vulnerability. But Christ shows us that to withdraw, to contemplate, can actually be a tremendous show of strength. Even the fiercest dogs wait for the command of their master before they act. For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with the wisdom of human eloquence. — 1 Corinthians 1:17

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman



OCIA WEDNESDAY - February 1

This Week: The Sacraments:

Baptism & Confirmation
6:30 p.m. - Instructors: Deacon George and Kim Gussy

"Master," said John, "we saw someone driving out demons in your name and we tried to stop him, because he is not one of us." "Do not stop him," Jesus said, "for whoever is not against you is for you."

— Luke 9:49-50

PHOTO CONTEST

Any Arkansas photographer, 18 or older, can enter their photo of a local Catholic church or institution for a chance to be featured on the cover of the 2024 Diocese of Little Rock directory.

Arkansas Catholic sponsors the annual cover photo contest. The contest entry deadline is March 17.

Sister Maria Rose Carter, OSB, of Holy Angels Convent in Jonesboro won last year's contest with a photo of a sunlit mosaic depicting St. Benedict. Her photo was featured on the cover of the 2023 directory.

Complete rules and an entry form are available on the *Arkansas Catholic* website, <u>arkansas-catholic.org</u>. For more information, contact Emily Roberts by e-mail to eroberts@dolr.org.

Mark Your Calendars

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Women of Hope, A Day of Retreat, will be held on Saturday, February 4th, 2023, at Christ the King Catholic Church in Little Rock. This retreat is an opportunity for women to set aside the outside world for a day and commit to a deep personal experience with Christ. The retreat begins with Mass and includes reconciliation, and inspiring talks from national speaker Sonja Corbitt, and praise and worship with national recording artist Sarah Kroger. Lunch is provided. There is a BONUS event on Friday evening to allow all registrants to prepare their hearts for the Day of Retreat. For more info about this \$60 retreat, visit the website at https://www.womenofhopear.org/

MEN'S RETREAT

The Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference will also be held at Christ the King Catholic Church in Little Rock on Super Bowl Saturday, February 11, 2023. This year's featured guests include national speaker Dr. Edward Sri and our own Father Ruben Quinteros. This conference has become the premier event for Catholic men in our Diocese, and this year's conference is sure to continue that great tradition.

For more information about the Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference, visit the website at arcatholicmen.com

Yellville Food Closet is having a

FREE WELLNESS CLINIC

Thursday, February 16th, 2023 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Screenings include blood pressure, glucose, cholesterol, and BMI.

2191 Hwy. 62 W., Yellville

Mary, Mother of God - LENTEN RETREAT Saturday, February 25 - Setting the World Ablaze -Finding Your Path Through Women of the Old Testament

Join the women of Mary Mother of God Church and author and evangelist, Amy Schisler, for a day of retreat and reflection. Registration, with a light breakfast, will begin at 9:30 AM. The day will include Bible readings, teachable moments, reflection, and small-group discussion. The retreat will end in time for Confession and Mass. Lunch is included. The cost of the retreat is \$15 per person. For more Info, contact Holly Coffman at hollygram1329@gmail.com or 870-416-9928 before February 15.



SOUP AND PIE NEXT SUNDAY - FREE!

Instead of donuts next Sunday, we will have soup and pie after Mass. Sign up sheets are in the vestibule if you'd like to bring your best soup or pie to share. Plan to attend for lunch and fellowship!

- Kids' Corner

SHARING THE GOSPEL

God sees the loving things you do. When you show kindness to others, especially when they don't deserve it, your kindness will come back to you. When you see others fighting, and you help them get along, you show that you are God's child. When you are gentle, not bossy, you make God smile. Even when it is hard, keep on doing what's right. One day in heaven God will reward you for the good choices you make.

Read today's Gospel and color this picture



PRAYER

Dear God, help me love other people the way you want me to.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

God loves peacemakers. The next time you are tempted to argue with someone, think of ways to get along instead.

Unscramble these Gospel words

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meek	pure	reward
filled	peace	heaven

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Looking at the Gospel

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In my parents' bedroom there were on the wall two photos of my mom and dad from their early adulthoods. The photo of my mother entranced me when I was a boy. I loved looking at it, even though I saw her in daily life. Something about that picture captured her perfectly. It was an image of the joy, wisdom, beauty, and strength that enveloped me from the start of my life. It was an icon of the woman who fed, taught, and encouraged me. I felt a deep pride that I came from such beauty.

The beatitudes of Jesus are a kind of self-portrait. But it is a strange picture. At first, the blessings of being poor, mourning, and hungering and thirsting for righteousness may seem bizarre or, worse, a religious delusion. Who wants to look like *that*? But if we look again, we begin to see the characteristics of Jesus' form. He becomes poor and fills it with his riches for us, he weeps and mourns for us, and fills it with his joy, he hungers and thirsts for us to be righteous, and so satisfies us. And so on. It's the way he appears on the cross.

Perhaps we should put on our bedroom room walls the words of the beatitudes next to a crucifix of the Lord Jesus. Then we can do what the beatitudes are designed for, to gaze at the joy, wisdom, beauty, and strength of the one who is our origin, and who is with us every day. And little by little, we'll start to look like him.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

St. Andrew's Catholic Church FEBRUARY 2023



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			01	02	03	04
			NO noon Mass	Feast of St. Blaise	First Friday Mass at noon	Women of Hope, A Day of Retreat,
			OCIA 6:30 p.m. Sacraments - Matrimony and Holy Orders		Blessing of Throats	Christ the King Catholic Church in Little Rock.
Denise Jorgensen Maintenance	06	07	08 Mass at noon	09	10	Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference
collection Soup, Pie, & a Movie! Join us in the hall PRE Class 9:30 a.m.			OCIA 6:30 p.m. A love that lasts - Discovering Authentic Love			Christ the King Catholic Church in Little Rock.
PRE Class 9:30 a.m.	13	Happy Valentine's Day John 13:34	Mass at noon OCIA 6:30 p.m. A Catholic Moral Vision Deadline to sign up for Women's Retreat in Harrison	Wellness Clinic at Yellville Food Closet 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.	Pasta PALOOZA! 4-7 p.m.	18
Lector - Beth Gibson SECOND COLLECTION - Church in Central and Eastern Europe PRE Class 9:30 am	20	21	Noon Mass OCIA - No class ASH WEDNESDAY	23	24	Lenten Retreat for women Setting the World Ablaze - Finding Your Path Through Women of the Old Testament Begins at 9:30 a.m at MMG in Harrison
Lector - Vaughn Johnson First Sunday of Lent PRE Class	27	28				

Eucharistic Ministers for February are Steve, Janice, Cindy, and Denise. Become a Eucharistic Minister, Sacristan, Usher, or Lector. This is your parish, and you want to be an active part of it.