



# SAINT ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

1486 Highway 62 West • PO Box 197 • Yellville, AR 72687  
870-449-4850

**17th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Sunday, July 30, 2023**

**Pastor:**  
**Father Ben Riley**  
870-741-5234 Office  
pastor.mmg.church@gmail.com

**Deacon:**  
**George Gussy**  
870-404-0546  
ggus64@gmail.com

**Parish Manager:**  
**Melissa Garrison**  
913-485-9570  
garrimam8311@gmail.com

**Church Secretary:**  
**Denise Jorgensen**  
870-445-4810  
kidneywoman@yahoo.com

**Prayer-Line Connection:**  
standrewprayer@gmail.com

*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.*

**Wednesday,  
August 2**  
**NO Mass**



**Friday, Aug. 4**  
**Noon Mass**

+ Poor Souls in  
Purgatory

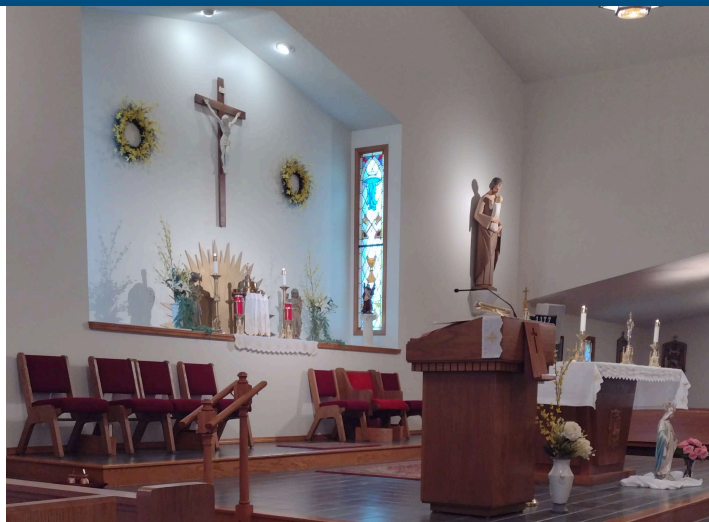


**Sunday, Aug. 6**  
**Mass at 11 AM**

Special intentions of all  
parishioners



**Confessions** will be heard 30 minutes prior to Mass on Wednesday  
and Sunday, and one hour after Mass on Sunday only.



## GOSPEL MEDITATION

Our culture seems more polarized and divided than ever. Into this wounded situation, our Catholic faith has a healing remedy to offer: the gift of wisdom. When the Lord offers to give King Solomon anything the monarch desires, he requests "an understanding heart" (1 Kings 3:9). In his polarized situation, the King doesn't ask for power to defeat his enemies. He asks for a wise and understanding heart to judge right from wrong. This wisdom is elevated and fulfilled in Jesus who teaches us to bring forth "both the new and the old" (Matthew 13:52).

In our fractured society, we Christians should stop pining for political power to crush our perceived enemies. That often just makes things worse. Rather, it's much more useful to beg for the grace of true wisdom which transcends both sides of the aisle. This places us in a fresh position from which we can help our culture see what is true and good all across the ideological spectrum. Sometimes we'll look like liberals (e.g., in our love for the poor and marginalized) and other times like conservatives (e.g., in our sexual ethics and views on religious freedom). Because this wisdom is free from ideological narrowness, it will help to heal these painful fractures. Lord Jesus, this week, pour into us your healing wisdom.

— Father John Muir

©LPi

## 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.

## CONTACTS, COMMITTEES, ORGANIZATIONS & SERVICES

Adult Scripture Study:	Janice Triner	421-2594
Buildings, Maintenance:	Kelly Gipson	816-726-9001
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
	Steve Triner	321-2773
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
Music:	Scott Vasconcellos	209-417-4239
Parish Manager:	Melissa Garrison	913-485-9570
Pastor:	Father Ben Riley	741-5234
Pastoral Council:	Gail Russell	318-268-1508
Prayer Requests; News:	Denise Jorgensen	445-4810
Religious Educ.; Formation:	Janice Triner	421-2594
Rosary Crusade:	Daksha Thomas	449-4784
Safe Environment:	Janice Triner	421-2594
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

**NOTE: Father Ben is on vacation until August 3,  
and he will be back for First Friday Mass on  
August 4th.**

## PLEASE HELP KEEP THE BULLETIN CURRENT

Please, if you have information, news, meetings you need parishioners to know about, please get it to Denise Jorgensen as soon as possible. The bulletin is assembled on Monday and Tuesday, then printed on Thursday. This is especially important when we have an event or information that is time sensitive.

## Please remember in your prayers...

Vern Anderson, Jim Bell, Baby Berkley, Beth, Maurice Cantwell, Jennifer Cates, Tucker Chatelain, Mike & Faye Clark, Coty Connor, Paul Cooper, Floyd Crawford, Cindy Crosslin, Pat Dagenais, Debbie, Carrie DeMaranville, Chance Dodson, Dale & Billie Sue Doman, Dan Dorman, Elizabeth, Diane Erickson, Janet Ernst, Patty Eubanks, Anna Maria Evans, Maureen Fancher, Jason Fernandez, Audrene Goulet, Dennis Goulet, Pat Goulet, Grant Grzadziel, Ruth Haley, Meg Hampton, John Hartz, Vicki Hartz, Dennis Hassman, Jeff Hoffman, Paul Hunt, Lisa Jansen, Jack Jefferson, Johnny, Kathy Johnson, Nancy Johnson, Alysha Jones, Tricia Kensinger, Jeanne Kernan, John LaRochelle, Gloria Maffei, James Matlock, Gene McEwen, Brandon Mullins, Catherine Myer, Allie Neel, Beckham Newbanks & her parents, Michael Nighbert, Heidi Ortiz, Terrence O'Sullivan, Reida Phelan, Josh & Robin Phillips, Bev Rastetter, Ted Rastetter, Tony Rastetter, Joe Regalado, Joe Lee & Debbie Regalado, Sarah, Pat Seiler, Robert Skorich, Skylar, Dominic Spinazze, Dr. John Spore, Tamara Steagall, Mary Ann Stewart, Dan & Nicole Storms, Gene Strong, Wade Strong, Dee Supergan, Jill Swanson, Frank Tauber, Stephen Triner, Keith Venable, Thomas Waldrup, Sr., Lori Godfrey and Joshua & Justin Weeden, and everyone who works in the heat.

Please pray for all the people on our prayer list and for their families. To add or delete names, please email - [standrewprayer@gmail.com](mailto:standrewprayer@gmail.com) or contact Denise Jorgensen at 870-445-4810

## HELP THE YELLEVILLE FOOD CLOSET

*"The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'"* – **Matthew 25:40**

The food pantry needs more donations because they have more requests than usual, and in July they like to receive donations of canned tuna. The box for donations is right by the front door. Please pop a couple of extra items into your cart for the pantry.

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

## We have a CCW Meeting today after Mass.

All women of the parish are members and encouraged to attend.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Sunday, July 30** - 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12; Psalm 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 (97a); Romans 8:28-30; Matthew 13:44-52 or 13:44-46

**Monday, July 31** - Exodus 32:15-24, 30-34; Psalm 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; Matthew 13:31-35

**Tuesday, Aug. 1** - Exodus 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Psalm 103:6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13; Matthew 13:36-43

**Wednesday, Aug. 2** - Exodus 34:29-35; Psalm 99:5, 6, 7, 9; Matthew 13:44-46

**Thursday, Aug. 3** - Exodus 40:16-21, 34-38; Psalm 84:3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11; Matthew 13:47-53

**Friday, Aug. 4** - Leviticus 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Psalm 81:3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab; Matthew 13:54-58

**Saturday, Aug. 5** - Leviticus 25:1, 8-17; Psalm 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Matthew 14:1-12

**Sunday, Aug. 6** - Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14; Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Peter 1:16-19; Matthew 17:1-9



## Being Catholic ...

### WHY DO WE USE SACRAMENTALS?

We're so accustomed to rosaries, medals, and other sacramentals that we don't give them a second thought. But why do we use such things?

One thing is clear: sacramentals are not objects of superstition for us Catholics. We know that they are a God-given channel of grace for us, but are not necessary for our salvation. As the Catholic Encyclopedia says,

The sacramentals do not produce sanctifying grace ex opere operato, by virtue of the rite or substance employed, and this constitutes their essential difference from the Sacraments.

That is, the Sacraments are necessary for our salvation and sanctification, but sacramentals do not hold such power.

So—why sacramentals?

*The Church gives a few reasons, all simple yet solid:*

1. First, sacramentals “prepare men to receive the fruit of the Sacraments” (Catechism of the Catholic Church 1677). Sacramentals point to the Sacraments and the graces they offer, nudging us to prepare ourselves for those graces with reverence and devotion.
2. Sacramentals sanctify “certain ministries of the Church, certain states of life, a great variety of circumstances in Christian life, and the use of many things helpful to man.” (CCC 1668) The sacramental always includes a prayer and an external sign, such as holy water or the sign of the cross. They tell us that this particular circumstance or ministry is set apart from the ordinary.
3. Sacramentals, properly understood and used, distinguish the Catholic from fallen-away denominations. They serve as reminders of the fullness of the Faith, “enhancing the dignity of the Holy Sacrifice and arousing the piety of the faithful.” (The Catholic Encyclopedia)

You can still turn in your baby bottles. Leave them on the table in the vestibule...*and thank you!*

## IN MEMORIAM

Paula Ann Kirchens of Flippin, Arkansas, passed away surrounded by family on July 23, 2023, in Mountain Home, Arkansas at the age of 81. She married William Kirchens on October 12, 1963, in Rockford, IL and worked as a Registered Nurse for over 40 years. She and Bill had four daughters: Diane (Michael) Spain, Kimberly (George) Gussy, Lori (Gary) Lander, and Keri (Dannie) Neely; 12 grandchildren, and 19 great-grandchildren.

The funeral Mass for Paula will be 10:30 am, August 14, 2023 here at St. Andrew's, with Father Ben Riley officiating, assisted by Deacon George Gussy. Interment will be 11:00 am, August 15, 2023 at Kirby's Tucker Memorial Cemetery in Gassville.

### WOMEN'S RETREAT - AUG. 11-13

Fr. Patrick Boland, OSB, will lead the women's retreat at Coury House Aug. 11-13. Theme is The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church. Cost is \$150 per person in a shared room and \$200 for a private room. The cost includes two nights' accommodations, six meals and all the conferences. To make a reservation, call 479-934-1290 or e-mail [couryhouse@subi.org](mailto:couryhouse@subi.org).

### HELP OUR MARRIAGE.ORG

Are you facing difficult challenges in your marriage relationship? Retrouvaille is a program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. Primarily, it is a practical program to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It is a Christian marriage program, Catholic in origin, where couples of all faiths or no faith background are encouraged to attend.

**Our next Weekend will be September 22-24 2023 at St. John's Center in Little Rock.**

To register: [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org). For more information, call 1-800-470-2230 or contact the Family Life Office at 501-664-0340 for more information.

### WHO'S BEEN MARRIED THE LONGEST?

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is accepting nominations for the 2023 Longest Married Couple (couple does not need to be Catholic). Submit the couple's name, location, and wedding date, along with the nominator's name, phone number and email address. Winners will be recognized in each state, as well as an overall national winner. To nominate, email [paul.robin.ring@wwme.org](mailto:paul.robin.ring@wwme.org), or call 321-544-3440.

### RETREAT IN DAILY LIFE

*October 2023 through May 2024*

**Retreat in Daily Life (RIDL)** is the common designation of the 19th Annotation that St. Ignatius of Loyola wrote into his Spiritual Exercises. These spiritual exercises evolved through St. Ignatius' own experience as he transformed from a soldier to a servant of our loving God. As you mirror his prayerful journey, following the life, teachings, death and resurrection of Jesus you will prayerfully encounter a loving God and desire to become all you were created to be.

The fee for the retreat is \$490 plus a director fee that must be coordinated with your Spiritual Director. Scholarships are available. You may also donate more to help someone who may not be able to afford the cost. If you are interested in RIDL, contact one of the Spiritual Directors listed below to schedule an initial interview. **Interviews will take place July 1 through August 31.** To inquire about a scholarship, or for more information, contact our Spiritual Director, Janice Triner, or Lainie Snider, (806) 584-4160, [lainiesnider@yahoo.com](mailto:lainiesnider@yahoo.com)

### 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.





# Kids' Corner

## SHARING THE GOSPEL

Your toys can break. Your books can tear. Your clothes can shrink and stain. Things don't last forever. The kingdom of heaven does last forever. It is like a treasure. Heaven is worth more than anything you own. In both stories, the person who found the treasure sold everything else just to be a part of God's kingdom.

Read today's Gospel and color this picture



## PRAYER

God, help me to love your kingdom more than I love the things I have.

## MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Put God's kingdom first. Read a Bible story every morning.

Find and circle these words from today's Gospel

KINGDOM  
HEAVEN  
TREASURE

HIDDEN  
FIELD  
FOUND

PEARLS  
SOLD  
BOUGHT

T	N	F	H	D	E	O	K	M	I	O
H	B	O	U	G	H	T	E	F	A	V
E	I	U	S	E	L	R	A	I	K	T
K	R	N	A	H	S	E	U	E	D	R
I	E	D	I	P	E	A	R	L	S	N
N	A	H	F	N	I	S	E	D	O	W
G	M	D	A	T	O	U	H	N	L	E
D	I	N	G	E	A	R	S	I	D	N
O	J	H	I	D	D	E	N	O	W	Y
M	E	D	N	S	T	O	A	L	N	D
A	H	L	H	E	A	V	E	N	T	A



Draw a picture of your treasure hidden in heaven.

Do you want to be an Altar Server?

## WE NEED YOU!

We need more Altar Servers to help Father with Mass. You must be 3rd grade or older. If you are interested in becoming part of this ministry, please talk to Father Ben, Deacon George, Steve Triner, or Melissa Garrison. There will be an Altar Server meeting on Sunday, August 6th after Mass so you'll learn what to do.



## Hey, Mom! It's that time of year!

### TIME TO ENROLL IN PRE CLASSES



Forms for registering children for Primary Religious Education will be available through August 20. Children from Kindergarten through 12th grade need to be registered. See Janice Triner for more information.

### THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING INFORMED CHOICES!

Our lunch last Sunday, organized by the Knights of Columbus and our CCW brought in \$2400 for Informed Choices. Thank you to all of you who worked so hard on this and to all of you who donated so generously.

Next Sunday is **DONUT SUNDAY!** See you there!






# St. Andrew's Catholic Church

## AUGUST 2023



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Confessions will be heard 30 minutes before Masses on Wednesday and Sunday, and after Mass for an hour each Sunday</p>		01	02 NO Mass	03	04 First Friday Mass at noon  Father back from vacation	05
<p>06 Lector - Beth Gipson <b>Maintenance collection</b> <b>Donut Sunday!</b> Join us in the hall <b>Altar Server</b> training after Mass</p>	<p>07 <b>Marion County Right To Life</b> meeting Monday  5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall of Flippin Christian Church</p>	08	09 Mass at noon	10	11	<p>12 <b>Paul Bunyan Breakfast</b> St. Peter's in Mtn. Home 7:30 - 10:30 a.m.</p> 
<p>13 Lector - Vaughn Johnson</p>	<p>14 <b>Paula Kirchens</b> funeral Mass at 10:30 a.m.  Assumption vigil Mass at MMG at 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p>15 <b>Feast of the Assumption</b> Mass at noon at St. Andrew's  Mass at 5:30 p.m. at MMG</p>	16 NO Mass	17	18	19
<p>20 Lector - Vaughn Johnson</p> <p><b>SECOND COLLECTION -</b> Catholic Home Missions Appeal</p>	21	22	23 Mass at noon	24	25	26
<p>27 Lector - Chuck McCullogh</p> <p><b>Ice Cream Social</b> <b>CCW fundraiser</b> After mass</p>	28	29	30 NO noon Mass	31		

Eucharistic Ministers for August are Steve, Janice, Cindy, and Denise.  
Never feel left out! Become a Eucharistic Minister, Sacristan, Usher, or Lector.