



SAINT ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sunday, September 10, 2023

Wednesday, Sept. 13

Noon Mass

+Fr. Jim Fanrak



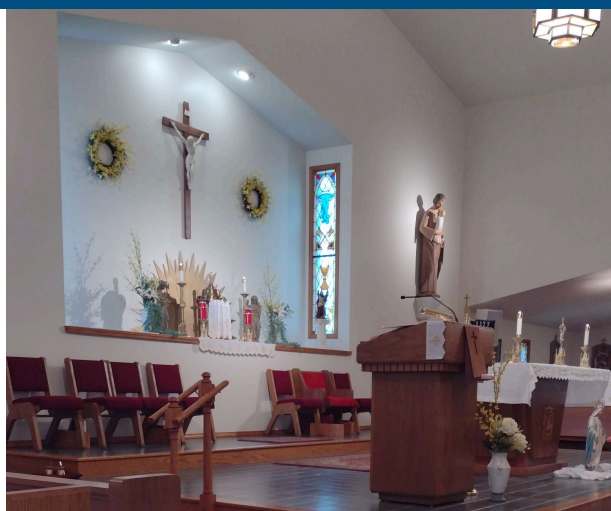
Sunday, Sept. 17

Mass at 11 AM

+Karen Krzyzaniak



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



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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.*

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.



RETIREMENT PARTY

for Steve Triner

Stay after Mass today for a party to honor Steve Triner for all the hard work he's put in over the years as our parish manager. The food is all arranged; all you have to do is join us in letting Steve know how much we have appreciated all the work he's done.

"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

CONTACTS, COMMITTEES, ORGANIZATIONS & SERVICES

Adult Scripture Study:	Janice Triner	421-2594
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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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WELCOME, *NEW FOLKS*, TO ST. ANDREW'S!

If you are a new member of St. Andrew's, please ask Melissa Garrison or Denise Jorgensen for a new parishioner info sheet. We're glad you're here.

BE AN ACTIVE PART OF ST. ANDREW'S

We need sacristans, musicians and singers, lectors, extraordinary ministers of Communion, altar servers, ushers, greeters, nursing home visitors, gathering organizers (Parish Life) and more. If you are curious about any of these ministries, please see or call Deacon George or Melissa Garrison. Join us as we serve the Lord. *You are wanted.*

Please remember in your prayers...

A Friend, Vern Anderson, Jim Bell, Maurice Cantwell, Jennifer Cates, Tucker Chatelain, Mike & Faye Clark, Coty Connor, Floyd Crawford, Cindy Crosslin, Pat & Phil Dagenais, Carrie DeMaranville, Chance Dodson, Diane Erickson, Janet Ernst, Patty Eubanks, Maureen Fancher, Jason Fernandez, Melody Figueroa, Grant Grzadziel, Ruth Haley, Meg Hampton, John Hartz, Vicki Hartz, Dennis Hassman, Jeff Hoffman, Paul Hunt, Lisa Jansen, 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, Frank Nixon, Heidi Ortiz, Terrence O'Sullivan, Val Perovich, Reida Phelan, Bev Rastetter, Ted Rastetter, Tony Rastetter, Joe Regalado, Joe Lee & Debbie Regalado, Dani Rossi, Sarah, Pat Seiler, Ray Sizemore, Robert Skorich, Dominic Spinazze, Dr. John Spore, Tamara Steagall, Mary Ann Stewart, Dan & Nicole Storms, Gene Strong, Wade Strong, Dee Supergan, Jill Swanson, Frank Tauber, Steve Triner, Keith Venable, Thomas Waldrup, Sr., Lori Godfrey and Joshua & Justin Weeden, and everyone who has caught this round of Covid.

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

HELP THE YELLVILLE FOOD CLOSET

The food pantry needs more donations because they have more requests than usual, and in September they like to receive donations of peanut butter & jelly. 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

"And if you spend yourselves in behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday."

— Isaiah 58:10

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Sept. 10 - Ezekiel 33:7-9; Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8); Rom 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20

Monday, Sept. 11 - Colossians 1:24—2:3; Psalm 62:6-7, 9; Luke 6:6-11

Tuesday, Sept. 12 - Colossians 2:6-15; Psalm 145:1b-2, 8-9, 10-11; Luke 6:12-19

Wednesday, Sept. 13 - Colossians 3:1-11; Psalm 145:2-3, 10-11, 12-13ab; Luke 6:20-26

Thursday, Sept. 14 - Numbers 21:4b-9; Psalm 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38; Philippians 2:6-11; John 3:13-17

Friday, Sept. 15 - 1 Timothy 1:1-2, 12-14; Psalm 16:1b-2a and 5, 7-8, 11; John 19:25-27 or Luke 2:33-35

Saturday, Sept. 16 - 1 Timothy 1:15-17; Psalm 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7; Luke 6:43-49

Sunday, Sept. 17 - Sirach 27:30—28:7; Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12 (8); Romans 14:7-9;

Matthew 18:21-35



Being Catholic ...

DO I HAVE TO GET MY FAILED MARRIAGE ANNULLED?

Many Catholics are not exactly sure what an annulment does. An annulment does not deny that a marriage took place, nor does it deny that there once was love. It does not mean that people say anything untrue, such as they never loved each other or that everything in their marriage was wrong. An annulment does not negate children, nor make them illegitimate. An annulment addresses the spiritual aspect of marriage. In effect, an annulment says that at the time of the wedding, there was either something present or something absent that prevented the sacrament from taking place. It is a spiritual determination that, if granted in the affirmative, allows a person to marry in the Church.

Annulments have no legal standing and are unable to be used in a civil court. Therefore, a Catholic has no moral obligation to pursue an annulment. However, when the tragedy of divorce occurs, and there is no hope for reconciliation, annulments may help bring some spiritual closure to a person's life. Some people have found the process to be healing and others have found it to be difficult. Speak to your priest or a member of the Diocesan Tribunal staff to decide what is best for you.

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OCIA (aka RCIA)

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults

Are you curious about joining the church? Are you a Baby Boomer who was baptized and started school before Vatican II? Do you simply enjoy learning new things about our faith? Have a chat with Deacon George, Melissa Garrison, or Father Ben, and let them know if you'd like to attend OCIA classes here at St. Andrew's. If enough people are interested we will set up classes. Look at this link for more information about the basics.

<https://www.dolr.org/faith-formation/rcia>

— QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK —

First Reading: The Lord teaches Ezekiel that he is personally responsible to be faithful to the prophetic words given to him. How could you show others that you take your faith seriously?

Second Reading: Paul taught that *love* (loving one's neighbor) is the fulfillment of the law God gave to Israel. What do you think is most challenging to this seemingly simple command to love one another?

Gospel: Jesus taught his disciples to make every effort possible to be reconciled with someone who has wronged you. Is reconciliation a high priority for you?

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You want to be a hero, right?

You will be if you visit our Catholics in nursing and care homes to bring them Communion. We need you to brighten lives of our older Catholics. Please talk to Floyd Crawford if you'd like to brighten the lives of the homebound and elderly.



YOU'RE INVITED!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - TJ's BIRTHDAY!

Joanne's husband, T.J. Mustion, will be 90 on September 15th. There will be an open house at the church hall on September 16th to celebrate the occasion. Coffee and cake from 2 to 4. No gifts please. A lot of you know him, and he'll be happy to see you. All are invited.

THEOLOGY ON TAP LINK

Dear Saint Andrew's Parish Family,

Please find below a video link for the Theology on Tap discussion on gender, God's plan for sexuality, and a Catholic response to LGBTQ questions. I hope you find this video engaging and informative. If you have any questions, or would like to discuss this topic further, please feel free to reach me by email or by calling the church office.

With Great Joy,

Father Ben Riley

This link will take you directly to the video on You Tube - <https://youtu.be/vP6xqpCrIn4> Or copy it and paste in the address bar of your browser page.

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, or call 321-544-3440.

Blessing for the Fallen of 9-11



God of mercy,
in your word of Scripture, you instruct us to "Do to others as you would have them do to you."

Give us today the courage to assist those around us who may need our assistance.

Give us patience when we become impatient.

Remind us to pray for all those who perished on United Airlines 93, American Airlines 11, United Airlines 175, American Airlines 77, and those in the Twin Towers and Pentagon.

Give us a heart thankful for those who gave their lives as first responders, as did the men and women who ran into danger to be of aid.

We ask all this in the name of the One who first responded to our need for a savior, Jesus the Christ.

Amen.

Kids' Corner

SHARING THE GOSPEL

One day someone might sin against you. Friends may hurt your feelings. A neighbor may take your toy without asking. Remember what Jesus said. Remember that you sin, too. Talk it over quietly, just the two of you, and give your friend a chance to apologize.

Read today's Gospel and color this picture



PRAYER FOR REST

Dear Lord, Please carry the concerns we hold with us today. Help us to rest in your assurance that you will good things for your children. Amen.

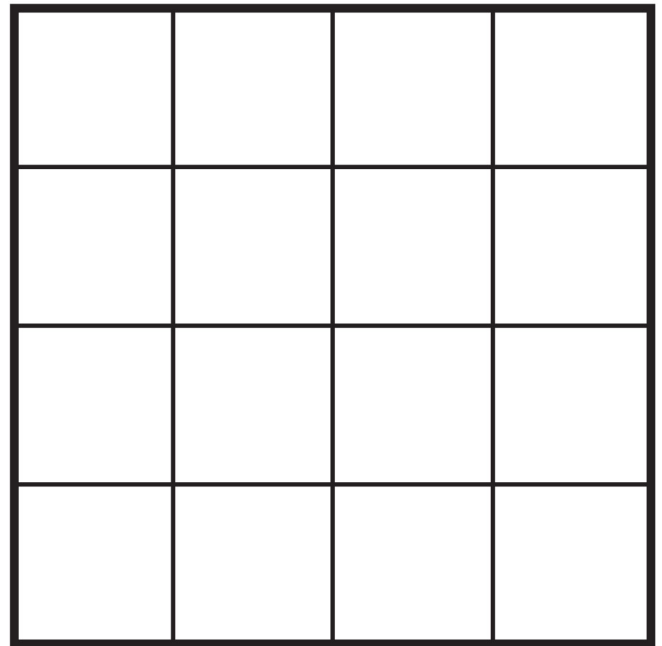
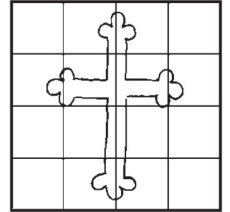
PRAYER

Be with me, Jesus, when someone has hurt me. Help me to forgive. Amen.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

I will ask God to bless my family and keep us close to him.

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Draw you and your family praying for the sick from church to get well.



GOSPEL MEDITATION

What are you supposed to do about the bad behavior of the people around you? You know who I'm talking about. That family member, friend, coworker, or acquaintance who is quite immoral. On this front there are two lively options in our culture: bash the person to others (probably online) or pretend everything's fine. The former damages the person. The latter ignores reality. What to do?

Jesus' strategy in the Gospel of Matthew is as wise as it is difficult: go directly to the person, and then gradually expand the circle of intervention. Simple, often effective, and hard. But what we often miss is the context of the Lord's strategy, "If

your *brother* sins against *you*..." Notice the italicized words. Is the person in a Christian familial bond with you? And was the action in question against *you*? If so, proceed with the plan. Fine. But how often we fret over the sins of those who either aren't our spiritual siblings or have done nothing directly to us. This is not an invitation to ignore injustice in the world. Rather, we should build bonds of fraternal love, and carefully discern when and how others' sins are indeed our concern. Sometimes they are. Other times — frequently, perhaps — they simply are not.

— Father John Muir