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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 21, 2024



Wednesday, January 24 Noon Mass

+Vukasin Perovich

Sunday, January 28 11 a.m. Mass

+Adeline Majestic

CONFESSIONS

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

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.

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children -January 22

Pope Francis has said that respect for life is not just about the unborn child in the womb, but also about the least of our brothers and sisters. Yes, it is even upon the undocumented resident alien who has no voice but ours. As followers of Jesus Christ, we are all called to protect the voiceless.

Let us pray...
Good and gracious God,
you blew into our nostrils the
breath of life.
You are the One to whom we owe

our very existence.

Give us the courage to take that unpopular position

of protecting those who have no voice, the unborn child in the womb to the person taking his or her last breath.

The life you have given us is a gift beyond measure.

Embolden us to speak the truth about protecting the child, the elderly, and the one without a voice in the public square.

With thankful hearts, we ask all this of the One God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

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TEMPORARY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Marion County Election Commission is planning training for all poll workers. If you are a registered voter in Arkansas without felony convictions and would like to work during the upcoming elections, ask Janice for contact information for the Election Commission.

BIBLE STUDY RETURNS!

Beginning Ash Wednesday, February 14, we will have a 3 week Bible Study titled Finding Peace, Avoiding Stress and Worry. Class will begin at 9:30.

Let Janice Triner know by February 1 if you plan to attend.

Please remember in your prayers...

A Friend, Vern Anderson, Ben, Sarah Brooks, the Brown Family, Maurice Cantwell, Jennifer Cates, Anette Chaney, Tucker Chatelain, Mike & Faye Clark, Coty Connor, Cindy Crosslin, Carrie DeMaranville, Chance Dodson, Diane Erickson, Janet Ernst, Patty Eubanks, Maureen Fancher, Jason Fernandez, Mary Garrison, Joyce Ginsel, Grant Grzadziel, Ruth Haley, Meg Hampton, John Hartz, Vicki Hartz, Dennis Hassman, Jeff Hoffman, Shari Horn, Paul Hunt, Lisa Jansen, Michael Jendras, Nancy Johnson, Alysha Jones, Tricia Kensinger, Jodi, John LaRochelle, Lori, Gloria Maffei, Mary a friend, James Matlock, Brandon Mullins, Catherine Myer, Allie Neel, Al Nelson, Michael Nighbert, Heidi Ortiz, Terrence O'Sullivan, Christine & Val Perovich, Reida Phelan, Peter Raino, Bev Rastetter, Ted Rastetter, Tony Rastetter, Kim Rebout, Joe Regalado, Joe Lee & Debbie Regalado, Dani Rossi, Sarah, Pat Seiler, Ray Sizemore, Robert Skorich and his nieces - Lilly & Kimmy and his nephew Kenny, Dominic Spinazze, Dr. John Spore, Staci, Tamara Steagall, Mary Ann Stewart, Gene Strong, Wade Strong, Phyllis Stubenfoll, Dee Supergan, Harley Swanson, Jill Swanson, Frank Tauber, Steve Triner, Keith Venable, Thomas Waldrup, Sr., Lori Godfrey and Joshua & Justin Weeden, Christina Williams, Connie Zonick, all who worked in the cold and snow this week, and all victims of abuse and/or war.

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

PRAYER LIST IS GETTING FULL

Please take a look at the prayer list today, and let Denise know if you see someone who needs to remain on the list. The list will be purged next Monday, January 29th If you have someone who needs to be added, please send their name to standrewprayer@gmail.com.

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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, January 21 - Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a); 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20

Monday, January 22 - 2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10; Psalm 89:20, 21-22, 25-26; Mark 3:22-30

Tuesday, January 23 - 2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19; Psalm 24:7, 8, 9, 10; Mark 3:31-35

Wednesday, January 24 - 2 Samuel 7:4-17; Psalm 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30; Mark 4:1-20

Thursday, January 25 - Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Psalm 117:1bc, 2; Mark 16:15-18

Friday, January 26 - 2 Timothy 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Psalm 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10; Mark 4:26-34

Saturday, January 27 - 2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17; Psalm 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Mark 4:35-41

Sunday, January 28 - Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8); 1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28



Being Catholic ...

What and when is Lent?

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 - Thursday, March 28, 2024

Lent is a 40 day season of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving that begins on Ash Wednesday and ends at sundown on Holy Thursday. It's a period of preparation to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection at Easter. During Lent, we seek the Lord in prayer by reading Sacred Scripture; we serve by giving alms; and we practice self-control through fasting. We are called not only to abstain from luxuries during Lent, but to a true inner conversion of heart as we seek to follow Christ's will more faithfully. We recall the waters of baptism in which we were also baptized into Christ's death, died to sin and evil, and began new life in Christ.

Many know of the tradition of abstaining from meat on Fridays during Lent, but we are also called to practice self-discipline and fast in other ways throughout the season. Contemplate the meaning and origins of the Lenten fasting tradition in this reflection. In addition, the giving of alms is one way to share God's gifts—not only through the distribution of money, but through the sharing of our time and talents. As St. John Chrysostom reminds us: "Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life. The goods we possess are not ours, but theirs." (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2446).

In Lent, the baptized are called to renew their baptismal commitment as others prepare to be baptized through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, a period of learning and discernment for individuals who have declared their desire to become Catholics.

From https://www.usccb.org/prayer-worship/liturgical-year/lent

ARE YOU MISSING OUT?

Sign up to receive emails with church news, events, and prayer requests by dropping your email address in the collection basket or giving it to Denise. Your email address will remain private.



HELP THE YELLVILLE FOOD CLOSET

The food pantry needs more donations because they have more requests than usual, and in January they like to receive donations of Soup, Chili, Stew.

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 vegetable
- · 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

RETREATS FOR YOU

Women of Hope, A Day of Retreat, will be held on February 3rd, 2024, at Christ the King 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 Melissa Foley, 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. This bonus event includes reconciliation, a guided reflection and personal reflection and a personal testimony from Melissa Foley.

For more information about Women of Hope, A Day of Retreat, please visit the website at WomenofhopeAR.org

The Arkansas Catholic Men's Conference will also be held at Christ the King Catholic Church in Little Rock on Super Bowl Saturday, February 10th, 2024. This year's speakers include Jim Towey, author and former advisor to Mother Teresa, Fr. Matthew Spencer, who previously hosted St. Joseph's workshop on Relevant Radio and from our own diocese, Fr. Norm McFall. 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

QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

First Reading - The people of Nineveh (the capital city of the Assyrian Empire and historic enemy of Israel) repented of their sins when they heard Jonah's warning of God's impending destruction of their city. What motivates you to repent?

Second Reading - Paul encouraged the believers in Corinth to live with a sense of urgency and in a radically different way than before coming to faith in Jesus. In what way are you living counter- culturally as a person of faith?

Gospel Reading - This Sunday we hear the first words of Jesus in Mark's account of the call of the first disciples: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." Jesus taught that the time had come for God to come and reclaim His world. What excites you about this message?

Do you know someone who hasn't been to Mass in a while and is nervous about returning? Send them this link, and assure them St. Andrew's will be delighted to see them. https://catholic-link.org/survival-guide-for-



returning-to-mass-when-you-havent-been-in-awhile/



Kids' Corner



SHARING THE GOSPEL

Pretend there's a colorful envelope addressed to you on the kitchen table. You see it's from your friend. You open it and find a party invitation inside. You parents say you can go! In real life, when Jesus invited Peter, Andrew, James and John to come along with him, they were just as excited to go. Jesus was the Savior and a good friend. They couldn't wait!

Read today's Gospel and color this picture



Draw a picture of Jesus smiling and waving to you.



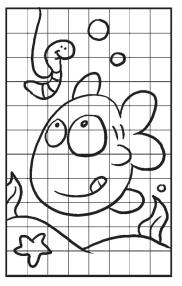
PRAYER

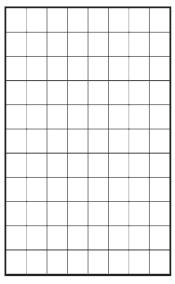
Jesus, I thank you for inviting me to spend time with you.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

Jesus wants you to come to his home in heaven. Make a party invitation from Jesus to you. Use this invitation as a bookmark in your Bible.

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Jesus will teach you to catch others for him. You can catch fish by putting food in front of them. People need soul food to be close to God. People want to go to heaven with God. Tell them that Jesus loves them and died on the cross for them. Tell them he wants everyone to do good. Then people

will gladly come into his net. They will be at peace because Jesus will give them everything they need.

Free from Word On Fire Catholic Ministries

Bishop Barron says that we are in unprecedented times and are in great need of a surge of holy men and women who can proclaim Christ as Lord in their everyday lives.

To support you in this mission, we are excited to announce brand-new Word on Fire Institute Communities that are filled with over 23,000 Catholics like yourself who are striving to grow in holiness and knowledge of the faith.

These communities are FOR YOU if you are a cradle Catholic, recent convert, college-aged Catholic, young-momor-dad-with-a-busy-schedule Catholic . . . or if you LOVE Jesus and are seeking to commit to him in a deeper way.

Here are some of the brand-new communities we have added so far!

- · Word on Fire Book Club
- · Homeschool Parent Formation Community
- Practical Evangelization Community
- Writer Development Community
- Word on Fire UK Community
- Intellectual and Developmental Disability Community

Get access to these brand-new community groups, live seminars, 34+ courses, all of Bishop Barron's films, a beautiful quarterly publication, and more at **institute.wordonfire.org**