



SAINT ANDREW'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Third Sunday in Lent Sunday, March 3, 2024



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Wednesday, March 6

Noon Mass

+Fred & Jeanne Kernan

Sunday, March 10

11 a.m. Mass

+Bernard Kohl

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.

CONFESSIONS

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

*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.*



3rd Sunday of Lent

Paul reminded the Corinthians, "We proclaim Christ crucified." Christ's weakness is stronger than any human strength. The power of the cross is greater than anything the world or evil has to combat it.

The Lenten season is one of repentance, self-denial, almsgiving, and prayer. Many in our modern world do not see any wisdom in denying themselves anything. Those swept away in a consumer culture want more and they want it faster, bigger, and better. They also are looking for easy and quick satisfaction, unwilling to wait long.

Paul speaks of the "foolishness of God" and how it is wiser than any human wisdom. Lent is a time to put aside that which we feel and think as humans and put on the attitude of Christ. The cross of Christ is neither easy nor fleeting, and it will ask us to deny our very selves for him. To the human mind it makes no sense. However, by putting on Christ and seeing with his eyes, we see reality with clarity. Our sacrifice can lead to riches that only a "foolish" man would covet. But it is exactly there that we are satisfied and fulfilled.

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
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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

LENTEN CHALLENGE

Lenten challenge: This week, identify what you can do to better worship God alone. If you're not sure, scan the last nine commandments to identify what you are most likely to worship instead of God. Power, pleasure, control of your time, possessions, family, health, reputation, money? Commit to concrete action to help you let go of this "idol" to better hold on to God alone in faithful worship. Remember: the best love the basics.

SIGN UP FOR THESE SPECIAL EVENTS!

Sunday, March 17th after Mass - **Father Ben's Birthday** celebration. No need to bring a dish, we just need you to sign up to know you are coming.

Sunday, March 31st after Mass - **Easter Sunday Brunch**. Church will provide Strada, Ham, and Drinks. *Side dishes are needed*. Please see sign-up sheets for details

40th ANNIVERSARY PLANNING MEETING

Let's Celebrate! We will be having a planning meeting Sunday, March 10th after Mass to discuss the 40th Anniversary celebration. We will be establishing committees (food, decorating, audio/visual, communication, entertainment, etc.) and your talents are needed. If you are interested in helping to plan this celebration, please plan to attend. We look forward to seeing you there!

Please remember in your prayers...

A friend's daughter and son-in-law, Vern Anderson, Ben, the Brown Family, Nathan Bruno, Maurice Cantwell, Jennifer Cates, Anette Chaney, Tucker Chatelain, Mike & Faye Clark, Coty Connor, Carrie DeMaranville, Chance Dodson, Diane Erickson, Janet Ernst, Patty Eubanks, Maureen Fancher, Jason Fernandez, Mary Garrison, Grant Grzadziel, Ruth Haley, Meg Hampton, John Hartz, Vicki Hartz, Dennis Hassman, Tootie Hassman, Jeff Hoffman, Shari Horn, Paul Hunt, Sarah, Audie, Orion, & Ivory James, Lisa Jansen, Nancy Johnson, Alysha Jones, Tricia Kensinger, Jodi, John LaRochelle, Lori, Fr. Nazarus Maduba, Gloria Maffei, Mary - a friend, James Matlock, Brandon Mullins, Catherine Myer, Allie Neel, Al Nelson, Michael Nighbert, Maddy Norris, 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, Pat Seiler, Ray Sizemore, Robert Skorich and his nieces - Lilly & Kimmy and his nephew Kenny, Dominic Spinazze, Dr. John Spore, Staci, Carol Stark, Tamara Steagall, Mary Ann Stewart, Gene Strong, Wade Strong, Phyllis Stubenfall, Harley Swanson, Jill Swanson, Tammy & Jason, Frank Tauber, Steve Triner, Keith Venable, Thomas Waldrup, Sr., Lori Godfrey and Joshua & Justin Weeden, Christina Williams, the soul of Donna Wilkes, Connie Zonick, and all victims of abuse and/or war.

To add or delete names, please email -
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The funeral is over. All the out of towners have gone home. Everyone else seems to have gone back to their everyday life. Your life has totally changed. You feel alone.

St Andrew's cares and would like to let you know we care. Sometimes just knowing your fellow parishioners care may be all a grieving person needs.

If you have experienced this, you may be able to help a fellow parishioner. If you would be interested in helping us put together a grief ministry, please contact Marcie Topf after Mass or send a text or call 870-707-1605 for more information.

RAISING CHICKENS TO SUPPORT HER FAMILY

Nowadays, in Morazán, El Salvador, it is very difficult to know when the rainy or dry seasons will be. The unpredictable weather puts the livelihood of Sandra's family in jeopardy. Despite the challenges, Sandra and her husband, Santos, remain dedicated to ensuring their children grow healthy and succeed in school. Learn how their strong family dynamic enabled Sandra to participate in a Catholic Relief Services' project on raising chickens and how her determination has helped her family and community. Visit crsricebowl.org to read this week's Story of Hope.

SOME CHURCHES HAVE A MASS EXODUS RIGHT AFTER COMMUNION BEFORE THE FINAL BLESSING. IS THAT OKAY?

This is an interesting question because beneath the surface there seems to be an assumption that if it's okay, then why do we have to stay after we receive communion? The short answer is "no," but we definitely want to go a bit deeper as we consider why.

First, when we think about questions like this, we must consider this in adult terms. If there is something gravely important that we need to do, then we must attend to that. However, if it is a matter of convenience or preference, then we really have to stop and think again. First, while we always want to recognize the importance of sacramental communion in the Mass, we also need to understand how important the time of thanksgiving and prayer after communion is. This is summarized in the Prayer After Communion offered by the celebrant and then we are also commissioned to "Go forth" during the Dismissal of the Mass, reminding us that we have been entrusted with a gift — the Word of God and the Presence of Christ in the sacrament — and that we are to share that gift with others.

If we simply leave after we receive communion, we risk two things. First, there is the possibility that we will turn our reception of communion into a purely personal, individual experience that is separated from our common experience of worship — and communion in the fullest sense — and, second, we lose an opportunity for gratitude and serious reflection if we simply leave after communion. This time of thanksgiving, reflection, and, ultimately, missioning, are important and, in the end, an essential part of the celebration of the Mass. ©LPi

LADIES NIGHT AT ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Ladies of St. Peter's Catholic Church invite you to Save the Date! Mark your calendars! for the annual Ladies Night In to be held on Tuesday, March 19th, at St. Peter's Catholic Church, DeClerk Hall, 249 Dyer St. Mountain Home, AR Starting at 5:00 PM Social, Potluck Supper, Movie - *Breakthrough*, Dessert, Beverages and lots of drawings. All women of faith are invited to attend. Please bring your favorite dish to pass; appetizer, main dish or dessert and bring a friend. Call Lucia to reserve at 870-431-8046 or cell 906-285-2648. Marcie Topf can take four people if you need a ride.



MARION COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE

Marion County Right to Life meeting, Monday, March 4 at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall of Flippin Christian Church. All are welcome!!! Jason Nazarenko, candidate for AR State Rep and a Pro Life Advocate will be attending the meeting March 4.

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 *March they like to receive donations of peanut butter and 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 vegetable
- Canned stew
- Canned fish
- Canned beans
- Pasta and rice

"The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor." – Proverbs 22:9

ARE YOU MAKING THE MOST OF YOUR LENT?

Weekly Holy Hour:

Deacon George will be having weekly Holy Hour service at Saint Andrew's every Thursday beginning March 7th from 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Virtual Parish Mission:

Saturday, March 23rd from 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Check in at 9:30 a.m., begins at 10am. Lunch provided; we just need to know you are coming. Sign up sheets will be out.

Reconciliation

March 24th at St. Peter's in MH from 2 - 5 p.m.

COMMUNITY HOLY WEEK

Community Holy Week services will be held Monday, March 25 through Friday, March 29 at noon at the Yellville Methodist church. Our Steve Triner will give the talk on Tuesday. There is a lunch served Monday through Thursday. St. Andrew's is asked to provide desserts on Tuesday. Watch for a sign up sheet coming soon to a table near you!



"But I will show you a more excellent way." (1 Cor. 13:1) Love never fails. It is so much more than a mere emotion. Love opens our hearts (and our lives) and allows us to selflessly consider others ahead of our own needs, wants and desires. This same selfless love brought Jesus to the cross and it calls each of us to follow him by reaching out to others that are in need. The Catholic Arkansas Sharing Appeal is a way for each of us to share in God's incredible love for the world by giving your financial support to others that need it so much more. Become a CASA supporter today. Return your CASA gift/pledge in the envelopes provided. Our parish goal is \$6,350.

DON'T FORGET TO

change your clocks Saturday, March 9 before you go to bed.



Kids' Corner

SHARING THE GOSPEL

Imagine coming to your church to pray. All around your church, you see people selling animals. It smells like a barn. The animals are loud. The people are shouting. You cannot even pray with all the noise and activity going on around you. That is what Jesus found in today's Gospel. It broke his heart and made Jesus angry. God's house is not supposed to be turned into a barn or a store. It should be special place where people can meet with God and talk to him. Jesus cleaned out his Father's house. He turned it back into a place of prayer.

Read today's Gospel and color this picture



PRAYER

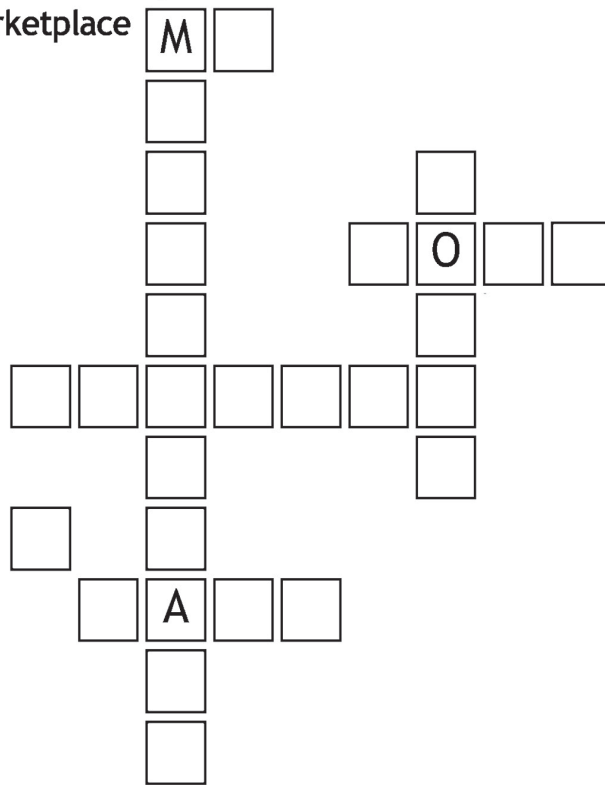
God, my church is a place for prayer. Help me to remember that always.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK

I will honor God by praying, singing, and listening to his word in church.

Fit this Gospel message into the empty squares

Don't make my Father's house a marketplace



Draw your family welcoming other people to pray at your church.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, March 3 - Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (John 6:68c); 1 Corinthians 1:22-25;

John 2:13-25 *Scrutiny*: Exodus 17:3-7; Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8); Romans 5:1-2, 5-8; John 4:5-42

Monday, March 4 - 2 Kings 5:1-15ab; Psalm 42:2, 3; 43:3,4; Luke 4:24-30

Tuesday, March 5 - Daniel 3:25, 34-43; Psalm 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9; Matthew 18:21-35

Wednesday, March 6 - Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9; Psalm 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday, March 7 - Jeremiah 7:23-28; Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9; Luke 11:14-23

Friday, March 8 - Hosea 14:2-10; Psalm 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17; Mark 12:28-34

Saturday, March 9 - Hosea 6:1-6; Psalm 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab; Luke 18:9-14

Sunday, March 10 - 2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23; Psalm 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab); Ephesians 2:4-10; John 3:14-21 *Scrutiny*: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1); Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41