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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 4, 2025

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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. WEDNESDAY, MAY 7 11:00am Adoration 12:00pm Mass +Virginia Vidal SUNDAY, MAY 11 11:00am Mass +Stella Wierzbicka

GOSPEL REFLECTION

I eat breakfast. If I don't have something substantial, I'm fading by midmorning. Breakfast is my key meal because it sets up my physical wellbeing for the rest of the day.

Spiritually speaking, we need sustenance to get us going. This is true for the Apostles in this Sunday's remarkable Gospel reading. The risen Jesus makes his third appearance to them in the early morning light and calls, "**Come, have breakfast**" (John 21:12). The exhausted and cold fishermen sit, and he feeds them bread and fish as the dawn breaks. They are overwhelmed by his presence to the point of awestruck silence. As they eat, their bodies and their hearts come alive. Once refreshed by their morning meal, they will be ready to feed others — indeed, the whole world — with the love of the risen Jesus. But first, they need breakfast from him.

Do you realize how essential early morning prayer is? Jesus desires to refresh us every morning with his word of love, with his grace-filled presence. This week, hear Jesus calling to you: "Come, have breakfast!" Embrace some form of spiritual, meditative practice each morning for spiritual strength to get you going.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

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.

CONTACTS, COMMITTEES, MINISTRIES, & SERVICES

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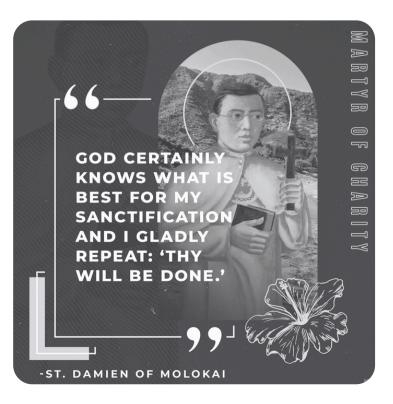
Angela Block, Judy Brieske, Heidi Bernardo, Barbara Bell, Ray Buyle, Carol's Brother, Karen Dobbins, Maureen Fancher, Krystyna Gala, Kevin Goulet, Pat Goulet, Donald Hammond, John Hartz, Vicky Hartz, Keith Harris, Dennis Hassman, Tootie Hassman, Shyanna Hoffstetter, Cody Jackson, Lisa Jansen, Frances Jarosz, Glen Johnson, Rene Kammel, Tricia Kesinger, John LaRochelle, Elsie Lowry, Lowden Family (Chelsea, Addison, Jaxson), Fr. Nazarus Maduba, Massey Family (Carrie, Jordan, Faith), Joanne Mustion, Jim Neff, Maddalyne Norris, Joe Palmere, Christine Perovich, Joe Regalado, Mary Ann Regalado, Joseph Skorich, Robert Skorich, Pat Smith, Tamara Steagall, Phyllis Stubenfoll, Jeff Sutterfield, Wade Strong, Daksha Thomas, Ron Thomas, Steven Triner, Susan Turner, Diane Vandersteen, Justin, Thomas Waldrup Sr., Pam Whyte.

To add or delete names from the prayer list, please send an email to <u>saintandrewsyellville@gmail.com</u>.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Linda Willett 5/3 Michael Sutterfield 5/6 Deacon George Gussy 5/9 Jim O'Sullivan 5/11 Jeff Strong 5/12 Mark Eckhardt 5/14 Cassandra Johannsen 5/24

Bill VanCott	5/25
Marv Topf	5/26
Pat Dagenais	5/28
Anne Presley	5/29
Kaitlyn McMasters	5/29
Dennis Hassman	5/30



PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome to St. Andrew's! For questions, call 870-449-4850. Register online at **www.osvhub/harrisoncatholicsta/directory** /register.

FLOCKNOTE SIGN-UP

Stay updated on parish events! Visit **flocknote.com/marymotherofgodchurch** or text "flocking" to 84576. Contact Melissa Garrison at 870-449-4850 for help.

ONLINE GIVING

You can now make your tax-deductible contributions online! Visit:

www.osvhub.com/harrisoncatholicsta/ giving/funds

VIGIL CANDLES

To light a 6-day vigil candle, a \$3 donation is requested. It covers most of the candle cost. Thanks.

STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES

If you don't receive envelopes for the collection, please drop a note with your name and address in the collection basket or contact the Church office at 870-449-4850.

PERPETUAL ADORATION IS READY

Eucharistic Adoration is now available at St. Andrew's 24/7. Call 870-449-4850 or 870-741-5234 for the church door combination.

HOW TO BECOME A DEACON

Are you called to be a Deacon?

The Permanent Diaconate Formation Office is committed to preparing men to the diaconate in the Diocese of Little Rock. Leading a program which equips our candidates spiritually, academically, and pastorally to serve the Church. The Formation program consists of 5 years of academic, pastoral, spiritual and human aspects.

If interested, inquiry meeting dates can be found in the Church vestibule or see Deacon George with any questions.

INVITE TO WADE STRONG'S GRADUATION

The Strong family would like to invite you to an open house they are hosting on Saturday, **May 10**, at 2pm. They have placed a sign-up sheet in the hall. Please RSVP by May 1st. Please contact Charity Strong with any questions.

MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Join us on Sunday, **May 11**, after Mass, for a Mother's Day breakfast. The St. Andrew's men will be preparing pancakes and sausage for all to celebrate the amazing women of our parish. Please make plans to attend. It is important that we know how many are coming, so a sign-up sheet is available in the hall.

CCW MEETING

Attention Ladies. The next CCW meeting/luncheon is Saturday, **May 17.** We will meet in the adoration chapel at 11:45 a.m. for the rosary and then have lunch (provided by the volunteers from our last meeting) before starting our meeting with rummage sale updates along with planning for our Christmas in July campaign for Creekside. Also, don't forget to bring your cereal for the Yellville Area Food Closet. See you there!

TIM STAPLES (CATHOLIC ANSWERS) AT ST. PETERS THE FISHERMAN

Tim Staples from Catholic Answers will be at St. Peter the Fisherman in Mountain Home, AR on Saturday, **May 17** from 10:30am to 6:30pm. He will be giving 3 different talks that day:

The Pinnacle of God's Creation 10:30am to 11:30am

Discover why woman is God's greatest masterpiece and the guardian of the sacred in Tim Staples' powerful talk, "The Pinnacle of God's Creation." Prepare to be inspired by the dignity, beauty, and mission God has uniquely entrusted to women!

<u>God is Looking for a Few Good Men</u> 1 to 2pm

Tim will give his talk, "God is Looking for a Few Good Men," which challenges men to rise up as true spiritual leaders, embracing sacrifice, service, and headship to transform their families, the Church, and the world.

<u>Why Be Catholic</u>

5:30 to 6:30pm

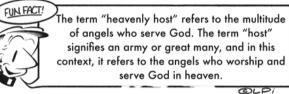
Tim's final talk of the day, "Why Be Catholic," shows how faith, reason, and history point unmistakably to the Catholic Church as the true Church founded by Christ— and why your soul's destiny depends on it.

HAPPY GRADUATION!

Please join us for cake on Sunday, **May 18** after Mass to celebrate Melody and Wade on their graduation. Congratulations! "What do you call an angel who seats you at a restaurant?"



"A heavenly host."



CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Question: What saint is symbolized by a flaming torch?

Answer: St. Aidan of Lindisfarne. ©LPi

LIVE THE LITURGY

Jesus bids the disciples to bring their bounty of fish to the fire, to gather around it, to be warmed and fed. God's invitation is for all of us: come to the fire of His love. Be warmed. Be fed. Then, go forth, and feed the sheep.

OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 4

Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Easter

<u>Monday</u>: Cinco de Mayo

<u>Saturday</u>: St. John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Damien de Veuster, Priest

<u>Next Sunday</u>: 4th Sunday of Easter; World Day of Prayer for Vocations; Mother's Day

THE WITNESSES OF WHAT MAKES NO SENSE

BY COLLEEN JURKIEWICZ DORMAN

It never fails to amuse me that the disciples in today's Gospel don't recognize Jesus until he asks them to do something that makes absolutely no logical sense.

He's just some random stranger on the shore — until he gives them an order that, in any other circumstances, would have them rolling their eyes into the backs of their head: Drop the nets again. I know you haven't caught anything all night. I know you're tired. Just do it one more time. Trust me. Again.

That's when they recognize him.

The disciples display such poor recognition of Jesus after the resurrection. I'm sure there's a good, theologically sound reason for it, one I am not smart enough to explain. Whatever that reason is, it's very clear that God was carefully orchestrating these moments of realization. He is trying to tell us something about how we recognize the risen Christ the one who has conquered sin, the one whose love was stronger than death. The one who never made any sense, and never will, because his kingdom is not of this world, and to understand him — to recognize him — you have to detach from the priorities, the expectations, the limitations of this present world.

You have to be willing to do what makes no sense.

Love — again, even when it doesn't make sense. Forgive — again, even when it doesn't make sense. Believe — again, even when it doesn't make sense.

"We are the witnesses of these things," Peter tells the Sanhedrin (Acts 5:32). Peter, who was so full of joy when he recognized Jesus that he leapt into the sea, fully clothed, desperate to be near him.

It makes no sense, and that's okay. That's kind of our whole thing, as Christians. We are the witnesses of the things that make no sense.