

PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER & BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus will host the Holy Rosary before Masses this weekend.

They will also host Breakfast this weekend.

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TRAINING FOR ALTAR SERVERS IS FORTHCOMING ARE YOU INTERESTED?

Anyone who has
received their
First Holy Communion
is eligible!

DETAILS ARE ON THE HORIZON!



THE MAY CROWNING WILL
TAKE PLACE ON
NEXT

SUNDAY MAY, 11TH.
WE ASK ALL OUR CHILDREN
TO PARTICIPATE.

PLEASE ARRIVE EARLY TO GET LINED UP
AND
PROCESS IN
BEFORE MASS.

PLEASE SEE PAGE 2 FOR
INFORMATION ON THE
UPCOMING ADULT
BIBLE STUDY



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ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH



829 Valley View Dr. Sparta TN. 38583

Sunday May 4, 2025

Third Sunday of Easter



MASS TIMES

Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am

Weekday Masses

Wednesday 5:00 pm

Thursday 9:30 am

CONFESSION TIMES

Wednesday 4:30-5:00 pm

Saturday 3:30-4:00 pm

and by appointment

ADORATION TIMES

Wednesday 4-5:00 pm

Saturday 3-4:00 pm

Sunday 8-8:30 am

Reflections

by Fr. Njoku Canice
Chukwuemeka, C.S.Sp

On this third Sunday of Lent, the church provides us another moment of grace to straighten us on our journey. Today, we celebrate the Lord who frees us from our slavery to sin if only we listen to His warning to repent. Hence, our central theme today is repentance.

At times, we are tempted to view repentance as something unimportant. On the contrary, it is an essential step to salvation. It is a way through which God mediates his grace to us. Repentance is, feeling sorry for the sin we commit and a firm resolve not to commit it again deliberately. Sincere repentance provokes God's compassion, mercy, and love.

In our second reading, Paul kindly reminded us of the consequences of deliberately going contrary to God's will. He carefully traced the death of the Israelites to their inability to please God. That is to say because they sinned against God. Hence, Paul concluded by reminding us that "All these happened as a warning, and was written down to be a lesson for us who are living at the end of the age." In his letter to the Romans, he puts it directly: "The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life" (Rom 6:23).

In today's gospel, Jesus was straightforward in his words when he said: "Unless you repent, you will perish." One might say that this is too harsh to come from Christ, who is merciful and compassionate. The truth is that when Jesus speaks this way, it does not diminish his compassion and mercy. Instead, he does so because he cares for us and sees what we cannot see. He simply warns us of the negative consequences of living a sinful life and wants us to repent and live a better life.

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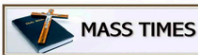
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Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 8:30am English

Weekday Masses:

Wednesday 5:00
Thursday 9:30

ADORATION

Wednesday 4-4:55
Saturday 3 to 3:55
Sunday 8:00- 8:25



If you are a new parishioner, you are invited to stop by or telephone the parish office to register and let us know how we may be of service to you. Please call the church office (931) 264-4859

If you have new information, such as a change of address or phone numbers, or if you are moving from the parish, please call the Parish office at (931) 264-4859.

Please visit the parish website: www.standrewsparta.com and sign up to receive the weekly email newsletter and parish-wide emails. Please like and Follow our church Facebook page: FIND IT EASY AT THE BOTTOM OF THE WEBSITE!

St Andrew Catholic Church-Sparta, TN



Baptism:
Please contact
The Parish office about the birth of your child.

Reconciliation:
Wednesdays 4:30-5:00
Saturdays at 3:30-4:00
and by appointment.

Marriage:
Please contact the Parish office at least 4 months in advance for information and scheduling

Anointing of the Sick and homebound:
Please contact the Parish Office for information on our Ministry of Care.

Father Emmanuel is available to hear confessions on Saturdays from 3:30pm to 4pm and on Wednesday from 4:30 pm to 5 pm. Other confession times may be arranged directly with Father.

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

On the weekends of May 3/4 and May 10/11, the books for 1 Corinthians will be available for pick up / purchase after each mass. The first bible study classes will begin on the weekend of May 17th at 5:30pm and May 18th at 10:00. If you are interested but are not registered, please speak with me after mass. There is always room for one more. Come and learn with us as we learn from the early church.

Judy Elliott 520-429-4581



THE KNIGHT'S CORNER

The Knights lead the Rosary before mass on the month's first weekend. The Rosary will begin 30 minutes before the Mass Saturday Vigil and the Sunday morning Mass.

Saturday, MAY 3 @ 3:30pm
Sunday, MAY 4 @ 8:00am

Next meeting: MAY 4, 2025 after the breakfast.

Any parish members who wish to join the Knights are welcome to talk with any active member to sign up.

THE NIGHT'S WOULD
LIKE TO SPONSOR A
WOMAN'S AXILARY
GROUP.

SEE SONDR TERSIGNI
FOR INFORMATION.
text 931-256-0803

THESE LADIES WILL
NOT ONLY
HELP THE KNIGHT'S OF
COLUMBUS OF OUR
PARISH, BUT PERFORM
OTHER DUTIES FOR THE
PARISH IN VARIOUS
WAYS.

"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased." Hebrews 13:16
Farmers' Storehouse is a major sponsor of our bulletin.



Congratulations to these
three young men.

Taj Acharya,
Matthew Finley
& Miles Thomas have
received their
First Holy Communion!



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE
YOUNG MEN WHO
ARE BEING CONFIRMED
THIS WEEKEND!

THEY ARE:

SAMUEL BAIRD
&
CHASE FINLEY



ST. ANDREW MASS SCHEDULE INTENTIONS & EVENTS

Wednesday May 7, 2025
Adoration 4:00-5:00 Adoration
3:30-4:00 Confession
5:00 Mass

ANDRZEJ KONWINSKI- HEALTH

Thursday May 8, 2025

9:30- Mass

OUTREACH

Saturday May 10, 2025

Adoration 3:00-4:00 Adoration

3:30-4:00 Confession

4:00 Mass

5:00- Dinner in Graham Hall

Sunday May 11, 2025

Adoration 8:00-8:30

8:30- Mass

FOR THE PARISH

9:30- Breakfast in Graham Hall



CLASSES END MAY 18

K-8 grades Sundays at 10:00 am (after
Mass and breakfast)

RCIA
11:00- 12:00

Young Adults (18 and older)
Sunday Eve at 6:30

High School Group
2nd Wednesday of the
month 6:30 pm
Graham Hall

Ministry Schedule

May 10/11

4:00 pm

8:30 am

Lector Jim Spagnolo

Justin Acharya

Eucharistic Ministers Marleen Loff
Sondra Tersigni

Barbara Leblanc
Branton Ferris
Victor Vale

Servers

Lynnleigh Masters
Parker Masters
Candice Adare
June Acharya

Ushers Knights of Columbus
Jim Spagnolo
UT Sergio

Ray Jicha
Knights of Columbus
2 Volunteers

PLEASE CHECK OUT THE NEW
ON- LINE GIVING
PLATFORM ON THE BACK



Daily Readings

with Saints & Occasions

May 5-11

Monday May 5, 2025
EASTER WEEKDAY

1st Reading: Acts 6: 8-15
Psalm: Psalms 119: 23-24, 26-27, 29-30
Alleluia: Matthew 4: 4b
Gospel: John 6: 22-29

Tuesday May 6, 2025
EASTER WEEKDAY

1st Reading: Acts 7: 51-60
Psalm: Psalms 31: 3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab
Alleluia: John 6: 35ab
Gospel: John 6: 30-35

Wednesday May 7, 2025
EASTER WEEKDAY

1st Reading: Acts 8: 1b-8
Psalm: Psalms 66: 1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a
Alleluia: John 6: 40
Gospel: John 6: 35-40

Thursday May 8, 2025
EASTER WEEKDAY

1st Reading: Acts 8: 26-40
Psalm: Psalms 66: 8-9, 16-17, 20
Alleluia: John 6: 51
Gospel: John 6: 44-51

Friday May 9, 2025
EASTER WEEKDAY

1st Reading: Acts 9: 1-20
Psalm: Psalms 117: 1, 2
Alleluia: John 6: 56
Gospel: John 6: 52-59

Saturday May 10, 2025
Damien Joseph De Veuster of Moloka'i, Priest,
John of Avila, Priest, Doctor

1st Reading: Acts 9: 31-42
Psalm: Psalms 116: 12-13, 14-15, 16-17
Alleluia: John 6: 63c, 68c
Gospel: John 6: 60-69

Sunday May 11, 2025
Fourth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading: Acts 13: 14, 43-52
Psalm: Psalms 100: 1-2, 3, 5
2nd Reading: Revelation 7: 9, 14b-17
Alleluia: John 10: 14
Gospel: John 10: 27-30



Please
Remember
to Pray
for the Repose
of the Soul
of
Pope
Francis!

Prayer Requests

Judy Elliott
Jim Winton
Danny Gutierrez
Linda McGraw
Cathy Correll
Elaine Garrett
Heidi Holland
Diane Barry
Verne & Bernice Clapp
John Barry
Clara Magushak
Harry Dennis
Tony Lombardi
Karen Norris
Pat Wilson.
Andrzej Konwinski



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