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FALL MARKET
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**NO RELIGIOUS ED
CLASSES
NOVEMBER 30**

**Religious Education
class line-up**
K-8 grades Sundays at
10:00 am (after Mass and
breakfast)

High School Youth Group
1st and 3rd Sunday
at 10:00 am

OCIA
11:00- 12:00

**The food pantry
IS NOT OPEN
THANKSGIVING
WEEK!**

Weekend Bible Study Class

Finishes for a brief break this
weekend and resumes
late January of 2026!

Men's Bible Study Class News

The Men's bible class has been
extended. It will continue to
meet each Wednesday
through November 19th from
the end of Mass until 7:00 pm.
We will then break from Nov
26 through Dec 31, and resume
on Jan 7, 2026.

All men of any age
are welcome to attend
at any time.



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ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday November 23, 2025.

The Solemnity of Christ the King



829 Valley View Dr. Sparta TN. 38583



Welcome to St. Andrew Church

MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:30 am

Wednesday 5:00 pm
Thursday 9:30 am

ADORATION TIMES

Wednesday 4-5:00 pm
Saturday 3-4:00 pm
Sunday 8-8:30 am

CONFESSION TIMES

Wednesday 4:30-5:00 pm
Saturday 3:30-4:00 pm
BY APPOINTMENTS

**COME SHOW YOUR THANKS &
HAVE YOUR BREAD BLESSED ON
THANKSGIVING AT 9:30 am**

PLAIN AND SIMPLE- JUST BE THANKFUL!

Reflections

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

On this thirty-fourth and last Sunday of ordinary time, year C, the holy mother church celebrates the solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Universal King. Today we adore Him as the King of kings and the Lord of lords (Rev 17:1), and we exalt Him as the sovereign ruler of the universe (Dan 7:14).

Pope Pius XI instituted the feast of Christ the King in 1925 in response to growing nationalism and secularism. Through this, the Church intends to upgrade our worship from the privacy of our hearts to a higher level. That is, to also proudly proclaim his public and universal reign as king. The title of the feast was "Jesu Christi Regis" (Our Lord Jesus Christ, the King). However, in 1969 Pope Paul VI gave the feast a new title, "Iesu Christi universorum regis." (Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe). He elevated it to a solemnity and fixed its celebration on the last Sunday of each liturgical year.

In the first reading of today, the entire Israelites united in making David King. The reason is simple. They saw in him a worthy servant. He did not impose himself on them. He did not need to waste much money and resources to be chosen or elected. Instead, they genuinely and unanimously acclaimed him their king, as we praise Christ our king today. He did not take the honor upon himself because he knew that: "No one takes this honor unto himself" (Heb 5: 4). If we humble ourselves, God will exalt us. Our people will bear joyful testimony to our capability to lead them.

In the second reading, Paul reminds us that God "Has created a place for us in the kingdom of the son that he loves." What more do we need! This calls for jubilation. So, as we celebrate today, let us know that as we "Make known the glorious splendor of Christ's reign," that we are proclaiming our reign over this world and its forces.

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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.**



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)
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Please visit the parish website:

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BOTTOM OF THE WEBSITE!

Please like and Follow our
church Facebook page:
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**Any parish
members
who wish to join
the Knights are
welcome to talk
with any active
member to sign
up.**

COMING SOON

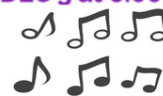
ONE MORE CHANCE TO SUPPORT OUR TALENTED KIDS!
THE TABLES WILL BE RESTOCKED!

Youth Fall Market
Prepare to support our youth in their creative endeavors
this November 15th, 16th, 22nd, and 23rd
after all the Masses.
Handmade items for fall and Christmas will be available to purchase.
The youth of our parish are working hard to make items such as books,
cakes, crocheted figures, and more!
All proceeds go to the youth, so this is a great way to support them using
their God-given talents for us!
Thank you for your support, love, and prayers!
God bless you!



RECEPTION TO FOLLOW!

**Lessons &
Carols
DEC 5 at 6:00 pm**



DON'T MISS IT!



"And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased." Hebrews 13:16
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ST ANDREW'S

GIVE IT UP FOR OUR VETERANS!

On the weekend of November 8 & 9, we celebrated the brave veterans who have served our country. Thank you, to Mike McCarthy for the program and everyone for their contributions to the display!



Then on Veteran's Day, Monica Jicha was awarded a quilt of valor, along with 12 other veterans, with their own quilts. The quilt was sewn and awarded by parishioners Stephanie Whitmer and Sondra Tersigni, at a Cookeville location. Monica was the first of many veterans in our parish. Ask Sondra how you can nominate a deserving veteran.



Please keep in mind:
All donations of the Second Collection goes to our outstanding Outreach Program, unless otherwise stated.

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In today's gospel, Pilate and the Jews ignorantly conspired to castigate Christ, their king. Rather than accept him, they hardened their hearts to God's call to share in his kingdom and glory. Our celebration today is not a mockery as the Jews, and the unrepentant criminal did. Instead, it is a genuine celebration of the universal reign of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Like the Jews of Christ's time, some of us are carried away by what we see in this present world. Some Jews of Christ's time represent the modern-day materialists who believe that everything ends here on earth. This is a grave mistake because the kingdom of this world will pass away, but Christ's reign and the kingdom are eternal.

Christ, the universal king, is a role model to all kings, rulers, presidents, decision-makers, and leaders. He cares, loves, and lives in peace with his people. He does not rule with iron fists, military might, or financial strength. He is a good Shepherd, a just judge, and a compassionate king. He is the only king who treats us as his brothers, sisters, and friends.

Christ, our universal king, is divine, yet he shares in our humanity and allows us to share in his kingly and priestly nature (Rev 1:6; 1 Th 2:12). He is ever close, and no special protocols are required to reach him. So, brethren, let us celebrate because: The Lord comes to rule his people with fairness. He will reign forever and will give his people the gift of peace.

Peace be with you!

Maranatha!



Envelopes for your Turkey
Contribution money are in
the Narthex

Last weekend to contribute! Boxes and Turkeys
will be distributed on Monday!



Nativity Play News
Practices are as follows:
November 22,
December 6, 13, & 20
10:00 am-12:00 pm

Each year we set an undecorated tree out before the first Sunday of Advent. After taking applications through our Outreach program in the Food Pantry, Angels are placed on that tree for our parishioners to select. This gives our church families a chance to choose an Angel or two for which their family can provide a \$25 wrapped gift. Details are provided, when the tree is set up. It is always such a Blessing to share those gifts with families, who truly need and appreciate them.

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ST. ANDREW MASS SCHEDULE INTENTIONS AND EVENTS

Wednesday November 26, 2025
4:00- 5 Adoration
4:30-5 Confession
ROBERT EDWARD CHURUTH RIP
5:00 Mass
Thursday November 27, 2025
9:30 Mass
DONNA HUNT SPECIAL INTENTION
BLESSING OF THE BREAD!
Saturday November 29, 2025
3:00-4:00 Adoration
3:30-4 Confession
4:00 Mass
Sunday November 30, 2025
8:00- 8:30 Adoration
8:30- Mass INTENTION: FOR THE PARISH
NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION!

November Anniversary

Alan and Sue Hubbard



November Birthdays



Alyssa Masters 1	Ken Guidara 13
Hannah Morris 1	Paula Guidara 18
Sophia Morris 2	Monica Jicha 18
Elaine Garrett 4	Daisey Tomarevsky 10
Linda McGraw 6	Sondra Tersigni 21
Rob Manthey 7	Mary Oleksik 21
Ronnie Cupec 8	Margaret Hausauer 24
Bob McGraw 9	Dee Price 24

MASS INTENTIONS NOVEMBER

ROSANNE STAFFORD -11/1
CHARLOTTE MANTHEY- R.I.P 11/8
CYNTHIA ANN CALKINS RIP 11/12
FRANK ELLIOTT- 11/13
ROSEANNA HASSETT- 11/15
ROBERT EDWARD CHURUTH RIP 11/29
DONNA HUNT 11/27

Ministry Schedule

November 29/30

Lector	Cathy Clayton	Monica Jicha
EMOHC	Jim Spagnolo Marleen Loff	Branton Ferris, Sondra Tersigni, Barbara Leblanc
Altar Servers	John Hawco, June Acharya Taj Acharya, Samuel Baird	
Ushers	Jim Spagnolo, Vols, Knights	Ray Jicha, Kevin Faust Knights of Columbus



Thanksgiving Day:

Thanksgiving Morning Mass:
Altar Server- Judy Elliott
Lector- Sondra Tersigni

Daily Readings with Saints & Occasions

NOVEMBER 24-30

Monday November 24, 2025
Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest, Martyr, & Companions, Martyrs
Obligatory Memorial
First Reading: Daniel 1: 1-6, 8-20
Responsoria Psalm: Daniel 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56
Alleluia: Matthew 24: 42a, 44
Gospel: Luke 21: 1-4
Tuesday November 25, 2025
Ordinary Weekday / Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr
First Reading: Daniel 2: 31-45
Psalm: Daniel 3: 57, 58, 59, 60, 61
Alleluia: Revelation 2: 10c
Gospel: Luke 21: 5-11
Wednesday November 26, 2025
Ordinary Weekday
First Reading: Daniel 5: 1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28
Psalm: Daniel 3: 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57
Alleluia: Revelation 2: 10c
Gospel: Luke 21: 12-19
Thursday November 27, 2025
Ordinary Weekday
First Reading: Daniel 6: 12-28
Psalm: Daniel 3: 58, 59, 60, 61, 72, 73, 74
Alleluia: Luke 21: 28
Gospel: Luke 21: 20-28
Friday November 28, 2025
Ordinary Weekday
First Reading: Daniel 7: 2-14
Psalm: Daniel 3: 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81
Alleluia: Luke 21: 28
Gospel: Luke 21: 29-33
Saturday November 29, 2025
Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr Obligatory Memorial
First Reading: 1Maccabees 6: 1-13
RPsalm: Psalms 9: 2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19
Alleluia: 2Timothy 1: 10
Gospel: Luke 20: 27-40
Sunday November 30, 2025
First Sunday of Advent
First Reading: Isaiah 2: 1-5
Psalm: Ps 122: 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9
Second Reading: Romans 13: 11-14
Alleluia: Psalms 85: 8
Gospel: Matthew 24: 37-44

Prayer Requests

Payton Newman
Jim Winton
Danny Gutierrez
Linda McGraw
Roseanna Hassett
Elaine Garrett
Heidi Holland
Diane Barry
Verne & Bernice Clapp
John Barry
Clara Magushak
Harry Dennis
Karen Norris
Pat Wilson
Andrzej Konwinski
Anita Borski
Margaret Massa
Anna Barry
Dan Clayton
Sue Hubbard



To add someone
to the prayer list
email the office at:
parishcoordinator@standrewsparta.com

Names remain one month
Unless notified otherwise

May the Souls
of all
the Faithful
Departed,
Through the
Mercy of God,
Rest in Peace.
Amen.



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