

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

**IF YOU ARE NEW
TO OUR PARISH**
see or talk to:
Elizabeth Bates, DRE (info page 2)
Classes Have Begun
but it is NOT too late!
Sundays through May of 2027
with Religious Ed from 10-11 am (kids)
OCIA from 11 to noon (adults)
These are preliminary times.
Religious Education and OCIA class times
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If you are a social worker, please contact
Judy Elliott, 529-429-4581
jroseelliott@gmail.com

Wednesday Night Men's Bible Study
with
DEACON STEVE

SOON MOVING ON TO STUDY THE
BOOK OF DANIEL

Each session starts at 5:30 pm (or after
Mass) and ends at 7:00 pm. All men of any
age are welcome.

SATURDAY Adult Bible
Study with
JUDY ELLIOTT

Begins at 5:30 after a quick meal!
all are welcome.

PANTRY HOURS

Now Open from 9 am to noon
Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday and Friday
(no Thursday due
to the delivery)

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ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH

Sunday November 1, 2026

The Feast of All Saints



829 Valley View Dr. Sparta TN. 38583

Reflections

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



**They Came, They Struggled,
and They Conquered**

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

Today, the church gives us the opportunity to celebrate our
unsung heroes. The Feast of All Saints is a celebration in
recognition of the efforts made by many "Faithful" who are not
officially canonized or beatified by the church.

Contrary to the belief of one known Christian sect, that: "Only
one hundred and forty-four thousand people will be saved or
enter God's kingdom," our first reading today gives us hope
that there are enough rooms in God's kingdom for anyone that
triumphs. So, All Saints refers to: "The crowd so great that no
one could count. They were individuals of all nations and
races, of all peoples and languages."

This reading portrays two essential things. The first is that
apart from the officially canonized saints, many more have
lived heroic and virtuous lives. They are unsung by men, but
God, the Creator, and Father recognize their efforts and
struggle. They are: "Those who have washed their robes in the
blood of the Lamb," and now, sing: "Victory, salvation, honor,
and glory belong to our God because he is Love!" Second, it
also shows that God's love is for all nations.

Hence, today's second reading reminds us of how much God
loves us. All Saints (the triumphant church) now enjoy the
fullness of this love. We (the "militant church"), who are still
living also, enjoy God's love. It is this same love that sustains
us in our journey daily journey. However, when we triumph like
them, we shall become transformed and share in the fullness
of this love. Hence, John tells us: "Brothers, now we are the
children of God, but it has not been manifested what we shall
look like at the end: We shall look like the glorified Christ and
the saints. We shall share in the fullness of God's love."

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PARISH INFORMATION

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Friday
9: a.m. - 12 p.m.

Telephone:
(931) 738-2140

Visit Our Website

www.standrewsparta.com

Please send bulletin changes,
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2 weeks ahead to:
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or the Parish Co-ordinator



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Baptisms

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

Marriages

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.

Reconciliation

Father Emmanuel
is available to
hear confessions on
Saturdays from
3:30 to 4 pm
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.
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
931-738-2140

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:
St AndrewCatholicChurch-Sparta,TN

There is a basket
in the Narthex for
donations of
hygiene
products for
distribution
in the
Outreach program.
Please add items
as you see fit!

THE KNIGHT'S CORNER

DO YOU WANT TO BE A KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS
MEMBER?
JUST ASK ONE!

As you probably heard, the Knights of Columbus
bowed out of the Lester Platt celebration,
due to weather concerns. Plans are in the works to
get the lumpia out to all!



THE NEXT HOSTED MEALS THIS SATURDAY,
OCT 31 & SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8
General meeting after November 8 breakfast



The Knights of Columbus lead the
rosary the 1st Saturday at 3:30
and the 2nd Sunday at 8:30.
On days that the Rosary is not led by the
Knights of Columbus, Saturday's Rosary
will be led by others in attendance, so
arrive early with a rosary!

LET'S GET READY FOR ALL SAINTS DAY AND ALL SOULS DAY!

We will be collecting names of those who have passed in
the past year, or thereabouts.

Please send names to:

Sondra Tersigni at: bulletinsacc@gmail.com
or text her at: 931-256-0803

The list will be on the altar throughout all of November.

ALSO

if you are having a Mass said for someone,
please email the office with the information
that you put on the form. I say this because
some names are hard to read and we want to
be sure that they are spelled correctly.



"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.





We have begun praying the prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel at the conclusion of Sunday Mass, and the vigil. It is recited after the first verse of the closing hymn. Please stay for it!



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by Sandra Tersigni
Servants of Mary Shrine,
Windsor, Ohio

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. AMEN



In November, the Knights of Columbus will have their Breakfast on November 8th. It will be followed by their general meeting.

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Today, our gospel gives us a perfect credential of all the Saints that we honor today. They are the real Blessed and Happy. Each one of them falls into one or more of these categories. They were poor in spirit. They suffered and wept for the salvation of others. They hungered and thirsted for justices and the truth. In the process, they were greatly persecuted and bruised. Despite all these, they were pure in their hearts, merciful to all, and worked for peace.

While this matches the profile and the present reward of All Saints, it also leaves us with great hope and promise. All saints were mortal human beings like each one of us. They came, saw, struggled, and they conquered. The same grace that helped them is still available for us today. The good news is that we shall also enjoy this exact profile and reward if we run and endure the way they did.

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The truth is that human beings may not appreciate your efforts and worth, but God does. This is because he knows that you are there. You count, you mean a lot to him, and you are on his "payment list." He loves you and is praying and waiting patiently for you to overcome this world to share in the fullness of his love. So, like All Saints, you are among the class of people that the Lord is searching for. All Saints, Pray for us!

Peace be with you!

Maranatha!

MINISTERS IN SERVICE TO THE LORD . . .

WE NEED:

Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Servers

For Saturday, 4:00pm mass, contact

Sandra Tersigni, 931-256-0803, spartans47@gmail.com

For Sunday, 8:30am mass, contact

Monica Jicha, 931-267-7747, doghousemom@benlomand.net

Can you say YES to working in the vineyard of the Lord? Matt. 21:28-32

Blessing for All Saints

Bless us as we journey in faith, a journey marked with twists and turns.
Bless us with the inspiration and friendship of those who have gone before us, the saints.
May their lives serve as guiding lights, beckoning us through the darkness to safety and rest. Amen.

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Thanksgiving Turkeys

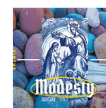
It is that time again! Please, if possible, will you help us give "turkey" to our Food Pantry Families?

Due to the number of persons we are assisting, space & construction, we are unable to give out holiday boxes this year.

Instead, as we receive any holiday foods from Second Harvest, they will immediately be given out to our families. Hopefully, since they are able to pick up 2 boxes per month they will be able to have a Happy Thanksgiving!

Beginning, Sunday, October 25th, you will be able to find envelopes marked "TURKEY" in the Narthex. Please use these or one you bring from home marked turkey for your donations. We truly appreciate your generosity in helping the less fortunate. Simply drop your envelopes in any collection basket! Questions may be directed to Victor or Cathy!

Virtues Explained



One of the 12 fruits of the Holy Spirit is modesty, related to the cardinal virtue of temperance, or moderation of passions. It means "refusing to unveil what should remain hidden" and in doing so "protects the intimate center of the person" (CCC 2521). This virtue is a guide for how we interact with others in a way that honors their inherent dignity.

Christ notably said that those who look upon others with lust commit adultery in their heart (Matthew 5:28), indicating that modesty is concerned not just with action but with thoughts and interior disposition. Parents are obliged to instruct their children in the ways of modesty as part of teaching respect for others.

"The forms taken by modesty vary from one culture to another," we read in the Catechism. "Everywhere, however, modesty exists as an intuition of the spiritual dignity proper to man. It is born with the awakening consciousness of being a subject" (CCC 2524).

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ST. ANDREW MASS SCHEDULE INTENTIONS AND EVENTS

Saturday October 31, 2026

Adoration 3:00- 4:00
Confession 3:30- 4:00

4:00 Mass

Sunday November 1, 2026

8:30- Mass INTENTION: FOR THE PARISH

Religious Education Classes
10:00 OCIA 11:00

Wednesday November 4, 2026

ADORATION: 4:00- 5:00
CONFESSION: 4:30-5:00

MASS 5:00 CHARLOTTE MANTHEY R.I.P.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY- AFTER MASS OR ABOUT 5:30

Thursday November 5, 2026

MASS- 9:30 a.m.

Saturday November 7, 2026

Adoration 3:00- 4:00
Confession 3:30- 4:00

4:00 Mass SAM NGUY R.I.P.

Ministry Schedule

November 7/8

Sandra Tersigni

Marleen Loff

Cathy Clayton

Monica Jicha

John Hawco

Sandra Tersigni

Monica

Luke Hudachec

James Hudachec

Sam Baird

Ray Jicha

Kevin Faust

Knights of Columbus

Month of the Holy Souls

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Tyler & Samila Bruno - Nov 3
Tim & Jessica Brennonson - Nov 14
Matt & Heather Weaver- Nov 14
Gene & Mary Grey - Nov 17
Kyle & Bethany Cullen - Nov 22
Chikezie & Mercy Emeghara- Nov 27

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

John Dlugosz - 5
Robert Manthey- 7
Ronnie Cupec - 8
Robert McGraw - 9
Daisey Tomarevsky - 10
Anthony Campanari
Jeffrey Smith - 11
Ken Guidara, Samila Bruno -13
Jim Wankel - 14
Brent Frank -17
Lorie Frank, Kary Oleksik,
Sondra Tersigni, Chris Marinucci- 21

NOVEMBER MASS INTENSIONS

CHARLOTTE MANTHEY R.I.P. -NOV 4
SAM NGUY R.I.P. -NOV 7
JOHN PINSON R.I.P. -NOV 11
THELMA JUANITA PEACOCK GUMZ - NOV 12
ROSEANNA HASSETT R.I.P. -NOV 14
ANTHONY FARMER SPECIAL INTENTION - NOV 19
NGUYET NGUYEN R.I.P. -NOV 21

Daily Readings with Saints & Occasions

November 2-8

Monday November 2, 2026

The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed (All Souls)

1st Reading: Wisdom 3: 1-9
Psalm: Psalms 23: 1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Second: Romans 5: 5-11 or Romans 6: 3-9
Alleluia: Matthew 25: 34
Gospel: John 6: 37-40

Tuesday November 3, 2026

Martin De Porres, Religious

1st Reading: Philippians 2: 5-11
Psalm: Psalms 22: 26b-27, 28, 29-30, 31-32
Alleluia: Matthew 11: 28
Gospel: Luke 14: 15-24

Wednesday November 4, 2026

Charles Borromeo, Bishop Obligatory Memorial

1st Reading: Philippians 2: 12-18
Psalm: Psalms 27: 1-4, 13-14
Alleluia: 1 Peter 4: 14
Gospel: Luke 14: 25-33

Thursday November 5, 2026

Ordinary Weekday

1st Reading: Philippians 3: 3-8a
Psalm: Psalms 105: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Alleluia: Matthew 11: 28
Gospel: Luke 15: 1-10

Friday November 6, 2026

Ordinary Weekday

1st Reading: Philippians 3: 17 - 4: 1
Psalm: Psalms 122: 1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5
Alleluia: 1 John 2: 5
Gospel: Luke 16: 1-8

Saturday November 7, 2026

Optional Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1st Reading: Ephesians 4: 7-16
Psalm: Psalms 105: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Alleluia: Ezekiel 33: 11
Gospel: Luke 13: 1-9

Sunday November 8, 2026

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Wisdom 6: 12-16
Psalm: Psalms 63: 2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8
2ND Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18
Alleluia: Matthew 24: 42a, 44
Gospel: Matthew 25: 1-13

Prayer Requests

**Mike Popa

*Catherine Young

*Katie Charfaous

**Lois Gilbert

** Bill Swartz

*Payton Newman

*Heidi & Gary Holland

*Joan Kupiec

**Melissa Cupec

** Mark Marshall

Lezette Bruce

Jim Winton

**Danny Gutierrez

Art Gutierrez

Dean Wolf

Linda McGraw Elaine Garrett

Diane & Tom Barry

John Barry

Verne & Bernice Clapp

Harry Dennis Karen Norris

Anna Barry

Maryann Kopke Margaret Massa

Christopher j. Scott

** Special Consideration, Please!

May the Souls of all the Faithful Departed, Through the Mercy of God Rest in Peace! AMEN

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