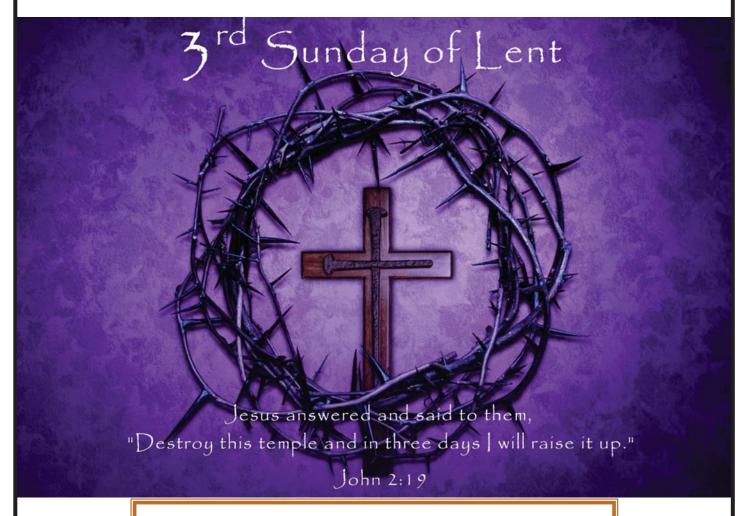
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March 3rd, 2024

Third Sunday in Lent

ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 2nd

4:00pm — Marc De Sousa

Sunday, March 3rd

8:00am — Jacinto & Maria Rodrigues' 15th Anniversary

10:30am — Elisa Soures

Monday, March 4th

8:00am — Jose F. & Jose M. Sousa, Fontes Family, Tobey Alford

Tuesday, March 5th

8:00am — Suzanne Carreiro

Wednesday, March 6th

8:00am — Flordan "Flo" Bazile

Thursday, March 7th

8:00am — Special Intention

Friday, March 8th

8:00am — Jean Mills

Saturday, March 9th

4:00pm — Special Intentions

Sunday, March 10th

8:00am — Joseph & Margaret Sollecito, Alvarino Fortes, Mary Fortes 10:30am — Joao & Maria Jose Costa, Deceased Family Members

Sanctuary Lamp for week of March 2nd



Humberto Machado

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BAPTISM

Parents who are registered and practicing members of the parish should call the rectory to make arrangements.

RECONCILIATION

Before and after all weekend Masses. Or at any time at the Rectory.

WEDDINGS

Couples who are registered and practicing members of the parish may call the rectory eight months in advance to make arrangements.

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to our parish! Registration forms are available at the entrances of the church. Please complete the form and return as soon as possible.

WOMEN OF FAITH

For more information, please contact Tara Sousa at 508-272-1173 or tarasousa@aol.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #11914

For more information, please contact Grand Knight, Bob Crossman, at 508-823-7920.

MEN OF ST JOSEPH

The group meet on the First Saturday of every month. Beginning with 9:00am Mass, followed by a meeting of fellowship and discussion. All men are welcome.

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PRAYER and ADORATION

MONDAY NOVENA

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Novena is held on Monday evenings at 7:00pm with Rosary and Benediction.

WEDNESDAY Divine Mercy HOLY HOUR

St Joseph's Chapel, 6:00pm to 7:00pm

FRIDAY CENACLE PRAYER GROUP

St Joseph's Chapel, Friday 1:00pm — 2:00pm

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION in CHAPEL

St Joseph's Adoration Chapel is open Daily 7:00am to 7:00pm

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FIRST READING

A Reading from the Book of Exodus

Ex 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17

In those days, God delivered all these commandments: "I, the LORD am your God,

who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery.

You shall not have other gods besides me.

"You shall not take the name of the LORD, your God, in vain.

For the LORD will not leave unpunished the one who takes his name in vain.

"Remember to keep holy the sabbath day.

Honor your father and your mother,

that you may have a long life in the land

which the Lord, your God, is giving you.

You shall not kill.

You shall not commit adultery.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet your neighbor's house.

You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male or female slave, nor his ox or ass, nor anything else that belongs to him."

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19

R.\ Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

SECOND READING

A Reading from Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

1 Cor 1:22-25

Brothers and sisters:

Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles,

but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom.

and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

A reading from the Gospel according to John

Jn 2:13-25

Since the Passover of the Jews was near,

Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves,

as well as the money changers seated there.

He made a whip out of cords

and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen,

and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables,

and to those who sold doves he said,

"Take these out of here,

and stop making my Father's house a market-place."

His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, *Zeal for your house will consume me*.

At this the Jews answered and said to him,

"What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them,

"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up."

The Jews said,

"This temple has been under construction for fortysix years,

and you will raise it up in three days?"

But he was speaking about the temple of his body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken.

While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover.

many began to believe in his name

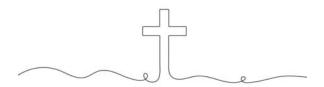
when they saw the signs he was doing.

But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all,

and did not need anyone to testify about human nature.

He himself understood it well.

The Gospel of the Lord.





By Father Edward A. Murphy

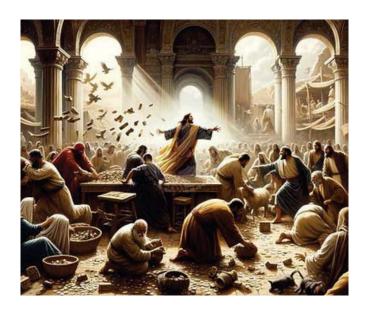
POPE FRANCIS: REFLECTION FOR THE 3RD SUNDAY OF LENT CLEANSING OF THE TEMPLE

Saint Paul has told us that "Christ is the power and wisdom of God" (1 Cor 1:22-25). Jesus revealed that power and wisdom above all by offering forgiveness and showing mercy. He chose to do so not by displays of strength or by speaking to us from on high, in lengthy and learned discourses. He did so by giving his life on the cross. He revealed his wisdom and power by showing us, to the very end, the faithfulness of the Father's love; the faithfulness of the God of the covenant, who brought his people forth from slavery and led them on a journey of freedom (cf. Ex 20:1-2).

In the Gospel reading (Jn 2:13-25), we see how Jesus drove out from the Temple in Jerusalem the moneychangers and all the buyers and sellers. Why did Jesus do something this forceful and provocative? He did it because the Father sent him to cleanse the temple: not only the Temple of stone. but above all the temple of our heart. Jesus could not tolerate his Father's house becoming a marketplace (cf. Jn 2:16); neither does he want our hearts to be places of turmoil, disorder and confusion. Our heart must be cleansed, put in order and purified. Of what? Of the falsehoods that stain it, from hypocritical duplicity. All of us have these. They are diseases that harm the heart, soil our lives and make them insincere. We need to be cleansed of the deceptive securities that would barter our faith in God with passing things, with temporary advantages. We need the baneful temptations of power and money to be swept from our hearts and from the Church. To cleanse our hearts, we need to dirty our hands, to feel accountable and not to simply look on as our brothers and sisters are suffering. How do we purify our hearts? By our own efforts, we cannot; we need Jesus. He has the power to conquer our evils, to heal our diseases, to rebuild the temple of our heart.

Jesus Christ, he alone, can cleanse us of the works of evil. Jesus, who died and rose! Jesus, the Lord! Dear brothers and sisters, God does not let us die in our sins. Even when we turn our backs on him, he never leaves us to our own devices. He seeks us out, runs after us, to call us to repentance and to cleanse us of our sins. "As I live, says the Lord, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live" (Ezek 33:11). The Lord wants us to be saved and to become living temples of his love, in fraternity, in service, in mercy.

In the power of the Holy Spirit, he sends us forth, not as proselytizers, but as missionary disciples, men and women called to testify to the lifechanging power of the Gospel. The risen Lord makes us instruments of God's mercy and peace, patient and courageous artisans of a new social order. In this way, by the power of Christ and the Holy Spirit, the prophetic words of the Apostle Paul to the Corinthians are fulfilled: "God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's wisdom is stronger than human strength" (1 Cor 1:25). Christian communities made up of simple and lowly people become a sign of the coming of his kingdom, a kingdom of love, justice and peace.



Fr. Edward A. Mufly

WEEKLY PARISH ST. ANDREW'S SUPPORT

Thank you for your support to our Parish family.

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February 24th & 25th

Weekend Masses \$ 3.671.00

Fuel & Maintenance \$ 2,078.00

Annual Appeal \$ 75.00

Candles \$ 52.00

This week's Second Collection - will be for:

Diocesan Assessment

Next week's Second Collection - will be for:

Parking Lot Repairs



Tax contribution reports for 2023 will be available upon request. You can contact the rectory or email the parish office and the form will be prepared as soon as possible. standrewtaunton@comcast.net.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje

Please join Fr Murphy on his Annual Pilgrimage to Medjugorje on **May 7-16, 2024**, \$3299.00 from Boston.

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Faith Formation



3/23/2024









ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

FAITH FORMATION BEGINS

SEPTEMBER 17th 9:10am—11:30am (includes the Holy Mass) In the CHURCH

<u>DATE</u> <u>GRADES 1-8</u> <u>CONFIRMATION</u>

GRADES 9-10

3/10/2024 Grades 5 & 6 Grade 9

3/17/2023 Grades 7 & 8 Grade 10

First Holy Communion Retreat St. Andrew's Hall - 10:00-1:00

Saturday -

Mandatory

3/24/2024 Grades 1 & 2 Grade 9

3/31/2024 No Faith Formation - Easter

5/5/2023 **Tuesday -**

First Holy Communion Rehearsal after 10:30 Mass (Mandatory)

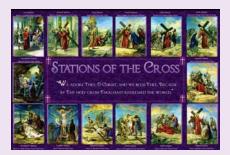
5/12/2023 Saturday -First Holy Communion-10:00 a.m. Mass for all 2nd Grade Students All Students need to arrive by 9:15 a.m.



There will be altar server training classes for new students ages 8 and older, starting March 3rd, after the 10:30 Mass.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming an altar server, there are forms available in the Sacristy.





Fridays in Lent

Rosary and Divine Mercy at 5:00pm

Stations of the Cross at 5:30pm

Law of Abstinence

- 1. Those who are 14 years of age and older are obliged to observe the law of abstinence.
- 2. On days of abstinence, those bound by the law abstain from meat.
- 3. **On all Fridays of Lent**, abstinence is prescribed. This, of course, includes Good Friday. Abstinence is also prescribed on Ash Wednesday.



The Penny Sale on Saturday, April 27th

We are accepting donations of <u>NEW</u> items. Items can be left on the bench outside the parish office.

Any questions, contact Kathy Duarte at

508-822-5455

CHOWDER & FRITTER FUNDRAISER

DATE: Friday, March 22, 2024 @ 6:15PM-7:15PM
LOCATION: St. Andrew the Apostle Parish Hall
TICKET PRICE: \$12 Adults, \$6 Children
Tickets will be available after the Masses on the weekend:
of March 3rd, 10th and 17th.





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For more information contact Robert Crossman at 508-823-7920 or Mike Wocjik 508-822-4254.



Prayer: To Expel All Evil Forces

With the intercession of St Michael, Our Blessed Mother and all the Saints And Angels free from sin.

I command in the name of almighty
God, and in the name of Jesus Christ
His Son who shed his blood on Calvary
For all human beings.

I command all the evil forces to be
Expelled right now into the recesses
Of Hell never again to attach themselves
or torment us in any way.

Amen.





Monday's 7:00pm — Miraculous Medal Novena

Wednesday's 6:00pm — Divine Mercy Holy Hour

Friday's 5:00pm — Rosary and Divine Mercy
5:30pm — Stations of the Cross

Daily Mass — 8:00am

Confession — Before or after Masses

Healing Mass — Thursday, March 14th (St. Andrews),
Thursday, March 21st (St. Annes)

Men of St Joseph — First Saturday of the Month

St Joseph's Adoration Chapel — Daily 7:00am to 7:00pm

Mary, Queen of Martyrs Presents

Vatican International Exhibit of Eucharistic Miracles

Thurs, Mar 7th - Sun, Mar 10th

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Exhibit 7-9 pm March 7

March 8 Exhibit 9:30 am - 2 pm, 6-8 pm

March 9 Exhibit 1-5 pm, 6-7 pm March 10 Exhibit 11 am - 2 pm



Talk on

Blessed Carlo Acutis

The 1st Millennial to be beatified!



Thurs. Mar 7th at 6 pm

Blessed Carlo Acutis lived in Italy from 1990 -2006.

During his short 15½ years, he was always joyfully sharing the faith, especially his love of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. At the age of 11, as part of his work as a catechist, he created a website which catalogued many of the principal Eucharistic Miracles which have taken place throughout the world and have been recognized by the Church.

Talk on

St. Manuel González García

Bishop of the Abandoned Tabernacle

Sun. Mar 10th at 2 pm



Manuel González García was born in Seville, Spain in 1877 and ordained a priest in 1901. He was

assigned his first parish mission in the little town of Palomares del Rio. It was there, where Our Lord spoke to him from an abandoned tabernacle, that was a defining moment in his life and clarified the direction for the rest of his priestly ministry.

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For more information, contact Kathy Benton at (508) 746-0663

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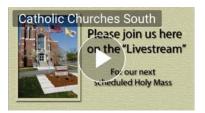
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Medjugorje Message, February 25, 2024



"Dear children! Pray and renew your heart so that the good which you have sown may bear the fruit of joy and oneness with God. Darnel has seized many hearts and they have become unfruitful; that is why, you little children, be light, love and my outstretched hands in this world which yearns for God Who is love. Thank you for having responded to my call."



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