

St. Andrew the Apostle

Taunton Catholic Church

16th SUNDAY
in Ordinary Time



“Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her.” Luke 10:41-42

Mass is Live-streaming on the website Monday - Friday at 8:00am
Saturday Vigil at 4:00pm and Sunday at 8:00am and 10:30am

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July 20th, 2025

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE
WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, July 19th

4:00pm — Mr. & Mrs. Lloyd Menard 57th Anniversary

Sunday, July 20th

8:00am — Oscar R. Juarez 1st Anniversary
10:30am — David Narciso

Monday, July 21st

8:00am — Special Intention

Tuesday, July 22nd

8:00pm — Rev Edmund J. Fitzgerald

Wednesday, July 23rd

8:00am — Lorraine Roberts 1st Anniversary

Thursday, July 24th

8:00am — Jose P. Rodrigues & Maria J. Rodrigues

Friday, July 25th

8:00am — Scott Julio

Saturday, July 26th

4:00pm — Dorothea Salazar

Sunday, July 27th

8:00am — John, Constance, & Jeffery Annuziatio
10:30am — Edward Cayton

Sanctuary Lamp for week of July 19th



Florinda Faria

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BAPTISM

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

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 3:30 pm. 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 meets on the First Saturday of the month, September through June. Beginning with 9:00am Mass, followed by a meeting of fellowship and discussion. All men are welcome.

WOMEN AT THE WELL PRAYER GROUP

This group meets on the Second Saturday of the month. Beginning with the Holy Mass at 9:00am, followed by a fellowship and meditation. All women 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
Meets in the church, 6:00pm to 7:00pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION in CHAPEL

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

FRIDAY CENACLE PRAYER GROUP

Meets in the church, Friday 1:00pm to 2:00pm

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FIRST READING**A Reading from the book of the Genesis****Genesis 18:1-10a**

The LORD appeared to Abraham by the terebinth of Mamre, as he sat in the entrance of his tent, while the day was growing hot. Looking up, Abraham saw three men standing nearby. When he saw them, he ran from the entrance of the tent to greet them; and bowing to the ground, he said: "Sir, if I may ask you this favor, please do not go on past your servant. Let some water be brought, that you may bathe your feet, and then rest yourselves under the tree. Now that you have come this close to your servant, let me bring you a little food, that you may refresh yourselves; and afterward you may go on your way." The men replied, "Very well, do as you have said."

Abraham hastened into the tent and told Sarah, "Quick, three measures of fine flour! Knead it and make rolls." He ran to the herd, picked out a tender, choice steer, and gave it to a servant, who quickly prepared it. Then Abraham got some curds and milk, as well as the steer that had been prepared, and set these before the three men; and he waited on them under the tree while they ate.

They asked Abraham, "Where is your wife Sarah?" He replied, "There in the tent." One of them said, "I will surely return to you about this time next year, and Sarah will then have a son."

Thanks be to God.**Responsorial Psalm****Psalm 15:2-3, 3-4, 5****R. \ He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.**

One who walks blamelessly and does justice;
who thinks the truth in his heart
and slanders not with his tongue.

R. \ He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Who harms not his fellow man,
nor takes up a reproach against his neighbor;
by whom the reprobate is despised,
while he honors those who fear the LORD.

R. \ He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Who lends not his money at usury
and accepts no bribe against the innocent.
One who does these things
shall never be disturbed.

R. \ He who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord.**SECOND READING****A Reading from The Letter of Saint Paul to The Colossians****Colossians 1:24-28**

Brothers and sisters:

Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church, of which I am a minister in accordance with God's stewardship given to me to bring to completion for you the word of God, the mystery hidden from ages and from generations past.

But now it has been manifested to his holy ones, to whom God chose to make known the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; it is Christ in you, the hope for glory.

It is he whom we proclaim, admonishing everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone perfect in Christ.

Thanks be to God.**GOSPEL****A Reading from The Gospel according to Luke****Luke 10:38-42**

Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him.

She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak.

Martha, burdened with much serving, came to him and said,

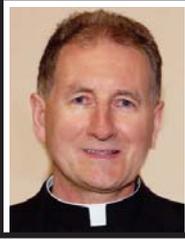
"Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving?"

Tell her to help me."

The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things.

There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her."

Thanks be to God.



By Father Edward A. Murphy

Gospel of Luke

Most people on hearing that gospel feel some sympathy for Martha. There she is working hard in the service of Jesus and Jesus declares that Mary has chosen the better part. 'Poor old Martha' would be a fairly common response. Jesus is clearly not opposed in principle to people working hard in his service, in the service of others. The immediately preceding passage in Luke's gospel is the parable of the Good Samaritan. The Samaritan was very active on behalf of the injured man by the roadside; Jesus points to him as someone who exemplifies his own compassionate love. Yet, as the book of Ecclesiastes says, 'there is a time for every matter under heaven'. Apparently, Jesus understood that his visit to the home of the two sisters was a time for them to refrain from activity so as to listen to his word. Jesus had something to say and he wanted them to listen. It was Mary who recognized that this was the kind of hospitality Jesus wanted on this occasion, the hospitality of listening rather than the hospitality of activity. Mary was more attuned to what the Lord really wanted than Martha was. Yes, the Lord wants us to work on his behalf, but he also wants us to listen to him. Wisdom consists in knowing when it is time to be active and busy in the Lord's service and when it is time simply to sit and listen to his word.

Seeing Your Life Through the Lens of the Gospel

1) Jesus scolded Martha for being so anxious and worried. Then He told Martha: 'There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her.' Put yourself in Martha's shoes. How do you think you would respond to this reprimand? Would you react as Martha did or would you pause and reflect on Jesus' statement and your reaction to his words? Would you be rational enough to ask yourself: 'Am I jealous of Mary's relationship with Jesus? Are my priorities out of order?'

2) Today Jesus asks each of us: What takes priority in your life? One way to answer this question is to ask ourselves: How do I use my time? Do I fritter it away? Do I work 12 hours a day? Am I involved in activities I enjoy? Do I spend quality time with the people I care about? Do I make time for prayer and spend time with God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit?

3) No one else needs to know the answers to these questions. However, our answers to these questions may give us some insight into our lives. In our busy and distracting world, it is easy to get off track. Today Jesus is inviting us to come away and spend time with Him. What a wonderful invitation! Today will we accept His invitation or will we ignore it because we are too busy?

Fr. Edward A. Murphy

WEEKLY PARISH ST. ANDREW'S SUPPORT

Thank you for your support to our Parish Family. The Offertory for the weekend of July 12th & 13th

Weekend Masses	\$ 3,024.00
Fuel, Maintenance, & Repairs	\$ 2,146.00
Candles	\$ 83.00

This week's Second Collection will be for:
Diocesan Assessment
 Next week's Second Collection will be for:
Grounds & Beautification

Summer Travel

During the summer, many families will be traveling and going on vacation, so please remember to submit your budget envelopes if you are unable to attend Mass here. Please also remember to visit **Masstimes.org** while traveling to find local Masses near you.



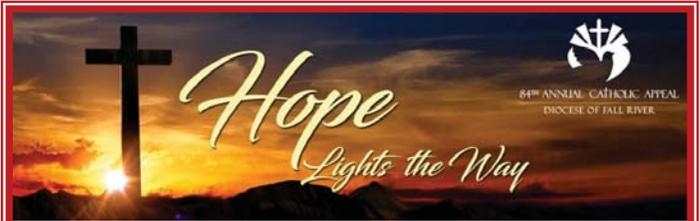
The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (O.C.I.A.) is a process for those who would like to

learn more about the Catholic faith and prepare to enter the Church through the Sacraments of Initiation.

Who can be a part of the O.C.I.A.?

- Someone who is unbaptized.
- A baptized Christian who is interested in the Catholic Church.
- A baptized Catholic who has not received 1st Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion and/or Confirmation.
- A Catholic who would like to know more about their faith.

There are forms available at all entrances or contact the parish office at 508-824-5577 or Standrewtaunton@comcast.net.



Catholic Charities Appeal

“Hope Lights the Way” The 84th Catholic Appeal is underway. Please join with your fellow parishioners in helping those in need in our communities and bring hope to those who need care and support through your generosity. The agencies and apostolates supported by the Appeal provide services such as individual and family counseling, pregnancy support, abuse prevention, refugee resettlement, and emergency, transitional, and long-term housing.

Thank you for your participation.

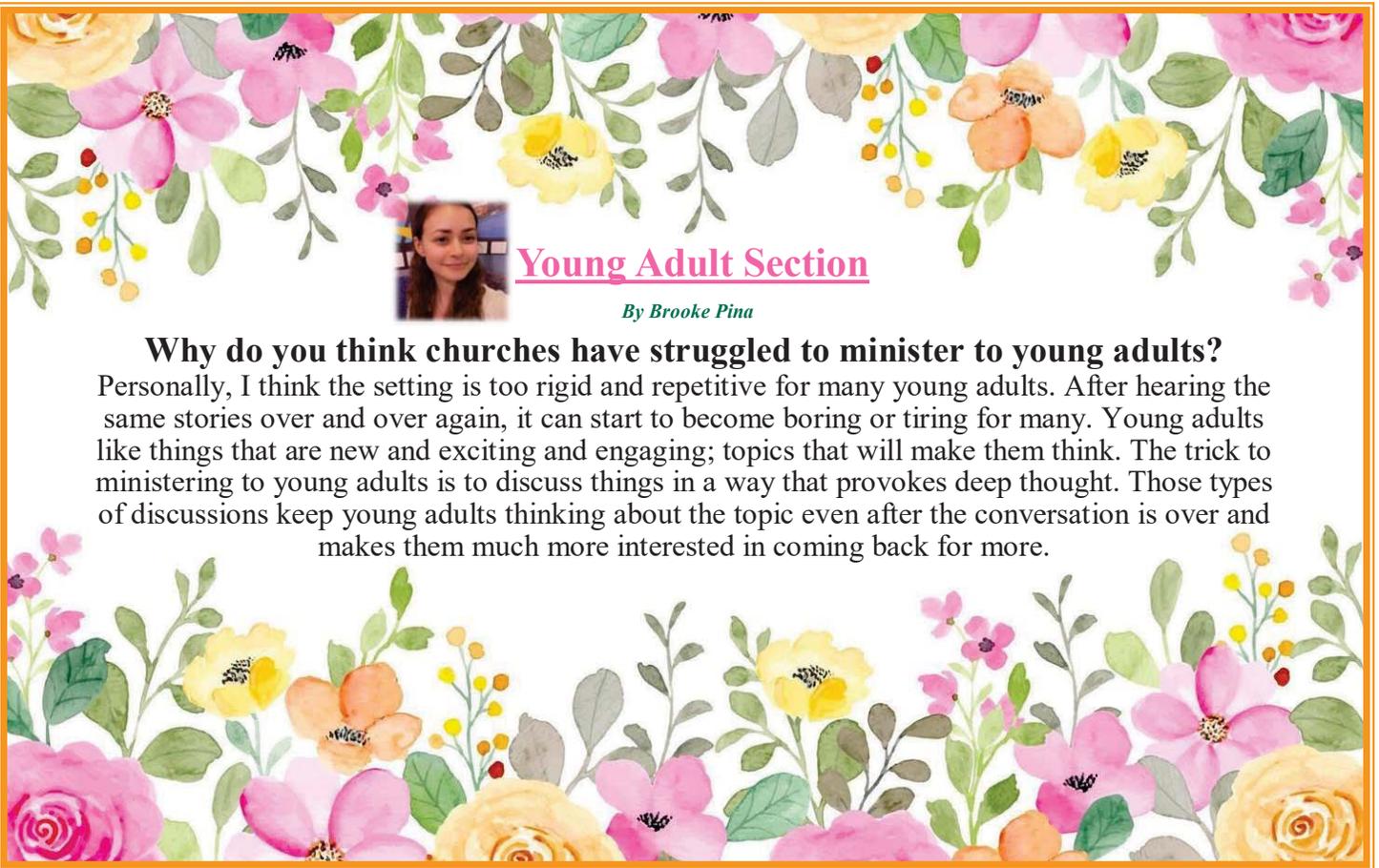


Collected as of
July 13th, 2025:
\$41,428 from 147 families



Faith Formation Registration

- **Registration forms for the 2025-26 school year are now available at all entrances of the church as well as on our website www.standrewtaunton.org.**
- We are finalizing this year's schedule and it will be posted on the website and in the bulletin.
 - Classes will be held in the church from 9:10am to 10:20am.
 - Beginning with grades 1 & 2, grades 3 & 4, 5 & 6, 7 & 8.
- Confirmation classes will be in the Parish Hall on a rotating schedule.



Young Adult Section

By Brooke Pina

Why do you think churches have struggled to minister to young adults?

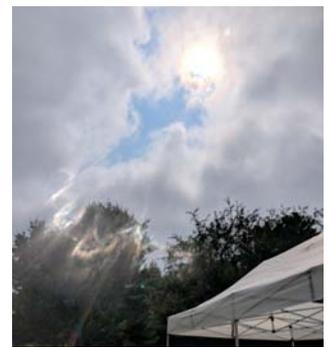
Personally, I think the setting is too rigid and repetitive for many young adults. After hearing the same stories over and over again, it can start to become boring or tiring for many. Young adults like things that are new and exciting and engaging; topics that will make them think. The trick to ministering to young adults is to discuss things in a way that provokes deep thought. Those types of discussions keep young adults thinking about the topic even after the conversation is over and makes them much more interested in coming back for more.



Women At The Well

Last Saturday, June 12th, The Women at the Well hosted a Garden Rosary with many of the women of our parish in attendance. At the final *Amen*, the sun poked out of the clouds. Please join us in September for more inspiring talks, fellowship and prayer.

All women are welcome.



**153rd Annual Solemn Novena
in honor of Good St. Anne
July 18-25, 2025**

Theme: St. Anne as the protector of family life.



PREACHERS:

**Fr. Edward A. Murphy
(July 18 Healing Mass)**

**Franciscan Friars of the Immaculate
(July 19-25)**

Daily Confessions at 6:00 pm • Holy Mass at 6:30 pm

Novena Devotions with talk following Mass

**SOLEMN FEAST OF SAINT ANNE
Saturday, July 26, 2025**

Shrine Open for Private Devotions: 10:00AM

Solemn Ninth Day of Novena Devotions 6:00PM

Confession Available 6:00PM-6:30PM

Solemn Mass of the Feast: 6:30PM

Procession of St. Anne and Relics: Following Mass

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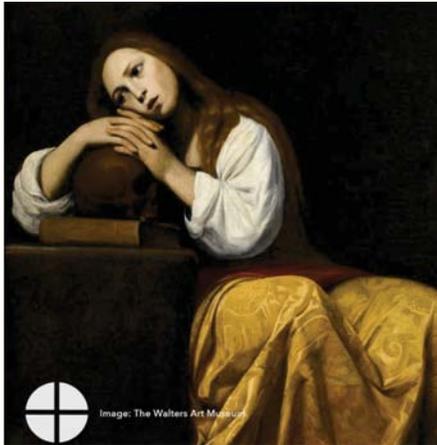
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Saint Mary Magdalene Feast Day: July 22



Mary, from Magdala in Galilee, was a disciple of Jesus who used her resources, or wealth, to help support him and his followers. The Gospel of Luke identifies Mary as the woman from whom Jesus cast out seven demons. The Gospels record that she was present at his crucifixion and burial. In all four Gospels, Mary was the first witness to the Resurrection and carried that news to the others. Because of this, St. Augustine called her "apostola apostolorum," the apostle to the apostles. On June 3, 2016, Pope Francis raised her liturgical observance from a memorial to a feast-the same rank as the observances accorded to the apostles.



Saints Joachim and Anne Feast Day: July 26

Not mentioned in the Bible, Joachim and Anne are first named as the parents of Mary in the apocryphal Protoevangelium of James, which may date from the second century. In this story, they are old and childless, like the Old Testament Hannah, mother of Samuel, when angels deliver the news that Anne will conceive a child. Anne was an especially popular saint in medieval England, and her feast was celebrated in the West by 1350; Joachim's feast was authorized or suppressed by various popes, but was joined with Anne's in 1969. They are the patrons of married couples; Anne is also the patron of childless women, expectant mothers, and miners.



"Mary grew up in the home of Joachim and Anne; she was surrounded by their love and faith: in their home she learned to listen to the Lord and to follow his will. Saints Joachim and Anne were part of a long chain of people who had transmitted their faith and love for God, expressed in the warmth and love of family life, down to Mary, who received the Son of God in her womb and who gave him to the world, to us. How precious is the family as the privileged place for transmitting the faith!"

—Pope Francis, *Angelus*, July 26, 2013

MONDAYS

Miraculous Medal Novena

The Miraculous Medal Novena has been held every Monday for 80 years!



WEDNESDAYS

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR PRAYER GROUP

Divine Mercy Holy Hour for the Sick and Dying

Wednesday at 6:00pm

Jesus said to Saint Faustina:
"Write that when they say this Chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between MY FATHER and the Dying Person. Not as the Just Judge, but as the Merciful Savior."



FRIDAYS

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle

Laity Prayer Group praying for Priests meets Fridays 1:00pm - 2:00pm
St Joseph's Adoration Chapel
All are welcome!



1ST SATURDAY



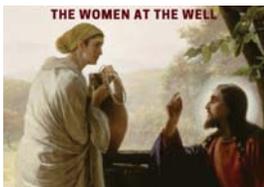
The Men of St Joseph meet every First Saturday of the Month. Beginning with 9:00am Mass followed by a meeting in the parish hall for fellowship, discussion and light refreshments. All men are invited to attend



2ND SATURDAY

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DAILY

Eucharistic Adoration

St Joseph's Chapel
Daily 7:00am to 7:00pm
Come visit and sit with the Lord!
"Could you not watch one hour with me?"



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