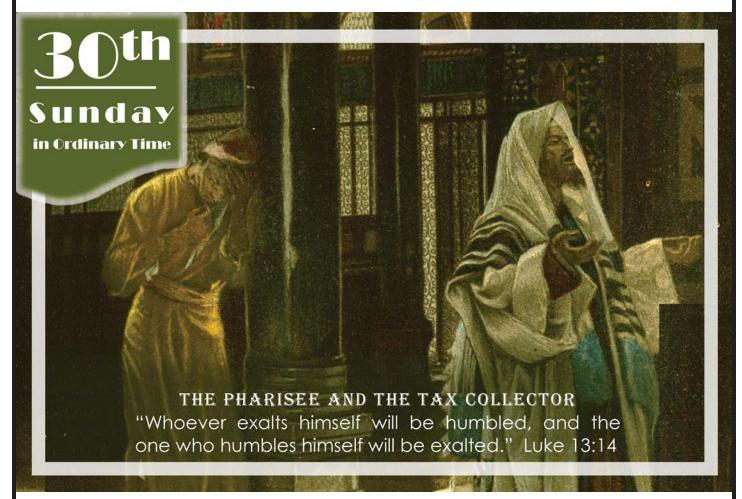
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ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 25th

4:00pm — Mary L. Walker

Sunday, October 26th

8:00am — Jose & Laura Moitoso, Ana & Antonio Freitas & Deceased Family 10:30am — Pete Rose 4th Anniversary

Monday, October 27th

8:00am — John, Daniel, and Mark Duarte

Tuesday, October 28th

8:00am — Intentions of Lisa B.

Wednesday, October 29th

8:00am — Frank Cormier

Thursday, October 30th

8:00am — Dolores Cravenho

Friday, October 31st

8:00am — Randy Cormier

Saturday, November 1st

9:00am — All Saints

4:00pm — All Souls in Purgatory

Sunday, November 2nd

8:00am — All Souls in Purgatory 10:30am — **Mass of Remembrance**

Sanctuary Lamp for week of October 25th



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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 3:30pm. 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.

FRIDAY CENACLE PRAYER GROUP

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

WEDNESDAY Divine Mercy HOLY HOUR Meets in the church, 6:00pm to 7:00pm

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 Sirach Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18

The LORD is a God of justice, who knows no favorites.

Though not unduly partial toward the weak, yet he hears the cry of the oppressed.

The Lord is not deaf to the wail of the orphan, nor to the widow when she pours out her complaint. The one who serves God willingly is heard; his petition reaches the heavens.

The prayer of the lowly pierces the clouds; it does not rest till it reaches its goal, nor will it withdraw till the Most High responds, judges justly and affirms the right, and the Lord will not delay.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23

R.\ The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall be ever in my mouth. Let my soul glory in the LORD; the lowly will hear me and be glad.

R.\ The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

The LORD confronts the evildoers, to destroy remembrance of them from the earth. When the just cry out, the LORD hears them, and from all their distress he rescues them.

R.\ The Lord hears the cry of the poor.

The LORD is close to the brokenhearted; and those who are crushed in spirit he saves. The LORD redeems the lives of his servants; no one incurs guilt who takes refuge in him.

R.\ The Lord hears the cry of the poor.



SECOND READING

A Reading from The Second Letter of Saint Paul to Timothy

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Beloved:

I am already being poured out like a libation, and the time of my departure is at hand. I have competed well; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith.

From now on the crown of righteousness awaits me, which the Lord, the just judge,

will award to me on that day, and not only to me, but to all who have longed for his appearance. At my first defense no one appeared on my behalf, but everyone deserted me.

May it not be held against them!

But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the proclamation might be completed and all the Gentiles might hear it. And I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil threat and will bring me safe to his heavenly kingdom. To him be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL

A Reading from The Gospel according to Luke Luke 18:9-14

Jesus addressed this parable to those who were convinced of their own righteousness and despised everyone else.

"Two people went up to the temple area to pray; one was a Pharisee and the other was a tax collector.

The Pharisee took up his position and spoke this prayer to himself, 'O God, I thank you that I am not like the rest of humanity -- greedy, dishonest, adulterous -- or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, and I pay tithes on my whole income.'

But the tax collector stood off at a distance and would not even raise his eyes to heaven but beat his breast and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

The Gospel of the Lord.



By Father Edward A. Murphy

Gospel of Luke

From the outside the Pharisee and tax collector seem very different. They are not, however, as different as we might think, for on the inside they are both dead; lost, broken, and in need of God. The difference is not their place in society. The real difference is that the tax collector knows he is dead and the Pharisee does not. The difference is that the Pharisee keeps score and the tax collector cries out, 'God be merciful to me, a sinner! One who is missing you. One who is in need of you. One who is and has nothing apart from you!'

To know we are dead is the beginning of resurrection. Scorekeeping blinds us to our own death. This parable is the invitation to stop keeping score, to acknowledge and hold before God the dead places of our life: the failures and disappointments; the break ups and break downs; the emptiness, sufferings, addictions; the places of our life where we no longer dream dreams, have visions, or prophesy. That is what the tax collector did.

The tax collector went home justified, not because he was good or better than the Pharisee, he wasn't, but because he offered God a dead life not a scorecard. God did not withhold anything from the Pharisee. God simply gave him what he asked for, nothing. For the tax collector God's mercy has opened the door to a new life, a new world, a new self-understanding, a new relationship with God.

The beginning of a new story, a new life, is a choice God sets before each one of us.

Seeing Your Life Through the Lens of the Gospel

- 1) We are often defensive in our relationships with others. We are reluctant to let another see us as we see ourselves. Occasionally we meet someone with whom we can be totally open and know we will be accepted. With whom have you had that kind of a relationship? What was it like for you to have that freedom?
- 2) Likewise with God, when we come to prayer pretending to be better than we are, we are hiding from God. What difference does it make when you pray to God, acknowledging your faults and limitations? Have you ever found that when you are humble in this way in prayer, God lifts you up?
- 3) The parable is also a cautionary tale against judging others negatively on the basis of externals. Perhaps God, who looks into the heart, sees them differently. When have you discovered there was more to another person than the negative picture you got from first impressions? What lessons did you learn for yourself from this?



Fr. Edward A. 7 Mifly

WEEKLY PARISH ST. ANDREW'S SUPPORT

Thank you for your support to our Parish Family. The Offertory for the weekend of *October 18th & 19th*

Weekend Masses \$ 3,065.00

Organ Fund \$ 1,264.00

& Maintenance

Candles \$ 58.00

Mission Collection \$ 100.00

This week's Second Collection will be for:

Diocesan Assessment

Next week's Second Collection will be for:

All Soul's Day



THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH

The Men of St Joseph will be meeting on Saturday, November

1st starting with Holy



Mass at 9:00am, Rosary and fellowship, followed by a round table discussion. The Men of Saint Joseph will be discussing Catholic Men's issues.



St. Andrew the Apostle Faith Formation Schedule 2025 - 2026

DATEGRADES 1- 8CONFIRMATIONGRADES 9-10

10/26/2025 Grades 3 & 4 Grade 10

11/2/2025 Grades 5 & 6 Grade 9

11/9/2025 NO FAITH FORMATION - VETERNS DAY WEEKEND

11/16/2025 Grades 7 & 8 Grade 10

Grade 2

11/23/2025 Grades 1 & 2 Grade 9

11/30/2025 NO FAITH FORMATION - THANKSGIVING

*Confirmation Date will be announced at a later time.

*First Penance will be during Faith Formation class on 2/22/26. All parents are welcome to attend.

Contact: faithformationtaunton@gmail.com

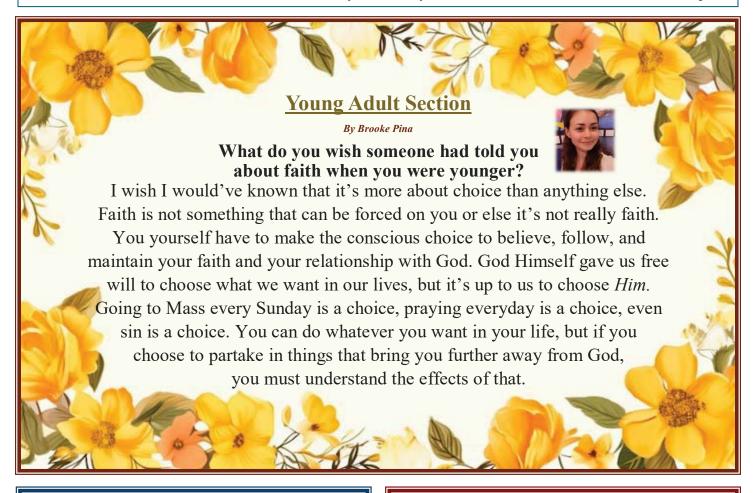


The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (O.C.I.A.) is a process for those who would like to learn more about the Catholic faith and prepare to enter the Church through the Sacraments of Initiation.

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.





<u>Permanent Diaconate</u> Information Nights Scheduled



His Excellency, the Most Reverend Edgar M. da Cunha, Bishop of Fall River, has authorized the formation of a new class for Permanent Deacons beginning in the Fall of 2027. Those interested in pursuing the vocation of the diaconate, scheduled to begin the Aspirancy phase in the Fall of 2027, are invited to submit a preliminary application. These general Information meetings will delve into the process of formation of a deacon for the Diocese of Fall River. The info nights will be held at several locations in the Diocese and via Zoom:

- October 21, 2025 7:00 pm St Mary's Dartmouth Parish Hall - Dartmouth
 January 27, 2026 - via Zoom
- February 13, 2026 St. Ann's Parish Hall Raynham
 - April 27, 2026 via Zoom

If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Frank Lucca or Deacon Joseph McGinley at **office@frpermanentdiaconate.com** or contact the Office of the Permanent Diaconate at **508-990-0341**.

Thanksgiving Dinner for those in need

The St Vincent de Paul society thanks you for your continued support in providing help with our Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets.

We are collecting Thanksgiving items until **November 22**.

The following items are needed:

Canned peas, corn, green beans, carrots.
Boxed mashed potatoes



Stuffing mix
Gravy
Cranberry sauce
Cake mix
Corn bread
Muffin mix



We always welcome gift certificates or donations. Mark an envelope with St Vincent de Paul and place in collection basket at mass.

MASS OF REMEMBRANCE ALL SOULS DAY: NOVEMBER 2ND

Saturday, November 1st -All Saints Day

9:00am - All Saint's Day 4:00pm - All Soul's Day Vigil Sunday, November 2nd -All Souls Day

8:00am - All Souls in Purgatory

10:30am - Mass of Remembrance

(Anyone who has lost a loved one this past year and would like to light a candle in their memory should please contact the Rectory)



November 1, 2024 — October 31, 2025

<u>IN LOVING MEMORY</u>

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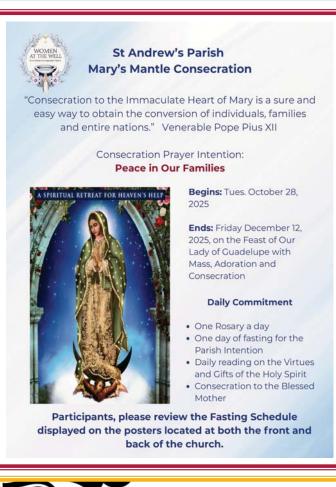
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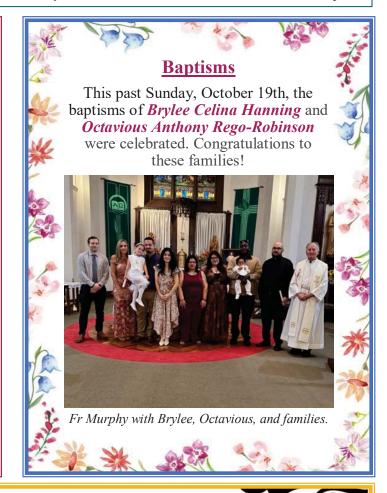
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Knights of Columbus Dinner

This past Saturday, October 18th,
The Knights of Columbus held their Chicken
Parmesan Dinner in the parish hall.
Thank you to all those who attended.











20 WAYS TO PRAY FOR THE HOLY SOULS IN PURGATORY

- **1.** Pray the Novena to the Holy Souls.
- 2. Offer up your Holy Communions for the souls in purgatory.
- 3. Have Masses said for your departed loved ones, especially on the anniversary of his or her death.
- **4.** Pray The Way Of The Cross for Souls in Purgatory.
- **5.** Pray the special <u>Holy Souls Rosary</u>. After the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the Holy Rosary is the most powerful prayer.
- **6.** Obtain indulgences: Indulgences reduce or cancel the temporal punishment that we incur through sin.
- * There are many ways to obtain indulgences through pious actions, and we can apply their merits to the dead. If you visit a church or oratory on All Souls Day and there recite the Lord's Prayer and the Apostle's Creed, you can earn a plenary (full) indulgence applicable only to the souls in purgatory (under the usual conditions).*
- 7. Give alms: The giving of material assistance to the poor has always been considered a penance that can be offered for the Holy Souls. "For almsgiving saves from death and purges away every sin" (Tobit 12:9).
- **8.** Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet for the intention of the Holy Souls.
- **9.** <u>Prayer of St. Gertrude for the Holy Souls</u>: this prayer is attributed to St. Gertrude the Great and was the prayer by which she obtained the release of many souls from purgatory.
- 10. Sprinkle <u>holy water</u> on the ground: St. John Macias, a great friend of those in purgatory, would often sprinkle holy water on the ground for the spiritual benefit of the suffering souls.
- 11. When passing by a cemetery, pray the short Eternal Rest prayer. This prayer carries a partial indulgence applicable to the poor souls: "Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let the perpetual light shine upon them. And may the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen."
- 12. Practice the tradition of praying the Eternal Rest prayer (above) before and after your meals as an easy way to remember to pray for the holy souls every day. You can also pray the prayer between the decades of your daily rosary.
- 13. Visit a cemetery: Pray over the graves of your departed loved ones, or visit a random graveyard and pray for those who may have no one to pray for them. Simply doing this gains a partial indulgence for those in purgatory.* While you're there, sprinkle holy water on the graves. If you make this visit during the first eight days of the month dedicated to the Holy Souls (November 1-8) you can gain a plenary indulgence applicable to the souls in purgatory.
- **14.** Eucharistic Adoration: visit the Blessed Sacrament to make acts of reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on behalf of those.
- 15. Sacrifices: practice small acts of self-denial throughout your day and offer these penances up for the poor souls.
- **16.** Pray the Office of the Dead. You can find this in your volume of the *Liturgy of the Hours*
- 17. Ask for the intercession of saints who were known to be great friends of the Holy Souls during their lifetime to join you in prayer for the faithful departed: St. Nicholas of Tolentino, St. Gertrude the Great, St. Catherine of Genoa, St. Padre Pio, St. Philip Neri, St. John Macías, St. Faustina Kowalska, St. Joseph, Our Lady, and others.
- 18. Special prayers: Throughout your day, offer up short and spontaneous prayers (ejaculatory prayers) for the holy souls.
- 19. Repent of your offenses against God and go to confession: Confessing your own sins makes your prayers for souls of others more effective.
- **20** Spread devotion to the Holy Souls: Make others aware of the great need these suffering souls have for our prayers.

St. Andrew the Apostle

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Saints Simon and Jude

Feast Day: October 29th

Listed among the
Twelve Apostles in the
New Testament, Simon
is "the Canaanite" to
Matthew and Mark and
"the Zealot" to Luke;
Jude is "Thaddeus" to
Matthew and Mark,
"Judas of James" to
Luke, and "Judas, not
Iscariot" to John. After
Pentecost, they



disappear. However, according to Eastern tradition, Simon died peacefully in Edessa, while Western tradition has him evangelizing in Egypt, then teaming up with Jude, who had been in Mesopotamia, on a mission to Persia, where they were martyred on the same day. Simon is



the patron saint of tanners and lumberjacks; Jude is the patron of desperate causes, possibly because early Christians would pray to him, with a name evoking Judas Iscariot, only when all else failed.



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