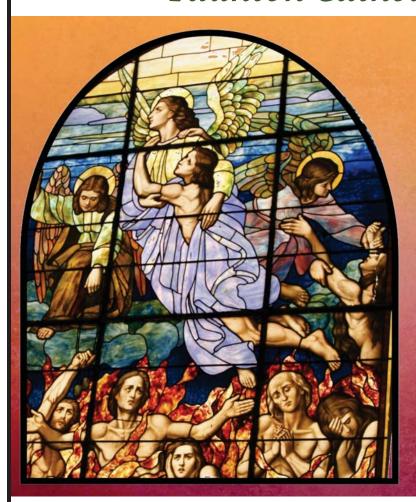
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All Holy Souls

Everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day.

John 6:40

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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November 2nd, 2025

All Soul's Day

ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

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**

Monday, November 3rd

8:00am — Jack & Laura Camara, Jose & Beatriz Pimentel

Tuesday, November 4th

8:00am — George Hickey

Wednesday, November 5th

8:00am — Robert Keegan, Kevin Fagan

Thursday, November 6th

8:00am — Yvonne Gordon 14th Anniversary

Friday, November 7th

8:00am — Henry Kurz 10th Anniversary

Saturday, November 8th

9:00am — Women at the Well

4:00pm — Charles & Irene Bousquet

Sunday, November 9th

8:00am — Jose & Laura Moitoso, Ana & Antonio Freitas & Deceased Family 10:30am — Jorge & Anne Botelho, Araujo Family, Dennis Bergo 41st Anniversary

Sanctuary Lamp for week of November 1st



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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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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 Wisdom

Wisdom 3:1-9

The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them. They seemed, in the view of the foolish, to be dead; and their passing away was thought an affliction and their going forth from us, utter destruction. But they are in peace.

For if before men, indeed, they be punished, yet is their hope full of immortality; chastised a little, they shall be greatly blessed, because God tried them and found them worthy of himself.

As gold in the furnace, he proved them, and as sacrificial offerings he took them to himself. In the time of their visitation they shall shine, and shall dart about as sparks through stubble; they shall judge nations and rule over peoples, and the Lord shall be their King forever. Those who trust in him shall understand truth, and the faithful shall abide with him in love: because grace and mercy are with his holy ones, and his care is with his elect.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6

R.\ The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.

R.\ The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage.

R.\ The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

R.\ The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD for years to come.

R.\ The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

SECOND READING

A Reading from The Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans

Romans 5:5-11

Brothers and sisters:

Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

For Christ, while we were still helpless, died at the appointed time for the ungodly.

Indeed, only with difficulty does one die for a just person, though perhaps for a good person one might even find courage to die.

But God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.

How much more then, since we are now justified by his Blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath.

Indeed, if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, how much more, once reconciled, will we be saved by his life.

Not only that, but we also boast of God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Thanks be to God.

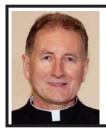
GOSPEL

A Reading from The Gospel according to John John 6:37-40

Jesus said to the crowds:

"Everything that the Father gives me will come to me, and I will not reject anyone who comes to me, because I came down from heaven not to do my own will but the will of the one who sent me. And this is the will of the one who sent me, that I should not lose anything of what he gave me, but that I should raise it on the last day. For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day."

The Gospel of the Lord.



By Father Edward A. Murphy

Gospel of John

Jesus said to the crowds: "For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day."

The Lord loves me just the way I am. Today, I am reminded that He loves me even more than that.

We are a fallen creature, a very superficial kind of being of the headlines type. We are magnetic towards negative gossip, sensationalism and depressing news. We are folks of a somewhat depressing nature. What makes the news today is what pumps most of our hearts. Yes, we are good but we are in dire need of purification.

Billions of people have lived on the earth. Our history books include a tiny fraction of them. God includes all of them. He knows all of them. If our Heavenly Father has the time and ability to count the hair on our head, then He can count all the lives that were lived.

Billions of people have been baptized. Only a fraction of them have been declared saints. But for every known saint, we know there are millions that are unknown. For this reason, every November 1st is a day of celebration, a day for us to celebrate the lives of all the saints in heaven.

But like every celebration, once it is over, the very next day we must get back to work. Today, we must pray. We must pray for all the faithful departed who, with great anticipation, eagerly wait to see the face of the Lord. We must do only what we can do.

Often I think of All Souls Day as a long day in the hospital; that is, a day when family members must make tough decisions and tough sacrifices for their incapacitated brothers and sisters; a day in which their prayers, sacrifices and presence can actually save the lives of their brothers and sisters. For although their loved ones may be physically present, they are far from them; though they are breathing, they are not quite living.

In a similar way, the souls of the faithfully departed are in an incapacitated state. Though they are no longer physically among us, they are not far from us. Though they are no longer breathing, they are still living. And just like family members can make all the difference in the world for their sick and injured loved ones, so too we make all the difference in the world for our faithfully departed brothers and sisters.

Let us pray for those who can no longer pray for themselves. Let us offer sacrifices for those who can no longer offer an acceptable sacrifice for themselves. Let us love those who can no longer love others. This is not something weird. This is natural. We do it with our dead. We do it with our heroes. We do it for our loved ones. The Lord did not simply die for the living. He died for the dead as well.

This is how Christ showed His love. This is how we can show our love. We are a family forever. Heaven may dissolve marriages on earth but only because heaven unites us as brothers and sisters in the one love that is of God our Father and our brother Jesus Christ.

May the souls of the faithfully departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

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WEEKLY PARISH ST. ANDREW'S SUPPORT

Thank you for your support to our Parish Family. The Offertory for the weekend of *October 25th & 26th*

Weekend Masses \$ 3,469.00

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Candles \$ 66.00

This week's Second Collection will be for:
All Soul's Day

Next week's Second Collection will be for:

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St. Andrew the Apostle Faith Formation Schedule 2025 - 2026

<u>DATE</u> <u>GRADES 1– 8</u> <u>CONFIRMATION</u> GRADES 9–10

11/2/2025 Grades 5 & 6 Grade 9

11/9/2025 NO FAITH FORMATION - VETERAN'S 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

12/7/2025 Grades 3 & 4 Grade 10

*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

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:

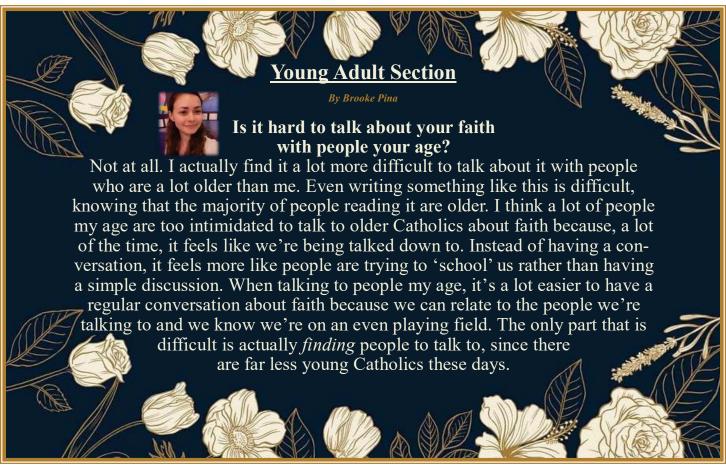
Canned peas, corn, green beans, carrots. Boxed mashed potatoes



Stuffing mix
Gravy
Cranberry sauce
Cake mix
Corn bread
Muffin mix

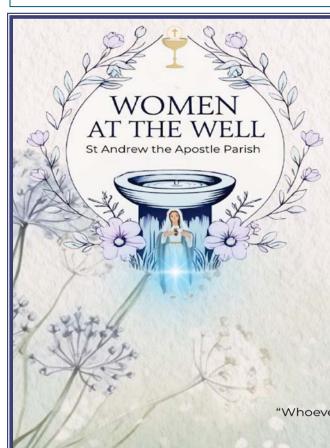


We always welcome gift certificates or donations. Mark an envelope with St Vincent de Paul and place in collection basket at mass.









Women of the Well

We invite you to join us for our November meeting!

Instead of our regular second Saturday gathering, we'll be meeting on the third Saturday—**November 15th.**

We hope you'll join us for a meaningful evening of fellowship, thoughtful reflection, and personal renewal.

All women are warmly invited!

"Whoever drinks the water I shall give, will never thirst."

John 4:14

Mary's Mantle Consecration Week One

Each day of the 46-day journey, participants commit to prayer, reflect on a chosen virtue or gift, pray the rosary, and practice fasting. As the journey progresses, a new star is added daily to the mantle, beautifully symbolizing our deepening relationship with Mary and her Son. This week, we take a moment to honor and acknowledge those who have fasted this week, representing our shared journey.

Star 1 Thanksgiving

was added to Mary's Mantle by Pat and Brian Reed

Star 2 Commitment

was added to Mary's Mantle by Liz Sollecito

Star 3 Love

was added to Mary's Mantle by Susan Simanski and Bob McDonald

Star 4 Trust

was added to Mary's Mantle by Susan Orton and Veronica Briggs

Star 5 Generosity

was added to Mary's Mantle by Zelia DaSilva and Joanne de Souza

Star 6 Tenacity

was added to Mary's Mantle by Linda Mullen and Michelle Pina



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.

November 1, 2024 — October 31, 2025 <u>IN LOVING MEMORY</u>

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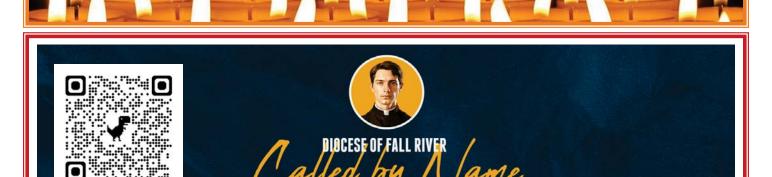
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Called By Name

Today is Called by Name Sunday!

Today is Called By Name Sunday, and Bishop da Cunha is asking us to identify faithful young men (ages 15-35) who may be open to learning more about the priesthood. To submit names, please visit *fallrivervocations.org/calledbyname*.

Men you submit will receive a letter of encouragement from Bishop da Cunha, an invitation to a special dinner with the bishop in December, and ongoing support from the Vocation Office.

Thank you for your participation in this important campaign!



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Feast Day - November 4



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