

*St. Andrew the Apostle
Taunton Catholic Church*

DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? 1 Cor 3:16



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

TELEVISED MASS SCHEDULE

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November 9th, 2025

Dedication of Lateran Basilica

ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE **WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, November 8th

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

Monday, November 10th

8:00am — Stephen Barney

Tuesday, November 11th

8:00am — All Veterans Living & Deceased

Wednesday, November 12th

8:00am — Angelo Chaves

Thursday, November 13th

8:00am — Donna Boyd

6:30 — Healing Mass

Friday, November 14th

8:00am — Oliver Nwachukwu

Saturday, November 15th

9:00am — Women at the Well

4:00pm — Jose F., Jose M. & Maria Sousa, Fontes Family, Tobey Alford

Sunday, November 16th

8:00am — James Souza

10:30am — Angelo Chaves, Jose & Maria Soares

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.

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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Sanctuary Lamp for week of November 8th



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FIRST READING**A Reading from The Book of Ezekiel**
Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

The angel brought me back to the entrance of the temple, and I saw water flowing out from beneath the threshold of the temple toward the east, for the façade of the temple was toward the east; the water flowed down from the southern side of the temple, south of the altar.

He led me outside by the north gate, and around to the outer gate facing the east, where I saw water trickling from the southern side.

He said to me, "This water flows into the eastern district down upon the Arabah, and empties into the sea, the salt waters, which it makes fresh.

Wherever the river flows, every sort of living creature that can multiply shall live, and there shall be abundant fish, for wherever this water comes the sea shall be made fresh.

Along both banks of the river, fruit trees of every kind shall grow;

their leaves shall not fade, nor their fruit fail.

Every month they shall bear fresh fruit, for they shall be watered by the flow from the sanctuary.

Their fruit shall serve for food, and their leaves for medicine."

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm **Psalm 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9**

R. \ The waters of the river gladden the city of God, the holy dwelling of the Most High!

God is our refuge and our strength,
an ever-present help in distress.

Therefore, we fear not, though the earth be shaken
and mountains plunge into the depths of the sea.

R. \ The waters of the river gladden the city of God, the holy dwelling of the Most High!

There is a stream whose runlets gladden the city of God,

the holy dwelling of the Most High.

God is in its midst; it shall not be disturbed;
God will help it at the break of dawn.

R. \ The waters of the river gladden the city of God, the holy dwelling of the Most High!

The LORD of hosts is with us;

our stronghold is the God of Jacob.

Come! behold the deeds of the LORD,
the astounding things he has wrought on earth.

R. \ The waters of the river gladden the city of God, the holy dwelling of the Most High!

SECOND READING**A Reading from The First Letter of Saint Paul to the Corinthians****1 Corinthians 3:9c-11, 16-17**

Brothers and sisters:

You are God's building.

According to the grace of God given to me,
like a wise master builder I laid a foundation,
and another is building upon it.

But each one must be careful how he builds upon it,
for no one can lay a foundation other than the one
that is there, namely, Jesus Christ.

Do you not know that you are the temple of God,
and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

If anyone destroys God's temple,

God will destroy that person;

for the temple of God, which you are, is holy.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL**A Reading from The Gospel according to John**
John 2:13-22

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 marketplace."

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?"

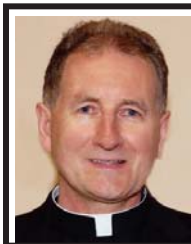
Jesus answered and said to them,

"Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it
up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under
construction for forty-six 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.

The Gospel of the Lord.



By Father Edward A. Murphy

Gospel of John

Every dedication of a Church is about Jesus Christ and about worship in spirit and in truth.

If we look at the readings today in terms of Church and the service of the Bishop of Rome, our Pope, we can see in the first reading, from the Prophet Ezekiel, a reflection of what the Church and the service of the Pope are supposed to be: the water of life flowing out from God and giving life to all that it touches.

This is the ideal and it is rarely completely reached. Yet we have seen so many holy Popes in the last one hundred years that we can understand that the role of the Pope and the role of the Church is to give us life.

The second reading today, from the First Letter to the Corinthians, reminds us that we are the Church, the temple of God. We are not the Church all by ourselves in some exclusive way. Each of us is the Church and yet together we are the Church. Each of us is a temple of God and together we are God's people.

Finally, in the Gospel today, from Saint John, we understand how the body of Christ points to resurrection, for Him and for us. We are to recognize in all of this the hand of God: Jesus dies for us and we must die for one another. This is the Church and this is why we celebrate the dedication of a Church. The Bishop of Rome, our Pope, can lead us to walk with Christ - but we must be the ones who walk.

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Seeing Your Life Through the Lens of the Gospel

1) On Holy Zeal

Jesus' righteous anger reveals a passion for His Father's house. It challenges my own complacency. What in my life - my heart, which is now God's temple - should be cleansed to restore its proper purpose: pure worship, uncluttered by the world's commerce and selfish motives?

2) On True Worship

The temple was meant for prayer, not profit. Jesus disrupts the system that hindered access to God. He calls me to examine my own practices: do I prioritize ritual and convenience over genuine, heartfelt connection with Him? True worship requires a clean, undivided heart.

3) On the New Temple

When Jesus speaks of the temple's destruction and raising, He points to His body. The center of worship is no longer a building but a Person. Through the cross and resurrection, God's presence dwells directly with humanity, offering grace and access to all who believe in Him.

4) On Remembering

The disciples remembered and understood after the resurrection. This shows that Christ's actions often find their full meaning in light of the cross. It encourages me to trust that even in events I don't yet understand, His purposes are at work, and clarity will come in His time.



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 November 1st & 2nd

Weekend Masses	\$ 4,387.00
All Souls Day	\$ 1,876.00
All Saints Day	\$ 919.00
Candles	\$ 108.00

This week's Second Collection will be for:

Fuel, Maintenance, and Repairs

Next week's Second Collection will be for:

Diocesan Assessment

WEEKLY PARISH ST. ANDREW'S SUPPORT (Online Giving)

Thank you for your support to our Parish Family. The Offertory for the month of October

Weekend Masses	\$ 2,206.00
Fuel & Maintenance	\$ 155.00
Annual Appeal	\$ 100.00
Diocesan Assessment	\$ 93.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 289.00

Healing Mass Schedule



St. Anne's:

Thursday,
November 20th
Rosary: 6:00pm
Mass: 6:30pm

St. Andrew's:

Thursday,
November 13th
Rosary: 6:00pm
Mass: 6:30pm



St. Andrew the Apostle Faith Formation Schedule 2025 - 2026

<u>DATE</u>	<u>GRADES 1- 8</u>	<u>CONFIRMATION GRADES 9-10</u>
11/9/2025	NO FAITH FORMATION - VETERANS DAY WEEKEND	
11/16/2025	Grades 7 & 8 Grade 2	Grade 10
11/23/2025	Grades 1 & 2	Grade 9
11/30/2025	NO FAITH FORMATION - THANKSGIVING	
12/7/2025	Grades 3 & 4	Grade 10
12/14/2025	Grades 5 & 6	Grade 9

*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.

Young Adult Section

By Brooke Pina

How do you, as a young adult, show Jesus to people who are different from you? What are actual examples from your life? I like to focus on common ground to start. Everyone has different likes and interests, and sometimes different beliefs as well, so I look for something I have in common with the person I'm speaking to in order to build up a connection at. Simple things such as liking the same music artist or knowing mutual friends are some of my go-to's. You have to first earn the respect of someone before they will ever start listening to you. Making those smaller connections first opens the door to bigger and more important conversations. When it comes to talking about Jesus with my nonreligious friends or acquaintances, I like to sprinkle Him into the conversation every once in a while whenever

I find it makes sense to. Over time, it gets seen as more natural and less like I'm 'forcing' Him onto people.



Medjugorje Message

(October 25th, 2025)

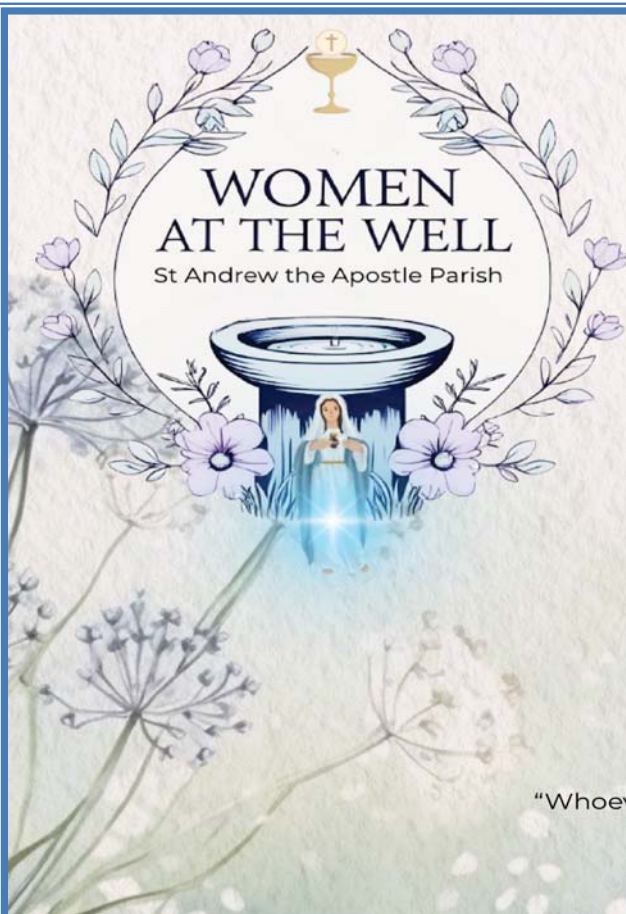
“Dear children! The Most High in His goodness gave me to you to lead you on the way of peace. Many have responded and are praying, but there are many creatures who do not have peace and have not come to know the God of love. Therefore, little children, pray and love, create prayer groups to encourage each other to the good. I am with you and am praying for your conversion. Thank you for having responded to my call.”



Soup-A-Bowl

The Women of Faith will be selling soup after all masses this weekend for \$5 per quart. Enjoy!





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 Two

As we entered week two of our 46ay journey, participants continued their daily commitment to prayer, reflection on a chosen virtue or gift, praying the rosary, and practicing fasting. With each passing day, a new star was added to the mantle, serving as a beautiful symbol of our growing connection with Mary and her Son. Now, as we complete the second week, thirteen stars shine brightly on the mantle, each representing a day of faithful dedication and spiritual growth. This week, let us take a special moment to honor and acknowledge all those who have embraced the discipline of fasting during week two, recognizing our shared path and deepening faith together.

Star 7 Endurance

was added to Mary's Mantle by
Eileen Cole & Charlene Dalrymple

Star 8 Forgiveness

was added to Mary's Mantle by
Marie Camara & Terri Corliss

Star 9 Perserverance

was added to Mary's Mantle
by Kathy Duarte

Star 10 Acceptance

was added to Mary's Mantle by
Dawn Lucas

Star 11 Patience

was added to Mary's Mantle
by Kathy Martyniak & Janice Arruda

Star 12 Humility

was added to Mary's Mantle
by Michelle Bouzan & Ginny Bouzan

Star 13 Knowledge

was added to Mary's Mantle by
Cathy Paiva & Deidre Grandmont



Save The Date

Wednesday - November 19th
6:00 - 7:00pm

We all know someone who is sick and in need of our prayers. Jesus taught Saint Faustina the

Divine Mercy Chaplet and told her to encourage souls to trust in His Mercy. The

Divine Mercy Prayer Group would like to invite all to join as we pray this powerful prayer for the sick and dying, along with

Sister Mary Clare Kenneally - OLM who will give a reflection on the life and mission of

Saint Faustina. There will also be an opportunity for veneration of a first class relic of Saint Faustina. A meet and greet Sister Mary Clare will follow in the church addition and Divine Mercy materials will be available, free will offering encouraged.

Saint Faustina help us to trust in Jesus as you did and thus to glorify His mercy every moment of our lives. Amen



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.



THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH



The Men of Saint Joseph at their latest meeting. Their next meeting will be held on Saturday, December 6th, starting with 9:00am Mass.

All men are welcome.



DIOCESE OF FALL RIVER *Called by Name*

Called By Name

Called by Name Sunday!

Last Sunday was 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!



An Advent of Hope Advent Women's Retreat



On Saturday, December 6th, a diocesan-wide Advent Women's Retreat will take place from 9:00am - 2:30pm at Corpus Christi Parish in East Sandwich.

The retreat will feature speakers Catherine DiNuzzo and Allison Gingras, with music by Liz Cotrupi-Pfunder. The day also includes Mass, continental breakfast, keynotes, discussion, lunch, Adoration, and the opportunity for Confession.

The cost is \$20 per person.

To register, visit: <https://bit.ly/AWR2025>.



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