

St. Andrew the Apostle Taunton Catholic Church

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

Matthew 10:39



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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HOLY MASS : Sunday 3:30pm Tuesday & Thursday 1:00pm

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ST ANDREW THE APOSTLE WEEKEND MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 27th

4:00pm — Ann Thomas & Steve Gotham

Sunday, June 28th

8:00am — John Constance & Jeffrey Annunziato

10:30am — Jack & Laura Camara, Jose & Beatriz Pimentel

Monday, June 29th

8:00am — Lucy Kurz

Tuesday, June 30th

8:00am — Jeffrey & Matthew Briggs, Brian Collins

Wednesday, July 1st

8:00am — Bernard & Alice Hebert

Thursday, July 2nd

8:00am — Marc & Raymond DeSousa

Friday, July 3rd

8:00am — Lawrence Edward Jones

Saturday, July 4th

4:00pm — All Military Service Members Living & Deceased

Sunday, July 5th

8:00am — Jessica Faria

10:30am — Jose 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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Sanctuary Lamp for week of June 27th



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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

EUCCHARISTIC 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 Second Book of Kings
2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a**

One day Elisha came to Shunem,
where there was a woman of influence, who urged
him to dine with her.
Afterward, whenever he passed by, he used to stop
there to dine.
So she said to her husband, "I know that Elisha is a
holy man of God.
Since he visits us often, let us arrange a little room
on the roof and furnish it for him with a bed, table,
chair, and lamp,
so that when he comes to us he can stay there."
Sometime later Elisha arrived and stayed in the
room overnight.
Later Elisha asked, "Can something be done for
her?"
His servant Gehazi answered, "Yes! She has no son,
and her husband is getting on in years."
Elisha said, "Call her."
When the woman had been called and stood at the
door, Elisha promised, "This time next year
you will be fondling a baby son."

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19**R.\ Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.**

The promises of the LORD I will sing forever,
through all generations my mouth shall proclaim
your faithfulness.

For you have said, "My kindness is established
forever;"
in heaven you have confirmed your faithfulness.

R.\ Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Blessed the people who know the joyful shout;
in the light of your countenance, O LORD, they
walk.

At your name they rejoice all the day,
and through your justice they are exalted.

R.\ Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

You are the splendor of their strength,
and by your favor our horn is exalted.
For to the LORD belongs our shield,
and the Holy One of Israel, our king.

R.\ Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.**SECOND READING****A Reading from The Letter of St. Paul to The
Romans****Romans 6:3-4, 8-11**

Brothers and sisters:
Are you unaware that we who were baptized into
Christ Jesus
were baptized into his death?
We were indeed buried with him through baptism
into death,
so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead
by the glory of the Father,
we too might live in newness of life. If, then, we
have died with Christ,
we believe that we shall also live with him.
We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no
more; death no longer has power over him.
As to his death, he died to sin once and for all;
as to his life, he lives for God.
Consequently, you too must think of yourselves as
dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL**A Reading from The Gospel according to
Matthew****Matthew 10:37-42**

Jesus said to his apostles:
"Whoever loves father or mother more than me is
not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or
daughter more than me is not worthy of me;
and whoever does not take up his cross
and follow after me is not worthy of me.
Whoever finds his life will lose it,
and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."
"Whoever receives you receives me, and whoever
receives me receives the one who sent me.
Whoever receives a prophet because he is a prophet
will receive a prophet's reward,
and whoever receives a righteous man
because he is a righteous man
will receive a righteous man's reward.
And whoever gives only a cup of cold water
to one of these little ones to drink
because the little one is a disciple—
amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his
reward."

The Gospel of the Lord.



By Father Edward A. Murphy

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Gospel of Matthew

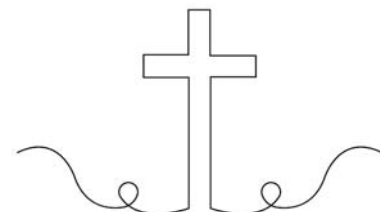
Love is often shown by little things, by attention to the little details that make people feel at home. In today's first reading, a woman of rank makes the prophet Elisha feel at home. She had resources that the poor widow with the two copper coins did not have. She began by insisting that Elisha break his journey to come in and have a meal with herself and her husband. Then, she went further and build a little room on the roof of her house and put a bed, chair, table and lamp in it, so that Elisha could lie down and rest. She gave more than a cup of cold water, because she had the material resources to do so. Yet, behind both the giving of a cup of cold water to someone and the woman's more elaborate actions of hospitality lie the same attentiveness to the needs of the other and a willingness to give what one can to meet those needs. It is such hospitable actions towards others, no matter how small, that creates openings for the coming of God's kingdom on earth. The need to create such openings is all the greater in a world where some people are determined to inflict unspeakable terror on men, women and children.

Jesus declares in today's gospel reading that when we lose our life in love for others we find our life. When we give the cup of cold water, or more if we are able to do so, we begin to become the person the Lord calls us to be and desires us to be. We begin to become fully alive with the life of Jesus, the life of God. In the words of Paul at the end of today's second reading, we become 'alive for God in Christ Jesus'.

Points To Ponder

Jesus spoke often about rewards. In today's Gospel passage, he mentions the word three times. Is he appealing to our selfishness? After all, if we do what is right just to get a reward, isn't that being kind of self-centered? Sometimes we can think so. But Jesus doesn't seem to think so. If he did, he wouldn't have talked about rewards so often. The truth is that we were created to experience the fulfillment and joy that come from living in communion with God. We are built with a strong desire for happiness, for true, lasting happiness. This desire is actually an essential part of the engine of our lives. It keeps us going. It motivates us and gives us energy. Whenever Jesus speaks about rewards, he is appealing to a natural, healthy desire for fulfillment that he built into our human nature. It is not selfish to want to experience fulfillment. It is not selfish to do what is right because we know that it will lead us further along the path of a meaningful and fruitful life, and moving forward on that path will feel good. That is not selfishness; rather, it is hope. We are called by God to hope for all good things in him. Hope for fulfillment and joy in Christ is part of our Christian DNA - just as much a part of it as the cross - Jesus wants us to cultivate it and nourish it. He delights when we enjoy the good gifts of God and make choices that create more space for us and others to continue enjoying those gifts. Let us hope in Christ.

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ST. ANDREW'S WEEKLY PARISH SUPPORT

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

June 20th & 21st

Weekend Masses \$ 3,241.00

Diocesan Assessment \$ 1,867.00

Candles \$ 64.00

This week's Second Collection will be for:

Roof Restoration

Next week's Second Collection will be for:

Religious Education

Donations for candles in front of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Blessed Mother Statues

In memory of loved ones.

Weekly donation: \$10

Lectors, Altar Servers, Sacristans, & Eucharistic Ministers Needed

St. Andrew's Parish is in need of new Lectors, Altar Servers, Sacristans, & Eucharistic Ministers for all Masses. Training will be provided. If you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions, please contact the rectory at

508-824-5577 or email
standrewtaunton@gmail.com
for more information.

Mass Intentions

If you or someone you know would like to schedule Mass Intentions for a loved one, please remember to contact the rectory at **508-824-5577**. Ideal times are between **11:30AM - 4:00PM** on Mondays and Tuesdays.



"Let it Begin with Me" The 85th Catholic Appeal is underway. Please join your fellow parishioners in helping those in need in our communities and in bringing 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. Help promote harmony across the Diocese. Make your secure gift or pledge online today at **www.GiveFRDiocese.org**.

Collected as of June 14th, 2026:

\$38,653 from 144 families

This is the last weekend of the Catholic Charities Appeal. Please consider donating if you haven't done so already.

CORI CHECK

All parishioners who are Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Faith Formation Volunteers, and Choir members, are required to complete a CORI form. If you have not received an email, and are a volunteer, or if you have any questions, please call the rectory.

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.

A New Acolyte



On Tuesday, June 23rd, Joseph Sollecito was made an Acolyte, which is a required step of preparation before being ordained as a Deacon. The primary role is to assist the priest at the altar. Prepare the sacred vessels and serve as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. Congratulations to Joseph on this new step!

Pilgrimages

Healings

Devotion

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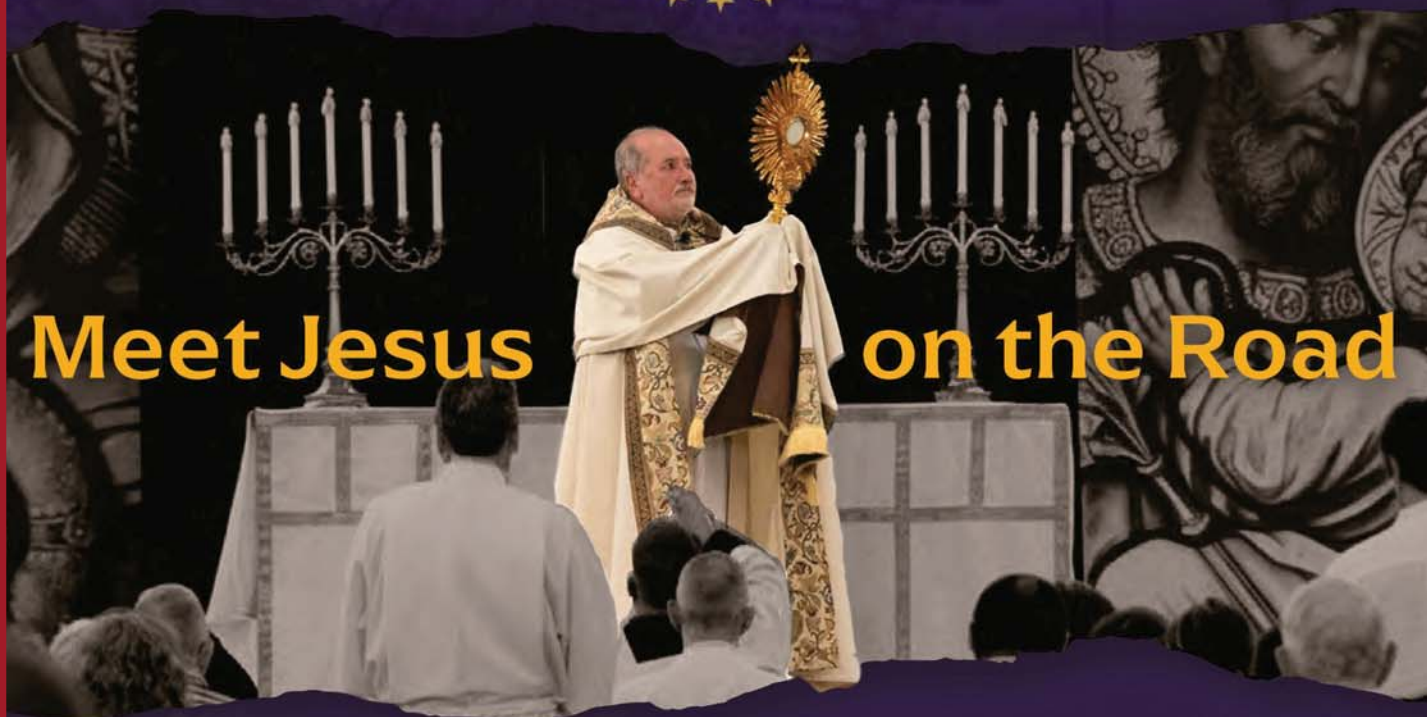


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***ON WEBSITE ***

Sunday at 8:00am & 10:30am

Monday - Friday at 8:00am

Saturday Vigil at 4:00pm



PRAYER FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY

God, source of all freedom,
this day is bright with the memory
of those who declared that life and liberty
are your gift to every human being.
Help us to continue a good work begun
long ago.

Make our vision clear and our will strong:
that only in human solidarity will
we find liberty,
and justice only in the honor
that belongs to every life on earth.
Turn our hearts toward the family of nations:
to understand the ways of others,
to offer friendship,
and to find safety only in the
common good of all.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

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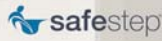
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