



Saint Joseph's, Saint Anne's & Holy Family And Saint Patrick's 30th November 2025, First Sunday of Advent, Year A Served By The Discalced Carmelites Parish Priest: Fr. Louis Aron OCD email: louisaron2015@gmail.com Assistant Priest: Fr. Ligor Alexander OCD email: ligorialex@gmail.com Tel: 0191 534 2346 Sr. Alphonsus (Parish Sister at St. Patrick's, Ryhope) Tel: 0191 521 0340 Rev. Bernard Finan SDS (Retired and resident priest at St. Patrick's)
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Catholic Sunday Mass Readings for 30th November 2025, First Sunday of Advent, Year A

1 st Reading	Isaiah 2:1-5
Responsorial Psalm	Psalms 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9
2 nd Reading	Romans 13:11-14
Alleluia	Psalms 85:8
Gospel	Matthew 24:37-44

1st Reading - Isaiah 2:1-5

- 1 The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw, concerning Judah and Jerusalem.
- 2 And in the last days the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be prepared on the top of mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills: and all nations shall flow unto it.
- 3 And many people shall go, and say: Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, and to the house of the God of Jacob: and he will teach us his ways, and we will walk in his paths. For the law shall come forth from Zion: and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
- 4 And he shall judge the Gentiles and rebuke many people: and they shall turn their swords into plowshares and their spears into sickles. Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they be exercised any more to war.
- 5 O house of Jacob, come ye: and let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm - Psalms 122: 1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9

- R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.
- 1 I rejoiced at the things that were said to me, We shall go into the house of the Lord.
 - 2 Our feet were standing in thy courts, O Jerusalem
- R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.
- 3 Jerusalem, which is built as a city, which is compact together
 - 4 For thither did the tribes go up, the tribes of the Lord
- R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.
- 4 The testimony of Israel, to praise the name of the Lord.
 - 5 Because their seats have sat in judgment, seats upon the house of David.
- R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.
- 6 Pray ye for the things that are for the peace of Jerusalem: and abundance for them that love thee.
 - 7 Let peace be in thy strength: and abundance in thy towers.
- R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.
- 8 For the sake of my brethren, and of my neighbours, I spoke peace of thee!"
 - 9 Because of the house of the Lord our God, I have sought good things for thee.
- R. Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord.

2nd Reading - Romans 13:11-14

- Brothers and sisters:
- 11 And that knowing the season; that it is now the hour for us to rise from sleep. For now our salvation is nearer than when we believed.
 - 12 The night is passed, and the day is at hand. Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and put on the armour of light.
 - 13 Let us walk honestly, as in the day: not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and impurities, not in contention and envy:
 - 14 But put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh in its concupiscences.

Alleluia - CF. Psalms 85:8

- R. Alleluia, alleluia.
- 8 Show us Lord, your love;
and grant us your salvation.
- R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel – Matthew 24:37-44

37 Jesus said to his disciples: "And as in the days of Noah, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

38 For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, even till that day in which Noah entered into the ark,

39 And they knew not till the flood came, and took them all away; so also shall the coming of the Son of man be.

40 Then two shall be in the field: one shall be taken, and one shall be left.

41 Two women shall be grinding at the mill: one shall be taken, and one shall be left.

42 Watch ye, therefore, because ye know not what hour your Lord will come.

43 But know this ye, that if the goodman of the house knew at what hour the thief would come, he would certainly watch, and would not suffer his house to be broken open.

44 Therefore, you also be ready, because at what hour you know not the Son of man will come."

Saint of the Day

St Andrew the Apostle was also known as Andrew the Protoclete, Andreas, or Endres.

He was the Brother of St Peter the Apostle and one of the Twelve Apostles of Jesus.

He was born in Bethsaida, Galilee, and died in Patras, Greece.

We celebrate his feast day on November 30 every year in the Catholic Church.

St Andrew the Apostle Biography	
Profession	Apostle of Jesus
Place of Death	Patras, Achaia, Roman Empire
Feast Day	30 th November
Canonization	Pre-Congregation
Patron Saint of	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Scotland, ▪ Barbados, ▪ Georgia, ▪ Ukraine, ▪ Russia, ▪ Sicily, ▪ Greece, ▪ Cyprus, ▪ Romania, ▪ Patras, ▪ San Andrés (Tenerife), ▪ Diocese of Parañaque, ▪ Telhado (pt), ▪ Amalfi, ▪ Luqa (Malta) and Prussia;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Diocese of Victoria; ▪ Fishermen, fishmongers and rope-makers, ▪ Textile workers, ▪ Singers, ▪ Miners, ▪ Pregnant women, ▪ Butchers, ▪ Farm workers, ▪ Protection against sore throats, ▪ Protection against convulsions, ▪ Protection against fever, ▪ Protection against whooping cough
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St Andrew the Apostle Life History

St Andrew the Apostle was born in Bethsaida, a village located on the Sea of Galilee in the early first century. He was one of the fishermen from Bethsaida and counted among the Twelve Apostles of Jesus. Additionally, he was the brother of St. Peter. In the Gospel According to St. John, Andrew is the first Apostle named and was a disciple of St John the Baptist prior to Jesus' call. Upon hearing John the Baptist identify Jesus as "the Lamb of God," Andrew and another follower decided to start following Jesus. At Jesus' request, Andrew and his brother Peter left their fishing profession to become his disciples. Jesus promised to transform them into "fishers of men." Andrew was notably enthusiastic about introducing others to Jesus. When he himself was called by Christ, his initial impulse was to find his brother and bring him to Jesus, declaring, "We have found the Messiah." The Gospel of Luke initially doesn't mention Andrew by name. It describes Jesus using a boat, likely belonging to Simon (Peter), to preach to the masses and miraculously catching a large number of fish on a night that was initially unproductive. It's only in Luke 6:14 that Andrew is identified as Simon Peter's brother. Andrew was among the disciples closest to Jesus. He played a significant role, such as bringing to Jesus the boy with loaves and fishes (John 6:8). When Philip wanted to discuss the Greeks seeking Jesus, he approached Andrew first. According to Christian tradition, Andrew spread the Good News throughout regions like the shores of the Black Sea, Greece, and Turkey. He met his martyrdom through crucifixion in Patras. At his request, he was crucified on an X-shaped cross or "saltire," known today as "St. Andrew's Cross," as he believed himself unworthy to die on a cross similar to Jesus' crucifixion. Andrew, after enduring a severe scourging, was bound to die on the cross. Upon seeing the cross, he welcomed it with joy, considering it a vehicle for his union with Christ. He remained alive on the cross for two days, preaching and urging onlookers not to interfere with his suffering. His representations include images of fish, fishing nets, a man bound to a cross, an old man preaching from a cross, and depictions of him with long white hair and a beard, holding the Gospel and leaning on a transverse cross.

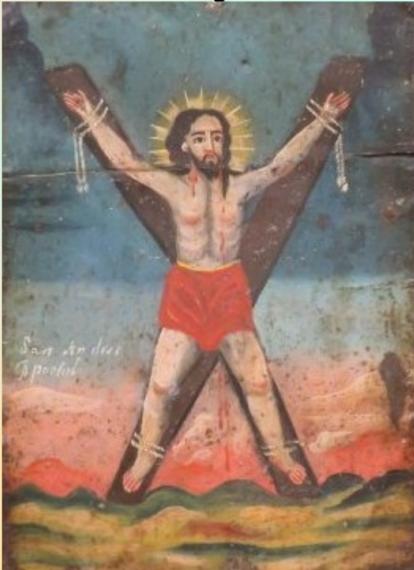
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Today's Saint Andrew the Apostle Feast Day Quote:

If we would do good to others, we must, like St. Andrew, keep close to the cross.

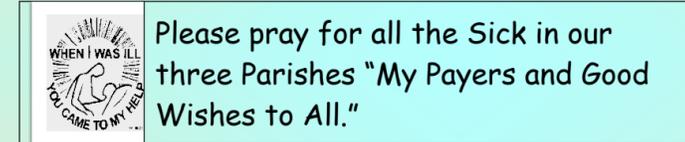


Saint Andrew the Apostle

Other Saints Of The Day

Catholic Sunday Readings Homily for November 30 2025, First Sunday of Advent, Year A
30th of November 2025 Catholic Sunday Mass Readings Homily Theme: The Coming of Jesus -
Luke 12:39-48, Matthew 24:42-51

Sick People:



This is the Saint of the Day list of Saints and Blessed whose feast day is,
The 30th November 2025.

- Blessed John of Vercelli
- Saint Castulus of Rome
- Blessed Everard of Stahleck
- Saint Cuthbert Mayne
- Blessed Frederick of Regensburg
- Saint Galganus
- Saint Joseph Marchand
- Blessed Ludwik Roch Gietyngier
- Saint Tudwal of Tréguier
- Saint Thaddeus Liu Ruiting
- Saint Anders of Slagelse
- Blessed Joscus Roseus
- Blessed Alexander Crow
- Saint Isaac of Beth-Seleucia
- Saint Sapor
- Saint Simeon of Persia
- Saint Mahanes the Persian
- Saint Abraham of Persia
- Blessed Andrew of Antioch

Saint Crider of Cornwall

St Crider of Cornwall was also known as Creda. She was the daughter of an Irish chieftain who became a nun. She was also a close friend of St Canice of Aghaboe She died in the mid-7th century AD and is the patron saint of Creed, Cornwall, England. In art, she is represented as a nun with crown and scepter.

Saint Maura of Constantinople

St Maura of Constantinople died at Constantinople (modern Istanbul, Turkey) as a Virgin and martyr. No details of her life have survived. An island in the Ionian Sea is named in her honour.

Her devotion was widespread in the East. Julian the Apostate unsuccessfully tried to suppress devotion to her.

Saint Mirocles of Milan

St Mirocles of Milan, also known as Merocles or Mirocleto, died of natural causes in 318 AD. He was an archbishop of Milan, Italy, a writer, and also attended the Council of Rome in 313 AD. He was one of the originators of the Ambrosian liturgy and chant. His life and works were praised by Saint Ambrose of Milan.

Saint Trojan

St Trojan, also known as Troyen, died in 533 AD. His father was Jewish, his mother was Arabic, and Trojan was an adult convert to Christianity. He was also a priest and a student of Saint Vivien. He was considered a beloved bishop of Saintes, France.

Blessed William de Paulo

Blessed William de Paulo was born in Catania, Sicily, and died of natural causes in 1423 AD.

He was a Benedictine monk at San Niccolo dell' Arena and also an abbot at Maniaco, assigned to restore discipline.

Saint Zosimus the Wonder Worker

St Zosimus the Wonder Worker, also known as Zosimus of Palestine, died in the 6th century of natural causes. He was a hermit in Palestine and also a miracle worker.

Blessed Arnold of Gemblours

Blessed Arnold of Gemblours died of natural causes in 1155 AD. He was a Benedictine monk at Saint-Nicaise Abbey, Rheims, France, and also an abbot of Gemblours Abbey in Belgium.

Saint Constantius of Rome

St Constantius of Rome was a priest in Rome, Italy. Opposed Pelagianism, and was murdered in 418 AD in Rome, Italy by its adherents.

Saint Justina of Constantinople

St Justina of Constantinople died at Constantinople as a martyred maiden.

Saint Merola of Antioch

St Merola of Antioch, also known as Merula, died in 400 AD in Antioch, Syria as a martyr.

Saint Dominus of Antioch

St Dominus of Antioch died as a martyr in 400 AD at Antioch, Syria.

Saint Euprepis of Rome

St Euprepis of Rome was martyred in Rome, Italy.

Martyrs of Saxony

Martyrs of Saxony were missionaries who worked with Saint Willehad of Bremen. They were

- Attroban
- Benjamin
- Emmingen
- Folkard
- Gerwald
- Grisold

They later died as martyrs on November 30 782 AD at River Weser, Lower Saxony, Germany.

Martyrs of the Spanish Civil War

These are the names of some of the thousands of people who were murdered from 1934 to 1939, during the anti-Catholic persecutions of the Spanish Civil War.

Their names are;

- Blessed Victor Cuesta Villalba
- Blessed Vicente Angulo García
- Blessed Tomás Sánchez López
- Blessed Saturnino Sanz y Sanz
- Blessed Santiago García Molina
- Blessed Román Martín Mata
- Blessed Ricardo Marcos Reguero
- Blessed Ramón Juan Costa
- Blessed Ramiro Alonso López
- Blessed Rafael Touceda Fernández
- Blessed Pedro Simón Ferrero
- Blessed Pedro Martínez Ramos
- Blessed Pedro de la Varga Delgado
- Blessed Pedro Carvajal Pereda
- Blessed Nicéforo Salvador del Río
- Blessed Nemesio García Rubio
- Blessed Nemesio Díez Fernández
- Blessed Miguel Iturrarán Laucirica
- Blessed Miguel Francisco Rueda Mejías
- Blessed Miguel Cerezal Calvo
- Blessed Melchor Martínez Antuña
- Blessed Máximo Valle García
- Blessed Matías Espeso Cuevas
- Blessed Martín Arbé Barrón
- Blessed Mariano Revilla Rico

- Blessed María del Olvido Noguera Albelda
- Blessed Marcos Guerrero Prieto
- Blessed Manuel Miguel Sánchez
- Blessed Macario Sánchez López
- Blessed Luis Suárez-Valdés Díaz de Miranda
- Blessed Luis Palacios Lozano
- Blessed Luis Abia Melendro
- Blessed León Alesanco Maestro
- Blessed Julio María Fincias
- Blessed Julio Marcos Rodríguez
- Blessed Julián Zarco Cuevas
- Blessed Juan Sánchez y Sánchez
- Blessed Juan Peña Ruiz
- Blessed Juan Monedero Fernández
- Blessed Josep Maria Dalmau Regás
- Blessed José Otín Aquilué
- Blessed José Noriega González
- Blessed José López Piteira
- Blessed José Gando Uña
- Blessed José Antonio Pérez García
- Blessed José Agustín Fariña Castro
- Blessed Joaquín García Ferrero
- Blessed Jesús Largo Manrique
- Blessed Jesús Gesta Piquer
- Blessed Isidro Mediavilla Campos
- Blessed Heliodoro Merino y Merino
- Blessed Gregorio Álvarez Fernández
- Blessed Gerardo Pascual Mata
- Blessed Gerardo Gil Leal
- Blessed Francisco Marcos Del Río
- Blessed Francisco Fuente Puebla
- Blessed Esteban García Suárez
- Blessed Emiliano Santamaría Angulo
- Blessed Dionisio Terceño Vicente

- Blessed Dámaso Arconada Merino
- Blessed Constantino Malumbres Francés
- Blessed Conrado Rodríguez Gutiérrez
- Blessed Bernardino Calle Franco
- Blessed Benito Velasco y Velasco
- Blessed Benito Rodríguez González
- Blessed Benito Garnelo Álvarez
- Blessed Arturo García de la Fuente
- Blessed Arturo Donoso Murillo
- Blessed Antonio Martínez Gil-Leonis
- Blessed Amado Cubeñas Díaz-Madrado
- Blessed Agustín Renedo Martín

Other Saints of the Day for The 30th November 2025

- Pompea of Langoat
- Berenguer de Ostales

Mass Times For the weekend

Saturday Night Mass Times	
Saint Josephs	5:30pm
Sunday Mass Times	
Saint Joseph's	9:30am
Saint Anne's & Holy Family	11:00 am
Saint Patrick's Ryhope	9:30 am

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