December 11, 2016

Third Sunday of Advent

Lord, come and save us!

Week of December 12 schedule

Monday, Our Lady of Guadalupe, Las Mañanitas 5 AM, Misa en Español 7 AM & Mass in English 8AM

Tuesday, Communion Service, 8 AM

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Mass, 8 AM

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

(the Sunday 9 a.m. Mass is offered for the people of the parish)

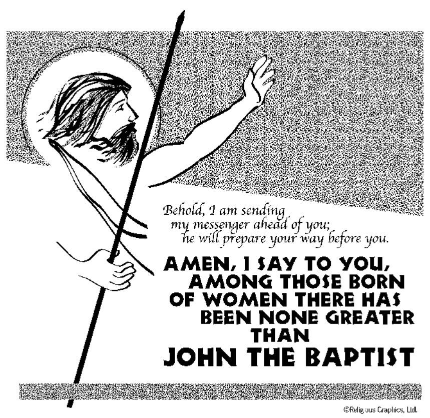
Wednesday, Lena Boykiw

Thursday, Debbie Schmidt

Friday, Marie Aronica †

Saturday, Michael Malinosky †

Sunday, Salvatore Camarata †



Each of us has his or her own role to play in the coming of the kingdom of God. John the Baptist was called to be the herald of the Messiah, preparing the way of the Lord. To what is the Lord calling ME?

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

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"SERMON ON THE AMOUNT"

Regular Sunday	4321.00
Building Fund	973.00
Total Dec 3 & 4	5294.00
Religious Education	474.00
Immaculate Conception	25.00

The Pastor and Finance Council have developed a parish budget which calls for an average weekly income, from Sunday and Building Fund donations, of $5,392.35; and $491.60 for Religious Education Programs. Thank you for your financial support.

2017 Calendars are available on the bulletin tables.

Adult Education

St. Andrew's Young Adults (SAYA): A group for adults in their 20s and 30s (single/married) is now meeting regularly. Contact Rachel Hochstein at 360-325-6682 for details and any questions or find us on facebook.

Wives In Prayer will start a new session on Friday, January 6, 9 to 11 AM. Childcare provided. Please contact Emily Stickney 968-9195, or Alison Mattson 962-36564.

Every parishioner has access to the beauty of **SYMBOLON**, and other offerings, with our special parish online subscription. **Children's content is now available (programs, ebooks, movies and talks)**. Visit www.formed.org and scroll down to submit our parish's code – 449536, create your username and password.

Join us on Tuesday, December 13, 9:00-10:00 a.m., for ***The Church's Social Teaching from Pentecost to Pope Francis***. This course traces the development of the Church's social justice teaching from the Pentecost to the present day.

Join us on Wednesday, December 14, 7:00-8:30 p.m., for ***Divine Mercy: In the second greatest story ever told*** final session. The next session will start Wednesday, January 11, with a new program, ***Catholicism – Journey around the world and deep into the Faith,*** with Bishop Robert Baron.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will meet on Monday, December 12, at 7:00 p.m., in the activity center. This is an inquiry class for those interested in becoming Catholic, or for those Catholic adults seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation. For more information, please contact Scott Zimmerman (962-9661).

The **Sunday Mass in Spanish has been rescheduled for 11:15 AM, permanently**, instead of 11 AM. We hope this will help in the transition from elementary religious education classes to Mass.

Join us weekly on Tuesdays for Mass in Spanish at 6 PM, beginning on January 3.

<u>To better facilitate this list, it will be purged at the beginning of every other month, ie: , Jan, March, May, etc.</u> **Please pray for the sick of our parish**— Lori Boykiw Smith, Pat Carney, Peter Conti, Don Bacon, Carlos Huitron, Ray Fletcher, Jamie Winterer Carney, Reid O'Donnell-Herbers, Joe Jacobs, Bernice Orcutt, Ken Lafferty, Randy Brunson, Ken Riddle, Bob Riggins, Fred Schaan, Raechele Lunde, Wally Dillon, Mac Brotherton, Tom Emerson, Leo and Linda Brennan, Shawn Lopez, Hubert Schmitt, Jean Larmore, Jaci Erickson, Jodi Huschka, Dorothy Drotzmann, Rich Hoctor, Darrel Eason and our priests and nuns who suffer from poor health, and those who are sick but wish to remain anonymous, we pray to the Lord. (Please call the office with updates.)

The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be celebrated on Monday, December 12, with Las Mañanitas at 5:00 AM, followed by Aztec dancing in honor to our Blessed Lady of Guadalupe at 6:30 AM. Misa en Español will be celebrated at 7:00 AM. Please join us for a light refreshment reception afterwards of Mexican hot chocolate and breads. Update: Mass in English will be celebrated at 8 AM.

Parish Office hours are 8:00 to 11:30 AM & 1:00 to 4:00 PM (5:30 PM W, TH, F) and Sundays 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM.

Our Parish Christmas Breakfast will be Sunday, December 18, at 10 AM. The Knights of Columbus will once again prepare the meal. Everyone invited, please join us.

There will be a Nativity Presentation "Pastorela" in Spanish on Sunday, December 18, at 1 PM, in the church. Everyone is invited.

Thank you to all those who shared names and mementoes during the month of November. Please remember to pick up any items in the sacristy.

There are Flower Donation envelopes on the bulletin table if you would like to make a donation for Christmas flowers.

During inclement weather months the southeast activity center door will be unlocked for those who need a more sure-footed walk area to access the church for Mass. As a courtesy, please leave this parking area available for those who need close-to-building parking.

Please join us for an Advent Penance Service on Tuesday, December 20, at 6:30 p.m. We will have several visiting priests to assist.

Elementary and Youth

Elementary classes will continue on Sunday, December 11, at 10:05 to 11:05 a.m.

LIFETEEN High School classes continue Sunday, December 11, 6:15 to 8:00 p.m

EDGE Middle School classes continue Monday, December 12, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. for annual Christmas Party. Please bring a snack to share and a $5 White Elephant Gift.

2nd Year CHOSEN Confirmation classes continue on Wednesday, December 14, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., in the social hall for our annual Potluck Christmas Dinner and $5 Gift Exchange.

We have received 116 ACA pledges, totaling $ 39,122. Our parish goal is $40,747. The programs, services, and ministries supported by the Diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal are intended to meet the needs of Catholics here in the Diocese of Yakima. The Church serves each of us, and our financial support is needed to continue God's work here in Central Washington.

Thank you for participating in the ACA. If you haven't participated in the past, please prayerfully consider participating this year. Those who have participated in the past have received a personalized pledge card in the mail to use. Thank you for your continued support.

Upcoming Meetings

Join us in **Centering Prayer** on Mondays at 5:15 p.m., in the meditation/cry room. For more information, please call Karen at 962-9648.

Crafts Unlimited will resume meeting in the activity center on Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., after the first of the new year. For more information, please call Carole Vondergeest at 962-1551.

Young at Heart, those 55 years and more, will have a **Potluck Lunch** on Monday, December 12, at Cherry Lane Club House, beginning at noon. RSVP to Judy at 962-5889.

Elementary Catechists Christmas Dinner and Party will be Saturday, December 17.

F.I.S.H. Food Bank programs and projects are at full speed as the holiday season and cold weather approach. **F.I.S.H. has two immediate needs:** meat and back pack funds/food. A side of beef from a benevolent donor or packaged meat of any size or funds will graciously be accepted. Thank you.

Giving Tree **Gifts are due back TODAY, Sunday, December 11, at 10 AM,** **<u>UNWRAPPED, with GIFT TAG attached for ease of sorting.</u>** Many Thanks to those who participated in this event.

Please join us Tuesday, December 13, at 9:00 a.m., for a **Gift Wrapping Party**. All materials provided, but feel free to bring your own scissors. Light refreshments provided.

If you or a group would like to Adopt-A-Family, please contact the parish office.

Baskets will be distributed on Thursday, December 15, 9 AM to noon. Must provide identification. You may only pick up your family's basket.

Christmas Masses

Saturday, December 24, Christmas Eve, Children's Mass, 4:30 PM, & Vigil Mass at 10 PM. (No 5 PM Mass).

Sunday, December 25, Christmas Day, Masses at 9 AM and 11:15 AM (Español). (No 5 PM Mass.)

Bring Hope to Life with a gift to the 2016 Christmas Collection for Catholic Charities. Your gift will help spread the love of Christ through a network of Catholic Family & Child Service Agencies, Catholic Charities Housing Services and Saint Vincent Centers. Please prayerfully consider a generous gift to your neighbors in need by using the special marked envelope on the bulletin table.

By tradition, the collection received at the Christmas Masses is donated to Catholic Charities. If you wish your donation on Christmas to benefit St. Andrew's, please use the special marked envelope "My Christmas Gift to my Church" on the bulletin table. You can also note that on your check. Thank you for your generosity.

As the year comes to a close once again, we are thankful for the many contributions in time, talent and treasure that St. Andrew's receives. Thank you for your generous sharing. Monetary donations received before 4 PM, Friday, December 30, will be credited to your 2016 statement. Statements will be mailed mid-January. ACA payments are recorded by the Diocese of Yakima and you will receive a statement from them. Donations received at the December 31/January 1 Masses, will be credited to 2017 statements. Thank you again for your generosity.

MAGNIFICAT sessions will resume in February.

The next **Retrouvaille Weekend** is February 10-12, in Spokane. This is for marriages going through difficulties of any sort, or just needs a pick-me-up. Visit www.Retrouvaille.org for confidential information.