December 25, 2016

The Nativity of the Lord

Christmas

Today is born our Saviour, Christ the Lord!

Week of December 26 schedule:

Monday & Tuesday: COMMUNITY SERVICE, 6 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, John Kandra
Thursday, Frank Nalls
Friday, Anita Dudley
Friday, Mary Lanowski

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 is provided. Please contact Emily Stickney 968-9195, or Alison Mattson 962-3654.

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). Selections in Spanish are also now available. Visit www.formed.org and scroll down to submit our parish’s code – 449536, create your username and password.

Join us on Tuesday, January 3, 7:00-10:00 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, January 11, 7:00-8:30 p.m., for a new program, CATHOLICISM – Journey around the world and deep into the Faith, with Bishop Robert Barron. The beauty, the goodness and truth of the Catholic Faith. Journey with acclaimed author, speaker and theologian Bishop Robert Barron to more than 50 locations throughout 15 countries. From the sacred lands of Israel to the beating heart of Uganda...from the glorious shrines of Italy, France, and Spain, to the streets of Mexico, Kolkata, and New York City, the fullness of CATHOLICISM is revealed.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will resume on Monday, January 2, 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).

To better facilitate this list, it will be purged at the beginning of every other month, i.e., Jan, March, May, etc. Please pray for the sick of our parish—Tom Bogdon Smith, Pat Corney, Peter Conti, Don Bacon, Carlos Hutton, Ray Fletcher, Jamie Wiltziner Corney, Reid O’Donnell-Herbers, Joe Jacobs, Berrice Orcutt, Ken Lafferty, Randy Brunson, Bob Riggins, Fred Schaan, Raechele Lunde, Wally Dillon, Mac Brotherton, Tom Emerson, Leo and Linda Orcutt, Ken Riddle, Bob Riggins, Fred Schaan, Raechele Lunde, Wally Dillon, Mac Brotherton, Tom Emerson, Leo and Linda Orcutt, Ken Riddle, Bob Riggins, Fred Schaan.

Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus for hosting the Annual Parish Christmas Basket Raffle. The fund raising goal was exceeded.

Many thanks to all parishioners for their generous support of the Annual Catholic Appeal. We have received 128 ACA pledges, totaling $42,942. 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. Additional pledges over our goal is rebated back to St. Andrew’s to supplement our operating budget. For 2016, we received over $15,000 in rebates.

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 2:00 p.m., after the first of the new year. For more information, please call Vondergeist at 962-1551.

Parish offices will be closed on Sundays & Mondays, December 25 & 26 and January 1 & 2, in observance of Christmas and New Year’s Day, respectively.

Many thanks to all parishioners for their generous support of the Annual Giving Tree Program. We were able to help 25 families and residents of Prestige Cove and Pacifica Senior Living. Thank you also to the St. Vincent de Paul Ministries volunteers for all their hard work in coordinating this annual beloved endeavor.

The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, December 31 & January 1, Masses will be celebrated on Sunday, at 5:00 PM, and Sunday, 9:00 a.m., and 11:15 a.m., (Spanish). No Sunday 5:00 p.m., Mass.

First Friday Benediction on January 6, will be celebrated following the 8 AM Morning Mass.

Religious Education classes are taking a holiday break until after the first of the new year. Have a blessed Christmas!

Elementary and Youth

Elementary classes will resume Sunday, January 8, at 10:05 to 11:05 a.m.

Parent & Child 2nd Year Preparation Class meeting will be Thursday, January 12, at 6:00 p.m. All parents and children are required to attend.

LIFETEEN High School classes resume Sunday, January 8, 6:15 to 8:00 p.m.

EDGE Middle School classes resume Monday, January 9, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

2nd Year CHOSEN Confirmation classes resume on Wednesday, January 11, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., in the social hall.

The next Parents Night Our Fund Raiser is Friday, January 6, 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Elementary age children and younger are welcome to attend. Middle school and High school age youth may volunteer as assistants. Please be sure to bring a well stocked diaper bag for your baby.

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Middle School Masses on December 31/January 1 Masses will be placed in the Spring. Price is approximately $3.50 per letter.