March 12, 2017
Second Sunday of Lent
The Lord is gracious and merciful.

Week of March 6 schedule
Monday, Communion Service, 8 AM
Tuesday, Mass, 8 AM & 7 PM (Español)
Wednesday, Mass, 8 AM & 5:30 PM
Thursday, Mass, 8 AM & 5:30 PM
Friday, Mass, 8 AM & 5 PM

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS
(the Sunday 9 a.m. Mass is offered for the people of the parish)
Friday 8AM, Gene Jump t
Saturday, Jackie Rossow t
Sun 11:15 AM, Ermelinda Colazo t 1 yr anniv.
Sunday 5 PM, Fr. Dan Greene t

"Bear your share of the hardship for the Gospel," St. Paul tells Timothy in today’s second reading. What sacrifice is asked of me for the sake of the Gospel? How willing am I to bear my share?

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

This is my BELOVED SON
Listen to him!
GOD has called you to a holy life because of CHRIST + JESUS
who destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel

Thank you for your financial support.

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 meet on Fridays, 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. Just added: Augustine Institute Radio Theatre: audio dramas featuring award winning actors/actresses. 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.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will continue this Monday, March 13, at 7:00 p.m., in the activity center. Scrutinies are celebrated in order to deliver the elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ. The First Scrutiny will be celebrated Sunday, March 19, at the 9 AM Mass; Second Scrutiny will be celebrated Saturday, March 25, at the 5 PM Mass; and the Third Scrutiny will be celebrated Sunday, April 2, at the 5 PM Mass; as well as the Sunday 11:15 AM Masses on these weekends for the R.C.I.A. group. For more information, please contact Scott Zimmerman (962-9661).

Join us on Tuesday, March 14, 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, March 15, 7:00-8:30 p.m., for CATHOLICISM – Journey around the world and deep into the Faith, with Bishop Robert Baron.

To better facilitate this list, it will be purged at the beginning of every other month, i.e.: March, May, July etc. 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, Ken Ridle, Bob Aiggins, Fred Schaon, Raechelle Lunde, Wally Dillon, Mac Brotherton, Tom Emerson, Leo and Linda Brennan, Shaun Lopez, Hubert Schmitt, Jean Larmore, Jodi Huschka, Dorothy Drotzmann, Rich Hoctor, Darrel Eason, John Shea, Lee Honeycutt, Mary Andreotti, Lee Orcutt, Fr. Richard House, Beth Brunson, Arlene Steinhardt 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.)

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.

Thank you for your support of the Totally Catholic Fund Raiser. Proceeds were $.

Cornerstone Project – Thank you to all who attended. Rachel Hochstein will research the PREPARES program and how to institute at St. Andrew’s. Watch the bulletin for updates.

Join our faith community and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the U.S. in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family’s Rice Bowl at the bulletin table. Download the CRS Rice Bowl APP. May these 40 days better prepare us to encounter ourselves, our neighbors and our God. Rice Bowls will be collected on Holy Thursday.
Elementary and Youth

Elementary classes will continue this Sunday, March 12, at 10:05 to 11:05 a.m.

LIFETEEN High School classes will continue this Sunday, March 12, 6:15 to 8:00 p.m.

EDGE Middle School classes will continue this Monday, March 13, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Please remember our middle school youth and chaperones who are retreat this weekend in your prayers.

2nd Year CHOSEN Confirmation classes will meet Wednesday, March 15, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., in the social hall.

High School youth are invited to a short bible study on the Wednesdays of Lent after the 5:30 PM Mass and before 7 PM Class in the LifeTeen room. Lead by Alejandra Tejeda, we will cover the Easter Story, culminating in the viewing of the Mel Gibson Movie, The Passion of The Christ. We hope you will join us. Everyone invited.

May Festival Volunteer Sign Up Weekend was last weekend. If you haven’t filled out your form, please do so now. We are still in need of people to help with take-down and clean up during the 3 PM hour. Please call the parish office (962-9819) with questions. The next planning meeting this Sunday, March 28, at 5:30 PM. Everyone invited.

Our parish will participate in the 134th annual Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support helps build the church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Visit www.blackandindianmission.org/nationalcollection for more information. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

St. Andrew’s Confirmation Sponsor & Candidate Reflection Day is this Sunday, March 12, 12:15 PM to 3 PM. All 46 Confirmandi and their sponsors are required to attend. Please bring a potluck item to share for lunch. Agenda also includes a bi-lingual presentation, small group discussions, saint reflection and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Please consider attending morning or evening Mass together that day. This is mandatory.

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 meet in the activity center on Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Bring a lunch. For more information, please call Carole Vondergeist at 962-1551.

Next weekend — St. Patrick’s Trivia Night is Saturday, March 18. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., Trivia begins at 6:30 p.m. Cost of admission is $15 and gets you a Guinness Irish Stew dinner, a drink token, and game entry. There will be a raffle, games, prizes and of course, trivial! Please help us with a “head count,” Register early to guarantee your space. Contact the parish office (962-9819) to register or to help with this event. Proceeds benefit youth summer programs.

Lenten Activities

Knights of Columbus will offer a Fish Fry on Fridays of Lent at 5:30. This is a fundraiser, cost is by donation.

Stations of the Cross will be offered on Fridays of Lent at 6:30 PM in the church.

In addition to Daily 8 AM morning Masses, evening Masses will be offered Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, at 5:30 PM, and Friday, at 5:00 PM. Following the Friday evening Mass, there will be a short time of Benediction.

We have copies of The Four Signs of a Dynamic Catholic by Matthew Kelly available in the church vestibule and parish office (in English or Spanish) for $2 donation.

The next Baptism Preparation Class will be held Monday, March 27, at 7 PM (Wednesday, March 29, 7 PM., in Spanish). Parents and god parents must attend. Please bring a copy of the State Birth Certificate of the child(ren) to be baptized. Sorry, we are unable to care for young children during class.

MAGNIFICAT sessions continue on Saturdays, March 18, at St. Pius X Parish in Quincy, and March 25, at St. Paul Cathedral School in Yakima. Sessions begin at 9 AM.

Bishop Tyson will offer special Masses to recognize, thank and uplift some important personnel in our communities and parishes at St. Paul Cathedral in Yakima. All Masses will begin at 5:30 and followed by a reception in the assembly place.

Please join us on Tuesday, March 14, for a Red Mass for all judges, lawyers, legal assistants and all those in the legal profession; on Tuesday, March 28, for a Blue Mass for all first responders, those in law enforcement, firefighters, ambulance and emergency responders.
Many thanks to Adam St. Hilaire who has directed Sunday Life Nights for high school youth; Barbara Johnson, Alejandra Tejeda, Fr. Roleto and all Core Team Members who have facilitated the Confirmation program; and Alison and Josh Mattson who have directed the Middle School youth program this year. We are now seeking a full-time Youth Minister to facilitate the program in whole for the middle and high school youth of our parish. Position has also been posted with surrounding Arch/dioceses, Seattle, Spokane, Boise, Portland, Baker. Please pray for the successful hiring of our future Youth Minister.

**YOUTH MINISTER – St. Andrew Parish, Ellensburg, WA**

St. Andrew Parish in Ellensburg, WA is seeking a full-time youth minister to lead our enthusiastic, faith-filled team of volunteers in developing a dynamic and engaging youth program. You will work under the direction of our Pastor and parish administrator with some expectations including organizing the confirmation program, several retreats, and attending a youth convention. As this is a new position, you will also have the latitude and support to use your own experience and creativity for our youth program. Must be an active Catholic, at least 21 years of age, and have youth ministry education or comparable experience, as well as a passion for reaching teens and lighting a fire in their hearts that will lead them to becoming active Catholic adults.

For information contact the parish at (509) 962-9819.

Applications and related information can be obtained at: http://www.applitrack.com/yakimadiocese/onlineapp

Full-time position with great benefits!


We have received 149 ACA pledges, totaling $47,937. 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.

**Central Washington Catholic Foundation will host a luncheon on Wednesday, March 29, at 11:45 AM in St. Andrew's social hall.** Bishop Tyson, Msgr. Robert Siler and Kathleen Wilmes will be on hand to discuss the CWCF and to say thank you to its many supporters. St. Andrew’s has been a recipient of grants from the Foundation in the past. They will recap the Teaching of Faith in 2016 and everyone is invited to attend and to invite a friend or two. RSVP to www.cwcatholicfoundation.org or call 509-972-3732.

**Rachel’s Vineyard** is a post-abortion recovery program for all those affected by abortion, such as the mother, father, grandparents and siblings, friends and medical practitioners who have conducted the abortions. A retreat will be held April 7–9, in Spokane. Contact Julie at spokanerv@gmail.com or 509-994-4355 to register or for more information. Visit www.rachelsvineyard.org for more information.

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St. Andrew’s is very fortunate to be able to offer religious education classes for our elementary, middle and high school youth. It is through our dedicated parents, volunteers and leadership that we have vibrant programs.

A recent article published on Our Sunday Visitor website www.osv.com cite a CARA (The Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate) study that discusses why young people leave the Catholic Church. Below are some of the findings:

* average age when young people decided to leave the church was 13.
* 63% of those interviewed said they decided to leave between the ages of 10 & 17.
* 23% said they decided to leave before age 10. Research by Christian Smith, a professor of sociology at the University of Notre Dame, found that three factors produce an 80% retention rate among young Catholics. They are:
  * having a weekly activity like religious education, Bible Study or youth group;
  * having an adult faith mentor who is not their parent;
  * and if they have deep spiritual experiences.

The entire article is available on the website www.cruxnow.com Keeping your child active in Religious Education could significantly improve the likelihood that they will remain practicing Catholics for life. At the very least, if your child is not participating, please take a moment to ask them why. They may have already considered leaving the Catholic Church and it is time for an honest and frank discussion.

If you need help with this, all those in the religious education department are here to help; Alena Camarata, Alison and Josh Mattson, Adam St. Hilaire, Alejandra Tejeda, Scott Zimmerman, Jackie McCain and, of course, Fr. Roleto.