March 26, 2017
Fourth Sunday of Lent

The precepts of the Lord give joy to my heart!

Week of March 27 schedule
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
Saturday, Memorial Mass for George Town, 11 AM

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS
(the Sunday 9 a.m. Mass is offered for the people of the parish)
Tuesday, 8 AM, Lori Boykiw-Smith
Wednesday 8 AM, Larry Carney
Thursday, Dutch & Jeanne Giersch
Friday 8 AM, Fr. Dan Greene * 1 yr Anniv.
Saturday 5 PM, Doris Osborn 1 yr. Anniv. *
Sunday 5 PM, Paul Woon *

The blind man was willing to let Jesus minister to him and willingly did all Jesus asked of him. The Pharisees were more resistant to His message, spending their time and energy to disprove the miracle. Which am I more like, the man born blind or the Pharisees?

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

“Sermon on the Amount”
March 4 & 5 6786.00
March 11 & 12 4613.00
Regular Sunday 4351.00
Building Fund 1026.00
Total March 18 & 19 5377.00
Religious Education 574.00
Black & Indian Missions 20.00
Ash Wednesday 10.00

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.

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 962-3654.

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 resume Monday, March 27, 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 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.I.C.A. group. For more information, please contact Scott Zimmerman (962-9661).

Join us on Tuesday, March 28, 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. No class on March 21.

Join us on Wednesday, April 5, 7:00-8:30 p.m., for CATHOLICISM – Journey around the world and deep into the Faith, with Bishop Robert Baron. No classes on March 22 & 29.

To better facilitate this list, it will be purged at the beginning of every other month, ie:
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 Alddle, Bob Riggins, Fred Schaan, Raechelle Lunde, Wally Dillon, Mac Brotherton, Tom Emerson, Leo and Linda Brennan, Shaun Lopez, Hubert Schmitt, Jean Larmore, Jodi Huischka, Dorothy Drotzmann, Rich Rector, Darrel Eason, John Shea, Lee Honeycutt, Mary Andreotti, Lee Orcutt, Fr. Richard House, Beth Brunson, Arlene Steinhardt, Darrel Eason, Karen Mayfield 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.)

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.

George Alyateem will be here next weekend, April 1 & 2, with hand carved olive wood religious items for sale after all Masses. Proceeds benefit the more than 80 Catholic families that live in the Holy Land as their major source of income. George was here several years ago.

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.

May Festival Volunteer Sign Up- 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 is Tuesday, March 28, at 5:30 PM. Everyone invited.

Our annual Spring Rummage Sale will be Friday and Saturday, April 21 & 22. Items in good condition will be accepted beginning Monday, April 17.
Elementary and Youth

No elementary and middle & high school religious education classes during spring break, Sunday & Monday, 25/26.

Elementary classes will resume Sunday, April 2, at 10:05 to 11:05 a.m.
LIFETEEN High School classes will resume Sunday, April 2, 6:15 to 8:00 p.m
EDGE Middle School classes will resume Monday, April 3, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

2nd Year CHOSEN Confirmation classes will meet Wednesday, March 29, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., at their small group homes.

We will have a viewing of *The Passion of The Christ* by Mel Gibson, on Wednesday, April 12, beginning at 6:30 PM. Everyone invited. Not suitable for young children.

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 Vondergeest at 962-1551.

Knights of Columbus Council meeting is Thursday, March 30, at 7 PM.

YOUTH MINISTER – St. Andrew Parish, Ellensburg, WA

St. Andrew Parish is seeking a full-time youth minister to lead our enthusiastic, faith-filled team of volunteers in developing a dynamic and engaging youth program. Full-time position with great benefits. Application deadline April 30, 2017. For information contact the parish at (509) 962-9819.

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

St. Andrew’s Preschool Registration for currently enrolled families is happening now. On April 1, registration will be open to everyone. Classes for 3/4 year olds is offered Tuesday and Thursday; classes for 4/5 year olds is offered Monday and Friday, 8:30 to 11:00 AM, following the Ellensburg School District calendar. Monthly tuition is $90 and $110, respectively, with a non-refundable $40 registration fee. Spaces are limited and will fill fast.

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.

Bishop Tyson will offer a Blue Mass on Tuesday, March 28, at 5:30 p.m., for all first responders, those in law enforcement, firefighters, ambulance and emergency responders, at St. Paul Cathedral in Yakima. Reception following. Everyone invited.

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.

The next Parents Night Out is Friday, April 7, 6-10 PM. Children up through elementary age are welcome; middle and high school may attend as helpers. Please bring a well-stocked diaper bag for your baby/toddler. This is a fund raiser for summer youth programs.

Lent

Knights of Columbus will offer a Fish Fry on Fridays of Lent at 5:30. This is a fund raiser, cost is by donation. Many thanks to the High School Confirmation youth who are assisting each week.

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.

The Most Reverend Joseph J. Tyson, D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Yakima will be the principal celebrant of our annual Chrism Mass concelebrated by the priests of the diocese and assisted by our Diaconate Community on Tuesday, April 4, at St. Paul Cathedral in Yakima at 7 PM. The chrism oils will be blessed that we will use in Sacraments for the year. This is also a time when the priests will renew their promise. Everyone is invited.

Lenten Communal Penance Service is planned for Wednesday, April 5, at 6:30 p.m. We will have several visiting priests available to help with the Sacrament of Penance. Fr. Roleto is also available every Friday night during Stations of the Cross (sorry, not March 31).

There is information available if you are interested in the Holy Land Pilgrimage with Fr. Brooks Beaulaurier in November.

Rachel’s Vineyard is a post-abortion recovery program for 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