May 21, 2017
Sixth Sunday of Easter
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia!

Week of May 22 schedule
Monday to Friday, Mass, 8 AM
t Tuesday, Mass, 7 PM, Español
Wednesday Mass, 5:30 PM

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS
(the Sunday 9 a.m. Mass is offered for the people of the parish)
Tuesday, 5:30 PM, Mary Connolly †
Thursday, Frances Romeo †
Friday, Paula Romeo †
Saturday, Donald Haberman †
Sunday, 11:15 AM, Julio Cabrera Villa †

Those who obey the commandments, Jesus says in today’s Gospel, are the ones who really love Him. Does my stewardship reveal my love for Jesus?

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Envelopes are on the bulletin table.

Whoever loves Me will keep My Word, and My Father will love him and we will come to him and make our home with him. (John 14:23)

“Sermon on the Amount”

May 6 & 7  5785.50
Regular Sunday  3908.00
Building Fund  500.00
Total May 13 & 14  4408.00
Religious Education  845.50
Rice Bowl  2251.00

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.

To better facilitate this list, it will be purged at the beginning of every other month, i.e., May, July, Sep, etc. Please pray for the sick of our parish—Lori Boykiew Smith, Pat Carney, Peter Conti, Don Bacon, Carlos Huitrion, Ray Fletcher, Jamie Winterer Carney, Reid O’Donnell-Herbers, Joe Jacobs, Bernice Orcutt, Ken Lafferty, Ken Riddle, Bob Riggins, Fred Schoon, Raechelle Lunde, Wally Dillon, Mac Brotherton, Tom Emerson, Leo and Linda Brennan, Shaun Lopez, Hubert Schmitt, Jean Larmore, Jodi Huschka, Dorothy Drotzmann, Rich HECTOR, John Shea, Lee Honeycutt, Mary Andreotti, Lee Orcutt, Beth Brunson, Arlene Steinhardt, Karen Mayfield, Katherine Spall, Deb Clark, Sam McNichol 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.)

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 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. Selections include, but not limited to, Augustine Institute Radio Theatre, children’s content and selections in Spanish. Visit www.formed.org and scroll down to submit our parish’s code – 449536, create your username and password.

This week, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40% of dioceses in the US are considered home missions because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Diocese of Yakima is one of these. Your support of this appeal helps ease the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions. Envelopes are on the bulletin table.

We now have gluten free altar breads available. If you need this for communion, please inform the priest before Mass and be sure to receive communion from him. You may need to remind the priest again at the time of reception. This is most important if we have a visiting priest. If you need more information, please speak with Fr. Roleto or the parish office.

Congratulations to those children who are celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend.

Congratulations to those youth who are celebrating the Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend. There will be light refreshments available after Mass.

Welcome to our many visitors this weekend. Blessings on your travel for a safe journey.

Thank you to all those who attended the Mother’s Day Brunch last weekend. Because of your generosity, we will be able to provide Bibles for 20 kindergarten students this year and have a little left over for next year. A special thank you to Rob and Paula HECTOR for helping with set up; the Hayden and Kirkham families and Grace Bell for helping with clean up; and to David Camarata, Michael Camarata and Mary Coy, I couldn’t have done it without you. Proceeds were $749.46. Thank you also to our generous table sponsors, Bill and Billie Marquiss, Valley Veterinary Hospital and Advantage Dirt.

Mass will be celebrated on Monday, May 29, at 10 AM, in observance of Memorial Day. Please join Fr. Robert Siler and PRO DEO ET PATRIA for a short service and blessing of graves at Holy Cross Cemetery following at 11 AM. Please bring a chair, if you prefer. Parish offices will be closed on Sunday and Monday, May 28 & 29.
Dear parishioners,

I’m pleased to let you know that St. Andrew Parish, thanks to your continuing generosity, has at long last met its goal for the Yakima Diocese Capital Campaign for Priest Retirement and Seminarian Education, with a recent payment of $35,596 from our parish savings.

You may remember that our goal for this important project, which began more than 10 years ago, was $146,600. Because we also were running our own campaign for a new rectory at the time, we were only able to raise $75,408, leaving a balance of $71,192.

However, several of our parishioners also have donated generously to help the Diocese pay for seminarians and senior priests through a program called the Bishop's Founders Circle. Bishop Joseph Tyson agreed to give us credit for $33,596 in donations made by these parishioners, provided the parish make an equal payment, to bring the Capital Campaign to a close at St. Andrew’s.

If all of that sounds complicated, it is because it is. Seminarian education is the Diocese’s single largest budget item. It will cost more than $700,000 next year to educate 14 seminarians. And the Diocese will spend nearly $300,000 for pensions, health care, and other needs of our 12 senior priests.

While Fr. Roleto is away for a month on a well-deserved vacation to the Philippines, two of those senior priests, Fr. John Shaw and Fr. Seamus Kerr, will be assisting us during the week, as they did in September and October when Fr. Roleto was studying Spanish. I will be serving the parish on weekends and Tuesday evenings and will be happy to answer any questions you might have while I am in the parish.

Again, thank you for your ongoing generous support of St. Andrew’s, which has made it possible for us to meet our goal for the Diocese’s Capital Campaign.

Sincerely in Christ,
Fr. Robert

First Friday Benediction will be at 8 AM, on June 2, following morning Mass.

13th Annual Catholic Family & Child Service Garden gala will be Saturday, June 17, at Holy Family Gathering Hall in Yakima, beginning at 6:15 PM. Please call Julie Heilman at 509-853-1303 for information and reservations.