MASS SCHEDULE / HORARIO de MISA

Daily Mass/Misas Diarias: 8 am Monday-Friday
Tuesday: 7 pm (Spanish)
Saturday Vigil: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 9 am and 5 pm
Misa del domingo: 11:15 am (Spanish)

Confessions: Saturday 3:30 pm. Also by appointment or after Mass.

Religious Education classes: Sundays 10:15am-11:05 a.m.
EDGE Middle School/youth: Mondays at 6:30 p.m.
Life-Teen High School/youth: Sundays at 6:15 p.m.
CHosen 1st Year Confirmation: every other Wednesday at 7 pm

OFFICE HOURS / HORAS de OFICINA

Monday – Friday: 8 am-11:30 a.m. and 1 - 4 p.m.
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Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. May 13, 2018

UPCOMING EVENTS
May 13 FEAST OF THE ASENDION. MOTHERS’ DAY brunch at 10 am
Rel. Ed. 10:15 am
May 14 Memorial Service for Amy Priest at 11 am
May 17: Bishop Visitation/Deanery meeting.
May 17 : First Communion practice.
May 19 First Communion at 5 pm
May 20 PENTECOST
May 20 First Communions
May 21 Finance Council meeting 6:30 pm
May 26 Quinceanera at 12 pm
May 27 Trinity Sunday.
May 28 Memorial Day at Holy Cross Cemetery 10 am

OFFICE CLOSED

St. Andrew’s Preschool is seeking a Teacher’s Assistant for the 2018-19 school year. Hours are M-F 8:30-11:15 am. The position begins August 29. Contact the parish office for a complete job description and application.

Pro Deo Et Patria will have a short prayer ceremony at Holy Cross Cemetery at 11am on Memorial Day, Monday 28 May. Also, please bring your worn US Flags and place them in the box in the foyer to be retired. In that box, you will also find requests to have a name engraved on the veteran memorial wall at Holy Cross.

Young at Heart, 55 and older, meets for breakfast at the Palace Cafe on Monday, May 14. For more information, call Judy Poplawski, 962-5889. Thanks

FAITH FORMATION, Everyone is invited to attend a 5-week series titled Overcoming Obstacles to Holiness by Fr. John Riccardo on Thursdays at 6:30pm at the library beginning on April 26 to May 24

Friends of the Foundation Luncheon. Join the Trustees of the Central Washington Catholic Foundation. Lunch is free, but an RSVP is required. May 24th – St. Joseph, Wenatchee 12:00pm – 1:15pm. You may register by calling (509) 972-3732 or send an email to: kwilmes@cwcatholicfoundation.org.

FISH Food Bank kicks off its year-long Awareness Project on Sunday, June 23, with a 2-mile Walk that starts at the Food Bank and ends at Rotary Pavilion. The Project goal is to increase public knowledge of the "face of hunger" in Kittitas County, as well as celebrate the ongoing support displayed by the community for the food bank's efforts in ending food insecurity. Teams and singles from local churches such as St. Andrews, as well as businesses and organizations, are invited to participate in the Walk. Parishioners interested in rounding up any number of St. Andrew's Teams of 5 to 10 (friends? families?) can contact Karen at 306-0431 or stop by the parish office for sign-up information. Thank you! • During April FISH Food Bank distributed 37,373 pounds of food to hungry residents, including 497 households (119 of those new in April). Those families receiving supplemental food boxes included 58 toddlers, 310 children 18 and younger, 524 adults, and 306 seniors. Thank you, St. Andrews, for your steadfastness! Overall, community donations, including St. Andrew's, totaled 18,117 pounds of food. The Summer Meals for Kids program takes on a new name this year, Picnic in the Park, and begins when public school ends. Youths 18 and under are invited for lunch each M-F through mid-August.

I want to express my gratitude to those who prepared my breakfast Birthday party on May 4th, those who gave me birthday cards or wished me a happy birthday. It meant a lot to me. I usually expend my birthday quietly at the annual priests’ retreat. You are in my prayers. Fr. David.

THANK YOU to all the volunteers who have helped us at our annual May Fest, especially to Maria Contreras, the chairperson, and Jim Held who provided the sound system and music. We sold 3,273 tickets. Our expenses were $1,770. Net Profit was $1,503.
On behalf of the Bawa Health Initiative Board of Directors and the people of Bawa, Francine Dondji and Dr. Blaise Dondji would like to express their gratitude to St Andrew’s parishioners and the Ellensburg community for their prayers and contribution to the 5th Annual Cameroon Fundraising Dinner. Special thanks to Dr. Fabiola Serra Fuertes of CWU and her dance group TusuyPeru for their performances. We couldn’t get here without our sponsors Advantage Dirt Contractors and Kelleher Motor Company. Your involvement in this project is changing the lives of thousands in Bawa and neighboring villages in rural Cameroon, Africa. Thank You

STEWARSHIP REFLECTION May 13, 2018

During this Easter season, many of our First Readings come from the Acts of the Apostles. Next Sunday is Pentecost Sunday which culminates the Easter season for the Church. Scholars generally agree that the Acts of the Apostles was also written by St. Luke. Today’s reading from Acts certainly gives an indication of that. It is clear that Acts is written to someone named Theophilus as it opens with “In the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up.”

The Book of Luke opens by also stating that it is being written to Theophilus: “I, too, have decided…to write it down in an orderly sequence for you, most excellent Theophilus.” Those who study sacred scripture love to debate who Theophilus was, but that is not important. For our purposes we are Theophilus. The name Theophilus means “friend of God,” or “God lover” which includes all of us.

Perhaps the greatest message of the First Reading, the opening verses of Acts, is the basis of the Book itself. The Gospel of Luke records all that Jesus began to do and to teach. It is the beginning of Jesus’ work. However, Acts describes how Jesus’ work continued with His disciples and followers. In a sense the Book of Acts is still not complete because the work of Jesus continues today. Today’s “Acts” may not be scriptural, but through us as disciples the Lord’s presence and works continues in the world and in His Church.

We are part of this great legacy, and that is the real message for us here: we are called, and we are expected to be the disciples who share the Good News with others.

St. Paul never states the specific reason for his letter to the Ephesians, our Second Reading. But it is certainly possible to ascertain his motivation from what he includes in the letter. In today’s reading he speaks of our approach to understanding and faith when he says, “May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened.” In scripture the word “heart” tends to indicate the very core and center of life. It is much more than a realization or a comprehension. It means something we embrace and appreciate to the very foundations of our lives and the way we live them.

Paul wants the Ephesians (and us) to know that few things give us more secure and enduring hope in life than knowing that God has called us and has a specific calling for each of us to fulfill. Nevertheless, Paul wants us to know that we are worthy of the calling, the command if you will, given us by Jesus. If we wish to be saved, we need to live distinctive lives here on earth. The letter to the Ephesians, and today’s passage, gives us very specific teaching on how we are to live our lives in our parishes, in our world, and in our homes.

Jesus makes it clearer in the Gospel Reading from Mark, as He addresses His followers prior to His Ascension into heaven, that they have a responsibility, and it was one they could not escape. We share that responsibility. When we go out to do the work of God, Jesus is always with us and He works with us and through us. This is the pattern for all we do, our sense of ministry and mission. A wise philosopher once stated that signs are meant to follow believers, not believers following signs. The final verse of the Gospel — “But they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the word through accompanying signs.” – continues to this very day. That is the message of everything we have heard in Holy Scripture today, and it is the message we should hear every time we are exposed to Holy Scripture.

Rigoberto Mungia & Alondra Michel. Congratulations on your wedding May 4, 2018

Felicidades por su boda: 4 de Mayo 2018