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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The Nativity of St. John the Baptist
June 24th, 2018

With gratitude and appreciation.
Total for June 10: $5620.00
Building Fund: $820.00
Rel. Edu.: $635.00

IMPORTANT DATES & PARISH EVENTS
July 1: Fr. Pickett’s first Mass in Ellensburg at 9 am.
Breakfast hosted by the KC at 10 am following.

1st Sunday Collection
July 16: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel: Blessing of the Scapulars
Priests’ Picnic 3:30 pm
July 28: Parish Picnic (after 5PM Mass)
July 28-29: St. Vincent de Paul 5th Sunday Collection
Seminarians Collection

CONGRATULATIONS FATHER PICKETT
The Dominican Friars of the Province of the most Holy Name of Jesus announce the Ordination of their Brother Thomas Aquinas Pickett, O.P., to the Order of the Presbyterate through the Imposition of Hands and the Prayer of Ordination by the Most Reverend Robert Francis Christian, O.P., Auxiliary Bishop of San Francisco, on Friday, June 22, at 2 PM, at St. Dominic's Catholic Church, in San Francisco, CA.
Fr. Thomas Aquinas Pickett will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at St. Andrew's on Sunday, July 1, at 9 AM. A breakfast reception hosted by the Knights of Columbus will follow. Everyone is invited.

CKC 2018: Tracking Mary (July 16-20)
Register NOW for Catholic Kidz Camp! Cost is $40 per child, with a $100 family maximum. Please also let us know if you are interested in being a youth group leader. There are only 40 spots total, so hurry up!
Contact Alena: 962-9819

ATTENTION ALL SUMMER GARDENERS:
Don’t forget about the October Festival when you plant your garden this summer. We are always appreciative of zucchini and any other items to add to our Country Market! This year’s festival will be Thursday, Oct 4th.

Rachel’s Vineyard
“If the emotional and spiritual wounds of a past abortion have been sapping faith, love and joy from your life, I promise, that if you enter this process for healing, your life will begin to change.”

~ Dr. Theresa Burke, founder of Rachel’s Vineyard

Here is Mother Teresa of Calcutta’s endorsement:
“I pray that all who participate in Rachel’s Vineyard with the longing to be free and to be healed by Jesus, may find Him, the source of true joy, peace and love, and allow God to restore them to wholeness and happiness. I am praying much for you.”

If God is calling you to hope and healing OR to minister to those in need of hope and healing, please contact (509-421-7847 or lisapetersen65@gmail.com) for more information. Confidentiality will be kept.

Central Washington Catholic Youth Camp is now less than 60 days away, and the deadline for registrations is June 30th. School and religious ed classes are over for summer, and our precious children need to continue to be formed in their Faith. For more info and to make reservations, see our website, cwcyc.org.

ST. ANDREW’S PRESCHOOL is adding an afternoon 4-5 year old class. For more preschool registration information, call the parish office.

A New Year of RCIA Begins!
Upcoming summer RCIA sessions are on July 19 and Aug 16. Weekly sessions will start September 6th. We look forward to growing with you!

Already Confirmed, still growing in Christ? Check out FORMED: Sign up for daily reflections in English or Spanish at www.formed.org and type our code 449536 to create your username and password. Plenty of great Catholic content is available for reading or watching, alone or with the whole family. Also be sure to watch the Formed Pick of the Week selections available on the parish and Formed websites.

FORMED KIDS’ KORNER

The War of the Vendee
A Story of Sacrifice and Martyrdom
Featuring an exuberant and gifted cast of over 250 young Catholics (playing all the roles), this movie tells the story of France’s little known religious civil war in the years following the French Revolution.
**PRO-LIFE CORNER**

Can we even change people’s minds? Some people (including many Catholics) feel like it is futile to continue to have a debate over the issue of abortion because people feel too strongly about it and have already made up their minds as to what they think.

This is wrong.

People throughout history have changed their minds on vital social issues. When the United States was new, there was not suffrage or equal rights for women and racial minorities. Almost universally in the United States today, the general populace recognizes that this was wrong and that women and non-whites are entitled to their basic rights as human beings. And the law recognizes it, too.

It took many years and decades of intense struggle involving emotions just as if, not more, fierce than those surrounding the Pro-Life Movement of the 21st century. But victories for freedom were won and people certainly did change their minds. That is how change happens. Education is vital so that more people understand the struggle to protect innocent life in the womb and stand ready to defend the rights of all living people, including the unborn.

Change can happen, and change will happen, providing we do our part to work tirelessly to advocate change for a freer, better world where the weak and vulnerable are protected, not exploited and/or victimized.

*If you’re ready to TAKE ACTION with St. Andrew’s PRO-LIFE ministry, contact Larry & Bea Cates: 857-2163*

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**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION June 24th, 2018.**

Today we celebrate the Birth of John the Baptist. For Luke the birth of John the Baptist closely parallels the birth of Jesus. John the Baptist’s birth is the prelude to the birth of Jesus.

The Archangel Gabriel announces to our Blessed Mother Mary also that she will bear a son. At that same time he revealed to Mary that her cousin Elizabeth was six months pregnant. Mary journeys to visit Elizabeth. You may recall that during that visit the baby “leapt” in Elizabeth’s womb when Mary greeted her. John the Baptist knew even then that this was the Messiah.

From the prophet Isaiah, who provides our First Reading, comes the voice of the Messiah announcing his impending arrival (albeit centuries later). The Lord says, “Hear me, O coastlands, listen, O distant peoples. The Lord called me from birth; from my moth-

er’s womb he gave me my name.”

In reference to the quote from the Gospel of Luke that appears in the opening paragraph of this reflection, the Archangel Gabriel not only told Elizabeth and Zechariah that they were to name the baby John, but the angel continues “And you will receive joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth.”

The tradition at the time was that when a birth was imminent, friends and local musicians gathered near the house. When the birth was announced, and if it was a boy, the musicians would break into song, and there was general congratulations and rejoicing. This was natural but it was also a clear demonstration of the significance of the birth of John the Baptist.

The Church selected June 24 for this celebration, not because there is any definite record that is when it occurred, but because that is in keeping with the birth of Jesus six months later. St. John the Baptist began his public ministry around 30 A.D. He was known for attracting large crowds throughout Judea and near the Jordan River. When Jesus came to him to be baptized in the Jordan, John knew Him and said, “I need to be baptized by you, and yet you are coming to me.” (According to the Gospel of Matthew)

John not only recognized the divinity of Jesus, he emphasized it with his sizable following. He told his followers to turn to Christ. It was John who called Jesus the Lamb of God. Many of John’s followers became what we might term to be the first Christians.

We learn some important lessons from John the Baptist.

First, we need to put total trust in God, in Jesus, just as he did. Also, stewardship calls us to serve God and others. Like his cousin Jesus John the Baptist came to serve, not to be served. We are summoned to do the same.

*Enjoy the Stewardship Reflection column? Read more on catholicsteward.com/blog/*

**MASS INTENTIONS**

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS Week of June 24th (the Sunday 9 a.m. Mass is offered for the people of the parish)

- Tuesday Joseph Drotzmann,
- Wednesday Gerald Goronea ♣,
- Thursday Caroline Spall Hicks ♥,
- Friday Doug Holmgren ♣,
- Saturday 5PM Brett Eason ♣,
- Sunday 5PM An Di Givonni ♣

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