MASS SCHEDULE / HORARIO de MISA

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

Eucharistic Adoration: 8:30 am - 5:30 pm Thursdays
Confessions: Saturdays at 3:30 pm. Also by appointment or ask the priest after Mass.

Religious Education classes: Sundays 10:15-11:05 a.m.
EDGE Middle School Youth: Mondays at 6:30 p.m.
Life-Teen High School/Youth: Sundays at 6:15 p.m.
Confirmation: Wednesdays at 7 pm

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Monday – Friday: 8 a.m.-11:30 a.m. and 1 - 4 p.m.
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Christ and the Rich Young Ruler by Heinrich Hofmann, 1889, Riverside, Church in New York

FAITH FORMATION

CENTERING PRAYER: Mondays at 5:15 pm in the meditation/crying room. Contact Karen at 962-9648.
Men’s Fellowship / Study Group: Mondays at 6:30 PM in the library. Contact Mark Hayden at 962-9005.
Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Tuesdays at 8:30 am.
Pivotal Players in the History of Catholicism: Tuesday 9am -library. Call Hugh Spall 925-2937 for more information.
Pro-Life Prayer: Outside of Planned Parenthood on Kelleher property. Tuesdays -10:30 am – Larry & Bea Cates 857-2163
CRAFTS UNLIMITED: -Tuesdays 11 AM in 2nd grade room. Contact Carole Vondergeest 962-1551.
R.C.I.A: Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Thursdays at 6:30pm in the library. Call Scott Zimmerman 962-9661 or email gitanesteel@yahoo.com
COMPASSION CORPS: 2nd & 4th Thursdays -7 PM at the couch/5th grade room. Contact Kelly Held 304-4866
KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: in 2nd grade room 7 PM -4th Thursday. Contact Jeremy Hochstein 509-306-6589
WIVES IN PRAYER: Fridays 9-11 AM at the parish library –Contact person: Emily Stickney 968-9195.
SAYA: For young adults. Rachel Hochstein at 360-325-6682
Catholic Campus Ministry, at 706 N Sprague. Contact Mar- cus: 925 3043. Mass on Campus on Sunday at 7pm in SURC 137
28th Sunday October 14

With gratitude and appreciation
Building Fund: $1,225
Rel. Edu. $1,089
Total for Sunday: $7,588

UPCOMING EVENTS:
15 Finance Council 6:30 pm
16 Pacifica Mass at 9 am.
18 RCIA 7:30 pm

MASS INTENTIONS week October 15
Tuesday, Joseph Drotzmann Family
Wednesday Nichole Koch and family
Thursday, Caroline Spall Hicks †
Friday, Philip Elmo †

Altar Server Fall Training, Saturday, October 20, 10 AM to noon. St. Andrew’s is pleased to invite you to a training session for NEW and CURRENT Altar Servers. Being an Altar Server is a special ministry that youth can participate in during the Mass. Those who just celebrated receiving First Holy Communion this past Spring, are strongly encouraged to join this ministry. We need the help of current Altar Servers to help in training the new youth. Please let us know you are coming at 962-9819 or standrewparish@yahoo.com Thank you for your valuable service in this ministry.

FALL TRAINING SESSION FOR MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION Thursday, October 25, 2018 at 6:00 p.m., in the church. The people who serve as Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are a vital part of our daily/weekly Mass Prayer. We invite current ministers and those parishioners who are interested in joining the schedule to come to the Fall Training Session. Please consider inviting someone you think may be interested to attend with you. For more information, please contact Maryann Witkowski at 509-859-3455.

Our Annual Fall Rummage Sale is Friday and Saturday, November 2 & 3. We will begin accepting quality items of donation on Sunday, October 28 after morning classes. Annie Graham is appreciative of any and all help she can have in the set up, sorting and selling at the sale. Please call her at 968-9381. Thank you for your assistance and support

Works of Mercy: Works of Mercy day retreat is happening Oct. 20. We need permission slips in by Oct. 15. We need help with people driving, providing cleaning supplies, and someone to help make lunch. All are welcome to join us clean up the cemetery!!

DYC: Annual Diocese Youth Convention is Nov. 2-4. Cost is $50 and permission slips are due Oct. 15.

We need chaperones and drivers!
Corn Maze: St. Paul & Holy Family youth groups invited us to the corn maze on Oct. 18th. We will be leaving here at 5:30 and plan to be back about 8:30. Cost is $8. We need drivers to help us get down and back!

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION October 14, 2018
Part of the beauty of stewardship spirituality is its simplicity and practicality. It can be summed up in the brief phrase, “All I have is a gift from God and I must make a grateful return to Him for all He has given me.” In making this return, we consider three areas that cover the primary aspects of daily life — Time, Talent, and Treasure. So simple that even our youngest parishioners can grasp the concept. But simple does not necessarily mean easy. And simple does not mean shallow.

Today’s readings invite us to look into the truth of what a stewardship way of life is all about. These readings also reveal how this spirituality and way of life require the commitment of our whole being to God. Our First Reading we are told that God’s wisdom is more precious than any earthly riches or power and that when we possess this gift of wisdom — of seeing things and life as God sees them — we possess “all good things” and “countless riches.”

The Scriptures are the living Word of God. A passage that we ponder one week can take on entirely new meaning for us in another week. It is God’s living message and it has the power to speak to each of us personally based on our needs at a given moment.

The Gospel Reading from Mark is one of the better known passages in the Gospel — the story of the rich young man who went away sad after rejecting Jesus’ wisdom on how to obtain eternal salvation. This passage reminds us that while a stewardship way of life may be simple to understand, it is not easy to live out. In response to the man’s question on what he must do to obtain salvation, Jesus tells him to keep the commandments. The man replies that he has always done this much. But he suspects (rightly) that there is more to being a disciple of Jesus than just following the external rules. Jesus lovingly confirms this, telling him, “Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.”

We are called to be so much more than rule-followers; we are called to be Christ followers. A stewardship way of life asks us to look at three simple, practical areas — Time, Talent, and Treasure. But it asks us to commit to them from the depths of our being. Only then can we truly be free to follow Christ. Only then do we obtain the countless riches of God’s wisdom and a path to eternal life.
Dear parishioners,

The bishop and the presbyterate of the Diocese of Yakima gathers every year for a 4-day business session. We just met the first week of October. It was a very intensive week, due to the amount of information, presentations and consultations we had to study and sometimes we had to express our personal opinion.

This year’s meeting, also called the “convocation”, was centered on the clergy sexual abuse scandal and the response from the bishops. The main speaker was Fr. Tony Cutcher president of the national council of priests, USA. His presentation was a good summary of the history of the sexual abuse scandal in the North American Catholic Church and the response that the Conference of Catholic Bishops implemented to resolve this situation.

THE DALLAS CHARTER
Let me start with a positive point. After the Boston scandal in 2001 (e.g.: movie Spotlight), the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) at their annual meeting in Dallas vowed to create some norms and procedures for the protection of children and vulnerable adults. This is known as the Dallas Charter (from June 2002). The Pennsylvania Grand Jury report acknowledges that since the implementation of the Dallas Charter, it has been a significant reduction of new credible accusations. In other words, the Dallas Charter is working.

THE JOHN DAY REPORT
The John Jay College of Criminal Justice conducted a study analyzing allegations of sexual abuse in Catholic dioceses in the United States. The period covered began in 1950 and ended in 2002. The product of the study was a report to the USCCB. The number of alleged abuses increased in the 1960s, peaked in the 1970s, declined in the 1980s, and by the 1990s had returned to the levels of the 1950s. During that period, roughly 4% of the clergy was accused of child sexual abuse. The sexual abuse of children, as horrible as it is, happened in the Catholic Church with the same proportion as in others Christian denominations and similar groups: 4%.

There are no excuses for their abuse to minors. Our motto now is “Zero Tolerance”. This is not a unique American problem, as we have seen in the world news from Ireland, Australia and other countries: this is a human problem. The John Jay report found some reasons why so many priests have abused minors. Among others: Improper screening for candidates for priesthood and diaconate in the past. Today the screening process is very strict: the candidates must take the Minnesota Multiphasic Personality Inventory, present numerous written recommendations and receive multiple evaluations. Also in the past, the candidates received poor training or formation in emotional and psychological matters.

THE BROAD NATURE OF THE PROBLEM
Before the Dallas Charter, some bishops failed to comprehend the magnitude of the problem and the harm suffered by the victims. Many bishops put institutional church concerns above the concerns of the people they serve. Many bishops placed the interest of their priests above those of the victims. In other words: no scandals in the church. The threat of litigation caused many bishops to adopt an adverse – defensive tone. Many bishops inherited cases from their predecessors and were not fully informed of the clergy accusations in their dioceses. Bishops relied too heavily on psychiatric and psychological evaluations that many times recommend the reassignment of trouble clergy after the completion of programs at treatment centers. Bishops were told: listen to the experts. They did not know any better. Some clergy were “re-certified” after a 3-month treatment program to return to a parish.

THE CARA REPORT
Since 1964 The Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA), at Georgetown University in Washington DC., has been the most reliable source of statistical information for the Catholic Church in America. Their website at https://cara.georgetown.edu/, has numerous charts presenting all kind of Catholic statistical data. This is a website that every catholic in the country must visit. I truly recommend the: “Frequently Requested Church Statistics” and the “New Allegations Consistent with Historical Pattern” charts. Their conclusion: the clergy sex abuse scandal unfolding in the news today is the same public scandal that erupted with national media reports in 2002 (beginning in Boston). The predominant pattern that emerges is that “the most common decade of birth for alleged abusers was the 1930s and the most common decade of ordination was the 1960s. This profile has not changed in allegations that emerged in the 14 years that have followed—including the recent grand jury report. No new wave of abuse has emerged in the United States”.

I would like to end with a positive note: the only institution that have studied this problem with such depth is the catholic church. I applaud the effort of many Catholics that have found that a reform of the Church in crisis has always been a renewal in holiness. Thank you for your prayers for our Church, local and universal.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. David Jimenez