

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH

401 S WILLOW ST • ELLENSBURG, WA



2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. - Mt 3:4

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MASS SCHEDULE / HORARIO DE MISAS

Saturday Vigil-Vigilia en Ingles: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 9 am and 5 pm
Misa del domingo: 11:15 am (Spanish)
Daily Mass: 8 am Monday-Friday
Misas en español: 7pm Martes
Confessions: Saturdays at 3:30 pm, also by appt.
Confesiones: Sábados a las 3:30 pm o por cita.

OFFICE HOURS / HORAS DE OFICINA

Monday-Friday 8 am - noon & 1-4:00 pm
Lunes -Viernes 8am-12pm y de 1-4:00 pm
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Office Administrator: Barbara Johnson
Youth Minister/Confirmation: Sarah Moore
Elementary Religious Education: Alexandra Ruvalcaba
Preschool: Mari Gabriel

Catholic Radio: 100.3 FM/KXAA

PREPARES A ministry to companion and aid young families. Next meeting is Sat, Nov 23, at 10 AM Contact Sally Gililand 206-854-2936

FAITH, PRAYER & SOCIAL MINISTRIES

Centering Prayer Mondays at 5:15 PM in the cry room. Contact Karen Gookin at 962-9648

Men's Fellowship Group Mondays at 6:30 PM. Contact Mark Hayden at 929-2035.

Tuesday Morning Study Group meets weekly on Tuesdays at 9 AM, in the library. Contact Hugh Spall at 925-2937

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Tuesdays 8:30AM in church

Pro-Life Prayer Join us outside of Planned Parenthood on Kelleher Ford property. Tuesdays 10:30 AM.

St. Vincent de Paul Ministries 1st & 3rd Sundays of the month at 10:15 AM, . Seeking new members. Contact Mar-yanne Witkowski 509-859-3455

Crafts Unlimited meet Tuesdays 10AM in the middle-west room. Contact Carole Vondergeest at 962-1551

The Knights of Columbus meet 4th Thursday at 7 PM. Contact Josh Mattson at 509-856-4579

Compassion Corps 2nd & 4th Thursday at 6:30 PM in the couch/youth room. Contact: Kelly Held at 962-1250

R.C.I.A (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) meets Thursdays at 6:30 PM. Contact Scott Zimmerman at 509-929-3790 or email gitanesteel@yahoo.com

Wives In Prayer is seeking help to provide child care during Friday meetings. Contact Emily Stickney at 968-9195

SAYA (St. Andrew's Young Adults). Contact Rachel Hochstein at 360-325-6682

**2nd Sunday
of Advent
December 8, 2019**

**Welcome to
our visitors!**

With gratitude and appreciation

Nov 30 & Dec 1, 2019

Regular Sunday	4,774.00
Building Fund	730.00
RE Program	555.00
Thanksgiving/St. Vincent	1,049.00
Total	7,108.00

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF DEC 9

Tue—†Norman Johnson
Wed—†Salvatore Camarata
Thr—†Mary & Hubert Schmitt
Fri—†Jacinta Johnson
Sat—†Marie Aronica
Sun—John Bowen

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to keep the parish office open when Barbara is gone. If you can assist for several hours or more, please contact the parish office at 962-9819.

We are most grateful to our loyal donors and new donors to the **ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL (ACA)**. We have received pledges from 109 households in the amount of \$30,415.50, towards a parish pledge goal of \$44,006. As always, 100% participation of our 1,100+ households is our main goal. Please visit www.yakimadiocese.org if you'd like to donate online. Please prayerfully consider your pledge this year.

The **1ST WEEKEND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COLLECTION** is this weekend. Thank you for your continued generosity.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND ELDERLY OF OUR PARISH especially Christina Keys, Sharon Rosell, Don Bacon, Dorothy Drotzmann, Msgr. Perron Auve, Fr. Mike Ibach, Fr. Reilly, Fr. Darell Mitchell, Bishop Emeritus Carlos Sevilla, TJ Johnson, and our priests and nuns who suffer from poor health, we pray to the Lord. *(Please call the parish office with updates; reviewed weekly.)*

DEC BIRTHDAYS 9-Martin Arreola, Gonzalo Contreras, Erick Del Toro, Jamie Herion, Guadalupe Martinez, Roger Wilson 10-Arturo Ruiz 12-Pachel Perkins, Paulino Rios, Judy Stermetz, Emily Stickney 13-Ninnel Arias 14-Mary Holmgren, Jason Rangel

HAPPY DECEMBER ANNIVERSARY 1-Alan & Carol Erfle 9-Jeffrey & Jeanette Stone 14-Jorge & Maria Gomez 15-Salomon & Cecilia Rodriguez 18-Josh & Alison Mattson 19-Ismael & Martha Garcia 20-Clem & Paula Ehoff 23-Ken & Vicky Garrett 27-Darrel & Jan Eason 31-William & Tamara Holmes

The St. Vincent de Paul Ministries **ANNUAL GIVING TREE** is on display. Please take a tag or two. **Gifts are due back NEXT WEEK on or before 10 AM, Sunday, December 15, UNWRAPPED with GIFT TAG ATTACHED** (for ease of sorting). Gifts and food vouchers will be distributed on Thursday, December 19, 9 AM to noon. Thank you for your continued support. If you or a group would like to **Adopt-A-Family**, please contact the parish office. A **WRAPPING PARTY** for these gifts will be Tuesday, December 17, at 9 AM.

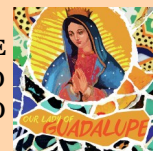
BLESSINGS TO OUR NEWLY ORDAINED PERMANENT DEACONS IN THE DIOCESE OF YAKIMA: James Johnson, John Calvin (E. Wenatchee), Michael Gaulke (Kennewick), Mark Krcma (Moses Lake), Thomas Miller (Yakima), Robert Turner (Wenatchee), Timothy Wauzynsky (Yakima), Terry Wentz (Prosser), Jorge Calderilla (Dryden), Juan Reyes (Ephrata).

Do some Christmas shopping in the activity center lobby at the **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS GIFTS & GOODIES** offered this weekend: Sat, Dec 7, 3—6:30 PM, and Sun, Dec 8, 8:30 AM—noon.



The **SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** is moved to Monday, December 9, this year. Masses will be celebrated at 8AM & 6PM. This is not a Holy Day of Obligation.

The **FEAST OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE** will be celebrated with Las Mananitas 4:30 to 7:30 AM and Masses at 8AM and 6:30 PM (Spanish).



Please join us in **CLEANING THE CHURCH** for Christmas liturgies on Saturday, December 14, 9-11 AM.

The **PARISH CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST** will be Sunday, December 15, at 10:15 AM. Everyone is invited. Reminder: Giving Tree gifts are due back this morning.

EACH YEAR, YOUR OFFERING AT CHRISTMAS MASSES GOES TO SUPPORT THE WORK OF CATHOLIC CHARITIES (CC). Motivated by Christ's love, CC works to bring hope to life by embracing people, strengthening families, and empowering to thrive. To learn more about CC network of services, visit www.catholiccharitiescw.org CC envelopes are provided on the bulletin table. *If you wish to make a Christmas donation to St. Andrew's Church, please use the MY CHRISTMAS GIFT TO MY CHURCH envelope, also on the bulletin table.*

FREE FOOD DISTRIBUTION on Friday, Dec 13, noon—2PM, at FISH Community Food Bank (804 Elmview Rd.) Includes beef, produce, nutritious perishable products. No appointment or documentation needed. Held outside, rain or shine. Please bring your own box/bag. Sponsored by [#wabeefcounts](https://www.facebook.com/wabeefcounts) info@2-harvest.org

FISH FOOD BANK & VALLEY VIEW WEEKEND MEALS need your help in stocking up for the holidays and winter weather. Thank you for your generosity.

...lifeline for troubled marriages: The next **RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND** is February 14-16 in Spokane. Call 8-00-470-2230 or visit www.retrouvaille.org

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Elementary— Sundays, 10:15—11:05 AM

High School Youth Group— Sundays, 6:15—7:30 PM

Middle School—Mondays, 6:30—8 PM

Confirmation Preparation—Wednesdays, 7—8:30 PM.

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

December 8, 2019 — Second Sunday in Advent
IS 11:1-10; PS 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17; ROM 15:4-9; MT 3:1-12



On this Second Sunday of Advent, our second reading from St. Paul's letter to the Romans encourages us to focus our Advent preparations in this way: "Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God." And how does Christ welcome us? With unconditional love.

This is the essence of Christian hospitality, a vital aspect of stewardship living. Fully embraced, it has the power to transform our lives and the lives of those who experience it through us.

The practice of Christian hospitality is also a way for us stewards to answer the call of John the Baptist, in our Gospel passage from Matthew. His words apply just as much to us today as they did to the people awaiting the Savior's arrival. John says, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" And he recalls the words of the prophet Isaiah, "Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." There is a definite connection between repentance and effective hospitality.

How can we make repentance a regular part of our everyday lives? We can make an "examination of conscience" a daily part of our prayers, thanking God for the times we said "yes" to Him, and asking forgiveness for the times we chose our own will. We can, and should, go to Confession this Advent. We can reach out to a family member or friend where there is distance or discord and make peace.

As we "straighten the paths" of our own hearts and minds, we become more hospitable people, better stewards of God's grace and mercy, far more open and ready to invite others into our lives, homes, and parish. This is preparation fitting for our merciful Savior.

ADVENT REFLECTIONS

Looking for ways your family can enter into the Advent season together?
Grow closer to Christ this season with reflections sent to you daily.

Sign up at formed.org/advent o para español formed.org/adviento

FORMED Daily

Sign up by using the code: 449536

Create a login and password to have access to [formed.org](https://watch.formed.org/advent-reflections-preparing-for-the-birth-of-our-savior-with-tim-gray) <https://watch.formed.org/advent-reflections-preparing-for-the-birth-of-our-savior-with-tim-gray>

Weekly announcement

A Celtic Christmas: Featuring Affiniti and Howard Crosby December 17, 2019 7:00 PM St. Paul Cathedral Parish 15 S. 12th Ave, Yakima
Admission by Donation

Church Cleaning : Join us for **cleaning of the church** on Saturday, December 14, 9 AM to 11 AM.

2020 National Education Contest: Students in grades 4-12 are invited to participate in the contest. Participants may create works of arts, music, poetry, computer art, photography or a written essay with the theme being "**Bless are the peacemakers**" or "**living in harmony with others**". The winning work will be sent to the State level, and possibly to the National level, first place \$100.00, second place \$50.00 and third place \$25. All entries must be turn in to our office before Jan 20th 2020. All entries must be of contestant's own imagination and creation. For more information contact the Religious Ed. Office.

2020 Calendars: Our 2020 calendars are here! Please take one home. We will like to thank *Henry D. Johnston* for his kind and generous support toward our parishioners' 2020 calendars. It is a real consolation to us to realize that there are those who are willing to make sacrifices in order to share in our mission. In a very real sense, he is among those who give life to our work for Christ.

The Cardinal Newman Society was founded in 1993 to promote and defend faithful Catholic education. The **Newman Guide** (www.NewmanSociety.org/CollegeGuide) is a free online resource providing in-depth profiles of faithful Catholic colleges and information to help you navigate the transition from high school to college life. Sign up for **Recruit Me** (www.NewmanSociety.org/RecruitMe) to allow faithful Catholic colleges to recruit you.....and be eligible for the Newman Society's \$5,000 essay scholarship

DECEMBER CALENDAR

9 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION.

English Masses 8 am and 6 pm.

12 OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

Mañanitas 4:30-7:30 am.

Spanish Mass 6:30 p.m.

15 Parish Christmas Breakfast 10:15 am

21-22 Christmas Liturgical Decorations

22 Christmas *Posadas* after Spanish Mass

24 Christmas Vigil

English Masses 4:30 pm & 8 pm.

25 Christmas Day

Mass 9 am English. Misa a 11 am Spanish