### 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
- **Office:** 509-962-9819
- **Fax:** 962-9846

**Email:** standrewparish@yahoo.com

**Email for bulletin:** bulletinellensburg@gmail.com

**Website:** www.st-andrewsparish.org

**Pastor (Párroco):** Fr. David Jiménez  962-9819

**Email:** padredavid@hotmail.com

**Emergencies-Emergencias:** 509-901-3885(after 5 pm)

**Deacon James Johnson:** 509-929-3588

**Office Administrator:** Barbara Johnson

**Youth Minister/Confirmation:** Sarah Moore

**Elementary Religious Education:** Alexandra Ruvalcaba

**Preschool:** Mari Gabriel

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### FAITH, PRAYER & SOCIAL MINISTRIES

- **R.C.I.A (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults):** Thursdays at 6:30 PM. For those who are interested in learning about the Catholic faith. **Contact:** Scott Zimmerman at 509-929-3790 or email gitanesteel@yahoo.com

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

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

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

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

- **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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

- **Catholic Radio:** 100.3 FM/KXAA

- **Catholic Campus Ministry (CCM):** 706 N Sprague
  **Contact:** Marcus Ayers at 925-3043. Mass on Campus on Sunday at 7 pm in SURC 137 during school year.
Many thanks to the Knights of Columubus for helping with the Parish Christmas Breakfast last weekend.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF DEC 23**

- Mon.—Colleen Kelleher
- Tue.—Michael Weiss
- Thr.—Stan Gray, Sr.
- Fri.—Bill Seubert
- Sat.—Don Erickson
- Sun.—Mary Andreotti

It’s time to **decorate the church for Christmas liturgies**. Please join Diane Dier on Monday, December 23, at 6 PM, and/or Tuesday, December 24, at 9 AM. This makes for a wonderful family event!

**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. The parish office will be closed Wednesday and Thursday, December 25 & 26, in observance of Christmas, and Wednesday, January 1, in observance of New Year’s Day. Have a blessed holiday season!

We are most grateful to our loyal donors and new donors to the **Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA)**. We have received pledges from 126 households in the amount of $36,430.50, 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](http://www.yakimadiocese.org) if you’d like to donate online. Please prayerfully consider your pledge this year.

**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. Darelle Mitchell, Fr. Murtaugh, TJ Johnson, and our priests and nuns who suffer from poor health, we pray to the Lord.

**December Birthdays**


**Happy December Anniversary**

23—Ken & Vicky Garrett 27—Darrel & Jan Eason 31—William & Tamara Holmes

If you have an update to the Birthday or Anniversary lists, please contact the parish office.

Thank you to our many parishioners for supporting the **St. Vincent Annual Giving Tree Program**. Christmas was made brighter for 24 families and residents at Hearthstone (7), Prestige (16), Meadow Place (5). Merry Christmas to all!

**Las Posadas** will be celebrated this Sunday, follow the 11:15 AM Mass.

**St. Vincent 5th Sunday** will be the weekend of December 28 & 29. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

**Upcoming Feasts/Solemnities**

- Dec 28—The Holy Innocents
- Dec 29—The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
- Jan 1—Mary, Mother of God, a holy day of obligation. Masses will be celebrated at 9 AM and 11 AM (Spanish).
- Jan 1—Epiphany of the Lord
- Jan 12—Baptism of the Lord

**Valley View Weekend Meals** appreciate donations of applesauce or mixed fruit cups, hot chocolate packets, Carnation Instant Breakfast, protein bars (10+gr), single OJ or apple juice cartons, Chef Boyardee cans. **FISH Food Bank** will appreciate cash or canned and boxed holiday meal ingredients. **FISH** new location is 804 Elmview Rd.

Many thanks to our generous parishioners who support St. Andrew’s in every way possible with time, talent and treasure. Monetary donations received by 4 PM on Dec 31, will be credited to your 2019 donation statement which will be mailed out mid-January.
Our **2020 Calendars** are here! Please take one home. We would like to thank **Henry D. Johnston of Steward & Williams Funeral Home and Crematory** for his kind and generous support toward our parish calendars. It is a blessing for 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.

**...lifeline for troubled marriages:** The next **Retrouvaille Weekend** is February 14-16 in Spokane. Call 8-00-470-2230 or visit [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org) confidential.

**Did you know St. Andrew’s is online?** You can check us out for various things like bulletins, schedules and online donations at [https://st-andrewsparish.org/](https://st-andrewsparish.org/) We are also on Facebook at [https://www.facebook.com/StAndrewEllensburg/](https://www.facebook.com/StAndrewEllensburg/) Check out photos from previous events, like Deacon Jim’s Ordination.

**Want to keep up with what’s happening in Youth Ministry?** We use the REMIND App to notify parents of upcoming events, meetings and announcements. You can join by texting the class code to 81010 or in the app itself:

- Middle School/Edge @EdgeParent
- High School/ LifeTeen @LifeTeen Pa
- Confirmation @Chosen Par

**Men’s Fellowship Group** began a new Lectio Divina series Monday, December 16, 6:30 p.m. This study is on evangelization, looking at the Acts of the Apostles. Check it out on [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) to preview. Our concurrent series, The Wild Goose, continues at the same time. Join either one at any time.

There will be a **Confirmation Retreat** Friday-Saturday, January 31-February 1. Please keep our students in your prayers as they grow closer to Christ.

Our next **Confirmation Parent Meeting** is Wednesday, January 5, at 7 PM. At least 1 parent needs to attend with their youth.

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**Stewardship Reflection**

**IS 7:10-14, 10; PS 24:1-6; ROM 1:1-7; MT 1:18-24**

As our Advent preparations draw to a close and Christmas fast approaches, it is fitting that today’s readings demonstrate the intensity of the Father’s perfect and passionate love for each us, culminating in the gift of His own Son, Jesus Christ, on Christmas Day. In response to such an overwhelming gift, what can we do except offer our lives as gift in return, embracing a stewardship way of life with all the love and strength we have to give?

In our Gospel passage from Matthew, we find an unparalleled example of one who embraced this way of life in St. Joseph, as he obeys God’s call to him through the message of an angel. We never hear St. Joseph speak, but the Scriptures tell us he was always listening, attentive to the leading of the Holy Spirit for his family. It was Joseph who found the stable where the baby Jesus would be born. No doubt it was Joseph who cleaned it up and prepared it for Mary and Jesus since we know that Mary was about to give birth. Joseph protected the family, guarded them, tended to their safety, their comfort, and their well-being at the expense of his own plans and preferences. Though we do not hear any words from St. Joseph his actions clearly show that he offered himself, his whole life, as a gift to his family through his strong guidance, protection and service.

Let us imitate St. Joseph then as good stewards, giving our very lives to those around us in love and gratitude to God who has given us everything we have, especially His own Son, Jesus Christ.

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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**In observance of the Christmas Holiday, no classes will be offered Sundays, Mondays, Wednesdays, December 22 — January 1. Classes resume the week of Sunday, January 5, 2020**

**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.

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**PICK OF THE WEEK**

**The Story of the Nativity**

Understanding the Full Story of Jesus’ Birth

St. Andrew’s account sign in code: 449536

Then create your personal sign in name and passcode