ST. ANDREW’S PARISH
401 S WILLOW ST • ELLENSBURG, WA

DUE TO COVID-19, ACTIVITIES ARE CURRENTLY SUSPENDED

PARISH MINISTRIES

R.C.I.A (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) meets 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 via Zoom. Contact Mark Hayden at 929-2035.

Crafts Unlimited meet Tuesdays 11 AM in the middle west room. Contact Carole Vondergeist at 962-1551

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

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

The Knights of Columbus Thursdays 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

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 509-829-3455

PREPARES is a Catholic pro-life ministry which supports and accompanies young families. Donations can be left in the activity center lobby at the PREPARES donation crib. Your prayers are most appreciated.

Catholic Radio: 100.3 FM/KXAA

FORMED.org parish code: 449536 Catholic resources free to all parishioners of all ages, in English & Spanish.
Welcome to our visitors!!  Welcome back!!  We are happy to see you!!

Kittitas County is holding in Phase 3 and we can have ~126 people present inside and up to 50 people in the breezeway at Mass. **Reservations at Mass are required**, please contact the parish office during office hours at: 509-962-9819 or standrewparish@yahoo.com  Please remember to arrive for Mass about 30 minutes early, so everyone has time to check in before the start of Mass.

Mass with Bishop Tyson on KAPP, Sundays at 6:30 AM (English) & 9 AM on Hispanivision. Can also be viewed on the Yakima Diocese website after airing.

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https://www.catholicfaithnetwork.org/
https://saltandlighttv.org/
https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass/

St. Andrew’s Church and parish offices continue to be closed to the public during the week, but open by appointment, if you need to see us in person. If you have any questions or need further assistance please call: Barbara Johnson 509-962-9819. To request Anointing of the Sick Sacrament call: Fr. Jaime Chacón, 509-962-9819.

To view the latest Coronavirus Directives from Bishop Tyson, please visit https://yakimadiocese.org

Please feel free to call the parish office if you have questions or needs. 962-9819

In regards to Sunday collections and Second collections, please feel free to:

1. mail in your donation.
2. donate online using the VANCO link on our web page  https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco_ver3.vps?
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3. or an electronic payment through your bank.

**Thank you for your continued support.**

Thank you to those who have participated in the 2021 Annual Catholic Appeal. We are most grateful to our loyal donors and the new donors who have pledged to the Diocesan ACA. We have received 14 pledges, pledging $10,735.00  If you were not previously prepared to make a pledge, we invite you to do so now. Your gift is essential to sustaining the many ministries of the Diocese of Yakima. Our Pledge Goal this year is $37,512.00 This is over $6,000.00 less than last year’s goal. Remember to bring your envelopes with you to Mass, mail them in, or donate online at www.yakimadiocese.org  Extra envelopes are available on the bulletin table.

**Thanksgiving** is Thursday, November 26, and we will celebrate with Masses at 9AM and 10 AM (Spanish). Reservations will not be required. Please have a safe and happy holiday. Parish offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 27 & 27, in observance of the holiday.

The First Sunday of Advent is next Sunday, November 29. We regret that we cannot have our annual Advent Wreath Party, but encourage you make your wreath at home. The Word Among Us for Advent is on the bulletin table.

**Please pray for the sick and elderly of our Parish** Linda Brennan, Christina Keys, Dorothy Drotzmann, Jon Held, Anthony Gabriel, Sandy Thomas, Darlene Gapp, Fr. Tom Burnell, Msgr. Perron Auve, Fr. Reilly, Fr. Murtaugh, Fr. John O’Shea, Fr. Chuy Ramirez and our priests and nuns who suffer from poor health, we pray to the Lord. **Please call the parish office with updates.**
The Feast of St. Andrew, our patron saint, will be celebrated on Monday, November 30, with Masses at 8AM and 6PM. No reservations will be needed.


November Anniversaries 24-Keith & Teresa Gorze 28-Jim & Joanne Cortese 29-Doug & Michele Bucklin (45), Blaise & Francine Dondji, Terry & Susan Truhlicka

Please contact the parish office with any updates to the birthday and anniversary listings.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, we will not put up a Giving Tree this year. Instead, we plan to provide a food voucher and gift cards to the families who sign up for the Giving Tree program. If you are able, please consider a cash donation to St. Vincent Ministries to help cover the cost of the food vouchers and gift cards we will provide to these families.

This program is meant for families who are low income, or are in need for other reasons, and cannot provide a Christmas dinner or gifts for their family. If you know of a senior or a family in need, please make them aware of this program. Gift sign-ups are for infants/children, 0-17 years of age. We will only be able to take the first 25 families. You can only be registered for 1 program.

Sign-ups for the St. Vincent Ministries Annual Giving Tree Program will be taken by phone from Monday, November 23 through Monday, November 30. To sign up for the Giving Tree Program, please call Ximena Hedrick at (509)962-6000 between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. or send an email with your name and phone number to xhedrick@gmail.com.

Gift cards and food vouchers will be included in a Christmas card from our parish and mailed to the family on Monday, December 7, 2020.

Our Valley View Weekend Meal Program has been helping 34 students. The need is great and we really need your help, St. Andrew’s. Please donate individual serving size of applesauce, mixed fruit, orange/apple juice, mac n cheese, rice, soup, protein bars, oatmeal, fruit snacks and Chef Boyardee pasta cans. Please leave donations in foyer baskets for pick-up on Mondays. Thank you.

Brookside is partnering with Naomi’s Hope to provide Grief Services to Kittitas County families. Two-hour sessions will be hosted at Brookside Chapel, focusing on “Surviving the Holidays.” Offered in person and streaming. Please call 509-925-2902 or email kelly@brooksidefuneral.com for more information.

FISH Community Food Bank asks for your donations as winter is coming. Last month, 381 households were served with 2 large food boxes. Food or cash donations are accepted at their location, 804 Elmview Rd. Volunteers are also needed to help with Christmas Family Adoptions and food baskets. You can nominate a family or yourself. 925-5990 or https://kvfish.org/services/ Deadline is Tuesday, December 1.

During the month of November, we remember our deceased family members and friends.

All Souls envelopes are available. These envelopes with names will be placed on the Altar during the month of November and remembered at all Masses.

You are invited to write the names of recently deceased family and friends in the Book of Deceased on the table in the narthex.

MAGNIFICAT 2020-21 classes will resume after the holidays in February. Please visit the diocesan webpage for more information.
Many Americans are fascinated with England’s monarchy. For many different reasons, we are drawn to the regal pageantry and all of the protocols associated with royal lifestyles. What’s most amazing is that for all of the media attention focused on the comings and goings of English royalty, they really have very little effect on the day to day dealings of their country. Thoughts and images of kings and queens are often centered on this story book understanding of who and what they are. We associate protocols, etiquette, and proper words and actions to how we approach members of a royal family. These tools serve the necessary purpose of keeping them isolated, enthroned, and at a distance. There is something attractive about being an observer of ritual, pomp, and circumstance. It’s almost theatrical.

Is this how we see Jesus Christ, too? We often behave as if Christ is an isolated, enthroned, royal, and even ineffective king. Jesus wants nothing to do with having the status of an earthly king. Jesus also does not want to be watched, observed, or set apart. He wants to get down and dirty with the very stuff of life especially the poor, marginalized, confused, hurting, lost, broken, imprisoned, and forgotten ones. Jesus is the king who turns the tables on us and wants not only our attention but our engagement and conversion. He wants us to get dirty too.

How we treat other people is at the heart of Christ’s kingdom. “Whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.” At different times in our lives we are all counted among the “least” ones. We may not be physically poor, but we can easily become emotionally and spiritually poor. We may not be marginalized as many physically are, cast aside because they have too many needs or don’t quite fit in. But who hasn’t experienced isolation, loneliness, inner turmoil, angst, heartache, or loss? Almost every human being has experienced brokenness at one point or another, or will most definitely at some future point, facing discouragement, fear, insecurity. People are thirsty for more than water. We are imprisoned by our prejudices, misconceived notions and ideas, self-focused obsessions and ideologies.

There is a lot of pain and many least ones around us. Stop, look and listen. This is what Christ the King is asking us to do. Look deeply into the eyes and soul of your sisters and brothers, all of them, and see Christ himself.

Being a spectator and observing all of the pageantry isn't enough. Jesus wants us to inherit the kingdom and live the kingdom. It is built on the blocks of love, mercy, compassion, hope, faith, and blessing. It engages those who want it, changes and informs minds, inspires and transforms hearts, converts and renews souls, and sets things right. There is such a great need around us. Are you ready and willing to do whatever you can to serve in God’s kingdom?

“‘When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?’ And the king will say to them in reply, ‘Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of the least brothers of mine, you did for me.’” - Mt 25:38-40


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Fit the Gospel message into the empty squares:

All the nations will be gathered before him.

Share food with the hungry. Give clothes to the poor. Visit people who are sick. Share the good news about Jesus with people who have made bad choices. Jesus came to forgive them. God will see the loving things you do. He will reward you one day in heaven.

PRAYER
God, help me to share what you have given to me.

MISSION FOR THE WEEK
Read Matthew chapter 25, verses 31 through 46 with your family. Decide how you will make a difference. Share as Jesus asks.
**Pray the Rosary!**

The Great Weapon of the 21st Century

Sister Lucia, the eldest seer of Fatima, said that in these times the Blessed Mother has granted even greater power to the Rosary. She said, “there is no problem, however difficult, whether temporal or spiritual; no problem in the life of families, religious communities, or the life of nations, that cannot be solved by the Rosary.”

“The Rosary is the weapon for these times.”

St. Padre Pio

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