January 10, 2016 Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

May we be transformed in the Baptism of Christ!

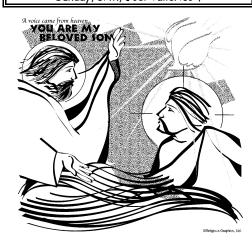
Week of January 1 schedule

Monday & Tuesday, Communion Service, 8 AM Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Mass, 8 AM

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

(the Sunday 9 a.m. Mass is offered for the people of the parish)

Wednesday, Marie Aronica †
Thursday, Salvatore Camarata †
Friday, Dena Watson Edwards †
Saturday 5PM, Holy souls In Purgatory †
Sunday, 5PM, Joel Tallerico †



Our stewardship journey begins in the waters of baptism. It is through the waters of baptism that we are given a new life and become disciples of Jesus. As Jesus' disciples, we are called to build the kingdom of God with the gifts God has given us.

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Are you new to St. Andrew's Parish? We welcome you. Please introduce yourself to the priest after Mass, and fill out a registration form. Ask for a parish directory.

"SERMON ON THE AMOUNT"

Regular Sunday (2 qtr \$62,514)	4347.00
Building Fund (2qtr \$10,376)	669.00
Total Jan 2 & 3	5016.00
Religious Education (2qtr \$40,153)	386.00
Solemnity of Mary	532.00
Christmas to Church	5.00
Initial Offerings	135.00

The Pastor and Finance Council have developed a parish budget which calls for an average weekly income, from Sunday and Building Fund donations, of \$5,392.35; and \$491.60 for Religious Education Programs. Thank you for your financial support.

Adult Education

St. Andrew's Young Adults: A new weekly small group for adults in their 20s and 30s (single/married) will continue Thursday, January 21, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., in the third grade classroom. We will be utilizing programs from the Formed website to grow in faith together each week. Children are welcome. There will be social nights held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at a different location, TBD. **The first Social Night** will be Thursday, January 14, at 6:30 p.m., at the Hochstein residence (111 E. 11th). Contact Rachel Hochstein at 360-325-6682 with any questions.

R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) will continue this Monday, January 11, at 7:00 p.m.

Bible Study open to all parishioners will continue this Friday, January 15, at 9:00 a.m. If interested, please call Emily Stickney at 968-9195 or Alison Mattson at 962-3564.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study will continue this Tuesday, January 12, 9:00 to 10:30 a.m., in the library. Hugh Spall will lead a program on the *History of the Church*.

Clases de Catecismo Martes a las 6:30 p.m., para adultos. Todos están envitados a participar. También estarémos viendo otros temas de gran enterés. Asiste con toda la familia.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study will offer *SYMBOLON: The Catholic Faith Explained* on Wednesday nights, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., resuming January 13, in the library. Every parishioner has access to the beauty of SYMBOLON, and other offerings, with our special parish online subscription. Visit www.formed.org and scroll down to submit our parish's code – 449536, create your username and password. Join us for discussion on Wednesdays.

Elementary and Youth

Elementary sessions continue this Sunday, January 10, 10:15 to 11:30 a.m.

EDGE sessions resume Monday, January 11, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

LifeTeen sessions resume this Sunday, January 10, <u>6:00 to 7:30 p.m.</u> Please note new times.

CHOSEN Confirmation Preparation sessions resume this Wednesday, January 13, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Childcare will be available for children ages 9 months (crawling) to 4 years old during the Sunday 9 AM Mass. Please bring children to the youth room. If you are interested in volunteering one or more Sundays, 8:50 to 9:50 a.m., please contact Stacey Bankston-Engel (425-283-8734) or Terri Sorenson (509-312-0207).

JUBILATE CHOIR will resume on Sunday, January 24, at 11:15 a.m. Thank you for your beautiful singing at Christmas. We welcome new members to join. Please contact Barbara Pickett at 962-3639 with your questions.

As you store away your Christmas decorations, please remember to return the Advent Wreath frame and any re-usable picks. Thank you for participating in this annual event.

Parish offices will be closed on Monday, January 18, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday. Have a blessed day.

The weekend of January 23 & 24, we will participate in the **Collection for the Catholic Communication Campaign**. This collection communicates the Gospel through Catholic social media activities and enriches our faith through television, radio, social media, podcasts, and print media. Half of all proceeds remain in our diocese to support local needs. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Envelopes are on the bulletin table.

Parents & Catechists

Confirmation Core Team will meet this Tuesday, January 12, at 7 PM.

The next **Elementary Parent Meeting** will be this Thursday, January 14, at 6:30 PM. All parents are required to attend.

LifeTeen Core Team will meet next on Friday, January 22, at 7 PM.

Upcoming Meetings

Join us in Centering Prayer, a form of silent or contemplative prayer that has been part of Catholic history for centuries, on Mondays at 5:15 p.m., in the meditation/cry room. You'll be home by 6:00 p.m. For more information, please call Karen at 962-9648.

Crafts Unlimited will resume meeting in the activity center on Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., after the first of the year. Bring a sack lunch and join us in the fun which benefits St. Andrew's by helping to make various items for sale during October Festival and our Christmas Gifts & Goodies Sale in December. For more information, please feel free to call Carole Vondergeest at 962-1551.

Compassion Corps, a new ministry reaching out to those who have lost loved ones recently, will resume Thursday, January 14, at noon in the library. Bring a lunch, if you wish.



To better facilitate this list, it will be purged at the beginning of every other month, ie: Jan., March, May etc.

Please pray for the sick of our parish—Betty Nolls, Gerald Gunn, Rob Snyder, Lori Boykiw Smith, Pat Carney, Peter Conti, Don Bacon, Carlos Huitron, Dale Knudson, Ray Fletcher, Jamie Winterer Carney, Reid O'Donnell-Herbers, Joe Jacobs, Bernice Orcutt, Ken Lafferty, Fr. Richard House, Fr William Vogel, Randy Brunson, Jeff Klindworth, Bob Riggins, Esta Willard and our priests and nuns who suffer from poor health, and those who are sick but wish to remain anonymous, we pray to the Lord. (Please call the office with updates.)

December 8, marked the opening of the Extraordinary Holy Year of Mercy as proclaimed by Pope Francis. Please find a copy of the <u>Bull of Indiction of the Extra Ordinary Jubilee of Mercy</u>, the official Apostolic Letter from Pope Francis on the bulletin table.

We are most grateful to our loyal donors and the new donors who have pledged to the Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). If you have not done so, please take a moment to review the information you received in the mail. Please prayerfully consider making a gift. Your gift is essential to sustaining the many ministries of the Diocese of Yakima. Our parish pledge goal is \$38,722.00. We have received pledges of \$44,118.00 through 124 donors.

We are thankful for the many contributions in time, talent and treasure that St. Andrew's receives. Thank you for your generous sharing. Statements will be mailed mid-January. ACA payments are recorded by the Diocese of Yakima and you will receive a statement from them.



The next Baptism Preparation class will be on Monday, January 25, at 7:00 p.m. (English), and Wednesday, January 27, at 7:00 p.m. (Spanish). Parents and god parents are required to attend. Please bring a copy of the State Birth Certificate. Sorry, we are unable to provide childcare.

There is an **All Day Men's Retreat in Spanish** scheduled for Saturday, January 9, and an **All Day's Women's Retreat in Spanish** on Saturday, January 16. Please remember participants

in your prayers.

Friday, January 22, is a **Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**, the anniversary of Supreme Court Decision in Roe vs. Wade.

The weekend of January 30 & 31, will be our **annual Stewardship** Weekend. You will have the opportunity to share in what ministries you'd like to share your talents over the next year. Be sure to pick up your updated Ministries Handbook. We have several ministries that desperately need your help (Sunday 5 PM Music, Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, St. Vincent de Paul Ministries, Elementary Religious Education, Knights of Columbus) and we also have some new ministries to consider helping out (Compassion Corps, Sunday 9 AM Mass Childcare).

World Wide Marriage Encounter (WWME) Weekend – Scheduled at Nazareth Retreat Center, Boise, ID or Gig Harbor, WA February 12-14, 2016; or Spokane, WA March 4-6, 2016. apply online at www.wwme.org Additional dates/locations are listed.

Walk for Life Northwest at Riverfront Park in Spokane, January 16, at 11 AM. Bishop Daly and visiting bishops will celebrate Mass at Cathedral of Our Lady of Lourdes at 9 AM. All are welcome to attend this family event.

MAGNIFICAT classes will resume in February. If you've never attended, please consider giving it a try. The presentations are very well done.

The ASCWU office of Equity and Community Affairs at Central Washington University will sponsor a **Winter Warm-Up Clothing Collection** benefitting Ellensburg Community Clothing Center in early January. Accepting donations of new or gently used coats, sweatshirts, gloves, hats and scarves. Leave at the Downtown D & M (3rd & Pine) and University Way Starbucks.