

## February 14, 2016

### First Sunday of Lent

When the Lord calls, I will answer!

#### Week of February 15 schedule

Monday & Thursday, Communion Service, 8 AM

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Mass, 8 AM

#### DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

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

Tuesday, William Hayter

Wednesday, Peg Kreiger †

Saturday 5 PM, Honor of Blessed Virgin Mary



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The origins of the theology of stewardship are found in this passage from the Old Testament. Stewards return the first fruits of their labors to God, not the leftovers. This practice is a reminder to always place God first in our lives.

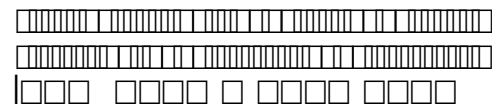
### WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

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)	4495.00
Building Fund (2qtr \$10,376)	604.00
Total Jan 30 & 31	5099.00
Religious Education (2qtr \$40,153)	381.00
Initial Offerings	30.00
Ash Wednesday	772.14

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 (SAYA):** A new weekly small group for adults in their 20s and 30s (single/married) will continue this Thursday, February 18, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., in the activity center. Contact Rachel Hochstein at 360-325-6682 with any questions. Children are welcome.

**R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)** will continue Monday, February 15, at 7:00 p.m. The **Rite of Sending** will be Sunday, February 14, at 9 AM Mass, and concluding in Yakima at 3 PM.

**Bible Study open to all parishioners** will continue this Friday, February 19, 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, February 16, 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 envidados a participar. También estaremos viendo otros temas de gran interés. 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 February 17, 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](http://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 resume Sunday, February 21, 10:15 to 11:30 a.m.

**EDGE sessions** resume Monday, February 22, 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

**EDGE Spring Lock-In** will be Friday/Saturday, February 26/27, 7:30 PM to 8:30 AM. Theme is "Hero." All middle school youth invited. Sign up in the office. No cost, but please bring a snack or breakfast item to share. We are looking for cheese or vegetable pizza donations for the evening meal. Urgently seeking adult volunteer chaperones to lead a small group, particularly from 7:30 PM to midnight. If interested, please contact Thomas.

**LifeTeen sessions** resume Sunday, February 21, **6:00 to 7:30 p.m.** Please note new times.

**CHOSEN Confirmation Preparation sessions** continue this Wednesday, February 17, at 7:00 p.m.

**High School Service Trip and Social in Yakima**— Meet at St. Andrew's on Saturday, February 20, at noon. We'll volunteer at a pregnancy crisis center and St. Vincent De Paul Center in Yakima from 1 to 4 PM. Following, we will go to GETAIR for trampoline fun. Cost is \$10. Need two chaperones and have room for 18 students. Call Thomas.

**No religious education classes this weekend in observance of President's Day.**

Last weekend, February 6 & 7, was our **annual Stewardship Weekend**. If you have not turned in your form, please do so now. You will be contacted by the leader of the ministries marked on your sheet. Be sure to pick up your updated Ministries Handbook. Thank you for sharing your gifts of time and talents.

The weekend of February 20/21, we welcome the CareNet Baby Bottle Campaign. Bottles should be returned within 2 weeks. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

## Season of Lent



**FISH FRY**

The Knights of Columbus will again sponsor the weekly Friday Night Fish Fry during Lent. Join us at 5:30 p.m. Cost is by donation. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Stations of the Cross will be offered in the church at 6:30 p.m., on Friday nights during Lent. Thank you to Roger Wilson who will lead this weekly prayer. Fr. Tomas will be available to hear confessions on these nights, starting at 6:30 p.m.

Please consider joining a group of parishioners praying the Rosary every Saturday at 4:30 p.m., just before Mass, in the cry room of the church.

## Parents & Catechists

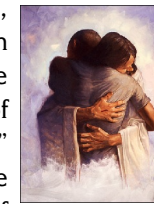
The next **Elementary Parent Meeting** will be Sunday, April 3, at 10:15 a.m. All parents are required to attend.

The next **Elementary Parent Education Night** will be Thursday, March 10, at 6:30 p.m. All parents are required to attend.

**Confirmation Core Team** will meet next on Thursday, March 10, at 7 PM.

**LifeTeen Core Team** will meet next on Thursday, March 3, at 7 PM.

St. Andrew's Parish invites men and women to an upcoming Merciful like the Father Retreat on Saturday, March 5, 10 AM to 8:30 PM. Cost is \$10. Lunch, dinner and snacks provided. Please reserve your spot(s) for childcare in advance. You will have the opportunity to reflect on yourself and the merciful love of God to man. It is an invitation to understand more of what Pope Francis conveys in "The Holy Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy." Come to the pathway of love and holiness; Christ and the Church are calling you. Topics include Merciful like the Father, Eucharist, Work of Mercies/Corporal/Spiritual, The Presence of God in our Lives, and To Live and Testify. Volunteers are needed. Please contact Alejandra Tejada for more information, 962-9819 or [standrewparishOA@yahoo.com](mailto:standrewparishOA@yahoo.com)



## 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.

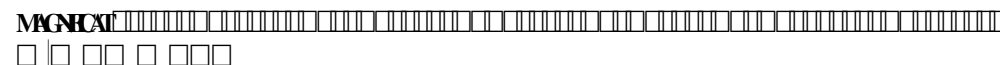
Crafts Unlimited meet in the activity center on Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Bring a sack lunch and join us in the fun which benefits St. Andrew's by helping to make various items for sale during October Festival and our Christmas Gifts & Goodies Sale in December. For more information, please call Carole Vondergeest at 962-1551. We are replenishing our supply of pillow case dresses for the BAWA Health Initiative. Please consider donating bias tape and new or gently used pillow cases.

Compassion Corps, a new ministry reaching out to those who have lost loved ones recently, will resume with a new session in May.

St. Vincent de Paul Ministries will meet this Sunday, February 7, at 10:15 a.m.

A Gathering & Training for new and current Ministers of Holy Communion will be this Thursday, February 18, at 6:30 p.m.

The Lector Gathering & Training session is rescheduled for Thursday, February 25, at 6:30 p.m. This is for current and new volunteers.



**St. Andrew's Ministry Leaders Gathering** is next Saturday, February 20, 2-5 PM, in the social hall. We will share briefly about our ministries' duties, mission, challenges, etc. If a leader is unavailable, please send a delegate. Please bring your favorite dish to share for a potluck lunch. RSVP to the office at [standrewparishoa@yahoo.com](mailto:standrewparishoa@yahoo.com)

**To better facilitate this list, it will be purged at the beginning of every other month, ie: March, May, July 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, Fred Schaan, Bob Witkowski 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.)

*This year's Family Lenten Retreat was a huge success! We had 30 children from 13 families and 15 volunteers who enjoyed a 10-hour Lenten adventure. Each family made 6 projects to take home. Thank you to Alena and all the wonderful volunteers who made the retreat such a joyful day. Special thanks to Jeremy and Rachel Hochstein for providing music, and to a generous donor family to cover all expenses.*

St. Andrew's Parish has been invited to "**enter the Door or Mercy**" at St. Paul Cathedral in Yakima on Sunday, March 6, 2016, at the 11 AM Mass in English & the 1 PM Mass in Spanish. The Cathedral Parish will pray for our parish community, recognize pilgrims from our parish and extend a warm welcome. Refreshments provided after each Mass in the Assembly Place. We hope that you will consider going on this pilgrimage.

*Bishop Tyson extends an invitation to all Catholic attorneys, judges and those who serve in the legal profession and their colleagues to a special **Red Mass** asking the Holy Spirit to be with them and guide their deliberations on Tuesday, February 23, at 7:00 p.m., at St. Paul Cathedral Chapel in Yakima. Reception following.*