

Elementary and Youth

Registration for Elementary, Middle School and High School Religious Education Classes will be held the weekend of September 9 & 10. Cost is \$30 for elementary and \$35 for middle/high school students, with a family maximum of \$80. Please remember that registration for First Holy Communion and Confirmation will be held at a separate time. Preparation for sacraments is a two-year process. Classes will begin the week of September 17. Please watch bulletin for dates and more detailed information.

Elementary Catechists will meet on Sunday, September 10, at 1 PM, to go over the new year. Light refreshments will be served.

EDGE Middle School Catechists will meet on Monday, September 11, at 6:30 PM; CHOSEN Confirmation Catechists will meet on Wednesday, September 13, at 6:30 PM; and LIFE TEEN High School Catechists will meet on Thursday, September 14, at 6:30 PM. This is for new and returning Catechists. Come find out what's new this year. Light refreshments available.

St. Andrew's Preschool **Open House** for incoming students is planned for Wednesday, August 30, 8:30 to 11 AM. Please join us. Classes will begin on Wednesday, September 6, or Thursday, September 7, at 8:30 AM.

We are still in need of volunteers to help with elementary, middle and high school youth and Confirmation Preparation for the 2017-18 school year. Please let Alena or Sarah know you are available.

Upcoming Meetings

Join us in **Centering Prayer** on Mondays at 5:15 p.m., in the meditation/cry room. 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., but not Holy Week. Bring a lunch. For more information, please call Carole Vondergeest at 962-1551.



The next Baptism Preparation Class for parents and god parents will be offered Monday, August 28, at 7 PM, in English and Wednesday, August 30, at 7 PM in Spanish. Both parents and god parents must attend. Sorry, we are unable to offer childcare during this class.

Please remember October Festival when you are picking zucchini from your garden. You may leave zucchini in the silver kitchen refrigerator. Please remove from plastic bags, or the zucchini will rot.

We are preparing the **2017-18 Yearly Calendar of Events for St. Andrew's**. If you have information to add, please do so now at the parish office.

You can help your marriage: RETROUVAILLE is for any couple who would like to rediscover their marriage and improve communication. To register or information visit www.Retrouvaille.org Next weekend is September 8-10 in Spokane.

F.I.S.H. is in urgent need of canned tuna, chicken, vegetables and fruit. Please leave in basket in vestibule or deliver to F.I.S.H. Thank you for your continued support.

St. Andrew's is proud to join **F.I.S.H. Weekend Backpack Program** this year for children attending Valley View Elementary. This program provides snacks and single-serving meals over the weekend during the school year, mid-October through May. You can help with this program in many ways; donating food from list available this weekend, money or your time (regularly or sporadic). Please watch the bulletin for on-going information, or contact Karen at 306-0431, or Amy at 962-2533 to volunteer.

Parish-wide event: Daniel Oberreuter, the lead singer of *The Thirsting* offers solo acoustic concerts. These concerts are called *Come Hold my Son* concerts. Inspired by the song written by Oberreuter, *Come Hold my Son* acoustic concerts take listeners on a journey through the mysteries of the Rosary. Daniel and *The Thirsting* are based out of Portland and has performed all over the nation and at World Youth Day 2016. Daniel will be at St. Andrew's the weekend of September 9 & 10, and will play 2 songs at each of the Masses. Please invite your friends and join us for a **parish acoustic concert** on Sunday, September 10, at 7 PM. Light refreshments provided. Free-will offering. CDs will be available. www.thethirstingcatholic.com

Bishop Tyson will celebrate a special Mass of Thanksgiving for all who are celebrating special wedding anniversaries along with their families at St. Paul Cathedral in Yakima on Sunday, September 10, at 11:00 AM. If you are celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60, 70 or more years or another anniversary important to you, please plan on joining us at this Mass to honor Catholic marriage and uplift family life. Because Bishop Tyson wishes to honor each couple personally, please contact the St. Paul parish office (509-575-3713) to register names, date and place of marriage and phone contact. A reception will follow on the Cathedral grounds and in the Assembly Place.

From the Catechism of the Catholic Church we read: *"The liturgy is the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed; it is also the font from which all her powers flow."* #1074

The Diocese of Yakima invites you to a Liturgy Day on Saturday, September 30, 9 AM to 1 PM, at St. Paul Cathedral in Yakima. If you are involved in liturgical ministries or are just interested in liturgy, this will be a great opportunity to learn more about the meaning and beauty of the Mass. Bishop Tyson will be among the speakers. All parish musicians are especially invited and encouraged to participate in this special day.


Catholic Family & Child Services is seeking people who would be able to serve as foster parents. Training, support and expenses provided. For more information visit www.ccyakima.org

Hospice Friends is seeking applicants for a Chaplain position. Contact Ginny at 968-5117 for more information. Volunteers are also needed. Please contact Rhonda Muller 968-5117 for more information and training schedule.

Back to School Night, sponsored by F.I.S.H., will be Wednesday, August 30, at F.I.S.H. at 5 PM. Free backpack and supplies for children. You can sponsor a child for \$35, or \$70 for 2 children.

Habitat for Humanity is accepting names for the next 2 homes. To apply, please fill out an application at their office, 307 S. Main, and attend an Orientation Night. Please contact Samantha at 962-5058 for more information. www.kchabitat.org

Mark your calendar for the upcoming Cornerstone Catholic Conference, October 20-21, in Tacoma. Keynote speakers are Bishop Robert Barron, auxiliary bishop of Los Angeles and host of the Catholicism series; Helen Alvaré, columnist for America magazine and former staff for USCCB Pro-Life office and Ralph McCloud, Director of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). This Conference hopes to inspire and educate Catholics and others to continue working together to protect human life—the unborn, individuals who live in poverty or on the margins of society, and people at the end of life.

 is part of this. A wide range of services and support are available to those families with children birth to 5 years of age, Visit www.preparesforlife.org or 509-946-4645 for more information, or flyer on bulletin table. St. Andrew's is looking to see how this program can be implemented here via volunteers and referrals.

Congratulations to Sharon Rosell who will receive the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Award from the Central Washington Catholic Foundation for her many years of service and dedication to the R.C.I.A. program of St. Andrew's, at the Celebration of Faith event on Saturday, October 7, at the Yakima Convention Center.

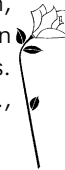
The next **Baptism Preparation Class** for parents and god parents will be offered Monday, June 26, at 7 PM, in English and Wednesday, June 28, at 7 PM in Spanish. Both parents and god parents

must attend. Sorry, we are unable to offer childcare during this class.

Seminarian education is one of the biggest expenses for our diocese (Fiscal Year 2017-18: \$702,400 about \$50,170 per seminarian). Investing in the formation and education of each of our seminarians is also one of the diocese's biggest priorities – it's critical to the future of our Church. There is a great opportunity to make your every dollar count – twice– in donations to educate our future priests!

The Diocese of Yakima was awarded a Matching Challenge Grant from Catholic Extension, who has agreed to provide matching dollars of up to \$25,000 for funds raised locally for a seminarian education endowment fund. We are also blessed to partner locally and have a commitment of an additional \$40,000 in matching dollars. Our diocesan goal is to raise \$140,000 by December 31, 2017.

You can make a \$1,000 or more one-time, monthly or quarterly payment(s) via cash, check or debit/credit card by December 31, 2017, designated to the Seminarian Endowment Challenge OR a smaller amount (funds will be pooled) to the Priests vs. Seminarian Soccer Event before August 6, 2017. Mail to Alma Benitez, 5301 Tieton Dr., Suite A, Yakima, WA 98908.



Rachel's Vineyard is a post-abortion recovery program for those affected by abortion, such as the mother, father, grandparents and siblings, friends and medical practitioners who have conducted the abortions. Contact Julie at spokanerv@gmail.com or 509-994-4355, or visit www.rachelsvineyard.org

If God is calling you to hope and healing OR to minister to those in need of hope and healing in our local community, please contact Lisa Petersen 509-421-7847 or lisapetersen65@gmail.com for more information. Strictly confidential.

The Cornerstone Catholic Conference Together for Life & Justice will be October 20-21, at the Tacoma Convention Center. Please pick up a folder on the bulletin table for detailed information. It would be nice to get a group from St. Andrew's to attend. Visit www.cornerstonecatholic.org to register.

Mark your calendar for the upcoming Cornerstone Catholic Conference, October 20-21, in Tacoma. The first Cornerstone Catholic Conference in 2014 was a wonderful success, drawing over 800 Catholics from across the state. The excitement is building for the 2017 Conference. Keynote speakers are Bishop Robert Barron, auxiliary bishop of Los Angeles and host of the Catholicism series; Helen Alvaré, columnist for America magazine and former staff for USCCB Pro-Life office and Ralph McCloud, Director of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD). This Conference hopes to inspire and educate Catholics and others to continue working together to protect human life—the unborn, individuals who live in poverty or on the margins of society, and people at the end of life. Watch your bulletin for more information to follow.

Monday, Mass, 8 AM
Tuesday, Mass, 8 AM & 7 PM (Español)
Wednesday, Mass, 8 AM & 5:30 PM

Thursday, Mass, 8 AM

Friday, 8 AM

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

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

Tuesday, 8AM, Helen Roberts †

Wednesday, 8AM, Frances Romeo †

Wednesday, 5:30 PM, Karen Munch †

Thursday, Lucille Wagner †

Friday, Magda Kramer †

Saturday, Jackie Rossow †

Sunday, 11:15 AM, Abel Diaz, Jr. 1 yr. Anniv. † Sunday, 5PM, Souls In Purgatory †



We have received 153 ACA pledges, totaling \$48,877. Our parish goal is \$40,747. The programs, services, and ministries supported by the Diocesan Annual Catholic Appeal are intended to meet the needs of Catholics here in the Diocese of Yakima. The Church serves each of us, and our financial support is needed to continue God's work here in Central Washington. Additional pledges over our goal is rebated back to St. Andrew's to supplement our operating budget. For 2016, we received over \$15,000 in rebates.

Thank you for participating in the ACA. If you haven't participated in the past, please prayerfully consider participating this year. Those who have participated in the past have received a personalized pledge card in the mail to use. Thank you for your continued support.

St. Andrew Parish in Ellensburg, WA is seeking a full-time youth minister to lead our enthusiastic, faith-filled team of volunteers in developing a dynamic and engaging youth program. You will work under the direction of our Pastor and parish administrator with some expectations including organizing the confirmation program, several retreats, and attending a youth convention. As this is a new position, you will also have the latitude and support to use your own experience and creativity for our youth program. Must be an active Catholic, at least 21 years of age, and have youth ministry education or comparable experience, as well as a passion for reaching teens and lighting a fire in their hearts that will lead them to becoming active Catholic adults.

For information contact the parish at (509) 962-9819.

Applications and related information can be obtained at :
<http://www.applitrack.com/yakimadiocese/onlineapp>

Full-time position with great benefits!

Application Deadline: April 30, 2017.

There is information available if you are interested in the Holy Land Pilgrimage with Fr. Brooks Beaulaurier in November.

Many thanks to Adam St. Hilaire who has directed Sunday Life Nights for high school youth; Barbara Johnson, Alejandra Tejada, Fr. Roletto and all Core Team Members who have facilitated the Confirmation program; and Alison and Josh Mattson who have directed the Middle School youth program this year. We are now seeking a full-time Youth Minister to facilitate the program in whole for the middle and high school youth of our parish. Position has also been posted with surrounding Arch/dioceses, Seattle, Spokane, Boise, Portland, Baker. Please pray for the successful hiring of our future Youth Minister.

YOUTH MINISTER – St. Andrew Parish, Ellensburg, WA

MAGNIFICAT sessions continue on Saturdays, March 25, at St. Paul Cathedral

School in Yakima. Sessions begin at 9 AM.

F.I.S.H. is very grateful for the donations of food items from St. Andrew's parishioners. The boxed pasta meals, canned meats, single-meal soup, noodles and applesauce packs are perfect for family meals the Weekend Back Pack program, which now cares for about 100 kids each weekend. Thank you for your generosity.