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## ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

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### St. Andrew's Vision Statement

To live and worship as one community in one faith.

### St. Andrew's Mission Statement

- We worship God and serve our brothers and sisters according to the values of the Gospel
- We gather in prayerful liturgical worship and fellowship giving thanks and praise for God's many gifts
- We serve those in need
- We welcome all, encouraging and stimulating growth in faith and community
- We provide settings for quality ministry that welcomes children and youth and helps them grow in their faith
- We offer opportunities for devotional services that are fulfilling to the needs of our diverse community

## PARISH STAFF MEMBERS

**S**T. ANDREW'S HISTORY is based on a Mission built in 1847 by Fr. Pandosy, O.M.I. The first church in town was built in 1884 on 7th and Water Street under the direction of Fr. Parodi. Due to the proximity to the Palmer Livery Stable and its unpleasant odor, the Church was moved to 7th and Pine Street in 1904 and a new Rectory was built for \$2,700.00. Monsignor Sweens appealed to the Dominican Sisters, resulting in the establishment of Lourdes Academy in 1908 in time to welcome Fr. J. Luyten, who served as Pastor for thirty-two years. In 1966 the property was sold and St. Andrew's set up temporarily in the Y.M.C.A. Building on 4th and Water Street. St. Andrew's School, the present Activity Center, operated from 1967 to 1972. Sixteen years later, our present Church was dedicated in 1980.

The most striking features of the interior of the Church are the Tree of Life which rises over the matching altar and lectern, the beautiful stained glass behind the altar which depicts creation, the stained glass saint windows, and the scriptural Stations of the Cross.

St. Andrew's is dedicated to ministering to one another in many ways. You can become an active member of St. Andrew's parish family by participating in the ministries and organizations included in this booklet. We welcome you and your gifts and talents as we continue to grow in serving the Lord in His people.

Rev. Tomás Vázquez	Pastor
Rev. Lawrence Reilly	Assistant Priest
Barbara Johnson	Office Administrator
Ana Barrayo	Office Assistant
Barbara Pickett	Organist & Choir Director
Jerry Connolly	Sunday 5 PM Music Director
Marikay Gabriel	Preschool Director
Wendy Kirkham	Preschool Assistant
Nora Sala	Elementary Religious Formation
Thomas Megargle	Youth Ministry
Bill Sluman	Holy Cross Cemetery Assistant

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sacrament of Reconciliation	Saturdays, 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.
Saturday Mass	5:00 p.m.
Sunday Masses	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. (Spanish) 5:00 p.m.
Holy Days	Refer to bulletin
Daily Mass	Refer to bulletin

**St. Andrew's Preschool**

Open to all preschool-age children in the community, September through May. Please refer to the annual Preschool Handbook for detailed information.

**Sacramental Preparations**

**Baptism**– Parents and god parents are required to attend a preparation session. Please bring a copy of the child(ren)'s birth certificate. Sessions are scheduled the last Monday of the month in English and the last Wednesday of the month in Spanish at 7:00 p.m.

**First Communion and Confirmation**– children/youth are required to attend religious education classes for a minimum of two consecutive years. The Sacrament of Confirmation is celebrated every other year.

*Please refer to the annual Religious Education Handbook for detailed information for the Sacraments of Baptism, First Communion, and Confirmation.*

**Weddings**

The Diocese of Yakima requires at least four months advance notice of intention to marry in the church. Make an appointment with the pastor and obtain a copy of wedding regulations from the parish office. The parties contemplating marriage are required to be free to enter marriage according to the laws of the Catholic Church. Couples are strongly encouraged to attend an Engaged Encounter weekend. Weddings are scheduled for Friday evenings no later than 7:00 p.m., or Saturdays no later than 1:00 p.m.

*Our goal is that every parishioner of St. Andrew's be involved in some way in the life of our Parish. In addition to these ongoing programs, watch the bulletin for special speakers and events. Please call the parish office if you have questions and are unable to connect with a contact person.*

**Parish Finance Council**

- Anita Boyum 925-4611

**Parish Pastoral Council**

- Parish Office 962-9819

**Parish Stewardship Committee**

- Parish Office 962-9819

**St. Andrew's Preschool**

- Marikay Gabriel 925-2232
- Parish Office 962-9819

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

**Elementary Religious Education / VBS / Sacrament**

**Prayer Partners**

- Nora Sala 925-1157

**Youth Ministry**

- Thomas Megargle 509-306-0633

**Adult Bible Study**

- Thursday Morning Bible Study  
Parish Office 962-9819

**Tuesday Prayer and Study Group**

Mary Schmitt 962-8180

**Friday Wives' Prayer & Study**

Emily Stickney 968-9195

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.)**

• Sharon Rosell 962-5469

**Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos (R.I.C.A.)**

–clases en Español

• Jacqueline McCain 925-1654

**Mentoring for Engaged Couples**

• Parish Office 962-9819

**Baptism Preparation**

• Parish Office 962-9819  
classes led by Ximena Hedrick and Elsa Flores.

**LITURGY****Liturgy Committee**

• Parish Office 962-9819

**Choir of St. Andrew's (COSA)/Jubilate**

• Barbara Pickett 962-3639

**Sunday 5 PM Mass Music Coordinator**

• Jerry Connolly 962-4207

**Altar Servers (Alcolytes)**

• Parish Office 962-9819

**Ministers of Holy Communion**

• Maryann Witkowski 962-9311

• Juan Gonzalez (Spanish) 929-0674

**Ministers of Holy Communion to Nursing Home / Homebound**

• Mary Holmgren 933-4833

**Church flowers and Environment**

• Diane Dier 962-9320

**Lectors**

• Rosemary Harrell 925-1015

• Irma Gonzalez (Spanish) 929-1475

**Ushers**

• Parish Office 962-9819

**Greeters**

• Mark Hayden 962-9005

• Anna Graham 968-9381

• Margarita Huitron 936-7117

**PRAYER****Centering Prayer**

• Karen Gookin 962-9648

• Ruth Ann Stacy 925-4536

**Eucharistic Adoration**

• Larry & Bea Cates 509-857-2163

**Prayer Chain**

• Rosemary Harrell 925-1015

**Schoenstatt Rosary Shrine**

• Heidi Klindworth 925-9763

• Shirley Rossow 925-1273

• Mary Ellen Watson 962-5600

**SOCIAL JUSTICE****St. Vincent de Paul Ministries**

• Mary Ann Witkowski, contact 962-9311

**Inglés como Segunda Lengua**

- Cathy Carbaugh 962-5871
- Jane Nurick 933-1690

**Citizenship Classes**

- Hugh Spall 925-2937

**Friends in Service to Humanity (F.I.S.H.)**

- Karen Gookin 962-9648

**Habitat for Humanity**

- Bill Bobovski 925-1051
- Sarah Smith 962-5058

**Hospice Friends 962-7379****Hope Source 925-1448****Volunteer Chore Service 929-3057****Community Garden**

- Sue Hart 962-4169

**Boy Scouts**

- Kevin Franks 509-859-1863

**FELLOWSHIP****Coffee and Donuts**

- Parish Office 962-9819

**Catholics Returning Home**

- Rosemary Harrell 925-1015

**October Festival**

- Cathy Dunn 925-5407

**St. Andrew's Welcoming Committee**

- Mark Hayden 962-9005
- Anna Graham 968-9381

**Wives in Prayer**

- Emily Stickney 968-9195

**Young at Heart**

- Judy Poplawski 962-5889
- Eleanor Trujillo 925-4297

**SERVICE****Altar and Church Care**

- Parish Office 962-9819

**Crafts Unlimited**

- Carole Vondergeest 962-1551

**Funeral Hospitality Committee**

- Heidi Klindworth 925-9763

**Historians**

- Parish Office 962-9819

**Knights of Columbus**

- Matt Fromherz, Grand Knight 962-8472
- Hugh Spall, Secretary 925-2937

**Knights of Columbus, 4<sup>th</sup> Degree**

- Matt Fromherz, Faithful Navigator 962-8472
- Kevin Berger, Faithful Comptroller 962-9628

**St. Andrew's Bookstore**

- Parish Office 962-9819

**Pro Deo Et Patria**

- D. Kellerman Tatum 962-5008

**St. Jerome Jubilee Library**

- Barbara Pickett 963-3639

**Wedding Coordinators**

- Cathy Dunn 925-5407
- Luc Taylor 925-3080
- Alejandra Tejeda 509-607-1138

## **DIOCESE OF YAKIMA**

Most Reverend Joseph Tyson, Bishop  
5301-A Tieton Drive, Yakima, WA 98908  
(509) 965-7117

Catholic Family & Child Services	509-965-7100
ACA (Annual Catholic Appeal)	509-965-7117
Adults with Developmental Disabilities	509-965-4642
Vocations	509-248-1911
Permanent Diaconate Formation	509-346-9464
Engaged Encounter	509-627-1076
Marriage Encounter	509-544-0884
Marriage Tribunal	800-505-6610
Ministry and Education Center	509-965-7117
Sexual Abuse Hotline	888-276-4490

## **LOCAL ELLENSBURG CATHOLIC SERVICES**

Catholic Campus Ministry, CWU	925-3043
Holy Cross Cemetery	962-9819
St. Vincent de Paul Store	962-2167

## **Parish Finance Council**

The Finance Council meets with the pastor on financial matters, reviews annual budgets for parish departments and makes recommendations to the pastor. The council meets regularly to plan for the sound financial health of the entire parish and care of the parish facilities.

## **Parish Pastoral Council**

The purpose of the Pastoral Council is to provide counsel to the pastor. The Pastoral Council of St. Andrew's is a representative body made up of elected and appointed members who focus on the whole community. The members meet regularly with the pastor to reflect and consider pastoral issues for the common good and for the future of the parish. Their role is to seek to know and understand God's will for the body of Christ, to reflect, and to prayerfully seek consensus. They plan for the future pastoral and spiritual development of the parish.

## **Parish Stewardship Committee**

Stewardship is a necessary expression of our faith. In grateful response to God for the generous gifts given to us, we return what we are able to give of our time, talent, and treasure to our parish. The stewardship committee generates ideas and implements steps needed to help parishioners better understand stewardship and live it out in their lives. The committee coordinates with the pastor and parish council and provides organization for special parish events.

## **St. Andrew's Preschool**

Please refer to the annual handbook for information.

## **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION**

### **Elementary**

Classes for children kindergarten age through fifth grade meet on Sunday from 10:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. in the Activity Center.

### **Sacrament Prayer Partners**

The elementary religious education program asks for volunteers to pray for those who are preparing for sacraments. Prayer partners will be given name(s) of child(ren) to pray for.

### **Middle School**

Youth in grades 6 through 8 meet Monday evenings in the Activity Center from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

### **High School**

Grades 9 through 12 meet Sunday evenings, 6:15 to 8:00 p.m. in the Activity Center.

### **Adult Bible Study**

The parish offers Scripture study programs and other topics. Please refer to the weekly bulletin for current meeting times and topics.

### **R.C.I.A. -- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

This refers to the process of initiating people into the Roman Catholic faith tradition. It consists of a period of instruction, accompanied by a series of sacred rites to be celebrated with the parish community, culminating in the celebration of the Easter sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. This is followed by a period of mystagoga or deepening of the mysteries to

help one follow the new faith life. Offered Mondays at 7:00 p.m., in English and Sundays at noon in Spanish.

### **Mentoring for Engaged Couples**

St. Andrew's recognizes the importance of sound preparation for couples seeking to be married. The preparation process includes sessions with a priest and with married couples who can share their life experience with engaged couples. Couples interested in becoming mentors should contact the pastor.

*For more information about religious education or sacramental preparation, contact the parish office.*

## **LITURGY**

### **Music Ministry**

*"The liturgy is the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed; it is also the font from which all her power flows." (SC9)*

Sacred music forms an integral part of solemn liturgy. Your skills as a singer or instrumentalist are needed to help make liturgies at St. Andrew's as beautiful as possible. Consider joining music ministry as a cantor, instrumentalist, or as a member of the Choir of St. Andrew's, Jubilate (youth choir), Sunday 5 PM Mass Ensemble or the Spanish Mass musical group.

### **Altar Servers**

Service at Mass is a very special privilege open to anyone eight years of age or older who has celebrated the sacrament of First Communion. You will be

scheduled once or twice a month at your Mass preference. Training is provided.

### **Ministers of Holy Communion**

Serving at the altar of God is a most sacred way of participating at Mass. Communion ministers function as servants to the Body of Christ, God's people. The primary focus of their ministry is to serve our parish with fidelity, reverence and love. At the Mass they choose someone to bring up the bread and wine at the Offertory.

Some Communion ministers bring Communion to the sick, elderly or disabled, at home, in the hospital, or in nursing homes. These Communion Ministers are asked to attend the Masses at the nursing homes to assist the priest.

### **Flower Chairperson**

Obtains and arranges flowers for Mass and special occasions.

### **Lectors**

The lector has the important and privileged responsibility of proclaiming God's Word at Mass. As a lector, there is preparation before Mass; proclaiming aloud the readings, Prayers of the Faithful, and practicing unusual and difficult words and names. The lector is to proclaim God's Word clearly, prayerfully and intelligently at Mass. Be sure to pick up your copy of *Workbook for Lectors*.

### **Ushers**

Ushers collect the Offertory and assist with the Bread and Wine. Also, they help with seating when warranted.

### **Greeters**

Greeters will warmly welcome parishioners and visitors to each Mass.

## **PRAYER**

### **Centering Prayer**

Centering Prayer is a modern adaptation of the age-old practice of contemplative prayer. Developed in the early 1980s by a Trappist monk named Father Thomas Keating, Centering Prayer offers a prayer-relationship with God which takes place in silence. This group meets each Thursday, 5:15 to 6:00 p.m. in the Meditation room.

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

Eucharistic adoration is a devotion in which the members of a parish unite their efforts to pray constantly day and night, before the Most Blessed Sacrament. It is prayer of adoration and intercession for the world, the church and our parish.

It is there to supply a living witness to the Lord's Real Presence in the Eucharist; a continual guard of honor; incessant thanksgiving, prayer, and reparation for the parish, the diocese, the church and the world; and an opportunity for silent, private prayer and listening in



His Presence at any hour of the day or night. Consider this hour of adoration as something you give to Christ, a special time for saying "Thank You" for all His love and forgiveness.

### **Prayer Chain**

The purpose of the prayer chain is to offer anyone asking for prayer, the promise and commitment that their concerns will be lifted up to God in prayer by the prayer chain members. Respecting the confidentiality of those who request our prayers, the members of the prayer chain relay the prayer request to the prayer chain members by telephone.

### **Schoenstatt Rosary Shrine**

All parishioners are welcome to have the shrine in their homes to pray the rosary in its presence, to invite Mary in to bring renewal and to work miracles of grace. The shrine, which dates back to Schoenstatt, Germany in 1319, was destroyed during Napoleon's time, and was reinstated as a movement in 1914. St. Andrew's has three shrines that rotate among parishioners for 2 days to 2 weeks at a time.

## **SOCIAL JUSTICE**

### **St. Vincent de Paul Ministries**

Our purpose is to assist those in spiritual, emotional or material need in our parish and community through prayer, service, and sharing of material resources.

As part of our preparation during Advent, a Jesse Giving Tree is placed in the church. The tree is

decorated with symbols of those who prepared the way for Jesus. Inscribed on each tag is a gift idea for the families and individuals whom we serve through St. Vincent De Paul Society. Parishioners are invited to take a tag(s) and purchase the appropriate gift as indicated.

### **Inglés como Segunda Lengua/English as a Second Language**

Classes are offered in English by parishioners to help Spanish-speaking people to learn English.

### **Pro-Life Ministry**

The function of St. Andrew's Pro-Life Ministry is to promote the awareness of the teachings of the Church in all aspects of life with reverence and respect, protecting the dignity of all human beings from life to death.

### **F.I.S.H. -- Friends in Service to Humanity**

St. Andrew's Parish is one of about 12 local churches that sponsors F.I.S.H. through sustaining contributions, as well as, through weekly food donations. F.I.S.H. provides families and individuals in need with supplemental food boxes twice a month, and serves lunch at the food bank to anyone hungry on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday noons. Members of the sponsoring churches also cook and serve Saturday night dinners at F.I.S.H. for those in need. Parishioners may donate non-perishables for F.I.S.H. in the wicker baskets provided in both entryways of St. Andrew's. Because of the 2014 fire, temporary services are in place while they rebuild.

### **Habitat For Humanity**

The mission is to provide adequate and affordable housing for those in need. We are guided by scripture directing us to care for each other and particularly those in need. In seeking to build both the tangible and the spiritual aspects of the community, Habitat proclaims the love of Christ in both word and deed, and aims always to glorify God.

### **Hospice Friends**

Be a companion in a close and personal way to a dying person in their last weeks on earth.

### **Hope Source**

The goal is to build a community where all people can live a life of hope, dignity, and self reliance. Volunteer opportunities include administrative, crop gleaning, and the food bank.

### **Volunteer Chore Service**

Operated through Hope Source. Volunteer Chore Service seeks to provide day to day living assistance for senior citizens and disabled adults to enable them to stay in their own home. This enhances their independence and keeps them from isolation.

### **Community Garden**

An outreach ministry of St. Andrew's that provides fresh organic produce for our two local food banks. Parishioners and other members of the community may rent garden space to grow fresh produce pesticide free, while watering and weeding the garden. Produce grown in the Food Bank section, as well as voluntary donations from individual gardener's plots, will be

donated to F.I.S.H. and APOYO food banks. Growing season is April through October. Registration for plots begins late October.

### **Boy Scout Troop #493**

This group is sponsored by St. Andrew's Knights of Columbus. Any boy who has graduated from the fifth grade, is eleven years old, or has earned the Arrow of Light is eligible to join. The Scouts are active in achieving rank, camping and outdoor activities, and earning merit badges. Meetings are held once a week.

Cub Scouts have also begun to have a weekly meeting here. Any boy in first through fifth grade is eligible.

It is the mission of the Boy Scouts of America to serve others by helping to instill values in young people, and, in other ways, to prepare them to make ethical choices over their lifetime in achieving their full potential.

## **FELLOWSHIP**

### **Coffee & Donuts**

The social time after Mass is an important time for building community in our parish. Each Sunday after 9:00 Mass, coffee, doughnuts, and juice are served in the Activity Center lobby, providing people with an opportunity for companionship with their fellow parishioners.

### **Catholics Returning Home**

Catholics Returning Home is a 6-week program that St. Andrew's offers to welcome back Catholics who have been away from the Church. It is designed to create a welcoming space for returning Catholics where they can ask questions and be listened to. The emphasis is on creating an atmosphere of acceptance, welcome, and trust so they will be comfortable in rejoining our faith community and participating in the sacramental life of the Church.

### **October Festival**

An annual parish festival held on the first Thursday in October. Includes a home-made soup and bread luncheon, a raffle and a variety of shops. Everyone is encouraged to participate in some way. Proceeds provide all kitchen and serving needs for every parish function. A percentage of the proceeds are given to the seminary fund, retired religious and a variety of charities.

### **St. Andrew's Welcoming Committee**

A warm welcome is extended to our newest members. A packet of parish information is sent to all newly registered members. This is followed up by a phone call or a visit. If there are questions about the parish and its ministries, a member of the committee is available to help.

### **Wives in Prayer**

We gather on Fridays to pray for our husbands, bible study and camaraderie.

### **Young at Heart**

An organization for men and women, Catholic or

non-Catholic, age 55 and older. Our goal is to provide spiritual, social and supportive interaction among contemporaries.

## **SERVICE**

### **Altar and Church Care**

A group of parishioners who launder altar linens on a monthly schedule, or lightly clean the church by dusting and arranging pew racks.

### **Crafts Unlimited**

Crafters meet every Tuesday, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., weather permitting. Our main purpose is to have fun and enjoy time with others, while handcrafting items to be sold at our annual October Festival and Christmas Gifts & Goodies sale. Both events benefit St. Andrew's Church. Anyone interested in crafts, sewing, painting, or just cutting out denim is welcome.

### **Funeral Hospitality Committee**

Parishioners of St. Andrew's provide a luncheon for the family members and out of town guests following the funeral. Committee includes those who serve and those who donate salads and desserts.

### **Historians**

Responsible for collecting, organizing and displaying pictures, articles, and other material (past and present) related to the history and activities of St. Andrew's. Please call the parish office if interested in assisting with this ministry.

### **Knights of Columbus**

A Catholic men's fraternal service organization, striving to promote family values and charitable works. The Knights actively support and financially sponsor candidates to the priesthood, support charitable needs of the parish, help the needy, support work parties for the parish and are involved with Right to Life. We meet the fourth Thursday of every month at the Activity Center. Any Catholic man age 18 or older is eligible to join the largest Catholic men's organization in the world.

### **Knights of Columbus, 4<sup>th</sup> Degree**

We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at Bar 14 Restaurant. Join us for dinner at 6:00 p.m. and meeting starts at 7:00 p.m. We are involved in fund raisers to support church and community events.

### **Rummage Sale**

Parishioners are invited to donate their gently used items to the rummage sale. Proceeds for the sale are used for special Parish needs.

### **St. Andrew's Gift Shop**

Religious gifts and books appropriate for all ages can be purchased during Parish office hours Monday through Friday and Sunday. Special orders are welcome from catalogs available.

### **Pro Deo Et Partria**

The focus of this new ministry is on active duty service members and veterans of our local parish family. Anyone interested in promoting awareness of the needs of those service members currently serving and/or deployed, and recognizing with honor those who have

served our country, retired or deceased, is invited to participate. *Pro Deo Et Patria. (For God and Country)*

### **Wedding Coordinators**

This person will meet with the couple and be present at the rehearsal and before the service to assist the wedding party, as well as, distribute the wedding party envelopes.