

St. Andrew's Signpost

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 6:30am AA 9:00am HDCA 7:00pm Spanish AA	2 6:30am AA Noon ECW Luncheon Noon Ladies AA 7:00pm Spanish AA	3 6:30am AA	4 7:00am AA 7:00pm Spanish AA
5 10:00am Eucharist (Special Coffee Hour after service to celebrate Epiphany)	6 6:30am AA 5:00pm Dist 23 AA Leadership Meeting	7 6:30am AA 7:00pm Spanish AA	8 6:30am AA 7:00pm Spanish AA	9 6:30am AA Noon Ladies AA 7:00pm Spanish AA	10 6:30am AA 7:00pm Christmas Cantata at North Shore Bible Church	11 7:00am AA 7:00pm Spanish AA
12 10:00am Eucharist Advent Bible Study	13 6:30am AA	14 6:30am AA 7:00pm Spanish AA	15 6:30am AA 7:00pm Spanish AA	16 6:30am AA Noon Ladies AA 3:00pm Bishop's Committee 7:00pm Spanish AA	17 6:30am AA	18 7:00am AA 11:00am-2:00pm Winterfest Kid's Cookie Decorating 7:00pm Spanish AA
19 10:00am Eucharist Advent Bible Study	20 6:30am AA Newsletter Deadline	21 6:30am AA 5:00pm Christmas Eve Service 7:00pm Spanish AA	22 6:30am AA 7:00pm Spanish AA	23 6:30am AA Noon Ladies AA 7:00pm Spanish AA	24 6:30am AA	25 7:00am AA 5:00pm Lady's AA Birthday Bash 7:00pm Spanish AA
26 10:00am Eucharist (Blessing of the Pledges)	27 6:30am AA	28 6:30am AA 7:00pm Spanish AA	29 6:30am AA 7:00pm Spanish AA	30 6:30am AA Noon Ladies AA 7:00pm Spanish AA	31 6:30am AA	



What is Epiphany?

Epiphany means 'revealing' or 'showing forth,' and begins with the showing of Jesus to the Gentiles, specifically to the wise men of Matthew's Gospel. We see the story of the visit of the Wise Men from the East. In many countries, January 6th, the date of the Epiphany, is still a time to give and receive gifts. The Magi, in all their splendor, did not think themselves too lofty or important to seek out He who was to become the King of Kings, to worship at His feet, or to present Him with gifts. The gifts of the Magi remind us of what we can offer the Christ Child. The Wise Men sought Jesus out after His birth ... and wise men still seek Him.



Stained Glass - Epiphany

As you face the altar, on the left, the third set of three windows represent the Epiphany season. The medallion with the three crowns is for purity, innocence, immortality, and a symbol for Mary. The three crowns suggest the Wise Men or Magi.

The center medallion is the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick as symbolized by the dove and healing power of prayer and presence of the Holy Spirit. The three crosses represent the anointing by the sign of the cross with consecrated oil. The Eucharistic candles, the coming of Christ in the Eucharist.

The last medallion in this set contains more symbols of the Epiphany season. The vine and branches representing the new relationship between God and man. An orb depicts the world with the cross symbolizing the spread of the gospel throughout the world. The lower border is green for the color of the Epiphany season and represents hope, regeneration, and fertility. As spring follows the dead of winter, so does life triumph over death.

JANUARY VICAR'S VAGARIES

As we step into the new year, let us resolve to embrace selfless excellence through Christ. In a world often driven by self-interest, we can choose a path of humility and service, guided by the example of Jesus. He taught us that true greatness comes from serving others, from loving our neighbors as ourselves, and from putting the needs of others before our own.

In our daily lives, let us strive for excellence not for personal glory, but to honor God and uplift those around us. Whether in our work, our relationships, or our communities, may we reflect Christ's love and compassion, seeking to make a positive difference in the world. Through prayer, reflection, and deliberate actions, we can cultivate a spirit of selflessness and dedication to excellence, trusting that God will guide and strengthen us on this journey. Here's to a year of purposeful living and heartfelt service.

A NEW YEAR WITH THE LORD

A year is about to unfold
With new opportunities to explore
Doors will open for new experiences,
New adventures with the Lord

Remember not the former things,
The things of this past year,
The Lord will do new things in us,
Much more than we are aware

For He will make a way for us
As we put our trust in Him
And He will guide our every step
By His presence we have within

What God has placed within our heart,
We find we'll be able to do
If we look for the opportunities,
We'll see the door to go through

We mustn't let anything hold us back
But rise up and take our place
And be all that God wants us to be
With a fresh touch of His grace

By M.S. Lowndes



BE IN THE KNOW - ST. ANDREW'S NEWS



Sunday Volunteer Service Opportunities

Are you looking for a way to connect and serve?

Your talents and servant hearts are needed on Sunday mornings. There are many ways to serve. We are looking for people to help with Eucharistic and Acolyte ministries, Lector readings, Ushering, preparing for Coffee Hour, and helping with Altar Guild responsibilities. A sign-up sheet is available in the Parish Hall. Please take a moment to see how you can serve.

Flower Calendar

The new Flower Calendar is hanging up in the Parish Hall.

Please take a moment to sign up if you would like to help provide flowers for our services, or in celebration or memory of a loved one. ~ Thank you



BE IN THE KNOW - DIOCESAN NEWS ~ LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Zoom Book Group

Becoming Kin by Patty Krawec

Join us in "Unforgetting the Past and Reimagining our Future Together".

Tuesdays from January 21 to February 18, via zoom from 7:00 to 8:30pm.

- * January 21: Introduction (p. 1-24)
- * January 28: Chapters 1 & 2 (p. 25-56)
- * February 4: Chapters 3 & 4 (p. 57-102)
- * February 11: Chapters 5 & 6 (p. 103-143)
- * February 18: Chapters 7 & 8) p. 145-187)

For more information, or to register, visit <https://www.spokanediocese.org/>

Iona Bible & Preaching Classes (Saturday, January 11th- Sunday, June 1st)

Our diocese has partnered with the Iona Collaborative at Seminary of the Southwest to offer these free, high-quality formation classes for everyone. Our first classes, which will run January - May 2025, are **Bible & Preaching** and will be taught by Rev. Katy Shedlock. The **Bible** class will meet monthly on January 11, February 8, March 8, April 12, and May 10 (all Saturdays) on Zoom from 10-12. You may enroll in just the Bible class, which will be a survey of the New Testament (we will offer the Old Testament in the fall). The **Preaching** class will meet weekly on Thursdays on Zoom from 7-8:30 (full dates below). If you enroll in the Preaching class, you must also enroll in the Bible class. The Preaching class will teach you how to prepare and deliver a sermon and we will focus on practicing the art and craft of preaching together.

No previous experience is necessary! The classes are free. However, you will need to purchase some supplies and for preaching students, we will conclude the class with an in-person retreat at Immaculate Heart Retreat Center, for which there will be a cost.

[REGISTER HERE](#) or visit <https://www.spokanediocese.org/> and search for Iona Bible.

If you have questions, please reach out to Katy at katy@westcentralabbey.org.

[Full dates for the Preaching class (plus Bible class dates above) are: Jan 23, Jan 30, Feb 6, Feb 20, Feb 27, March 6, March 20, March 27, April 3, April 24, May 1, May 8, May 22 (all on Zoom) and May 30-June 1 in person at Immaculate Heart Retreat Center in Spokane.]

ST. ANDREW'S AROUND TOWN - OPPORTUNITIES FOR INVOLVEMENT



Winterfest Children's Christmas Cookies

We are providing an outreach to the children of our community during Winterfest. We need your help to make this happen. If you would like to help bake cookies, help with set-up, clean-up, and/or help the kids decorate cookies, a sign-up sheet is available in the Parish Hall. Contact Kathy Nierenberg for more information. The event will be on Saturday, January 18th from 11:00-2:00. ~ Thank you!

Coat/Winter Wear Drive

A collection box is available in the Parish Hall for new and gently used coats and winter wear. Your donation will help support the youth of our community.



The Lake Chelan Food Bank is currently serving 1000 families each month
Please consider supporting the food bank with a monetary donation.



**FOOD
DRIVE**

your donation
♥ helps ♥
families in need

The Food Pantry

We are collecting **non-perishable, no/low prep** (open & eat) meals/food items for the 24/7 (monitored) Food Pantry. Examples of acceptable items: Heat & Eat soups/stews, tuna/meat (pouches or cans), Spam, nuts, trail mix, individual servings/packages of jerky, boxed milk, pre-packaged meals, etc. *Note: cans should have pull tab lids for ease of use/preparation.*

The Hygiene Pantry

We are also collecting travel or motel sized hygiene items such as soaps, shampoo/conditioner, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc. There is a box in the Parish Hall for donations.

LAKE CHELAN BACH FEST EST. 1981

Lake Chelan Bach Fest is looking for a few good volunteers for the 2025 festival July 5th-12th. There are many ways to get involved (musician housing, fundraising, logistics, moving things around, and many other volunteer opportunities).

If you would like to volunteer to be part of this or for more information, contact Hannah Hubbard at (509) 679-1758.



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