## **A Lemniscate for Christmas**



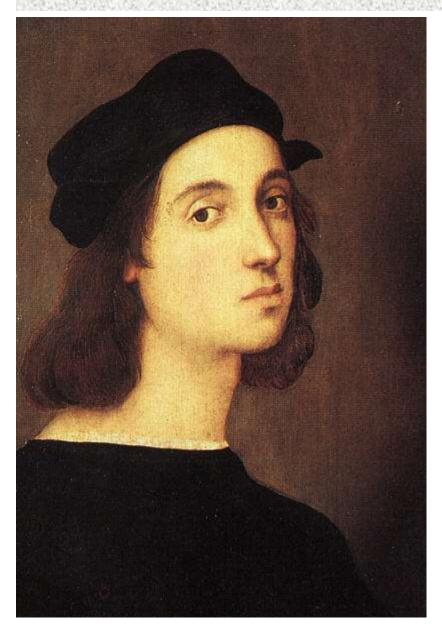
Raphael's Madonna Sequence

**Andrew Linnell** 

- "If Christ were born in Bethlehem a thousand times and not in thee thyself; then art thou lost eternally."
  - Angelus Silesius, 1657
- New Mysteries of Love
  - Past mysteries of wisdom
- Madonna: Healing via Love
  - Mother
  - Earth Mother
- Unity of Earth, Moon, Sun
  - Paintings beyond Christianity
  - Perspective



## Raphael - Brief Bio



- He bears the Healer's Name
- Born on the 6<sup>th</sup> of April, 1483
  - Good Friday
- Learned art as a child from his father Giovanni Santi
  - At 16 apprentice to Perugino
  - At 25 called by Pope to Rome
- Beloved by all
- Died on birthday April 6, 1520
  - Only 37 years
  - Good Friday
- Steiner: Elijah, John the Baptist, Lazarus/John, Raphael, Novalis
- [start Christmas music]







