



**June 6, 2021- The Solemnity of  
Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

**Reading 1: Exodus 24:3-8** The covenant is established between God and the people.  
**Psalm 116:12-13, 15-16, 17-18** God brings salvation.  
**Reading II: Hebrews 9:11-15** Christ is the mediator of the new covenant.  
**Gospel: Mark 14:12-16, 22-26** Jesus shares his Last Supper with his disciples.

**Catholic Student Association**

*We are a community of faith and caring.*

Needing a ride to Catholic gatherings off campus this summer? Contact Mary Pat Boger in advance of event at: 907-374-9564.

**St. Mark Parish:** Ph. 907-374-9564  
**Email:** [stmark@cbna.org](mailto:stmark@cbna.org)  
**Website:** <http://www.stmarksuaf.org>  
**Office Hours:** Tues-Fri: 10am – 12noon.  
**Pastor:** Fr. Robert Fath Ph. 907-374-9504  
**Email:** [rfath@cbna.org](mailto:rfath@cbna.org)  
**Podcast:** <https://frrobertfath.podbean.com/>  
**Deacon:** Warren Lucero  
**Parish Admin.:** Mary Pat Boger Ph. 907-374-9564  
**Bookkeeper:** Marilis Bennett Ph. 907-590-9291  
**Music Director:** George Stefan Ph. 907-978-6953  
**Reconciliation:** Confessions at SHC, Sat. 3 -4pm.  
**Sacraments & Becoming Catholic:**  
Contact Mary Pat Boger at [stmark@cbna.org](mailto:stmark@cbna.org)  
**Vocations:** See Fr. Robert Fath  
**Parish Council:** Marilis Bennett, John Fox, Cynthia Klepaski, Ritchie Musick, Jen & Sean Tucker

**Holy Father's Prayer Intentions - June 2021:**



**The Beauty of Marriage** - Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

**Pray For:** Pope Francis; Bishop Chad Zielinski, Fr. Robert Fath, priests, seminarians, religious, deacons, & volunteers serving in Diocese of Fairbanks; efforts to attract new seminarians and priests to serve our diocese; Ben Orr, Sean Tucker, Dorothy Keith, Mike Johnson, and all who are sick that need our prayers; and those who have passed on.

**June 6<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm Mass Hymns:**



**310** Table of Plenty  
**366** Lord, Who at Thy First Eucharist  
**506** Now We Remain  
**369** Shepherd of Souls  
Welcome Joseph Yanish, our newest member to the choir who will be guitar accompaniment with George Stefan! Vocalists and musicians are welcome to join our music ministry!

*"Here I am, Lord."* – Congratulations to **Bishop Chad Zielinski** on your **25<sup>th</sup> anniversary** of priestly ordination. Bishop Chad encourages us to adopt a seminarian, priest or religious and send them prayers and words of encouragement as support of those serving God.

**Dates to Remember:**

- ✚ We welcome **Fr. Simon Jingbe** to the Diocese of Fairbanks. Fr. Jingbe arrived from the country of Nigeria, Diocese of Pankshin this past week (June 2<sup>nd</sup>). Keep him in your prayers!
- ✚ **Flag Collection** is happening on Flag Day (June 14<sup>th</sup>) The Knights of Columbus Patriotic Assembly will be collecting old and worn-out flags after all Masses on the weekend of June 12 and 15.
- ✚ **Discernment of Charism** – Thursday Evening 6:30-8pm, June 10-15 @ Immaculate Conception. Helping Catholics succeed at a Primary Discipline of the Christian Life: Discerning, Developing Using Your Spiritual Gifts called Charisms.
- ✚ **VBS** –Fairbanks/North Pole parish children Grades K-6 are invited to attend the youth summer vacation bible school - **ROAR!** Check out our website for more information.
- ✚ **Value Village Clothing Drive FINAL DROP OFF DATE IS MONDAY, JUNE 21<sup>st</sup>.** Help raise money to support the Diocesan Regional Council. For more information reach out to the Chancery at 374-9500 ext. 136 or the St. Mark webpage to read the flyer that has all the information: <https://stmarksuaf.org> .
- ✚ Watch for a one-day showing on Tuesday, June 22 **"OF ANIMALS AND MEN"** at Regal Cinema. Recommended by Carmel Communications, a story of Catholics who were Warsaw Zoo Keepers during WWII.

**Commentary for the Readings in the Extraordinary Form: Second Sunday After Pentecost**

"Bring in here the poor, and the crippled" (Gospel).

Last Thursday was the Feast of Corpus Christi. This Mass sets forth the *social graces* flowing from the "Body of Christ" into the



"large place" (Introit) of everyday life; how Divine Providence will "never fail to govern" (Prayer) and direct the social order.

We can learn to "love the brethren" when "we have come to know His love" (Epistle), in His Sacrament and Sacrifice of Love. This is the one true guarantee of unity amongst men. Then, and only then, will they recognize neighbor as "brother."

The Gospel, in story form, illustrates the attitude of different individuals towards the "great supper" of this Divine Bread. All are invited; some stay away, offering the "excuse" of business or pleasure, like the man with his "oxen" (seen in the distance through the window). The picture represents all the suffering masses and classes, ready to commune with one another because they have communed at the "supper" altar rail. Frequently must we commune (Postcommunion).

Excerpted from *My Sunday Missal*, Confraternity of the Precious Blood <https://liturgy.slu.edu>

**Connecting the Gospel ...**

... to the **First Reading**: The "blood of the covenant" sprinkled on the people by Moses is that of sacrificed bulls. The "blood of the covenant" Jesus gives is not that of an animal, but his very own Blood given for the life of the world.

... to **experience**: When a couple offers one another the gift of self-expressed in marriage vows, they pass over together into a new way of relating and being. Old ways must die. But new life is experienced. Eucharist is Jesus' ongoing gift of self to us, through which we continually pass over from old ways of being to new Life.

<https://liturgy.slu.edu>

"Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life..." ~ John 6:54



**The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ**

is also known as the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, which translates from Latin to "Body of Christ." This feast originated in France in the mid-thirteenth century and was extended to the whole Church by Pope Urban IV in 1264. This feast is celebrated on the Thursday following the Trinity Sunday or, as in the USA, on the Sunday following that feast.



This feast calls us to focus on two manifestations of the Body of Christ, the Holy Eucharist, and the Church. The primary purpose of this feast is to focus our attention on the Eucharist. The opening prayer at Mass calls our attention to Jesus' suffering and death and our worship of Him, especially in the Eucharist.

At every Mass, our attention is called to the Eucharist and the Real Presence of Christ in it. The secondary focus of this feast is upon the Body of Christ as it is present in the Church. The Church is called the Body of Christ because of the intimate communion which Jesus shares with his disciples. He expresses this in the gospels by using the metaphor of a body in which He is the head. This image helps keep in focus both the unity and the diversity of the Church.

The Feast of Corpus Christi is commonly used as an opportunity for public Eucharistic processions, which serves as a sign of common faith and adoration. Our worship of Jesus in His Body and Blood calls us to offer to God our Father a pledge of undivided love and an offering of ourselves to the service of others.

Source: <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com>

The **Regional Soup Kitchen**, hosted at Immaculate Conception Church, is always in need of donations, and volunteers each day from 9 AM to 3 PM. Additional information or to help at the Soup Kitchen can be found by calling Nick Shamrell, Soup Kitchen Coordinator, at 452-3533 or checking out their webpage at <https://iccfairbanks.org/soup-kitchen>.



**HOW TO KEEP A CATHOLIC HOME: Celebrate namedays:**

Celebrate your family's namedays, which are the days dedicated to each person's patron saint. Our recent Sunday Rite Confirmation (*May 23-Pentecost*

*Sunday*) reminds us how important these patron saints are to us.

"Those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance." Hebrews 9:15



### Everyday Stewardship -

#### GOD DOESN'T TAKE A BREAK

An acquaintance who works in church ministry once told me a story about one of the students she had in Faith Formation. This student informed my friend that his family doesn't come to Mass in summer. "God takes a break in summer, and so do we," he said.

There's a lot to unpack here. First, it's tragic to think of anyone voluntarily missing out on the Eucharist for so long. It's also a real problem in the church today that a lot of our folks don't understand the beauty of the Sunday obligation. But if I had to dissect this situation and pinpoint the thing I find most troubling, it's the idea of God taking a break.

I hope it's starting to look like summer where you are. We've still got a few weeks left before it's official, but the school year should be winding up for most kids, the birds should be chirping a little louder, and hopefully your lawn is starting to green up nicely. You're probably daydreaming about the annual cabin getaway weekend or waterskiing on the Fourth of July.

All in all, summer is going to be a nice break, even if — like typical Americans — our break is full of productive work.

Thank God — literally — that He doesn't take a break, even if we do. Can we try to remember that, even in the midst of our many wonderful distractions? Let's enjoy this summer. Let's live it to the full. But let's see it for the gift that it is — and remember the thanks we owe the Giver.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

### STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

#### Feast of Corpus Christi

*"Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them and they all drank from it." - MARK 14:23*

Jesus, the perfect steward, gave thanks, just before He gave Himself up for us, completely for our salvation. He offers us the same chance to drink from His cup. In the bread and wine, we meet Christ personally. If we follow Him, drinking from His cup means our own self-sacrifice, using all of our gifts for the benefit of others and to do His work on earth.

The Body and Blood of Jesus is a gift to us, yet it is a challenge too. Ask yourself, "How does the Eucharist nourish and strengthen me? How am I being sent like the disciples? To whom am I being sent?"



### The Gospel Writer who was also an artist ~Did you know that St. Luke was an artist? Some of the earliest depictions of Jesus and the Blessed Mother are

attributed to him.

St. Luke the Evangelist lived a fascinating life. His incredibly detailed Gospel is also the longest, taking up an entire quarter of the New Testament! It is believed that St. Luke also wrote the Acts of the Apostles.

We know that St. Luke was a doctor as well as an evangelist because St. Paul described him as a physician (Col. 4:14).

He appears to also have been a capable historian, recording careful details about the many people and places visited by Jesus and His Apostles. Many biblical scholars study this Gospel to understand the historical context of Jesus and first-century Judaism.



The Virgin of Vladimir

Ancient Christian tradition says that St. Luke was an artist who painted the first icons.



Our Lady of Perpetual Help

The oldest painted images of Jesus and Mary are attributed to St. Luke, including *Our Lady of Vladimir*, *Our Lady of Czestochowa*, *Salus Populi Romani*, and *Our Lady of Perpetual Help*.

Tradition says that St. Luke painted the original Hodegetria image of Our Lady and Jesus. This image was kept at the Hodegon monastery in Constantinople, but is now lost, having disappeared during the Fall of Constantinople. While this painting was in Constantinople, it was said to produce miracles every single day. Many visitors would come to see it.

Icons (like those painted by St. Luke) are important because they raise our hearts and minds to heavenly things. They are "windows" that open our hearts and remind us of the presence of God and His saints!

<https://www.catholiccompany.com/getfed/>



**Focus Missionaries** will be in Fairbanks from June 25-July 6.

Focus Mission is a college-based organization that sends college students to various parts of the world to go on mission. These 15 young adults come seeking to deepen their faith and missionary zeal all the while experiencing Christ. Daily they have mass, holy hour, and time to share their experiences. They will be helping us with Vacation Bible School. If you see them welcome them. Please pray for them as they discern their vocational calling either to marry, join the priesthood or religious life, or stay single. Pray also that they may consider joining our diocese as a missionary.



## NEIGHBORING PARISH MASS SCHEDULES

### Sacred Heart Cathedral 474-9032

Saturday Vigil: \*4:30pm (\*=Live Streamed)  
Saturday Latin Mass: 6:30pm- Feb 6,13; Mar 13, 27  
Sunday: 8:00 & \*11:00am  
Sunday Spanish Mass: 1:00pm  
**St. Mark Sunday Mass: 5:30pm**  
Daily Mass: Mon-Fri 7:30am; Thurs 7:00pm  
Monday: 7pm Spanish Mass  
Confessions Heard: Sat 3:00-4:00pm  
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament: Thu 8:00am-12noon  
<https://www.sacredheartak.org/>

### Immaculate Conception 452-3533

\*All masses are live streamed.  
Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm  
Sunday: 7:30am, 10:00am  
Daily Mass 12:10pm: Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri.  
5:30pm: Wednesday  
Adoration of Blessed Sacrament: Wed. 6-7:00pm  
*Confessions with Adoration*  
First Friday (5:30pm) ~Saturday (7am) Mass  
*followed by Adoration: 6:00pm-6:00am*  
Confessions: 11:30am-12pm (*Confessions are in the pastor's office*) - M, Tu, Th, F; W - 6-7pm; Sat 3-4pm  
<https://iccfairbanks.org/>  
<https://www.facebook.com/ICCFairbanks>

### Saint Raphael 457-6603 (\*Live streamed Masses)

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm  
Sunday: \*9:30am (\*go to website Facebook link  
Daily Mass: Thurs 9:30am; \*Wed 5:30pm w/ Rosary.  
Adoration: Thu 7:00 - 8:00pm & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month  
<https://www.straphaelfairbanks.org/>

### Saint Nicholas, North Pole 488-2595

*Sign up required to attend for Weekend Masses.*  
<https://signup.com/go/ZjtAQHb>  
Saturday Vigil: \*5:00pm  
Sunday: 9:00am, 12:00pm  
Daily Mass: Mon, Tue, Thu; Fri 8:45am; Wed. 6:00pm  
Adoration: Wed 6pm Mass, Adoration w/Rosary.  
<http://www.stnicholasnp.org/>

### Good Shepherd, Ft. Wainwright

Sunday: 9:00am, SLC  
Adoration: Thursday 6:00 - 7:00 pm, SLC  
Catholic Women of the Chapel: Wed - 9am, SLC

### Our Lady of Snows, Eielson Air Force Base

Sunday: 10:30am  
Daily Mass: Tuesday-Friday - 11:30am

## Parish Stewardship Report

*Last Week's Collection:* May 30, 2021.....\$ 1,090.00

### *Actual Collection YTD*

(7/1/20-6/31/21): \$ \$52,849.86

Donations can be made electronically through WeShare - check out <https://stmarksuaaf.org>). On Sunday, your donation can be dropped in the basket at church entrance or mail a check to St. Mark University Parish, PO Box 750166, Fairbanks, AK 99775-0166.  
Thank you for your generosity and continued support!

### *The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ*

#### **Vocations - "Christ came as high priest."**

Do these words of Christ challenge you to give your all for Him as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (907) 374-9504 or email: [vocations@cbna.org](mailto:vocations@cbna.org)



### **Traditional Latin Mass Schedule:**

All will be held at Sacred Heart Cathedral  
Saturdays at 6:30 PM  
June 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>; July 24<sup>th</sup>; Aug 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>  
Sept 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>; Oct 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Nov 20<sup>th</sup>; Dec 18<sup>th</sup>

### **Mass at St. Mary's of the Lake ~**

**Harding Lake** Fr. Welcome has begun celebrating Sunday Mass at St. Mary's of the Lake on Sundays at 3pm through Labor Day Weekend.



"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good he has done for me?"

### **Sheepish Question:**

How do I treat Christ's life as real food?