



June 27, 2021- 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading 1: Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24 Death entered the world through the work of the devil.

Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13 A prayer of thanksgiving to God for having rescued us.

Reading II: 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15 As Christ became poor for our sake, so must we share with those in need from our abundance.

Gospel: Mark 5:21-43 Jesus heals a woman afflicted with a hemorrhage and raises Jairus's daughter from death.

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

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Reconciliation: Confessions at SHC, Sat. 3 -4pm.

Sacraments & Becoming Catholic:

Contact Mary Pat Boger at 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, faith-fulness and patience.

Let Us 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 & priests to our diocese; Ben Orr, Sean Tucker, Dorothy Keith, Mike Johnson, Jim Radigan; For our deceased loved ones. For the success of the VBS & FOCUS.



June 27th ~ 5:30pm Mass Hymns:

555 ~ Sing Out, Earth and Skies

601 ~ Isaiah 49

454 ~ I Heard the Voice of Jesus

577 ~ Soon Very Soon

George Stefan, along with Devan Larson and Joseph Yanish have brightened the music for our liturgy! We welcome more vocalists to join our music ministry. Contact George after Mass if interested!

Join us every Sunday at Sacred Heart Cathedral for Vespers at 4:45pm, prior to St. Mark's 5:30pm Mass. Vespers are the oldest and most important, after Mass, of the traditional liturgy of the hours, consisting of psalms, hymns, prayers, and readings.

Dates to Remember:

- ✚ **VBS** –Fairbanks/North Pole parish children Grades K-6 will be held this week (June 28-July2 at Sacred Heart Cathedral starting with 9am Mass each morning.
- ✚ Welcome **FOCUS Missionaries** to Fairbanks. This college-based program disciples young adults at various college campus' in the way of the faith, then sends them on mission trips to experience Christ. For 2 weeks they will be seeking to deepen their faith and missionary zeal. This next week they will be helping with VBS in the morning. Be sure to welcome them when you see them!
- ✚ Check out Diocese of Fairbanks for latest edition of "Missionary Disciples" e-magazine newsletter: <https://dioceseoffairbanks.org/joomla/>
- ✚ **ICS Soup Kitchen** is looking for donations: pants, hoodies, fruit cups, puddings cups. Volunteers are always in need!
- ✚ **August 2-5:** Priestly Formation Days for the Diocese.



HOW TO KEEP A CATHOLIC HOME:

"What Catholics need to know about making their homes a domestic church" is a blog we have been covering this month. Take a moment to read the whole article written by Donna-Marie

Cooper O'Boyle (<https://teachingcatholickids.com>) at the OSV Kids site. We have only covered a small portion of her suggestions to get you going!

Commentary for the Readings in the Extraordinary Form: Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

"Go first to be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift" (Gospel).



This is Brotherhood Sunday! Human experience confirms the need of this Divine teaching. Only when the *Fatherhood of God* is recognized, will the *Brotherhood of Man* be realized. Returning good for evil is possible only to those who love God (Epistle). Oh, how much our hate-torn world needs this prayer: "Pour into our hearts. . .an experience of They Love" (Prayer).

In the practice of the Golden Rule, we plead with the Divine "Helper" against *worldly persecution* (Introit) and *diabolical "enemies"* (Postcommunion).

How can one who harbors anger, envy, bitterness, indifference, aversion of any kind against his neighbor, have part in the Sacrifice of Him Who offers Himself for His enemies? The sacrifice of our selfish or even wounded feelings for Christ's sake, is a most acceptable "gift" to "leave. . .before the altar" (Gospel). Excerpted from *My Sunday Missal*, Confraternity of the Precious Blood <https://liturgy.slu.edu>

Connecting the Gospel ...

... **to the First Reading:** God "fashioned all things that they might have being," that is, life; whereas death reveals the power of evil at work in the world Jesus overcomes death with a healing power that brings full, abundant life.



... **to experience:** Medical personnel readily recognize that to be healed, an ill person must believe in the possibility of getting well and truly desire to be whole again. <https://liturgy.slu.edu>

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. Contact Nick Shamrell, Soup Kitchen Coordinator, at 452-3533 or check out their webpage at <https://iccfairbanks.org/soup-kitchen>

CHANCERY JOB OPENING: The Diocese of Fairbanks is seeking to hire a Faith and Family Formation Coordinator. This position will be part time (approximately 20 to 25 hours/per week) and is responsible for promoting family ministry, religious education, sacramental preparation, and youth/young adult ministry throughout the diocese by providing resources and opportunities for parishes and diocesan regions to strengthen their outreach and catechesis to individual and families of all ages and social situations. Candidates should have a letter of support from their current pastor stating they are a Catholic in good standing, regularly involved in the life of the parish, possess a B.A. in Theology or comparable field, or demonstration of knowledge faith appropriate to the position. Five years' experience in a diocese or parish is highly preferred. This position will remain open until filled. Interested individuals should submit a resume to <https://humanresources@cbna.org>.

Continued Education Opportunity for Catechists and all Parishioners! The Diocese of Fairbanks has partnered with Franciscan University of Steubenville's Catechetical Institute called Franciscan at Home. We have joined a network of over 150 dioceses from 27 nations.

The Catechetical Institute exists to train and support catechists—priests, deacons, parents, teachers, or laity, whether professional or volunteer. The Institute allows dioceses and parishes to partner with them to offer flexible workshops, ministry certification and on-going formation for those responsible for teaching the faith. The program is being funded through the Office of Faith and Family Formation at the diocese and will not cost the parishes or parishioners to use it. The courses offered can be done individually or with the support of an online mentor. Check out a sample workshop at the following link: <https://FranciscanatHome.com/sample-workshop>

St. Mark, represented by the winged lion, references the Prophet Isaiah when he begins his gospel: "Here begins the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. In Isaiah the prophet it is written: 'I send my messenger before you to prepare your way: a herald's voice in the desert, crying, "Make ready the way of the Lord, clear Him a straight path.'" "The voice in the desert crying" reminds one of a lion's roar, and the prophetic spirit descending to earth reminds one of a "winged message." The lion also signified royalty, an appropriate symbol for the Son of God. <https://catholicexchange.com>





Solidarity in Freedom

June 22-29

“Solidarity means much more than engaging in sporadic acts of generosity. It means thinking and acting in terms of community” (Fratelli tutti, 116). Religious freedom allows the Church, and all religious communities, to live out their faith in public and to serve the good of all. Catholics are invited to pray, reflect, and act to promote religious freedom during this week. More at www.usccb.org/ReligiousFreedomWeek



Everyday Stewardship - WAKING GOD

A show of hands, ladies, and gentlemen. Have any of you been given the silent treatment and had absolutely no idea why?

On the flipside, have any of you have sworn you're not going to demean yourself by explaining, for the thousandth time, that you need extra help with the kids before soccer practice, or that you feel ignored when your spouse doesn't ask how your day went?

But sadly, love doesn't give you the ability to read minds. And in the end, we learn the lesson again and again, we must verbalize our feelings, our needs, our wants. Expecting your partner to anticipate your needs is guaranteed to end badly.

It's the same with God, even though, oddly enough, He does have the ability to read minds. But He still desires us to explain ourselves to Him, doesn't He? “I'm feeling scared of this.” “I'm really worried about that.” “God, I think I need x, y and z. Help me. Please.”

Jesus slept on that boat, as it was tossed and turned by the waves, until his disciples woke him. “Why were you sleeping?” they ask. Well, geniuses, he was sleeping because they hadn't woken him up yet. They had wasted time cowering in fear, waiting for him to act. They gave him the silent treatment and they didn't even know it.

God doesn't desire us to verbalize our needs as a way of keeping us submissive. He's not that petty. What He desires is the communication — that's what really counts. That act of opening yourself up, of becoming vulnerable, of relying on Him, trusting Him. If it feels like God is asleep in your life, ask yourself this, have you tried waking Him up? — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

Pray for all who are traveling that they will be protected from harm.



What are the seven corporal works of Mercy? *These works are the perfect guide for imitating Jesus.* The Catholic Church has always preserved the teaching of Christ that

both faith and works are important in living out our faith. We prove our faith by imitating Jesus' good works and His command to serve one another—and by living out our values in real, practical ways.

When He told the story of separating the sheep from the goats on the day of judgement, He said to the sheep, “Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me” (Matthew 25:40). The goats were those who did not perform these works of mercy.

Thankfully, the Catholic Church provides us with a summary of the works of mercy to help us serve the least of Christ's brethren. The Catechism of the Catholic Church defines these works of mercy as “charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbor in his spiritual and bodily necessities.”

We have the **spiritual works of mercy** (works that help a person's soul) and also the **corporal works of mercy** (works that provide for someone's physical needs).

The Seven Corporal works of mercy are:

1. Feed the hungry
2. Give drink to the thirsty
3. Shelter the homeless
4. Visit the sick
5. Visit prisoners
6. Bury the dead
7. Give to the poor

We can do corporal works of mercy in both small and large ways. Sometimes our daily lives get so busy that we



can't spend the day volunteering at a homeless shelter, or we can't afford large donations to alleviate many people in poverty.

That's when we find small ways to administer the corporal works of mercy. We can stop by a hospital or nursing home to say hello to a lonely patient or buy a meal for a homeless person on the street. Even giving just five dollars to a local charity counts!

St. Thérèse of Lisieux championed the importance of finding small, daily ways to serve Jesus. She once said, “Remember that nothing is small in the eyes of God. Do all that you do with love.”

We can reflect on how to show God's love to others every day through Fr. Jean C. J. D'Elbee's book *I Believe In Love: A Personal Retreat Based on the Teaching of St. Therese of Lisieux.* <https://www.catholiccompany.com/getfed/>

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time – June 27, 2021

“She fell down before Jesus and told him the whole truth.” If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood, diaconate or consecrated life, Talk to your pastor or contact the Vocation Office at 718-827-2454 or email: vocations@cbna.org .

Stewardship Moment

“...as a matter of equality your abundance at the present time should supply their want, so that their abundance may supply your want, that there may be equality.”

- 2 CORINTHIANS 8:14

One of the tenants of living a grateful and generous lifestyle is giving without expecting anything in return. It is important that we not only grow, nurture, and share our gifts; but that we also teach our children and encourage others to do the same. This is the communal aspect of our Catholic faith. We are the “Body of Christ”. We are called to be dependent on each other and not live in isolation.

Parish Stewardship Report

Last Week's Collection:

June 20, 2021.....\$ 476.59

Actual Collection YTD

(7/1/20-6/31/21): \$ 55,598.45

Donations can be made electronically through WeShare - <https://stmarksuaf.org>.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support!



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“Do not be afraid; just have faith.”

Sheepish Question:

Is there something that I've been afraid to ask of Jesus?

NEIGHBORING PARISH WEEKEND MASSES

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
<https://www.sacredheartak.org/>

Immaculate Conception 452-3533

*All masses are live streamed.
Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am, 10:00am
<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
<https://www.straphaelfairbanks.org/>

Saint Nicholas, North Pole 488-2595

<https://signup.com/go/ZjtAQHb>
Saturday Vigil: *5:00pm
Sunday: 9:00am, 12:00pm
<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

Traditional Latin Mass Schedule:

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



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.

For your trip planning purposes please check <http://dioceseoffairbanks.org/> (Diocese of Fairbanks) and <https://aoaj.org> (Archdiocese of Anchorage Juneau) for Mass times in Alaska.