ST. MARK UNIVERSITY PARISH

The Catholic Community of the University of Alaska, Fairbanks

1316 Peger Rd, Fairbanks, AK 99709-5199





September 19, 2021- 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:45pm Evening Vespers prior to 5:30pm Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral Sat. 3-4PM Reconciliation can be heard at SHC

<u>Hymns for 5:30pm Mass</u>: *Music is subject to change.

403 Lord of All Hopefulness

492 We Walk by Faith

372 Irish Blessing

510 Holy Wisdom, Lamp of Learning

We welcome back our CSA Student Choir Members!

Reading 1: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20 The just one is put to the

Psalm 54:3-4, 5, 6 & 8 A prayer for God's protection.

Reading II: James 3:16-4:3 James teaches about the wisdom from above.

Gospel: Mark 9:30-37 Jesus teaches his disciples that the greatest are those who serve all.

St. Mark Parish: Ph. 907-374-9564

Email: 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

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

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 – Sept. 2021 An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simply and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are

resolutely committed to this

Pray For: Pope Francis; Bishop Chad Zielinski, Fr. Robert Fath, our Diocesan Priests, Deacons, & Seminarians. Remember those who are hospitalized, sick, military serving our country, residents of nursing homes and homebound. We pray for the members of our parish; students in our local schools, homeschooling families, and students at UAF. Pray for those who have entered eternal life.

& Catholic Young Adults

We are a community of faith and caring.

CSA Sunday 5:30pm Evening Mass is held at Sacred Heart Cathedral - 1316 Peger Road. If you need a ride, or are willing to provide a ride, please call 907-374-9564 to decide at least 36 hours ahead of Mass.

Starvation Gulch – Sept. 18th at **9pm.** Masks are required and valid Polar Express Card or UAF ID. Students – Enjoy the evening!

Campus Ministry Activities: Stop by Arctic Java on Thursday's from 11:30AM-1:30PM and get to know Ben Colwell, Fr. Robert Fath, or Mary Pat Boger - we'll be taking turns at these drop-in events. Our interest is in learning who you are and what your interests maybe in getting involved with Catholic activities on and off campus. Stop by and let us buy you a cup of coffee or tea. We look forward to meeting you! Look for our "CSA/Young Adult" sign.

ST. MARK SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS:

Applications can be found at www.stmarksuaf.org/#. Deadlines are October 5th and 10th.

Dates to Remember

- ♣ **Sept 19:** Religious Education Begins at SHC
- **Sept 20-26**: National Migration Week. Check http://www.stmarksuaf.org for more information.
- **Sept 22-**Oct 31: 40 Days For Life. For more information check flyer at "Ordinary Time" tab or https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/Fairbanks
- **♣ Sept 23**: RCIA at SHC from 7:30-8:45pm.
- Oct 1-3: Diocesan Rosary Congress at SHC. Fr. Hugh Gillespie will be the featured speaker. Please sign up at https://signup.com/go/dAJHJLi to help cover adoration times.
- ♣ HIPOW 52 Online Bidding begins Oct 2nd! Gotta know when to fold 'em...HIPOW will be going virtual again this year! Check out www.hipowauction.com for more information. Support our local Fairbanks Catholic Schools!

As we listen to today's readings, rather than wonder at the disciples' thickheadedness, we might examine our own attitudes about power, service, and love. -

National Catholic Reporter - Mary M. McGlone



Catholic Social Services is looking for welcome cards and letters for Afghan refugees. Please read article at

St. Mark's website under "Ordinary Time" tab for more information if you are willing to get involved with this. https://www.stmarks@uaf.org.

LOCAL PARISHES HIRING: POSITIONS AVAILABLE:

St. Raphael Parish is seeking an *Office Manager* for a part time position of 15-20 hours per week with regular office hours. Computer skills include managing the website, parish database, and proficiency in MS Office. For more information, please contact Fr Ross Tozzi, rtozzi@cbna.org.

Immaculate Conception Church seeks an individual well versed in computer skills (Office 365, Facebook, web page design) along with administrations skills (filing, organizing, communicating, and planning) as well as simple bookkeeping, record keeping, and data entry. Job: parttime 10 –15 hours a week. Must be available on Monday Mornings. Applicants should be competent collaborative, cooperative, and have an eye for details.

send resume to: <u>iccsecretary2@cbna.org</u> Or call: 907-452-3533.

Legion of Mary sponsors Eucharistic Rosary Congress

Oct 1 –3 - in honor of our First Friday Devotions. Fr. Hugh Gillespie, a DeMonfort Priest from New York will offer 4 talks on <u>True Devotion to Our Lady</u>: On the Importance of Marian Devotion, learning to say Yes to God's will — not my will

Oct 1-7pm; Oct 2-10am; Oct 2-7pm; Oct 3-3pm. Please sign up for Annual Diocesan Rosary Congress 2021! Here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

- 1. **Click this link** to go to our invitation page on SignUp: https://signup.com/go/dAJHJLi
- 2. **Enter your email address:** (You will NOT need to register an account on SignUp)
- 3. **Sign up!** Choose your spots SignUp will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy! *Note: SignUp does not share your email address with anyone.*

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -- Sep 19, 2021

"Whoever received one child in my name receives me." The riches of truth belong to those who are faithful to Christ and their vocation. Will you follow Him as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Contact the Vocation Office at (907) 374-9504 or email: vocations@cbna.org.



"Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me." *Mark 9:3*



CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

On this day, catechists are formally commissioned for ministry to the community.

Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each baptized person plays in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel. Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith.

For all who volunteer to minister in the programs that provide Religious Education in our parishes and homes....we celebrate your commitment.

"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all." (Mark 9:35)

Jesus teaches us that we are called to love one another. Love involves sacrifice. Sacrifice is a word that many of us don't like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is "to make holy," from the words "sacer" = sacred and "facere" = to make. In other words, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

Connecting the Gospel

faithful.

... to the First Reading: The "just one" who is faithful will suffer at the hands of the wicked. Nonetheless, God will "take care of" the "just one." God did not save Jesus from suffering and death at the hands of those who rejected his teaching, but God did raise Jesus to new life. God does "take care of" those who are

.... to experience: Spouses spend all their married lives coming to know one another and building a shared identity. Coming to know, understand, and accept the identity of Jesus also takes a lifetime of learning and commitment. But it grants an eternity of fullness of life. https://liturgy.slu.edu

What is Safe Sunday? The Diocese of Fairbanks is committed to the protection and safety of the vulnerable, especially the youth and children whom we serve. Please check the flyer on Safe Sunday (September 19) under the "Ordinary Time" tab for more information.

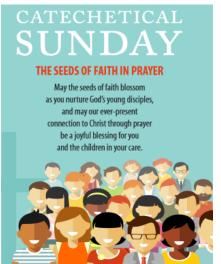
The Son of Man is to be handed over...
Whoever wishes to be first will be the servant of all.

Commentary on the Readings for the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

"Love. . .thy God. . .and....thy neighbor as thyself" (Gospel). On these two (loves) depend the whole code and creed. Each time we



walk in (this) law (Introit), we not only avoid. . .contact with the devil (Prayer), but we answer the question: What do you think of. . . . Christ? By deeds we profess our faith that He is My Lord (Gospel). We bear with one another in love, because through Baptism God becomes the Father of all (Epistle). Excerpted from My Sunday Missal, Confraternity Precious Blood. of the



Families of St. Mark are encouraged to

enroll school-aged children in **Religious Education** at Sacred Heart, ICC, St. Raphael, or St. Nick (North Pole). Classes begin this Sunday. Contact Mary Pat @ 907-374-9564 or email: stmark@cbna.org.

Immaculate Conception SOUP KITCHEN is always in need of volunteers and donations. There is more information on the website: https://iccfairbanks.org/soupkitchen You can also donate \$\$ directly to the soup kitchen thru Immaculate Conception Church's giving link on the website or drop an envelope in the basket labeled "Soup Kitchen" and we will get it to them. Contact Nick Shamrell by email to volunteer: iccsoupkitchen@cbna.org



Weekly Collections will be updated at Sewardship the end of the month. Thank You for your continued support of our Church!

Our bookkeeper is out due to the death in the family. Please keep the Bennett family in your prayers.







What do a lion, ox, eagle, and angel have in common? They're all symbols of the Gospel writers! The four Evangelists are often portrayed alongside a particular creature. What are these creatures, and

what do they symbolize?

When you see the four Evangelists—Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John—depicted in art, one quick way to know who is who is to look at their symbols, which are frequently depicted with them.

You'll see a man (usually portrayed as an angel), a lion, an ox, or an eagle. Sometimes artists utilize the symbols as stand-ins for the actual saints, so you'd need to know your symbology to figure out who is represented.

Let's start by matching the right symbol with the right

Evangelist: Matthew: Man/Angel Mark: Lion Luke: Ox John: Eagle









The great Church Father St. Jerome, who lived in the 4th and 5th centuries, gave us the pairings as we now know them. St. Gregory the Great corroborated his interpretation.

The symbols themselves come from the book of Ezekiel, who had a vision of God in the midst of these four creatures. The Church Fathers interpreted this as a foreshadowing of the four Gospels.

We meet the four creatures again in the 4th chapter of St. John's Apocalypse: "...the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with the face of a man, and the fourth living creature like a flying eagle..." Matthew's symbol is a man because he begins his Gospel with Christ's human genealogy, focusing on Christ the Man.

Mark is represented by a lion because his Gospel starts off with a roar. Right away in the first chapter, we are confronted with the fiery words of St. John the Baptist, the "voice of one crying in the wilderness."

Luke is accompanied by an ox, an animal of sacrifice. This is because the first event he recounts is the apparition of the Angel Gabriel to Zechariah, the father of St. John the Baptist. Zechariah, a priest, is offering sacrifice to God in the temple when St. Gabriel appears to announce the impending birth of St. John.

An eagle is the companion of St. John, because in his Gospel, St. John "soars" above earthly events to contemplate the Divinity of Christ. His narrative begins with these sublime words: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

The Gospels, given to us by God Himself through His Evangelists, are an endless spring for our thirsty souls. Each Gospel should be familiar reading to every Catholic.

Eucharistic Rosary Congress Oct 1- 3 Sacred Heart Cathedral Sponsored by: Legion of Mary

Trusting Jesus as Mary Did

Oct 1 Friday

5:30 PM Rosary

6:00 PM Opening Mass with Fr. Hugh Gillespie 7:00 PM Sung Vespers Talk: *Queen of Apostles*

Confessions will be heard

9:00 PM Rosary: Glorious Mysteries 12:00 AM Rosary: Joyful Mysteries

Oct 2 Saturday

3:00 AM Divine Mercy Chaplet

6:00 AM Patriotic Rosary

7:00 AM Morning Prayer First Saturday Mass

9:00 AM Luminous Mysteries

9:30 AM Fr. Hugh Gillespie: Mediatrix of Grace

12:00 PM Rosary Sorrowful Mysteries

2:30 PM Glorious Mysteries

3:00 PM Mercy Chaplet, Stations, Confessions

4:00 PM Reposition

4:30 PM Sunday Vigil Mass exposition follows

7:00 PM Sung Vespers: Talk Mother of the Church

9:00 PM Glorious Mysteries in Spanish

Oct 3 Sunday

3:00 AM Divine Mercy Chaplet

6:00 AM Luminous Mysteries

7:00 AM Reposition

8:00 AM Sunday Mass, 11:00 AM Sunday Mass

1:00 PM Spanish Mass

3:00 PM Exposition, Divine Mercy Chaplet

Talk by Fr. Hugh Behold your Mother Benediction

4:30 PM: Sung Vespers followed by 5:30 PM Sunday

Mass

Please sign up for Annual Diocesan Rosary Congress 2021!

1. Click this link to on SignUp:

https://signup.com/go/dAJHJLi

- 2. Enter your email address: no need to register
- 3. Sign up! Choose your spots -

SignUp will send you an automated confirmation and reminders.

Easy!

Note: SignUp does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

Contact Mary Beth Juday: mbjuday@gci.net or 479-3765

Through our service and our sacrifice, may we grow closer to Jesus and help others to know the love and care of Our Lord.

Talks at the Eucharistic Rosary Congress

Oct 1 ~ 7:00PM – Queen of Apostles

Oct 2 ~ 9:30AM – Madiatrix of All Graces:

To each has been given a gift.

(Gifted by the Spirit to participate in the Mission)

Oct 2 ~ 7:00PM – Mother of the Church

Though the members are many, the body is one.

(Living within the oneness of the Church.)

Oct 3 ~ 3:00PM – Behold your Mother:

(At prayer with our Lady)

NEIGHBORING PARISH WEEKEND MASSES

(*=Live Streamed)

Sacred Heart Cathedral 474-9032

Saturday Vigil: 4:30pm

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

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm Sunday: 7:30am, 10:00am https://iccfairbanks.org/

https://www.facebook.com/ICCFairbanks

Saint Raphael 457-6603

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm

Sunday: 9:30am

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:

<u>All Latin Masses will be held at Sacred Heart Cathedral</u> Saturdays at 6:30 PM

Oct 9th & 23rd, Nov 20th; Dec 18th

Traveling? Check out mass times in Alaska at: http://dioceseoffairbanks.org/ (*Diocese of Fairbanks*) and https://aoaj.org (*Archdiocese of Anchorage Juneau*).