



ST. MARK UNIVERSITY PARISH

The Catholic Community of University of Alaska Fairbanks

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Mass Schedule:

Sunday Vespers: 4:45 pm @ SHC

Sunday: 5:30 pm @ Sacred Heart Cathedral (SHC)

Catholic Student Association (CSA) Mass - Thursday

- 12:10 pm @ Lathrop Building Rm 122

Sacraments

Confession- Saturday 3:00-4:00pm at SHC

or arrange a time with a priest.

Confession on UAF - Arrangements can be made with Fr. Robert Fath @ 907-374-9504 if you can't make it to SHC on Saturday.

Baptism, Marriage, Anointing of Sick – contact our office at 907-374-9564.

Sacraments of Initiation or Vocations – contact Fr. Robert Fath.

MISSION STATEMENT

*St. Mark's University Parish provides a **welcoming faith community** for students, families, and individuals that share a geographic, intellectual, or historic connection to the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF). We exist to **encourage, inform, and support the faith journey of all who have come to UAF with a background in the Catholic tradition.** St. Mark's also provides reliable information for non-Catholics inquiring about our faith and contributes to inter-faith discussion and ecumenical action.*

St. Mark Parish Office:

Office Hours: Tues-Fri: 10am – 12noon

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Pastor: Fr. Robert Fath

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Deacon: Warren Lucero

Parish Admin.: Mary Pat Boger

Bookkeeper: Marilis Bennett Ph. 907-590-9291

Music Director: George Stefan Ph. 907-978-6953

Parish Council: Marilis Bennett, John Fox, Cynthia Klepaski, Ritchie Musick, Jen & Sean Tucker

BLESSED ARE ALL WHO HOPE

in the Lord.

PSALM 1

February 13, 2022

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle C



SUNDAY READINGS:

Reading 1: Jeremiah 17:5-8

Put trust and hope in the Lord, not in human beings.

Psalm 1:1-4, 6 Blessed are those who follow the law of the Lord.

Reading II: 1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20

Our hope for resurrection is sure because Christ has been raised from the dead.

Gospel: Luke 6:17, 20-26

Jesus teaches the crowd the way to happiness.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- ❖ **Feb 12 & 19, Mar. 5, 12, & 19:** Beloved Series 9-11 am at SHC (Saturdays)
- ❖ **Feb 16:** Confirmation 7:30-8:45 pm in SHC Social Hall.
- ❖ **Feb 17:** CSA Mass 12:10 pm in Lathrop Building Room 122.
- ❖ **Feb 17:** Feast & Faith 6:30 – 8:00 pm in basement of ICC.
- ❖ **Feb 17:** RCIA 7:30-8:45 pm at SHC
- ❖ **Feb 19:** Latin Mass 6:30 pm at SHC
- ❖ **Feb 21:** UAF BFA Art Show Opening at UAF Art Gallery featuring David Schienle 5-8pm
- ❖ **Feb 25-27:** Engaged Encounter Weekend
- ❖ **Mar 2:** Ash Wednesday
- ❖ **Mar 3:** St. Andrew Dinner 6-8pm
- ❖ **Mar 7-11:** UAF Spring Break
- ❖ **Mar 13:** Daylight Saving Time
- ❖ **Mar 19:** Online Dynamic Women of Faith Conference. Check flyer on St. Mark webpage.

Catholic Student Association

We are a community of faith and caring.

On UAF Campus:

Student Mass at 12:10 p.m. every Thursday starting February 10th with Fr. Robert Fath celebrating. Room 112 of Lathrop Building.

* All masses and subsequent meetings are currently held in the Lathrop Hall Room 112 *

Off UAF Campus:

Every Sunday at 5:30 p.m. there is Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Need a ride to club or church events? Let us know! Email or Call: stmark@cbna.org (907) 374-9564. **If you have questions, feel free to contact us at:** stmark@cbna.org



Calling all young adults (18-40ish) **Feast and Faith February 2022** is right around the corner! Gather with friends to grow in faith

and community as we share a meal and discuss the faith! We will be gathering at Murphy Hall in the basement of Immaculate Conception on February 17th from 6:30-8:00pm. **This month's topic** is "Scorsese Catholicism - What to Make of Catholicism in the Films of Martin Scorsese" Our presenter is Ben Colwell, Director of Faith and Family Formation for the Diocese of Fairbanks. Food will be provided, so grab a friend and come join in the feast!"



BFA Art Show: *Saint Mary's Potlatch*" by David Schienle will be displayed in the UAF Art Gallery, 106 Tanana Dr., from February 21st to March 4th. **Opening:** February 21st from 5-

8pm. *Masks and Social Distancing required.* David is an employee of the Diocese of Fairbanks working in the Chancery as Coordinator of Archives. Take advantage of the opportunity to support a fellow student and member of our Catholic community!

ST. ANDREW DINNER

WHEN: Thursday, March 3rd

TIME: 6:00-8:00 pm

WHERE: St. Ignatius Residence 2890 N. Kobuk Ave.

RSVP: Talk to your local priest or contact Fr. Robert

Fath at rfath@cbna.org or 907-374-9504



Catholic Engaged Encounter Weekend

Feb. 25-27 at St. Nicholas Church in North Pole

Contact Fr. Robert Fath to register in advance.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, ...exclude and insult you, and denounce your name...on account of the Son of Man." (LUKE6:22)

All of us have been in situations when someone has made a negative comment or joke about God or our Catholic faith. How did you respond? Did you stay silent or pretend to go along with the crowd because you didn't want to cause waves and then, later, you felt bad? Know that God is with you all the time; the Holy Spirit will put the right words in your mouth. Pray for the strength and courage to proclaim our faith to others, especially during uncomfortable situations.



Justice Challenge: February is Black History Month. In addition, we celebrate President Lincoln's birthday on February 12. Lincoln wrote the Emancipation Proclamation to restore to African Americans their God-given right to be treated as human beings fully equal in God's eyes with the rest of society. Jesus told us his mission was to emancipate people from the things which oppressed them—poverty, despair, enslavement, whatever broke the human spirit. Your challenge this week is to emancipate someone from injustice. Who needs to be freed from oppression? Is it the kid at school who is constantly picked on? Is it the worker who is discriminated against? Is it the elderly shut-in? Whom will you liberate?

Connecting the Gospel ...

... **to the First Reading:** Blessedness, by its very nature, bears good things because it is of God. For Jeremiah, blessedness brings the lushness that water can bring to a desert. For Jesus, blessedness brings the unimaginable reward of belonging to God.

... **to experience:** Although we in our society are proud that we do not have classes or castes that separate, in fact we do have distinctions that separate, not least among them being the rich and the poor, the have and the have-nots.



We discover the presence of God's kingdom when people come together across what divides and share both gifts and needs, so that everyone is on "level ground."

Feast Day (Feb. 14): VALENTINE Third Century.

How February 14 came to be celebrated as the feast for lovers is somewhat a mystery. What little is known of the feast's namesake can be attributed to the lives of two martyrs: one a priest, the other a bishop. Their lives bear little resemblance to the contemporary holiday. The priest Valentine reportedly was beheaded in 269 by Emperor Claudius II. The bishop, known for healing, was martyred earlier. It's probable that a medieval custom of sending messages of love on this day merged later with the feast.

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP Recognizing God in Ordinary Moments



Planted Near Water

We all know that there are times when life can feel, as Jeremiah writes, empty and wasted. There are moments when we think we resemble a barren bush, thirsting in the desert sun.

That's why it is imperative for us to know the location of our water source. I promise you, it's closer than you think. God never planted a seed in barren ground.

For me, it's the Mass. Going to Mass is where I find total peace and renewal. I don't have any great theological explanation for this – Mass is simply where I can truly rest in God for a time where nothing and no one in the world can touch me. And wouldn't you know it, it's the toughest times that I need Mass the most – that my roots stretch harder for the water.

Woe to the rich, says Jesus – woe to the popular, to the content, to the happy. It's not because He hates to see us smile. It's because He knows our humanity. He knows our limitations. He knows that when things are going to really well, we often stop looking for God.

What replenishes you as a disciple, as a steward as a Christian? If it feels far away or hard to reach, why is that? How can you bring it closer?

We are all trees planted near water, to yield our fruit in due season. Let's pray for the strength to know where our water source is, and to seek it both in good times and in bad.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Feb 13, 2022 (World Marriage Day)

“Blessed are those who trust in the Lord.” Are you being called to deepen your trust in the love of the Lord by serving Him as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? (907) 374-9504 or email: rfath@cbna.org.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP REPORT

February 6, 2022, Collection: \$ 1,410.00

Thank you for your generosity and continued support!

Many are the plans in a person's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.

~Proverbs 19:21



Where did the “O My Jesus” Rosary prayer come from?

Everyone says it between the decades of the Rosary. What are the origins of this prayer?

“Sacrifice yourselves for sinners, and say many times, especially whenever you make some sacrifice: O Jesus, it is for love of You, for the conversion of sinners, and I in reparation for sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary.”

Our Lady spoke these words to the children of Fatima on July 13th, 1917, during the third of the six visits she would pay them. After saying these things, she showed them a terrifying vision of Hell.

After this vision, she spoke of God's desire to establish devotion to her Immaculate Heart. She asked for Russia's consecration to her Heart and the devotion of the Five First Saturdays. She spoke of what would happen in the world if her requests were not heeded and of the final triumph of her Immaculate Heart.



She then gave the children the prayer we know so well, instructing them to recite it after each decade of the Rosary:

“O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell. Leads all souls to Heaven, especially those in most need of Thy mercy.”

Our Lady's love and concern for sinners was a consistent theme of her apparitions at Fatima. She showed the children the vision of Hell in order to stir up their compassion for sinners heading for that dreadful place. She constantly urged them to pray and sacrifice for the salvation of souls, and the children—touched by what the Lady told and showed them—spent their lives doing just that.

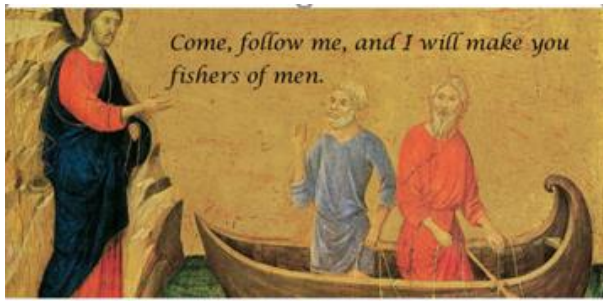
Let's join them in their mission!

Pray the Rosary—and the “O My Jesus” prayer Our Lady taught us—every day. Make the Five First Saturdays of Reparation and add in some sacrifices when you can. In this way, you will be honoring Our Lady's requests at Fatima, requests which call out to us more than a century later.

Your gifts of time, talent, and treasure are greatly appreciated not just by the soup kitchen, but especially by the people served. Your donations are making a great difference in their lives! The kitchen can be reached via e-mail

at iccsoupkitchen@cbna.org, by phone at 907-452-3533, ext. 22, or in person at Immaculate Conception Church between the hours of 10:00 AM and 2:00 PM.

<https://www.iccfairbanks.org/soup-kitchen>



ST. ANDREW DINNER- COME & SEE

Are you a young man between the ages of 14-35?? Have you ever felt the tug of Jesus on your heart calling you to something bigger than yourself? When attending Mass, have you ever wondered what it would be like to be behind the altar as the celebrant?

God has a mission and vocation for each one of us. The only way for us to discern that calling is to listen for His voice in our lives. YOU are invited to join the priests of the Diocese of Fairbanks for dinner and an evening of prayer and conversation as we explore the priesthood and religious life. Listen to the stories of the unique callings of each of our priests. Have the opportunity to ask questions about discernment, priesthood, seminary, and religious life. Spend time getting to know our local clergy

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Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions: Feb. 2022

Religious Sisters and Consecrated Women: We pray for



religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

Pray For: Pope Francis; Bishop Chad Zielinski, Fr. Robert Fath, Deacon Warren Lucero, our Priests, Religious, Deacons, and Seminarians in Alaska. For an increase in vocations into the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life. Pray to bring together Catholics on campus to help in their spiritual growth and studies. For the protection of those who are most vulnerable. Grant our dearly departed eternal rest and bring peace to their families.



FAIRBANKS AREA MASS SCHEDULES

Sacred Heart Cathedral 474-9032

Weekly Monday-Friday 7:30 am

Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm

Saturday Latin Rite Mass: 6:30pm – Feb 12 & 19

Sunday: 8:00 & 11:00 am

Sunday Spanish Mass: 1:00 pm

Sunday Vespers: 4:45 pm

Adoration: Tue (Spanish) 7:00-8:00 pm

Thu 8:00 am – 12:00 pm (English)

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

St. Mark University Parish 374-9564

Sunday: 5:30pm at **Sacred Heart Cathedral**

Thursday: 12:10pm CSA Campus Mass in Room 112
in Lathrop Building next to SRC.

Immaculate Conception 452-3533

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm

Sunday: 7:30am & 10:00 am

Weekday: Mon, Tue, Th & Fri: 12:10 pm; Wed 5:30 pm

Adoration: Wed 6:00 – 7:00 pm

First Friday: 6:00 pm – 6:00 am

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

<https://www.facebook.com/ICCFairbanks>

Saint Raphael 457-6603

Saturday Vigil: 6:00 pm

Sunday: 9:30 am

Weekday: Tue & Thu 9:30 am; Wed 5:30 pm

Adoration: 2nd Thu of the Month 4:00 – 8:00 pm

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

Saint Nicholas, North Pole 488-2595

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday: 9:00am & 12:00pm

Weekday: Mon, Tue, Thu & Fri 9:00 am; Wed 6:00 pm

Adoration: M, T, Th, F 8:30 am & Wed 6:30 pm

<http://www.stnicholasnp.org/>

Good Shepherd, Ft. Wainwright

Sunday: 9:00 am, 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: 10:30 am

Daily Mass: Tuesday-Friday – 11:30 am

