



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)

***First Friday & Stations of the Cross times during Lent can be found on our website next week.*

Sacraments

Confession- Saturday 3:00-4:00pm at SHC or by appointment.

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/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

Ph.907-374-9564

Email: stmark@cbna.org

Website: <http://www.stmarksuaf.org>

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

Bookkeeper: Marilis Bennett Ph. 907-590-9291

Music Director: George Stefan Ph. 907-687-0077

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

March 20, 2022

Third Sunday in Lent – Cycle C



First Reading: Exodus 3:1-8a, 13-15

God speaks to Moses from the burning bush and sends him to the Israelites.

Responsorial: Psalm 103:1-4, 6-7, 8, 11

A prayer in praise of God's mercy.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Paul teaches that the Scriptures were written to set an example for us.

Gospel Reading: Luke 13:1-9

Jesus preaches a lesson on repentance.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- ❖ **Mar 26:** Traversing the Paschal Triduum Retreat, 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM at Harding Lake. For Catholic Young Adults. CSA on UAF – fees will be covered by St. Mark. Please register now!
- ❖ **Mar 29:** 7:00 PM Chrism Mass at SHC
- ❖ **Apr 7:** 12:10 PM Healing Mass at SHC
- ❖ **Apr 11-13:** 6:00-9:00 PM Confession & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at SHC
- ❖ **April 11-13:** 7-7:30 PM Reflections on the Paschal Triduum Scriptures and rites of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil

Solemnity of the Annunciation
Friday, March 25th

Catholic Student Association

We are a community of faith and caring

On UAF Campus (Lathrop Hall Room 112):

No Thursday Mass during Spring Break.

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

Discipleship Doings: Jesus Doesn't Need Volunteers – He Has Disciples! Does the Holy Spirit nudge you to serve as a reader or join the choir at mass? Send an email to stmarks@cbna.org or talk with Fr. Robert Fath after Thursday or 5:30pm weekend mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

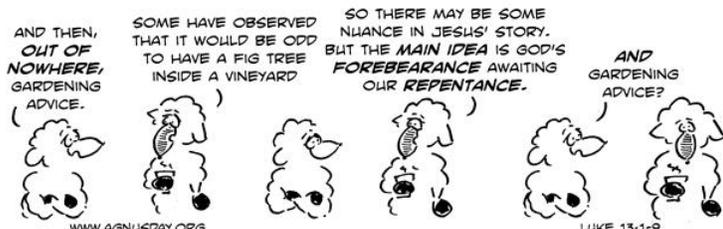
Check out Lenten Opportunities in the bulletin – Stations of the Cross and Adoration at our parishes in Fairbanks and North Pole. Email stmarks@cbna.org if interested in saying the rosary or spending time in prayer with other members on campus.

Music at UAF at Davis Concert Hall:
Every Thursday at 1:00 PM.
Mar 19 – 7:30- 8:30 PM UAA/UAF Opera Workshop Performance. Support our music students!

Connecting the Gospel ...

... **to the First Reading:** Paul, like Jesus, offers examples from Israel's history as a "warning to us" (**Second Reading**) not to stray from God's guidance. God offered every means for coming to new life to the people of Israel; so, too, Jesus offers us every means for coming to new and fruitful life ("I shall cultivate the ground ... and fertilize it").

... **to experience:** Growing up takes hard work. Getting ahead in life takes hard work. Deepening our relationship with God and others takes hard work. It is no surprise, then, that repenting takes hard work. The discipline of Lent includes this kind of hard-work repentance which leads to the new life Easter promises. <https://Liturgy.slu.edu>



Justice Challenge: As we enter more deeply into Lent, we recall Jesus washing the feet of his apostles. This action contains two essential challenges for those who seek justice in the world: the challenge to serve and the challenge to be served. Jesus sets the example to serve in ways that may seem to be beneath us and calls Peter to accept service. Many great leaders, even in the corporate world, spend some of their time doing the work of the lowest paid person in the organization as an important reminder that all work is valuable. This act is also a beautiful sign that the service of these all-too-often forgotten people is well-received by the leader. Step out of your comfort zone this week and do a task that may seem to be beneath you. Experience the dignity in your simple service. <https://pastoral.center>

3rd Sunday of Lent

"...He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.'" (LUKE 13:7)

We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have, or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts, He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous, but we are also called to develop and nurture our gifts and return them with increase. Remember, we are called to be generous with all of gifts; especially the one that means the most to you.

Sacrament of Reconciliation



St. Mark University Catholic Parish
Fr. Robert Fath 907-374-9504

Sacred Heart Cathedral
Saturday 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Immaculate Conception
Mon-Fri 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM
Saturday 3:00 PM – 3:30 PM

St. Raphael: Saturday 5:00 – 5:30 PM

St. Nicholas, North Pole – Wed 6 PM/Sat 4 PM

**HOLY WEEK: April 11-13 SHC Schedule
6:00 – 9:00 PM Confessions Available**

No sin is new to him.
No wrongdoing too great.
Come to Confession and
experience mercy and joy.

NOVENA FOR UKRAINE AND RUSSIA



Our Lady of Fatima requested during her 1917 apparitions that Russia be consecrated to her Immaculate Heart. The Holy See and Sr. Lucia said

Pope St. John Paul II's 1984 consecration fulfilled her requests.

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, intends to consecrate Ukraine and Russia to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on Friday, March 25th, the Feast of the Annunciation. In solidarity with our brothers and sisters who are suffering due to violence and aggression, we have been asked by the Ukrainian Catholic bishops to prepare for the consecration by offering a novena.

JOIN BISHOP CHAD ZIELINSKI IN THE NOVENA FOR UKRAINE AND RUSSIA. www.stmarksuaf.org

Everyday Stewardship:

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments



I think we all can acknowledge that there's a certain fatigue that comes over us all as we near the end of the Lenten season. Next week is Laetare Sunday, and I find that as soon as those pink vestments start coming out of storage, our collective motivation begins to wane.

I get that. Maybe you're fatigued — I am, too. Maybe you're doing well in your resolutions and devotions but you're in danger of coasting. Or maybe, like many of us this year or in past years, you don't feel that you have even really begun your Lenten journey.

Either way, chances are that the fire that was in your belly on Ash Wednesday is burning a bit low. All fires eventually do, once they consume whatever fuels them. So here we would do well to remember what fuels our Lenten fire.

Sometimes we make resolutions that have the appearance of being spiritual, but also have an earthly motive. We give up chocolate hoping to lose weight. We stop gossiping so our friends may like us more. There is nothing wrong with these sacrifices — just with their motivations.

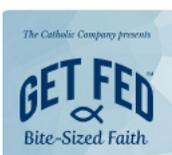
As Moses removes his sandals to approach the burning bush, he sees that the fire burns brightly, strongly — but does not consume. It is propelled by something inexhaustible, something which is not of this world.

Is your Lenten fire fueled by God? Are you daily surrendering yourself to the same voice that boomed from the bush in Genesis — the voice that commanded the Israelites to do what seemed like the impossible? ~ Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Come join the choir practice for the Mar 29th Chrism Mass at SHC. Practice is this Sunday (Mar 20th) from 2:30-

4:30 PM at SHC. This is a Mass where all our priests and parishes will be present for the blessing of the Chrism Oils. Voices are warmed up...please join us for Good Friday and Easter Vigil. Check www.stmarksuaf.com for practices and times.



Do we know where St. Patrick was born?

Careful. This might be a trick question.

So here's the truth of it. We *do* have the name of St. Patrick's hometown. It's a place called Bannavem Taburniae in Roman Britain, as St. Patrick states himself in his autobiographical *Confessio*.

The trouble is, Britain is a big place, and we actually don't know for sure where Bannavem Taburniae is. Some say it is in modern-day Cumbria in northwestern England, some say Scotland, some say Wales.



Wherever he was originally from, he wasn't from Ireland—which might shock you! Patrick was kid-napped from Roman Britain in the first half of the 5th century when he was just sixteen and taken to slavery in Ireland. After six years of slavery—during which time he grew more fervent in his faith, learned the Celtic language, and acquired a deep knowledge of the Celtic religion and culture—he (miraculously) managed to escape back home.

Desirous now of religious life, he studied in Gaul and was ordained by St. Germain of Auxerre. He wanted to return to Ireland as a missionary, and even had a vision, recounted in the *Confessio*, in which he heard the people of Ireland beseeching him to return.

Return he did, right back to the land and the people that had enslaved him. And that's how the Faith took root in the Emerald Isle: through the courage of St. Patrick, proclaiming Christ to a pagan country. www.catholiccompany.com/getfed

**PARISH STEWARDSHIP
REPORT**

Sunday Collections:

February 2022: \$ 5,077.00

March 2022: \$ 9,046.91

Total Sunday Collection for the new fiscal year
7/1/21 – 6/30/22: \$48,754.33



We have been blessed by your contributions and support of St. Mark's mission. During Lent, 3% of our collection will go towards CRS Rice Bowl Collection, as well as a donation in support of the Pontifical Good Friday Collection.

Newcomers, Welcome to St. Mark!

Please take a moment to register on our website or pick up a form after Mass to fill out at home and drop into the donation basket at our 5:30 PM mass.

www.stmarksuaf.org



Pray For.... Pope Francis; Bishop Chad Zielinski; Fr. Robert Fath; Deacon Warren Lucero; priests and religious in our Diocese and our rural

parishes. For an increase in vocations, return of Fallen Away Catholics to the sacraments, and peace in Ukraine. Remember our sick, homebound, hospitalized, and their caretakers. For the health of our parish family, UAF students, employees, and faculty community. Remember those who have gone before us that they may experience the love and mercy of God and watch over those they leave behind.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions: March 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.

Soup Kitchen Needs: For more information or to help out, visit the webpage at

<https://iccfairbanks.org/soup-kitchen> or you can call Soup Kitchen Coordinator, Nick Shamrell at 907-425-3533

Third Sunday of Lent -- March 20, 2022

"I AM has sent me to you." Could the Lord be calling you to proclaim His name as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? Contact the Vocation Office at (907) 374-9504 or email: rfath@cbna.org.

FAIRBANKS AREA MASS SCHEDULES

Sacred Heart Cathedral (SHC) 474-9032

Weekly Mass: Monday-Friday 7:30 am
Saturday Vigil: 4:30 pm
Saturday Latin Rite Mass: 6:30pm (*check schedule*)
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 Mass: 5:30pm at SHC
Thursday: 12:10pm CSA Campus Mass - Rm 112
in Lathrop Building next to SRC (*Sept-April*)
<https://www.stmarksuaf.org/>

Immaculate Conception (ICC) 452-3533

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm
Sunday Mass: 7:30am & 10:00 am
Weekday Mass: 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 Mass: 6:00 pm
Sunday Mass: 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: 5:00 pm
Sunday Mass: 9:00 am & 12:00 pm
Weekday Mass: Mon, Tue, Thu & Fri 8:00 am.
Wed 7:00 pm
Adoration: M, T, Th, F 8:00 am
<http://www.stnicholasnp.org/>

Good Shepherd, Ft. Wainwright

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