

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)

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/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

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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 & Sean Tucker

To our seasonal parishioners, may you travel safely home. Keep in touch by going to www.stmarksuaf.org.

May 1 - Third Sunday of Easter, Cycle C



Acts of the Apostle 5:27-32, 40b-41
The apostles are brought before the Sanhedrin and ordered to stop speaking in Jesus' name.

Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13

A song of praise to God who rescues us.

Revelation 5:11-14

John describes his vision of the praises that will be Sung to the Lamb by every creature on heaven and earth.

John 21:1-19

Jesus appears to the disciples for a third time after his Resurrection and shares a meal with them.

Dates to Remember

May 1 – Religious Brothers Day

May 4 – 6:30 – 8:00 PM Beloved: Mystery and Meaning of Marriage Prep at St. Raphael Parish. May 7 – 10:00 AM Altar Server Training at SHC May 7 – 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM Ladies Tea at SHC

May 8 – Mother's Day

May 8 - World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Congratulations on your
First Holy Communion!
Maria & John Yew
You are gifts to our parish, to the
entire Church, to the whole world. We
thank their parents for bringing up
their family in the Catholic Faith and sharing God's
very love with them and our parish.

Catholic Student Association

We are a community of faith and caring

On UAF Campus (Lathrop Hall Room 112):

12:10 PM Mass for students & UAF employees from September through April. Day of the week will be posted in the Fall.

Off UAF Campus:

Every Sunday at 5:30 p.m. there is Mass at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Masses in the Fairbanks/North Pole area and Parishes in our Diocese on the road system are posted on our website and this bulletin.

Congratulations to all our graduates! May God give you the courage and strength you need to guide you through the challenges and temptations ahead in your life!

"May the Queen of Peace preserve the world from the madness of war." ~ Pope Francis

May, The Month of Mary
During the month of May, please pray the Angelus
and Rosary each day in honor of our Blessed Mother.



World Day of Prayer for Vocations will be observed on Sunday, May 8, the Fourth Sunday of Easter, also called Good Shepherd Sunday because of the Gospel readings. This year

it also falls on Mother's Day. How appropriate is this. The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "*Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest*" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, and holy marriages.



Justice Challenge: It was a huge catch of fish... "so many fish they could not haul the net in.... In spite of the great number, the net was not torn." Yes, there is room for more. The net represents the Church. Our

churches need to be full, but they often are not. Why? There are certainly plenty of people populating the areas around most churches, yet the people aren't joining. Perhaps we are only casting our nets in familiar waters. Jesus suggests casting the net elsewhere. The challenge is to expand our vision of who should belong. Are there people living in your community who might not be desirable members of your church? Start talking to other parishioners about how to reach out to them. The net is strong enough to hold all of you together.

"The principle Trap that the devil sets for young people is idleness." - John Bosco

Everyday Stewardship: Gifts in Disguise



Have you ever opened a gift and wondered what the giver was thinking?

I won't call out any of my family or friends here, but suffice to say, I think we have all been the confused recipient of a sweater that wasn't our size or a gift card to a store where we don't shop. But we smiled all the same and said how much it meant to us, because we know that when it comes to gifts, it's all about the gesture.

Suffering is a lot like that — the gift you never asked for, and don't really want to receive. Sometimes we look at suffering and, like the apostles who see Jesus as a stranger on the shore, we recognize it for what it can be. We don't appreciate the catalyst suffering can be for change, for growth, for grace

What was the gift that you received in disguise? Was it a relationship that confounded and frustrated you? Was it a job that tested your spirit? An obstacle that stopped you dead in your tracks? A rejection that threatened to break your spirit?

If I go back and look at the worst gifts I've ever gotten, chances are that I didn't like them because I didn't know what to do with them — they were more fitted for someone else's interests, someone else's life. It's the same with suffering. We're tempted to cast suffering aside when it comes our way because it doesn't fit the person we are. Suffering is made to fit the person God knows we have the ability, with His grace, to become.

Hang onto that suffering. Unlike the misshapen sweater, it really will come in handy. — T racy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

Stewardship Moment

"...Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep." (JOHN 21:17)

How often do you actually say the words "I love you" to Jesus, to family members, or to friends? We are made to be in relationship with God and each other. Sincerely telling someone that you love them is the best gift you can give them because it comes from your heart. You are giving them the gift of yourself. We all crave love. Tell someone you love them every day.

Help the Soup Kitchen at ICC by donating time, money, or items. Contact by calling 907-452-3533 or iccsoupkitchen@cbna.org.



Why are there scapulars of different colors?

Most Catholics are familiar with the Brown Scapular. But there are also black scapulars, green ones, even red

and blue ones. What do the various colors symbolize?

Many of the scapulars with which we are familiar actually have their origins in religious orders, being a miniature version of the much larger scapulars worn as part of the religious habit. The smaller "lay" scapular is usually a sign of a person's membership in an order's *confraternity*: an association of faithful who are not members but partake in the spirituality and benefits of the order.

Let's look at some examples. The Brown



Scapular is one of the best-known Marian sacramentals. In 1251, Our Lady appeared to the English Carmelite St. Simon Stock and, giving him a brown scapular, said that anyone who wore this habit "would not suffer eternal fire." The promise extends to the Confraternity, who

wear a miniature version of the original brown Carmelite garment which covers the entire front and back of the religious habit.

The Passionist order, founded by St. Paul of the Cross in the 18th century and devoted to the Passion of Jesus Christ, has an all-black habit with a distinctive badge: a heart with a cross and the words *Jesu XPI Passio*—"The Passion of Jesus Christ." The Confraternity's scapular has a replica of this heart along with the words *sit semper in cordibus nostris*, meaning, "The Passion of Jesus Christ be always in our hearts," a favorite saying of the Order.

An interesting example of a scapular that is *not* connected to a religious order is the Green Scapular, which was given by Our Lady in the 19th century to Sister Justine Bisqueyburu of the Daughters of Charity (the same order as St. Catherine Labouré, who had received the Miraculous Medal ten years earlier).

Through this scapular, Our Lady promised the grace of spiritual conversion to unbelievers and lapsed Catholics who would wear it and recite a short ejaculation to her Immaculate Heart. If an individual in need of conversion refuses to wear it, the giver can slip it into their belongings or under their pillow and recite the prayer on their behalf.

The fascinating world of scapulars is vast; we've only touched on a few of them here. The Brown Scapular is certainly the best known and loved and is certainly a highly recommended devotion for every Catholic. www.catholiccompany.com

"If you believe what you like in the gospel, and reject what you don't like, it is not the gospel you believe but yourself." ~ St. Augustine

Third Sunday of Easter (Religious Brother's Day)

"Feed My lambs, tend My sheep." If you think you may have a vocation to follow the Risen Lord as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life, contact the Vocation Office at (907) 374-9504 or email: rfath@cbna.org

Connecting the Gospel ...

... to the First Reading: Strict orders from the Sanhedrin did not deter the disciples from obeying "God rather than men." Ever faithful to Jesus' command to follow him, they even rejoiced that they were able to "suffer dishonor for the sake of the name."

... **to experience**: Strict orders from the Sanhedrin did not deter the disciples from obeying "God rather than men." Ever faithful to Jesus'

command to follow him, they even rejoiced that they were able to "suffer dishonor for the sake of the name."

OH LORD MY GOD, I CALLED TO YOU FOR HELP AND YOU HEALED ME. Psalm 30:2



Interested in Altar Service Ministry? If you have made your First Communion you can go through training as an Altar server, male or female. There will be an Altar Server Training session <u>Saturday</u>, **May 7 at 10:00 AM** in the main

Church in the Sanctuary of the Cathedral. We need additional servers at our Mass. Contact SHC to add your name to the list at 474-9032 for training.

Marriage Preparations - Saint Raphael Parish is sponsoring a city-wide marriage preparation program open to all engaged couples. Marriage preparation explores the spiritual and eternal reality behind "I DO." The classes are facilitated by local couples using the Beloved Video Series that speaks to the very heart of every man and woman bringing sacramental truth and God-infused love into the everyday challenges of married life. Beloved – Mystery and Meaning of Marriage includes six sessions. April 27, May 4, 11, 18, 25, and June 1, on Wed. evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 PM at Saint Raphael Parish, 1125 Old Steese Highway North, Fairbanks. Couples planning to attend should call to register with Saint Raphael at (907) 457-6603 or you may email rtozzi@cbna.org







EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Diocese of Fairbanks is seeking to hire a qualified individual for **Chancellor**. This person must be a Roman Catholic in full communion with the Church. The Chancellor is responsible for supporting the bishop's initiatives, oversees the day-to-day operations of the chancery office and is responsible for both the internal and external communications for the diocese. This is a full-time, exempt position with benefits. Salary DOE. Position will remain open until filled. Expected start date o/a 6 June 2022. To apply please submit a cover letter end resume to humanresources@cbna.org Full job description available upon request.

Saint Raphael Catholic Parish is seeking a parttime bookkeeper. The position is 5-7 hours per week with a flexible work schedule. Requirements include high school diploma or GED; three years work experience in an office or customer service setting involving financial record keeping and database management. Experience using Quickbooks, Microsoft Office and database software. Salary is dependent on education and experience. To apply please submit a cover letter and resume listing three professional references to Rev. Ross Tozzi, Saint Raphael Catholic Parish, PO Box 10508, Fairbanks, AK. 99710 or via email to rtozzi@cbna.org.

Hospitality Ladies Tea will be held this Saturday, May 7, from 11 AM - 2 PM. The Tea is catered this year by DW. Lunch includes appetizers, salads, wraps, fruit, and a special dessert. Ladies from St. Mark who are attending please get you \$30 to Marilis Bennett after Mass, May 1st. We look forward to the fun while we help SHC Hospitality raise money for their services.

The Holy Father's Intentions for May 2022



For faith-filled young people: We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest: may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the

dedication to service.

Special Prayer Intentions for: Pope Francis; Bishop



Chad Zielinski; Fr. Robert Fath; priests & deacons serving in our diocese; an increase in vocations. The

return of Fallen Away Catholics to the sacraments. For the sick, homebound, hospitalized, and their caretakers. Pray for our newly graduated students commencing their journey in life. Remember our young adults returning home and seeking employment. And for our dearly departed and those they have left behind.



Sunday Collections:

April 24, 2022: \$413.00 **Total Sunday Collection** Fiscal year 7/1/21 - 6/30/22: \$55, 467.59

Thank you for your generosity & continue support!

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 amhttps://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