



ST. MARK UNIVERSITY PARISH

The Catholic Community of University of Alaska Fairbanks

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Sunday Mass Schedule:

Vespers: 4:45 pm @ Sacred Heart Cathedral (SHC)

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

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UAF-catholic-Club@alasks.edu

Pastoral Council

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

Sacraments

Confession- Saturday 3:00-4:00pm at SHC
or arrange a time with a priest.

Sacraments (Baptism, Confirmation, RCIA,
Anointing of Sick– contact 907-374-9564.

Sacraments of Initiation/Vocations– contact

Fr. Robert Fath at rfath@cbna.org or

Ph. 907-374-9504

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.*

Latin Phrases Every Catholic Should Know:

Anima Christa (Ah-knee-mah-kree-stee)

Soul of Christ

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time July 17, 2022, ~ Cycle C



First Reading: Genesis 18:1-10a

Abraham entertains three strangers and is promised a son.

Responsorial: Psalm 15:2-5

Those who do justice will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second Reading: Colossians 1:24-28

The mystery hidden from ages past has now been revealed in Christ.

Gospel Reading: Luke 10:38-42

Jesus visits the house of Martha and Mary.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Jul 24: World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly – “*In old age, they will still bear fruit.*”

Aug 24-25: UAF Residence Halls Open

Aug 29: First day of UAF Instruction

With the Papal announcement of Bishop Chad Zielinski assigned to the Diocese of New Ulm, he is now our “*Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Fairbanks.*” He will be installed on Tuesday, September 27th. The Diocese of New Ulm has been without a bishop for 22 months. We respect and support his transition and will miss his leadership. We send our blessings and prayers with him knowing that they will be well cared for. May they help make his transition go smoothly! Meanwhile, we pray for a new bishop who will shepherd our diocese and the challenges we face!

ATTENTION Catholic students attending UAF this fall! We are looking to hold an Ice Cream Social after our Sunday 5:30 PM Mass toward the end of July or in August for the purpose of talking about the Catholic Student Association (CSA) presence on campus. For more info contact Mary Pat Boger at stmark@cbna.org or call 907-374-9564. We will advertise in local churches and post up on campus in hopes of reaching.

Sacred Heart Cathedral has set a goal of raising \$53,00 to help with the cost of replacing their roof. Please consider donating! They have reached \$38,336 to date. You'll find envelopes in the pews or go to their website to donate. To follow the progress to <https://sacredheartak.org/giving>.

REGIONAL SOUP KITCHEN:

ITEMS NEEDED THIS WEEK: Eggs (fresh or hard-boiled), Fruit/Applesauce Cups, Granola Bars, and Potato Chips. Items can be dropped off at ICC side entrance during serving hours: 11am - 1pm Wednesday-Sunday or call us to arrange a drop off time. Contact iccsoupkitchen@cbna.org or call 907-432-3533.

Catholic Student Association at UAF

We are a community of faith and caring.

Look for us this Fall at UAF when the Fall semester begins! Weekly mass on campus in Lathrop Hall Room 112 (time & day to be determined). For more information email: UAF-catholic-Club@alasks.edu

FAIRBANKS EVENTS

UAF Thursdays: 12-2 PM at Wood Center during the summer. \$1/scoop hosted by Student Activities Office

Fairbanks Summer Arts Festival Jul 17-31

Golden Days Street Fair and Parade – Jul 23.

<https://www.fairbankschamber.org/golden-days>

Tanana Valley State Fair – Jul 29-Aug 7

<https://www.tvsfa.org>

International Senior Games – Aug 6-14.

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

Fairbanks Catholic Schools – Aug 10-16

Profession Days; **Aug 17** First day of Instructions (17-19 Early Dismissal at 12:50 PM)

<https://www.catholic-schools.org>

Fairbanks Public Schools – Aug 11-15

Professional Days/**Aug 17** First Day of Instructions

HIPOW– Oct 8: Never too early to donate items or sign up to help. *For more info call: 907-313-3291.*



Justice Challenge: There was an old priest who had been ordained right after the Second Vatican Council. He shared with his parish that he was so excited to hear of all the ways the Church could make a difference in the world! He started a little justice group in his parish and encouraged people to go out to see what was happening in their community, to observe and ask questions to understand things better, and then to come back together to share what they learned and decide what to do about all they learned. His parishioners loved it—they couldn't wait to get out there and bring their faith to the community and make a difference. Through this very first group a homeless shelter was built, a thrift store, a soup kitchen, and a food bank started, and a literacy program launched. What a difference faith can make! Your challenge this week is to reflect on what God might be asking of you today. Go out to observe and reflect, and then gather your family, neighbors, and/or some friends and do something!

Among the attributes of God, although they are all equal, mercy shines with even more brilliance than justice. – Miguel de Cervantes

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

“Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.”

Luke 11:9

Jesus assures us that if we ask, God will take care of what we need. The problem is that our culture often confuses what we really need with what we simply want. The truth is that many of us need very little. However, we usually want so much more! Stewardship is simply being grateful for all that we are and all that we have been given, and generously sharing all of our God-given gifts with others. Generosity is a gift that opens doors to new relationships with others and with God.

Connecting the Gospel ...

... to the First Reading: Abraham exhibited true hospitality. All of his efforts and busyness were directed toward the presence of his guests and their comfort and needs. This is what Martha in the gospel failed to do: keep persons at the heart of hospitality.

... to experience: How uncomfortable we feel when our presence takes second place in the attention of a host who is busy about the details of our being there! On the other hand, how welcome we feel when we are the host's center of concern and attention.

God cannot give us happiness and peace apart from Himself, because it is not there. There is no such thing C.S. Lewis – Mere Christianity

Glossary of Catholic Terms: *Why is a diocese called a “see”?* See is derived from the Latin *sedes*, which in its original or proper sense denotes the seat or chair that, in the case of a bishop is the earliest symbol of the bishop’s authority. This symbolic chair is also known as the bishop’s cathedra. The see city is that city after which the diocese or archdiocese is named. <https://www.usccb.org>



Why is the fish a symbol of Christ? *Learn the meaning behind one of Christianity’s most ancient symbols.* It’s everywhere. In ancient Christian catacombs, inscribed on sarcophagi, in mosaics and other art forms. We see it in churches, on t-shirts, on cars, and in the little logo for Get Fed.

It’s a symbol we still use today to say, “I am a Christian.”



But why do we use a fish to say this?

The fish has several interrelated meanings in Christian symbolism. Widely used in Sacred Scripture in both the Old and New Testaments, the fish is understood to mean both Christ Himself and the Christians who follow Him and is also an important symbol of the Holy Eucharist.

One of the most fascinating and beautiful facets of the fish symbol is its use as an acronym. If you take the first letter of each of the Greek words “Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior,” you get the word *ICHTHYS*: *fish* in Greek. So the fish is a profession of faith in Christ, His divine identity, and His saving mission.

It is likely that such symbols assisted the early Christians in times of persecution when they needed a way to communicate with one another without arousing pagan suspicions.

“Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me.”
Luke 10:40



EVERDAY STEWARDSHIP
Be Ready for God to “Stop By”

In my experience, most people can be divided into two groups: those who are old enough to remember when you kept food on hand for company, and those who aren’t.

For those of you in the latter group, let me explain. Before text messaging and social media made us all unconditionally, mercilessly reachable, people would do this thing called “stopping by.” They would be passing by a friend’s house, maybe on the way home from work or shopping, and they would just ... stop. With no warning. No notice whatsoever. “I was just in the neighborhood,” they would say. I remember my mother and I would do this on many a Saturday. It wasn’t an everyday occurrence, but it was common enough that you had to be ready.

“Crazy,” you might exclaim. “People just appeared on your doorstep? How did you cope with the uncertainty?” Well, most of us had moms who kept a little something on hand to eat or drink that was extra nice, just in case anyone stopped by. That way, we were always ready.

Today’s readings are about a lot of things: prayer, hope, redemptive suffering. They’re about what it means to be a Christian, and not just what it means to do Christian things.

Most of all, though, they’re about readiness. If God showed up at your door, would you be ready for Him? Would you be ready for what He gives you, or what He takes away? Would you be ready for Him to interrupt the plans you have for yourself? To disrupt the idea you carry in your mind of what a servant or a steward is supposed to be?

Read your Bible. Say your rosary. Go to Mass. Get to Confession. Talk to God — every day, not just when you think you need Him. That way, you are always ready. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LP

WE INVITE YOU TO REGISTER YOUR FAMILY WITH OUR PARISH. If you are registered with us, but aren’t receiving emails or mail, please contact us at stmark@cbna.org. We will contact you to update your information. You can visit our parish website at <https://stmarksuaf.org>.



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

July 3 - \$ 1,167.00
Collection for Fiscal year
July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023:
\$ 1,167.00

Online Giving can be done by going to our website under "Donation" tab to reach the WeShare link or dropping in the basket at the entrance of the church. Our fiscal yearend report will be completed by Aug 1st.

Thank you for your Continued Support!



The Holy Father's July Prayer Intention – For The Elderly:

We pray for the elderly who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

Please Remember In Your Prayers: Pope Francis; Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Fairbanks Chad Zielinski; Fr. Ross Tozzi and Fr. Piotr Oprych, all priests, sisters, and deacons in our diocese. Our sick, those who are hospitalized, recovering from illness or surgery – that they may find comfort and care; those in nursing homes, assisted living, and homebound. The return of Fallen Away Catholics to the sacraments. Pray for our dearly departed and those they have left behind.

Are you or someone you know in need of a prayer? Please e-mail smark@cbna.org and we will send your request to parish members who will pray for your intentions.

Prayer for a New Bishop



"Almighty God, Who by the Holy Spirit moves the hearts of Your people,

Direct the counsels of those who are Appointed to choose a bishop for The Diocese of Fairbanks, that we may Be given a pastor who in faithfulness and

Wisdom shall lead Your people

In the way of holiness.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mary, Mother of the Church, Pray for us.

When we lose one blessing, another is often most unexpectedly given in its place.

Yours, Jack: Spiritual Direction from C.S. Lewis

Consider serving our parish by assisting at the weekend Mass as a Lector or Extra-Ordinary Minister of the Eucharist. Please sign up a week in advance. Thanks!

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

St. Mark University Parish Sunday Mass 5:30 pm

Adoration: Tue (Spanish) 7:00-8:00 pm
Thu 8:00 am – 12:00 pm (English)
<https://www.sacredheartak.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/>

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 Reparation Mass
Adoration: Tue 8:30-9:30am, Fri 7:00 am-6:00 pm
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/>

Harding Lake – St. Mary's of the Lake

Sunday Afternoon Mass: 3:00 pm

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

ATTENDING MASS ON VACATION: Find a place to attend Mass near your destination while on vacation in the U.S. at www.MassTimes.org