



ST. MARK UNIVERSITY PARISH

The Catholic Community of University of Alaska Fairbanks

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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 Mass & Confession Schedules

Sunday Vespers: 4:45 pm at SHC.

Vesper Music can be accessed at St. Mark's website <https://stmarksuaf.org> as well as the QR code.

Sunday Mass: 5:30 pm at SHC

Unable to receive normal hosts? Please arrive before mass and see the priest or sacristan (Jennifer Chown) about the availability of low gluten.

For our homebound, Fr. Ross Tozzi homilies can be heard at <https://sacredheartak.org/chs>

Confessions: Saturdays 3-4 PM at SHC and ICC.

PASTOR

Fr. Ross Tozzi: rtozzi@cbna.org Ph: 907-347-3005

Fr. Piotr Oprych: poprych@cbna.org Ph: 907-347-9805

DEACON

Warren Lucero

Catholic Student Association

7:00pm Wednesday Mass – in UAF Upper Lola Tilly.

Religion Education for students – Contact Fr. Ross Tozzi if you have questions rtozzi@cbna.org or Ph: 907-347-3005.

LATIN MASS SCHEDULE:

Held at 6:00pm at SHC –

PARISH OFFICE

Office Hours: 10am – 12noon

Parish Admin: Mary Pat Boger – Ph. 907-374-9564

Bookkeeping: Marilis Bennett - Ph. 907-590-9291

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

CSA Advisor: Devan Larson: UAF-catholic-Club@alasks.edu

Pastoral Council: Marilis Bennett, Cynthia Klepaski, Ritchie Musick, Jen & Sean Tucker, Fr. Ross Tozzi.

Finance Council: Marilis Bennett, Jen Tucker, Fr. Ross Tozzi

CALENDAR of EVENTS:

6/5-14: 9am-4pm Summer Oratory

6/9: 1-5 PM Knights of Columbus Altar Server Picnic

6/14: 12-4 pm Summer Oratory Carnival

6/16: HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

6/30: Birthday/Anniversary Social after 5:30pm Mass

Catholic Definition: Cathedral

The official church of a bishop, where his permanent episcopal throne is erected. It is the mother church of a diocese and its clergy have precedence. (Etym. Latin *cathedra*, a chair, stool, throne; Greek *kathedra*, seat.

<https://www.catholicculture.org/culture/library/dictionary/>

HOMILIES FOR THE HOMEBOUND

For those who would like to read or listen to an audio version of Fr.

Ross's homily, just go to the Sacred Heart Cathedral website (www.sacredheartak.org) and click on the "Homilies" button. There is an archive of wonderful homilies available for your reflection.

June 9, 2024

10th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Cycle B



First Reading: Genesis 3:9-15

Adam and Eve eat the fruit of the forbidden tree.

Responsorial: Psalm 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 (7bc)

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

We believe and so we speak.

Gospel Reading: Mark 3:20-35

Whoever does the will of God is brother and sister and mother to me.



Music of the Mass ~ June 9th

491 There is a Wideness in God's Mercy

628 Canticle of the Turning

595 Jerusalem, My Happy Home

546 From All that Dwell Below the Skies

Heritage Mass parts found on pages 890-897.

SUMMER ORATORY

The sisters need help for Summer Oratory!



Snacks and drinks
donations can be dropped off
in the Religious Education office at SHC

June 14th 12pm-4pm

the last day of Oratory will be
a carnival!

We need **volunteers** to run
food and game booths.

If you are interested in volunteering
please contact the sisters!

907-987-9598



VOLUNTEER IN MAKING THE CARNIVAL A SUCCESS !!



Vespers (sung): 4:45 pm on Sundays at Sacred Heart Cathedral. Tradition Evening Prayer of the hours of the Liturgy. Consists of praying the psalms put to traditional chant tones.

Traditional Latin Mass- 6 PM at Sacred Heart Cathedral
June 29; July 13 & 27; August 10 & 24

Summer Oratory: June 5-14, 2024 (not including weekends) from 9am – 4pm for youth from ages 6 to 16 years at Sacred Heart Cathedral. The last day of the Oratory is a CARNIVAL from 12-4pm. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** - If you can help, please contact the sisters at 907-987-9598. Contact servidoras@cbna.org for more information.

The following programs start again in September:

Oratory ~ Religious Education ~ Confirmation ~ Youth Group ~ Voice of Hope Prayer Group ~ Voces Verbi Young Adult Group ~ Sacred Heart Reading Group ~ ICC Woman's Group

Soup Kitchen at ICC: (1pm Sat & Sun) Food items that are needed – Granola bars, Jelly, Fresh Fruit (bananas, apples, oranges, etc.), Desserts, Eggs, Hot Chocolate, Coffee (3#tin) , Peanut Butter, “Bottled water”**.

Immaculate Conception Church Soup Kitchen **NEEDS VOLUNTEERS** on Saturdays and Sundays from 12-3pm.

Sacred Heart Reading Group: Summer novel is ***The Living Wood about Saint Helena and Emperor Constantine*** by Louis de Wohl. Meetings begin in September.

Men's Group: 7:30 PM at ICC every Thursday. Adoration - followed by meeting downstairs.

Voices in the Wilderness: 6:30 PM Fridays at ICC. Contact Joe Malen 388-2550 or Annie Dobbs 479-8567.

ICC Our Lady of Fatima: Contact Shannon Christensen at (907) 388-1825.

Knights of Columbus: 6:30 PM **2nd Thursday of the month** downstairs @ SHC. Become an active part in the civic lives of our country, states, and local communities.

Associates of the Sisters of St. Joseph: For men or women currently meet about once a quarter at SHC. Contact Patty Walter pattywalter@hotmail.com for more information. The association makes an annual commitment to lead lives that strive to work for justice, reach out to those in need, and to build relationships in the spirit of hospitality and simplicity. Active since 1987.

Legion of Mary: 6PM Tuesday Legion of Mary Meetings ~ ICC. A group of dedicated women and men doing the Blessed Mother Mary's work.

Franciscan Community: 6:30 PM on **1st Thursday of the month** at St. Raphael Church. For information contact Gloria Slagle stclare4@gmail.com

Marriage Preparations – Contact Fr. Ross six (6) months prior to wedding - rtozzi@cbna.org or call (907) 347-3005.

Funerals: Contact Parish Office at SHC – 907-474-9032



Rest in Peace. The funeral and memorial for Frank Johnson will be June 22 at 10:30am at St. Raphael Church. Following there will be a burial service at 2:30pm at Northern Lights Cemetery. Frank and Betty Johnson touched the lives of many people both at St. Raphael as well as many other parishes in the area. A more in-depth announcement will be published in the bulletin next week – June 19th. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Father's Day is Sunday, June 16th.

At the end of the mass Fr. Ross Tozzi will bless fathers who are present. If you would like to request a Mass in honor of or in memory of a special father by name, please contact St. Mark's office at 907-374-9564 or email: stmark@cbna.org, or Sacred Heart Cathedral at (907) 474-9032. You may also contact Fr. Ross Tozzi or Fr. Piotr Oprych directly at the numbers listed at the front of the bulletin. Don't forget to think of a way to honor your "spiritual" father at St. Mark's....Fr. Ross Tozzi and Fr. Piotr Oprych (currently on vacation). By doing this it recognized the importance they have had on your life!

A Father's Heart Reflects



God's Love For His Children



Justice Challenge: This week we celebrate the feast day of St. Anthony of Padua. We usually associate St. Anthony with prayers for intercession when we have lost something. But St. Anthony was also a compelling preacher. And his message was often against greed and for charity towards the poor. That earned him the title of "Friend of the Poor." Your challenge this week is to be a friend of the poor in your community. What can you do—individually, as a family, as a group of friends—to help someone in poverty? Choose a corporal work of mercy and respond by feeding the hungry, giving drink to the thirsty, or sheltering the homeless!

<https://pastoral.center>

Connecting the Gospel...

... to the Second Reading: The "blood of the covenant" sprinkled on the people by Moses is that of sacrificed bulls. The "blood of the covenant" Jesus gives is not that of an animal, but his very own Blood given for the life of the world.



... to experience: When a couple offers one another the gift of self-expressed in marriage vows, they pass over together into a new way of relating and being. Old ways must die. But new life is experienced. Eucharist is Jesus' ongoing gift of self to us, through which we continually pass over from old ways of being to new Life. <https://liturgy.slu.edu>

Love for All

Jesus said, "Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother." (Mark 3:35)

Adults: In what way could you widen the circle of your family to include someone in need?

Children: Whom could you invite to share a happy time with your family?

"I urge you to remain steadfast in faith, so that at last we will all reach heaven and there rejoice together."

~ St. Andrew Kim Taegon

"Dear Lord,
Help me to embrace my family
during this time of vacation."

The Catholic Company presents



What family activity is a proven saint-maker?

Take it from St. Thérèse's own family!

We all want our children, godchildren, and grandchildren to grow into faithful men and women.

But it's difficult to know exactly how to help them get there, especially when the culture around them often spreads a conflicting message.

This is not a new challenge in the history of the Church, however. And there is a simple practice your family can take up that is a known saint-maker: reading Scripture together.



St. John Chrysostom urged his followers to immerse children in the Word of God. He said:

"Let everything take second place to our care of our children, our bringing them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord."

And this is exactly what a famous family of saints did. St. Thérèse of Lisieux grew up in a deeply devout family where reading the Bible was a cherished daily routine. Each night, her parents, Sts. Louis and Zélie Martin would gather Thérèse and her siblings together and read to them from Scripture.

St. Thérèse credited this family activity as one of the most formative practices of her childhood. To St. Thérèse, the words of the Bible were more than just stories; they were seeds planted in her heart, seeds that would grow into an unwavering faith.

Reading Scripture together also provides an opportunity for meaningful family discussions. It allows parents to address their children's questions about faith and life and to offer guidance rooted in the wisdom of the Bible.

So, let us gather our children, open the Bible, and read together. In these moments, we invite God into our homes and hearts, allowing His Word to guide us, comfort us, and unite us in faith. The Illustrated Children's Bible is the perfect way to share the joys of Scripture with your children!

<https://www.catholiccompany.com/getfed>



PETER'S PENCE

The **Peter's Pence** collection is a gesture of solidarity through which every member of the faithful can participate in the activity of the Pope as Pastor of the universal Church.

"The faithful's offerings to the Holy Father through the Peter's Pence Collection are destined to Church needs, to humanitarian initiatives and social promotion projects, as well as to the support of the Holy See."

For more information: <https://www.usccb.org/catholic-giving/opportunities-for-giving/peters-pence>

In the Family Way



Look here: there is no one more family-oriented than me. I drive a minivan. I wear mom jeans. I wipe unidentified gunk off of kids' faces without a second thought.

I'm all about family, but I'm not always a fan of what "family" has come to mean in the modern lexicon. Family values. Family-friendly. Family-oriented. It's usually a synonym for "non-offensive." Soft. Moderate. Nice.

It's all fine, I suppose. But is it genuine? Creating a family, bringing that family physically into the world, was the hardest and most painful thing I ever did. The care and keeping of that family — the teamwork with my spouse, the feeding and watering of the children, the teaching of the writing and the reading and praying — it's very hardcore. It's not all stuffed animals and peekaboo. It's a mental, spiritual, and physical challenge that daily brings me to my knees.

I'm not even talking exclusively about parenting young children. I'm talking about being part of a family in any way — being a son, being a daughter, being a sister, cousin, and uncle. Families are complicated, strange, and messy. Sometimes boundaries need to be drawn, or they need to be crossed. Sometimes walls need to be put up or torn down. It's never easy. It's never simple.

But I've never known someone who didn't want to be part of a family in some way, whether that's a blood family or one created by circumstance. And there's a reason Christ creates a family ("Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother") and not a club.

A family is a crucible, yes — but what comes out is so much more beautiful than what went in. For all the effort and even pain that is sometimes involved in a family relationship, there is nothing more defining, more fulfilling.

We are part of Christ's family, and what we can expect from that is certainly not a life of simple, clear-cut, undemanding discipleship. We can expect confusion. We can expect discomfort. But we can expect to be perpetually drawn to the heart of one who loves us without hesitation, without condition.

In the end, we're family.

"Here are my mother and my brothers." — Mark 3:33

Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman –June 6, 2024©Lpi

"For whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

~ Mark 3:35



Thank you for your generosity!



PARISH STEWARDSHIP
June 2, 2024: \$ 1,904.21
Actual Collection YT:
\$ 68,027.60
(7/1/23-6/30/24)

Visit WeShare for online giving at: <http://www.stmarksuaaf.org>.
June Special Collections - Peter's Pence: Peter's Pence supports the Holy Father's emergency humanitarian efforts.

Don't forget about the Knights of Columbus Baby Bottle Drive ends on Father's Day, June 16th that benefits FYNDout Pregnancy! Return the bottle/donation Knights of Columbus on Father's Day

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

"if a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand." - Mark 3:24

Within your parish community, do your ministries collaborate with each other or do they compete against each other? Do your parish ministries work for the greater glory of God or do they work for the glory of the people running them? The primary goal of parish ministry is not to increase Mass attendance, increase the number of volunteers or increase offertory. The primary goal is to be one Body of Christ that helps people take one step closer to Jesus. If it's not doing that, it's not worth doing.

Prayer of the Faithful: That our parish ministries collaborate together for the greater glory of God and not for our own pride.



Pope Francis'
June Prayer Intentions:

For migrants fleeing their homes.

"We pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys full of danger and violence, find welcome and new opportunities in the countries that receive them."

Please Pray For (+): Pope Francis; Bishop Steven Maekawa, O.P., Fr. Ross Tozzi, Fr. Piotr Oprych, and all priests, brothers, sisters, and deacons in our diocese.

- + Peace in the world and protection upon our military and first responders.
- + The success of the Summer Oratory being held at Sacred Heart Cathedral June 5th-14th and all who running the camp, helping, and donating time/items to make it a success.
- + Individuals who are homebound, sick, or hospitalized; remember their caregivers and families; and strengthening in faith of all who are afflicted in body.
- + A healthy summer for Families of St. Mark.
- + **Repose of the souls of all who have gone before us.**

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS "Here are my mother and my brothers." Embrace being a part of Christ's family and consider serving His people as a priest or religious brother or sister. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (907) 374-9504 and talk to Fr. Robert Fath, the Vocations Director at or email: rfath@cbna.org

ADORATION TIMES ~ Fairbanks & North Pole

Sacred Heart Cathedral

Wed: 11 AM to 12 PM ~ Thurs: 8 AM - 12 PM ~ Sat: 3 PM -4 PM

Immaculate Conception Church

Tues: 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM ~ Wed: 6 - 7 PM ~ Sat: 3 - 3:50 PM

St. Raphael Catholic Church

Tues. & Thurs 8:30 - 9:30 AM ~ Wed. 4:30 AM - 5:30 PM

2nd Thurs 4 - 8 PM ~ Fri. 7 AM - 6 PM

St. Nicholas Catholic Church

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., 8:00 AM

Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska <https://dioceseoffairbanks.org> website allows you to keep up with diocesan news, announcements, and needs, including parish websites in our large diocese.

PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS: Eternal Father, we lift up to you these and all the priests of the world. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Mold them, into likeness and holiness of your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their lives be pleasing to you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.



Diocesan Employment Opportunities

Part-time Donations Processing Clerk, 20 hrs./wk. This job entails all aspects of processing donations received by the Diocese. Visit dioceseoffairbanks.org/job-postings for more detailed information or E-mail humanresources@cbna.org.

Sacred Heart Part-time Outreach Coordinator

Responsibilities include Stephen Ministry Outreach, Safe Environment, and Emergency contact for citywide callout of priests to respond to people in danger of death or in special need of pastoral visits. Please submit a letter of interest, a resume, and three references to Rev. Ross Tozzi, Sacred Heart Cathedral. rector@cbna.org or Ph: (907) 347-3005 with questions.

The Catholic Schools of Fairbanks are hiring for the 2024-25 school year! Please visit <http://www.catholic-schools.org/employment> for a full list of open positions and application instructions.



Helping Alaska

Currently has the following position open: **Furniture Bank Ministry Manager, Helpline Director, and Program Coordinator/Case Manager.** Email your resume to: Director@helpingak.org or mscper@helingspinak.org. Call our offices at 907-452-3876 Ext 203 or Ext 208. Or apply in person at: Helping Alaska 609 3rd Street, Fairbanks AK 99701.

Please keep St. Mark (907-374-9564) or Sacred Cathedral Parish Offices (907-474-9032) informed of anyone who is homebound, hospitalized, seriously ill or wishes to receive Holy Communion or Anointing of the Sick.

SAFE ENVIRONMENT: Our diocese is committed to creating a safe environment for everyone. If you are aware of abuse, you are encouraged to report the abuse to local law enforcement agencies and to contact our Victim Assistance coordinator, Jocelyn Niedziela by calling (907) 374-9553 or emailing vac@cbna.org. For more information access the Diocese safe environment link through <https://dioceseoffairbanks.org/report-abuse>

