



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 to mass early and see the priest or sacristan (Jennifer Chown) about the availability of low gluten hosts.

For our homebound, Fr. Ross Tozzi homilies can be heard by going to <https://sacredheartak.org/> and click on "homilies."

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

PASTOR

Fr. Ross Tozzi: rtozzi@cbna.org Ph: 907-347-3005
(Out of Office until July 24, 2024)

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

DEACON

Warren Lucero

LATIN MASS SCHEDULE:

Held at 6:00pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral

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:

7/12-13: Monroe Foundation Super Sale

7/17-21: National Eucharistic Congress

8/2-3: First Friday at ICC – 5:30pm Mass – 7am Mass on Sat.

Catholic Definition: Dalmatic

An outer liturgical garment worn by a deacon at Mass and in solemn processions. It has wide short sleeves, reaches to the knees, and is open at the sides. It is of the same material and color as the vestments of the celebrant. It was introduced from Dalmatia (hence its name) to Rome as a secular garment in the reign of Diocletian.

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

Extraordinary Parish Needs:

St. Mark's is looking for more volunteers in our parish to become Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers for our 5:30pm Sunday Mass.

The next Altar Server training will be in September.

Lectors are always needed. Training provided.

Sign up in the notebook at the entrance if you are interested.

July 14, 2024

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



First Reading: Amos 7:12-15

The prophet Amos is sent from Bethel.

Responsorial: Psalm 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14

A prayer for the Lord's salvation.

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

Paul teaches that we were chosen for Christ before the creation of the world.

Gospel Reading: Mark 6:7-13

Jesus instructs his disciples and sends them to preach repentance.



Music of the Mass ~ 7/14

- 627** Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service
- 392** Lord, You Gave the Great Commission
- 192** Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
- 384** Send Forth by God's Blessing

Heritage Mass parts found on pages 890-897.

We welcome all to our community!

If you consider St. Mark University Parish your spiritual home, we ask that you register! Please contact our parish office at stmark@cbna.org or fill out a form at the entrance of the church and leave in notebook on the entrance table. We will contact you if more information is needed.

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

"Let us remember that the anointing of the sick is one of the 'sacraments of healing,' of 'restoration,' that heals the spirit."



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
July 13 & 27; August 10 & 24,
September 14 & 21, October 12 & 26,
November 9 & 13, December 14 & 28.

The following programs resume 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 – SHC
Reading Group.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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**”. Need volunteers both Saturdays and Sundays from 12-3pm.

SHC Friday Food Boxes: Calls are taken from 10-11am Friday. Volunteers unload boxes upon delivery from Foodbank around 12:15pm and distribute them to clients in the parking lot until 1:00pm. Please call Deborah at 907-474-9032 for details.

SHC Voices of Hope Prayer Group – 6:00 PM Tue, downstairs in SHC kitchen for light potluck. Contemplative prayer meeting in community room ending in rosary at 8:30 PM.

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.

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.

Fr. Ross Tozzi will be out of town until July 24th. If you need a priest, please contact at Fr. Piotr Oprych (907)-347-9805 ; poprych@cbna.org; Fr. Shepherd Munaro through Sacred Heart Cathedral offices at (907) 474-9032 or email him at smunaro@cbna.org.



Justice Challenge: July 14th is the feast day of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, the patron of the environment and ecology. She was from an Algonquin tribe that had been hit with a smallpox epidemic which took the lives of her family. As a teenager, she was introduced to Scripture by missionaries, and she was baptized. She led a very prayerful life devoted to the Eucharist and to serving others. Some in her tribe ridiculed her and she endured great suffering for her faith. Yet she never wavered in her beliefs. Your justice challenge this week is to take a step out in faith like Kateri, talk with a friend or someone in your family about your faith. Share what is important to you about it and then encourage those you talk with to do the same. You may be laughed at or ridiculed, or even surprised by a warm reception. Whatever the response, thank God in prayer for the opportunities you have to bring the good news to others and continue to be a living witness of your faith.

<https://pastoral.center>

Connecting the Gospel...

... **to the First Reading:** Amos was taken away from shepherding his flock and sent by God to prophesy. The Twelve were called and sent forth by Jesus to continue his mission of salvation. Both Amos and the Twelve were sent out on the authority of divine commission. So are we.



... **to experience:** We tend to live and work as if everything depends upon us. While we be realistic and practical about our role, we lose sight of the One on whom we ultimately depend—Jesus—who sends us forth to continue his own saving mission.

<https://liturgy.slu.edu>



THE CONGRESS
The Rebirth of a Legacy
July 17-21 in Indianapolis, IN

God hears our prayers for the renewal of our Church. He will answer them through a life-changing transformation of our own hearts. The 10th National Eucharistic Congress is an invitation to experience profound personal revival so we can be sent out to share Christ's love with a world that so desperately needs it. Whether you can come for one day or all five, join us for this generational moment. This is the first one held in America in 83 years. Jesus is calling us back to our first love for a new Pentecost. We are able to attend in person, but we can keep be part of it by listening to talks, watching videos, and reading reports at their site - <https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/>

Heavenly Father,
In your loving mercy,
you sent your Son, Jesus Christ,
anointed by the Spirit,
to redeem the world through his Paschal Mystery.
The disciples on the road to Emmaus
pleaded with the Lord, "Stay with us."
Promising to remain with his church,
and to nourish us as the Bread of Life and Cup of Salvation,
Jesus left us the Sacrament of Salvation in the Eucharist.
Stir up in our hearts a lively faith
in Jesus' real, loving, and saving presence, and
may the Eucharist become the pattern of our lives.
As a pilgrim church
may we be nourished and strengthened
at the Eucharistic table,
and so "do unto others" in love
as you have loved us.
Through the intercession of St. Joseph and St. Clare,
may we remain in your love
through the Sacrament of your Love. Amen.



How to participate in the Eucharistic Revival (*without ever leaving your house!*)

Here's a few ideas to get you started!

This (*week*) July, tens of thousands of Catholics will gather in Indianapolis to worship our Risen Lord in His humble Presence in the Eucharist.

What's happening? Why are crowds of Catholics descending upon this midwestern city?

They're answering the Church's call for a revival.



Three years ago, the USCCB called for a movement committed to rekindling a living relationship with the Eucharist. This desire to reconsecrate our nation to the Real Presence has led to a National Eucharistic Revival — which will culminate in the National Eucharistic Congress in July.

The mission of this revival should be close to the heart of every Catholic. However, not everyone can make it to Indianapolis this summer. So how do we participate if we can't travel?

Here are a few ideas:

1. Pray for a renewal of our country's faith in the Real Presence of Our Lord in the Eucharist.
2. Spend more time with Our Lord in Adoration and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.
3. Sign up to receive our all-new, totally-free documentary on the Eucharist and watch it in the comfort of your own home on July 1st, the Feast of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus.

Lastly, you can do your own personal Eucharistic Revival with the [30-Day Eucharistic Revival: A Retreat with St. Peter Julian Eymard](#). As the "Apostle of the Eucharist," St. Peter Julian will help you reinvigorate your belief in Our Lord's Real Presence and deepen your love for Him.

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

For all those not able to receive our LORD in the Eucharist you can recite the following:

An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart, as though You have already come. I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You.



Local parishes post their bulletins on their websites. To see events taking place visit their websites listed below.

Sacred Heart Cathedral <https://sacredheartak.org/>

Immaculate Conception <https://iccfairbanks.org/>

St. Raphaels Catholic Church <https://straphaelfairbanks.org/>

St. Nicholas Catholic Church <https://stnicholasnp.org/>

(Practicing) Catholic – Recognize God in your Ordinary Moments
SHAKE OF THE DUST!



Our kitchen floor is at least 35 years old, and it's the uglies color to come out of the '80s. But it's a good, durable floor, and my husband, bless his heart, guards it like it was a finely finished hardwood imported from Brazil.

Every time the kids track mud and sand across its vinyl surface, he immediately gets down on his hands and knees and lovingly wipes the mess away. I'm too impatient to do this myself—we have kids, so we're going to have a dirty floor, is my attitude. But this is the hill upon which my husband dies. On hands and knees, scraping dirt off an almost 40-year-old-floor, he is the silent, long-suffering sentry, and if it kills him, he will keep these floors pristine. He is Gandalf, and the dirt is the Balrog. You shall not pass.

"Shake the dust off your feet." This is what Christ tells his disciples to do when they—and his word—are rejected. Shake the dust off your feet in testimony against them. Why does he say that? It's not an act of dismissal. It's not a thumbed nose or a stuck-out tongue. No, it's an act of caution: Don't bring it with you. Leave it there.

When we walk through the world, we pick up a lot of dirt. Misguided notions, disordered priorities, habits, and desires that we never noticed until we realized they left a trail. We come into a situation intending to do what is right, but somehow it all goes sideways, and we walk away from it with detritus clinging to us in places we don't notice. They wouldn't listen. They'll see, we think. Oh, they'll see. They'll see how right I was. Pride and vengeance hitch a ride on the soles of our feed, and we track them all through the world.

What to do about this? You can be like me with my ugly old floor. You can shrug your shoulders and say, "It happens, I guess. I'm only human. I meant well." But here's what would be better: be like my husband. Get down on your knees and get rid of the dirt. Stop the trail in its track.

"So they went off and preached repentance." – Mark 6:12

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Sharing Good News

He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. (Mark 6:7)

Adults: What good news of Jesus can you share with others this week?

Kids: What good news of Jesus can share with others this week?

ADORATION TIMES ~ Fairbanks & North Pole

Sacred Heart Cathedral

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

Immaculate Conception Church

Tues: 7 PM – 8 PM ~ Wed: 6 - 7 PM ~ Sat: 3 – 4 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

Thank you for your Generosity!
PARISH STEWARDSHIP
June 30: \$ 507.00
Total for '23-'24 Fiscal Year
\$ 71,814.70



July 7: \$1,573.81
Total for Fiscal Year 7/1/24-6/30/25: \$ 1,573.81

Thank you for your support of June's Peter's Pence Collection. As a parish, 3% of our June collections came to \$146.89. Thank you for your Looking for a way to support our Parish? WeShare allows for electronic online giving at:
<http://www.stmarksuaaf.org>.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

"He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick – no food, no sack, no money in their belts." Mark 6:8

Imagine taking nothing but a stick when you go on a trip. The Apostles must have really trusted in God's providential care. Think of all the material things "we can't live without" in today's world. We make our life's journey more difficult because of all the material baggage that we drag along. Putting God first in everything and putting our money and possessions second gives us freedom because we don't become "slaves" to wanting to acquire more things.

Prayer of the Faithful: That we may learn from the Apostles to give up our strong attachment to material possessions.



Pope Francis' July Prayer Intentions: For the pastoral care of the sick.

We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confers to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and becomes ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.

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

- + An end to all war, conflict, and violence throughout the world.
- + For responsible governments and leadership striving for justice and peace in our nation and the world.
- + All who are caring for victims of conflict, homeless, and abandoned individuals.
- + Travelers and vacationers; may they have safe trips, protected from harm, and return home safely.
- + Our sick, those in the hospital, and those suffering serious illness. May our prayers bring them and their caretakers comfort.
- + Parishioners of St. Mark.
- + Our dearly departed and their families who grieve their loss.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS "My grace is sufficient for you." Consider a calling to the priesthood or consecrated life. God's grace is all you need. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at (907) 374-9504.

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 Vicim 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>



INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT THE SECULAR FRANCISCANS?

Have you felt drawn to St. Francis and St. Clare and their way of living out the Gospel?

COME AND SEE on Wednesday, July 31st at 6 PM at St. Raphael Catholic Church located at 1125 Old Steese Hwy N.

We now have four professed Secular Franciscans in Fairbanks. There are six more in Formation at this time. These people come from the different local parishes in Fairbanks. This COME AND SEE is being presented in collaboration with Our Lady of Angels Fraternity in Deer Park, Washington.

There is also a ZOOM link if you are unable to attend in person. Contact Gloria Slagle at stclare4@gmail.com for the link and if you have any questions.



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.



Catholic Schools of Fairbanks Openings

Director of Schools and President of the Monroe Foundation, Elementary Principal, Elementary Counselor, Full-time High School and Middle-School Teachers, and On-call Substitute Teachers. For more details or application instructions go to <http://www.catholic-schools.org/employment>.

If you know of anyone eligible and looking for work in these positions, please help by passing this along.

**My grace is sufficient for you,
for power is made perfect in weakness**

2 Corinthians 12:9

