



# ST. MARK UNIVERSITY CATHOLIC PARISH

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September 20, 2020–25<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time

**5:30pm ST. MARK MASS  
AT SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL**

### Unfathomable Mercy of God

**Isaiah 55:6-9** God is Generous in Forgiving  
**Psalms 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18** The Lord is kind and merciful.

**Philippians 1:20-24, 27** Live for Christ.

**Matthew 20:1-16** God's generous mercy.

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**Reconciliation:** Confessions at SHC, Sat. 3 -4pm.

**Sacraments & Becoming Catholic:**

Contact Mary Pat Boger at [stmar@cbna.org](mailto:stmar@cbna.org)

**Vocations:** See Fr. Robert Fath

**Parish Council:** Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun/month after Mass

**Parish Council:** Cynthia Klepaski, John Fox, Marilis Bennett, Ritchie Musick, Jen & Sean Tucker.

### Holy Father's Prayer Intentions - September 2020:

#### Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered but shared in a just and respectful manner.



### Spiritual Communion

Jesus,

Really present in the Most Holy Sacrament of the altar, since I cannot now receive thee under the sacramental veil, I beseech thee, with a heart full of love and longing to come spiritually into my soul through the Immaculate Heart of thy most Holy other and to abide with me, thou in me, and I in thee, in time and in eternity. Amen.

### Upcoming Events

The **2020 Regional Retreat and Rosary Congress** – “Mary, the Cause for our Joy” is less than two weeks away. This takes place at Sacred Heart Cathedral beginning with Opening Rosary followed by Mass and Eucharistic Exposition by Bishop Chad Zelinski at 5:30pm on Friday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>. Now is the time to make your plans to attend. There are talks by Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers of EWTN “Morning Glory” program; devotional prayers; and silent prayer in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. **Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers Talk Titles:**

Oct. 2 (Fri) at 7pm: “Mary Says Yes”

Oct 3 (Sat) at 9:30am: “Mary Brings Joy to Elizabeth”

Oct 3 (Sat) at 7:00pm:

“Mary, the Reason Behind Christmas”

Oct 4 (Sat) at 3:30pm: “Mary, Mediatrix of Grace”

**Sign up for a time for Adoration, Rosary and attending any of the talks by Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers at**

**<https://signup.com/go/qiQHvDS>.** A sign-up sheet will be available at Sacred Heart Cathedral for those not wishing to sign up online. We especially need people who will **fast from sleep** to be present during the hours of 10:00 pm to 5:00 am. Jesus and His mother are waiting for you.

### The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Instructions for those interested in learning about the Catholic Faith: Catholics and non-Catholics; even those who "thought about it" or are already Catholic.

Instructions are Thursday nights from 7-8:30pm, at Immaculate Conception Church Murphy Hall.

### DIOCESE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

**Donations Clerk.** This position is full time with benefits and supports processing donations from our benefactors for the diocese. Primary duties are data entry, donor interaction and correspondence and bank deposits. Qualifications include high school diploma or GED, typing at a minimum of 40wpm with 98% accuracy - 10 key included, proficiency in MS Office, strong communication skills, and a willingness to work as a positive team player. All duties and responsibilities should be performed in alignment with the mission, vision, and values of the Catholic Diocese of Fairbanks. Position will remain open until filled. To apply please send resume to [humanresources@cbna.org](mailto:humanresources@cbna.org)

## Connecting to the Gospel

... *to the First Reading*: While Isaiah is telling one truth, namely, that God's thoughts and ways are not ours, Jesus is telling another truth, that we are called to participate in God's thoughts and ways by working for the coming of the kingdom.

... *to experience*: Being completely lost in something we enjoy doing very much is its own reward. How much more so when we stay focused on following Jesus faithfully!

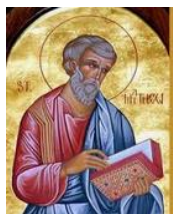
Working with the Word <https://liturgy.slu.edu>

## Gestures at Mass

By our ritual gestures (*body language*) we unite the physical and mental/spiritual aspects of our worship. At the moment of Consecration of each element, we bow our head and say silently "My Lord and my God", acknowledging the Presence of Christ on the altar. These are the words of St. Thomas when he realized that it was truly Christ who stood before him (John 20:28). Jesus responded, "Because you have seen me, you believed. Blessed are they that do not see and yet have believed" (John 20:20:29).

<http://www.cathedraloftherisenchrist.org/Documents/pdf/bible-study/03 Bible Study Gestures of the Mass.pdf>

## September 21, 2020: Feast of St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist.



St. Matthew is known to us principally as an Evangelist, with his Gospel being the first in the New Testament. His Gospel was written in Aramaic, the language that our Lord Himself spoke and was written to convince the Jews that their anticipated Messiah had come in the person of Jesus.



**92.7FM KQHE** - Queen of Heaven and Earth Radio - is the Catholic Radio Station in Fairbanks "Sharing the Truth in Love". Check out their schedule:

<https://www.kqhe.org/programming-schedule.html>

Check out this Comprehensive List of Catholic Podcasts for Every Interest.

<https://catholic-link.org/a-comprehensive-list-of-catholic-podcasts-for-every-interest/>



# Catholic Student Association

*We are a community of faith and caring.*

**St. Mark University Catholic Parish Mass Sunday 5:30pm Mass is now held at Sacred Heart Cathedral.**

**RIDES PROVIDED BY CSA:** Contact Mary Pat Boger (907-374-9564) to arrange a ride using Uber for students on campus without vehicles to attend off campus Catholic activities. Mass schedules and events can be found in the bulletin or on our webpage. <http://www.stmarksuaf.org>

**Check our website for CSA/Young Adult activities.** Fr. Fath is keeping information current so students are aware what Catholic activities you can be involved in!

## APPLICATION DEADLINE OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>:

Strom Award and Catholic Life and Leadership applications for the 2020-21 school year are available online: <https://stmarksuaf.org> Every little bit helps in keeping college costs down while engaging knowledge of your faith!

## To Stay Catholic in College: Most importantly – PUT YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS FIRST.

Nothing in life, absolutely nothing, is more important than a personal relationship with Jesus Christ. This must be fostered through prayer and the sacraments. Go regularly to Mass and Confession. Get into a good schedule early and don't give up on it, even when you fail (and you will!). Throw yourself on the mercy of God. When you make a mistake (not IF you make a mistake), turn back to God again and again if you must. He didn't give up on you, and he won't give up on you. In the end (and the beginning), Catholicism is not about a set of beliefs or practices, but about a Person, Jesus Christ. This encounter is the purpose of everything else you ever do. <https://www.ncregister.com/blog/dantuono/to-stay-catholic-in-college-you-have-to-do-these-6-things>

**A Crucifix** should be placed in your dorm room or apartment. They are a reminder that you are creating a Catholic environment. CSA offers a small one to any student requesting one, as well as rosaries and bibles. Contact Mary Pat Boger for one.



## UAF news and information

Keep current with news and events on campus:  
<https://news.uaf.edu/>

## ICC Soup Kitchen Needs

### ICC Soup Kitchen needs volunteer help during the following hours:

Tuesday & Wednesday 10:00 AM — 2:00 PM

Thursday & Friday 9:00 AM — 1:00 PM

Saturday & Sunday 10:00 AM — 1:00 PM

Volunteers help in a safe setting mindful of COVID19 protocol preparing lunch sacks. ICC is looking for food donations for sack lunches. With winter coming on, they are looking for winter clothes, mittens, boots, scarves and hats. Contact ICC at 452-3533 if you can help in any way.

**All Staff, Clergy, and Volunteers** must go thru the Safe and Sacred online training, found here:

<<https://dioceseoffairbanks.org/joomla/index.php/safe-environment/training>>

## EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE

Check out “**Resources for Individuals: Rediscovering the Sacrament of Penance**”. You’ll find resources, practices, church teaching and videos to help rediscover the Sacrament of Penance. <https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/sacraments-and-sacramentals/penance/sacrament-of-penance-resources-for-individuals>



<https://www.usccb.org/offices/justice-peace-human-development/forming-consciences-faithful-citizenship>

## Parish Support

For the Week ending September 13

Total: \$1,020.80

Year to Date (Starting 7/1/20): \$12,414.30

**Thank you for your spiritual and financial support during this challenging time!**

### Ways to donate:

**Basket:** Put in basket at entrance of church at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

**Mail:** St. Mark UAF Catholic Parish  
PO Box 750166, Fairbanks, AK 99775-0166

**Online:** Go to our parish website  
[www.stmarksuaf.org](http://www.stmarksuaf.org) and click on “WeShare”

## Year A (2020) Gospel of Matthew

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/matthew/>

The principal divisions of the Gospel according to Matthew are the following:

- I. The Infancy Narrative (1:1–2:23)
- II. The Proclamation of the Kingdom (3:1–7:29)
- III. Ministry and Mission in Galilee (8:1–11:1)
- IV. Opposition from Israel (11:2–13:53)
- V. Jesus, the Kingdom, and the Church (13:54–18:35)
- VI. Ministry in Judea and Jerusalem (19:1–25:46)
- VII. The Passion and Resurrection (26:128:20)



**Question:** Do you know which Evangelist - *Matthew, Mark, Luke and John* - belongs to which symbol - *winged lion, eagle, man/angel and bull*? (See last page of bulletin to check your answer.)

## Stewardship Moment

**“Do nothing out of selfishness; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves...”**  
(*Philippians 2:3*)

Pride and ego are hard things to control. We see how others act or dress and think we are superior to them. We idolize our own self-image. But, if we truly believe everything is a gift from God, we recognize all the people that God has put into our lives as gifts! We are grateful for how they enrich our lives. Pray every day for the people in your life: your family, your friends, and those who make you angry.

## Special Prayer Intentions



Pray for the victims of devastating fires and natural disasters; for those helping in these disasters and the rebuilding of lives in the aftermath of the destruction. May our prayers bring comfort and relief to the grieving.

Please pray for Archbishop Andrew Bellisario and the new Anchorage-Juneau Diocese in Alaska; Bishop Chad Zielinski, priests, religious, deacons and seminarians (past and present) serving in Diocese of Fairbanks; Ben Orr, Robin Eagan, Tracy Bradshaw; UAF students & employees; local schools, homeschoolers, teachers, and families. May we continue to offer our prayers to families who have lost loved ones, homes, and businesses.



**Fairbanks Catholic Schools:  
51<sup>st</sup> Annual HIPOW Auction –10/10/20**

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

Check out how HIPOW has been reinvented this year and help support the Catholic Schools.  
Phone: 907.456.7970

**NEIGHBORING PARISH MASS SCHEDULES**

*Check out our Diocese of Fairbanks and area parish websites to see what they have going on.*

<http://dioceseoffairbanks.org/joomla/>

**Sacred Heart Cathedral 474-9032**

**Saturday Vigil:** \*4:30pm (\*=Live Streamed)

**Sunday:** 8:00 & \*11:00am

**Sunday Spanish Mass:** 1:00pm

**St. Mark Sunday Mass:** 5:30pm

**Daily Mass:** Mon-Fri 7:30am

**Thursday \*7:00pm**

**Confessions Heard:** Sat 3:00-4:00pm

**Adoration of Blessed Sacrament:** Thu: 8am-12noon

<https://www.sacredheartak.org/chs/>

**Immaculate Conception 452-3533**

**\*All masses are live streamed.**

**Saturday Vigil:** 4:00pm

**Sunday:** 7:30am, 10:00am

**Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri Mass:** 12:10pm

**Wed:** 5:30pm, followed by Adoration & Confession

<https://iccfairbanks.org/>

**Saint Raphael 457-6603**

**Saturday Vigil:** 6:00pm

**Sunday: 9:30am – (Inside Church)**

**Weekday:** Tues, Thurs Mass 9:30am; Wed 5:30pm

<http://straphaelfairbanks.org/>

**Saint Nicholas, North Pole 488-2595**

**Sign up required to attend for Weekend Masses.**

<https://signup.com/go/ZjtAQHb>

**Saturday Vigil:** \*5:00pm – *Specifically for the Elderly and Vulnerable*

**Sunday:** 9:00am, 12:00pm

**Weekday:** Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri 8:45am Prayer & Mass; \*Wed 6pm Mass & Adoration w/Rosary

<http://www.stnicholasnp.org/>

**Catholic Schools of Fairbanks**

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



**Building Christ-centered families, one family at a time.**

Agape Catholic Ministries presents this conference which is open to everyone. Join the conversation with National Catholic leaders and apostolates, as well as ministry peers in marriage and family from around the country. We will pray, discuss, collaborate and remember how God’s love and mercy can heal the family and renew the world! Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers will be giving the Closing Prayer. (*Deacon Burke-Sivers will be in Fairbanks for the 2020 Regional Retreat and Rosary Congress in Fairbanks starting October 2<sup>nd</sup>!*)

For more information: <http://nacflm.org/nacflm-conference-2020/2020-keynote/>

Register at the following site before September 30<sup>th</sup>:  
<https://nacflm.wufoo.com/forms/q1wou5k51uyxj2s/>



**Evangelist Symbols**

**Answer:** Matthew – man or angel; Mark – winged lion; Luke – bull; John – eagle.

TODAY IS THE FEAST OF THE HOLY CROSS. I THOUGHT I'D UP MY GAME.



WWW.AGNUSDAY.ORG

TODAY IS ABOUT HONORING THE SIMPLE WOODEN CROSS THAT BORE OUR SALVATION.



SO NO BLING BLING THEN?



1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-24

KNOCK ON WOOD?



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