



ST. MARK UNIVERSITY CATHOLIC PARISH

The Catholic Community of University of Alaska, Fairbanks

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November 22, 2020

Solemnity of Our Lord Christ, King of the Universe

**5:30pm St. MARK Mass
at SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL**

The Final Judgement

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17 Parable of the Shepherd

Psalms 23:1-2a, 2b-3, 5, 6

1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28 Christ, The First Fruits

Matthew 25:31-46 The Last Judgment

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

Sacraments & Becoming Catholic:

Contact Mary Pat Boger at stmar@cbna.org

Vocations: See Fr. Robert Fath

Parish Council: Meets 2nd Sun/month after Mass

Parish Council: Cynthia Klepaski, John Fox, Marilis

Bennett, Ritchie Musick, Jen & Sean Tucker.



Holy Father's Prayer Intentions -

November 2020: Artificial Intelligence

We pray that by the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve mankind.

Anointing of the Sick – If you or a family member are sick, going into the hospital, or a nursing home – please contact Fr. Robert Fath or Mary Pat Boger if you wish to be included in our special intentions, prayers or wish to receive communion or a visit.

Welcome to our parish! A warm welcome to all our visitors. We support Catholic Students attending UAF. Due COVID protocols, Sacred Heart Cathedral is our temporary home. If you wish to make St. Mark University Catholic Parish your home, please register by contacting Mary Pat Boger @ stmark@cbna.org.

November 22nd Songs for Sunday:

720 King of Kings, Christ Jesus Reigns

717 Hail, Redeemer, King Divine

457 Shepherd Me, Oh God

721 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



Catholic Student Association

We are a community of faith and caring.

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

RIDES ARE PROVIDED BY CSA: Contact Mary Pat Boger (907-374-9564) to arrange a ride to attend off campus Mass and Catholic activities. Check parish websites for activities. <http://www.stmarksuaf.org>.

UAF COVID Updates:

<https://sites.google.com/alaska.edu/coronavirus/>

Thanksgiving away from home? If you can't make it home but want the traditional meal, contact Mary Pat Boger at stmark@cbna.org. Let us bring a traditional Thanksgiving Holiday meal to you on Friday, Nov. 27th. We need to know soon for planning purposes.

UAF Thanksgiving soft closure: Nov. 25

UAF Thanksgiving hard closure: Nov. 26-27

GOOD STEWARDSHIP FOR STUDENTS.

Embrace the entirety of your life as a student. Growth in school is about more than books and subjects. God has filled this world with people to meet, sports to play, and moments to rejoice in life. Don't let this time pass you by and get involved. *LPi Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*

HAPPY
Thanksgiving
DAY



Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

1 CHRONICLES 16:34



The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, formerly referred to as "Christ the King," was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to secularism, a way of life which leaves God out of man's

thinking and living and organizes his life as if God did not exist. The feast is intended to proclaim in a striking and effective manner Christ's royalty over individuals, families, society, governments, and nations.

Today's Mass establishes the titles for Christ's royalty over men: 1) Christ is God, the Creator of the universe and hence wields a supreme power over all things; "All things were created by Him"; 2) Christ is our Redeemer, He purchased us by His precious Blood, and made us His property and possession; 3) Christ is Head of the Church, "holding in all things the primacy"; 4) God bestowed upon Christ the nations of the world as His special possession and dominion.

Today's Mass also describes the qualities of Christ's kingdom. This kingdom is: 1) supreme, extending not only to all people but also to their princes and kings; 2) universal, extending to all nations and to all places; 3) eternal, for "The Lord shall sit a King forever"; 4) spiritual, Christ's "kingdom is not of this world."

— Rt. Rev. Msgr. Rudolph G. Gandas

ST. MARK PARISH NEWS

Celebrate the upcoming Advent and Christmas Season by decorating your house with Advent candles and calendars – made available for families after Mass on Sunday, Nov. 22nd and 29th. Check webpage for more information. We'll have traditional Polish Catholic Oplatki Christmas wafers for Christmas dinner available again! Contact Mary Pat if you can't attend Mass in person and wish to put something aside. stmark@cbna.org. *Looking for donations to defray costs and have supplies available next year.*



During the Advent Season we are encouraged to work together to help support the Immaculate Conception Soup Kitchen by participating in the **Soup Kitchen Advent Calendar!** A copy has been mailed to those on our mailing list and is also posted on our webpage www.stmarksuaf.org. Sacred Heart Cathedral and St. Mark parishioners are asking families to fill a box during Advent to help bring warmth to others. You can bring your collection in weekly or after Christmas to Sacred Heart Cathedral. Please get the family involved and support the cause.

We celebrate Thanksgiving as a sign of American unity and thanksgiving to God who has given us great gifts. There is no American holiday that so closely resemble the symbolism and meaning of the sacrament of the Eucharist. *This day was established in 1863.* www.catholicculture.org

Neighboring Parish News

NEEDED:

Volunteers for Immaculate Conception Soup Kitchen to help prepare sack lunches and donations of lunch items. Contact Nick Shamrell @

iccsoupkitchen@cbna.org

Volunteers for Sacred Heart Cathedral group to hand out food boxes on Fridays. Contact SHC **907.474.9032**.

SAVE THE DATES:

Advent Retreat - Nov 30-Dec 3

Join the local priests of the diocese for an Advent retreat focusing on the four last things: death, judgement, heaven and hell. Each evening at Sacred Heart Cathedral at 6:30pm, the homily for Mass will focus on our preparation for the coming of the Lord at the end of time as we prepare ourselves to celebrate the coming of the Lord at Christmas.

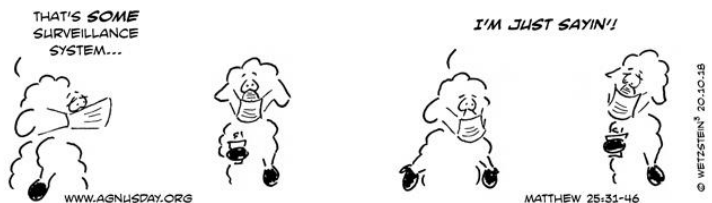
Each Sunday during Advent Nov. 29th at 4:30pm at Sacred Heart Cathedral, join us for sung Evening Prayer.

Advent Reconciliation Services

Each service will be 2 hours in length with Adoration only so people can come and go

- Dec 9 6:30pm Mass at SHC - Confessions 7-9pm
- Dec 15 Confessions 7:00-9:00pm St. Raphael
- Dec 16 Confessions 7:00-9:00pm St Nicholas

The Monroe Athletics program has teamed up with Quality Meats for a Holiday Fundraiser. Get your Holiday Ham, Crab Legs, or Prime Rib and support the Catholic School of Fairbanks! Place your orders by Tue, Dec. 1st and pick up orders on Tue, Dec. 15th. Orders can be made through <https://www.catholic-schools.org/monroe-athletics-meat-sale.html> *Certified Whole Angus (Boneless Beef Rib, Frozen, 17lbs) \$200; *Box Red King Crab Leg (10lbs) \$275; *Spiral Sliced Ham (Bone-In, 8-9 lbs.) \$35. *All weights are approximate and may vary.*





Advent begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas; Sunday after Thanksgiving; Sunday closest to the feast of St. Andrew the Apostle. **Advent** begins as early as Nov. 27th or as late as Dec. 3rd.

Advent is a time of preparation and waiting for Christmas which recalls the first coming of Jesus.

Advent is a time for people to look and wait for Jesus' second coming at the end of time.

Advent is a season of joyful and spiritual preparation and expectation.

**To Pray and Promote
To Praise and Thank
We ask that You**

Consecrate 33 Days to Prayer

(Reading Fr. Gaitley's book each day meditating on the mysteries of Jesus through the intercession of Mary.)

Beginning on November 29

**First Sunday of Advent
Till**

**December 31 Vigil of
Mary Mother of God
Theotokos**

**For Peter and Dominik
as they prepare for their
Diaconate Ordination**

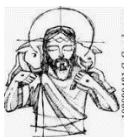
January 1, 2021

7:00 PM at Sacred Heart Cathedral

**Stewardship Moment for Nov 22, 2020
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

"...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me." – Matthew 25:40

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us. We are generous when we have the time or the money. But generosity is the opposite of that. It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness or mercy when it's not convenient; when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's schedule.



The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Focusing the Gospel ...

Key words and phrases: When the Son of Man comes; Come, you who are blessed; you did for me; you did not do for me, eternal punishment, eternal life

To the point: "Who am I?" This question Jesus put to his disciples long ago remains a question for all times and all disciples. To be faithful rocks upon which the church is built, we must know who Jesus is for us, listen to what he teaches us, and guard against anything prevailing against his church. Peter and Paul's faithful and fruitful discipleship rested on the rock of their knowing Jesus. Our own faithful and fruitful discipleship rests on this same rock. <https://liturgy.slu.edu>

**SACRAMENTAL IMPORTANCE OF
PENANCE**

"It is critically important that we remember the sacraments are not traditions. They are not little rituals we play out like the make-believe games of childhood. They have the power to bring heaven to earth, rip the veil between all things seen and unseen, and allow humanity and eternity to commingle in mysterious, yet palpable ways. Through the sacraments, heaven comes, not just to visit, but to live with us and in us. In the sacraments, we are graced."

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/sacraments/the-seven-sacraments/why-the-sacraments-are-a-really-big-deal/>

Not only does it [the Sacrament of Penance] free us from our sins but it also challenges us to have the same kind of compassion and forgiveness for those who sin against us. We are liberated to be forgivers. We obtain new insight into the words of the Prayer of St. Francis: "It is in pardoning that we are pardoned."



Jesus entrusted the ministry of reconciliation to the Church. The Sacrament of Penance is God's gift to us so that any sin committed after Baptism can be forgiven. In confession we have the opportunity to repent and recover the grace of friendship with God. It is a holy moment in which we place ourselves in his presence and honestly acknowledge our sins, especially mortal sins. With absolution, we are reconciled to God and the Church. The Sacrament helps us stay close to the truth that we cannot live without God. "In him we live and move and have our being" (Acts 17:28)

<https://www.usccb.org/prayer-and-worship/sacraments-and-sacramentals/penance/>

NEIGHBORING PARISH MASS SCHEDULES

Go to Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska Website to see recorded and live-streamed masses and parish websites:

<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/>

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/>

<https://www.facebook.com/ICCFairbanks>

Saint Raphael 457-6603

Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm

Sunday: 9:30am – (Inside Church)

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

<https://www.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/>

Special Prayer Intentions: Pray for Pope Francis, Bishop Chad Zielinski, our priests, religious, seminarians and all who serve in our Diocese. For our Diocesan parishes in rural Alaska without priests to serve them regularly. We pray for all our parishioners, the elderly, sick and compromised unable to attend Mass in person. For the repose of our departed brothers and sisters.

Please consider whether you may be a person God is calling to service through Priesthood or Religious life. Our diocesan vocations director is Fr. Robert Fath. He can be reached at vocations@cbna.org.

Loving Jesus,

We ask you to send more servants to your people.

Choose from our parishes, from our homes, from our schools and colleges,

An abundant harvest of apostles for your Kingdom Here in Alaska: priests, sisters, brothers, deacons and lay ministers.

We pray that those you call may never lose awareness of the dignity and need of their vocation.

O Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, Teach to all those the Master calls to say a joyful “yes”, as you did at the Annunciation.

CONTINUE TO PRAY AFTER ELECTIONS:

Prayer is needed after we vote: for our state and nation, for those who will serve as our elected officials, and for our own hearts, that we might be able to accept the results of the election, and will continue to work for life and dignity every day of the year, regardless of who is in office. Voting is one component of faithful citizenship, but faithful citizenship is a responsibility for the other 364 days of the year as well. After the election, the big work of renewing the political life of our state and our nation begins.

Parish Support

Thank you for your ongoing support of for our mission!
For the Week ending Nov. 15, 2020

Total: \$ 645.00

Checks: \$ 400/Cash \$ 85/WeShare \$ 160

Year to Date (7/1/20-6/31/21): \$ 20,068.25

Donations can also be made by Mail or Online:

*St. Mark UAF Catholic Parish PO Box 750166, Fairbanks, AK 99775-0166 or *St. Mark's UAF Parish website www.stmarksuaf.org - click on “WeShare”.

ITEMS USED AT MASS



Book of the Gospels: This book contains the gospel reading for each Sunday of the three-year cycle, plus all solemnities, feasts, and ritual Masses that are celebrated throughout the liturgical year. It is carried in procession by the deacon if it is used.