

ST. MARK UNIVERSITY CATHOLIC PARISH

The Catholic Community of University of Alaska, Fairbanks

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August 9, 2020-19th Sunday Ordinary Time

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

Faith in the Lord

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a Elijah's Flight to Horeb

Psalm 85:9ab+10, 11-12, 13-14

Romans 9:1-5 Grief for the Jews; God's Free Choice

Matthew 14:22-33 Jesus Walks On Water

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Bookkeeper: Marilis Bennett Ph. 907-590-9291 **Music Director:** George Stefan Ph. 907-978-6953 **Reconciliation:** Confessions at SHC, Sat. 3 -4pm.

Sacraments & Becoming Catholic:

Contact Fr. Robert Fath or Mary Pat Boger.

Vocations: See Fr. Robert Fath

Parish Council: Meets 2nd Sun/month after Mass **Parish Council Members:** Cynthia Klepaski, John Fox, Marilis Bennett, Ritchie Musick, Jen & Sean

Tucker.



Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for August 2020: The Maritime World We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

Stewardship for August 2020

Total Collection for July \$ 4261.50 August 2, 2020 - \$ 1,665.00

(Checks-\$405.00/Cash 0*/WeShare 1,260.00) *To be added to August 9^{th} collection.

Thank you for your generous support!
WeShare electronic donations at
www.stmarksuaf.org.

Upcoming Events

The Knights of Columbus Patriotic Assemblies will be collecting old and worn-out flags after all Masses **August 8 & 9.** If you have a worn-out flag, please bring it to Church that weekend. We will hold a flag retirement ceremony on Veterans Day. For more information, please contact Tom Malone at 460-1398.

Diocesan Seminarians will be returning to their studies this month. Please keep Piotr Oprych, Dominik Wojik, Joshua Miller and Michael Koehler in your prayers for a successful year.

Michael Gigliotti passed away August 2, 2020 after a brief illness. Nancy and Michael attended St. Mark services on campus, we would to offer our condolences to the family. Online condolences may be sent to the family at

https://www.blanchardfamilyfuneralhome.com/.

Focusing the Gospel

Key words and phrases: He came toward them walking on the sea, Come, walk on the water toward Jesus, saw how strong the wind was, beginning to sink

To the point: The unfolding series of events in this Gospel brings into sharp contrast divine action and human response, divine trustworthiness and human doubt, divine power and human weakness. When these contrasts clash, those who give themselves over to divine action are saved; those who rely on their own human response face death. This clash is evident within Peter: when he looks to Jesus and trusts him, he walks on water; when he looks away from Jesus to the frightening wind and waves, he begins to sink. All Jesus' disciples must contend with this inevitable clash. We all must choose where to look. Where we choose to look is a matter of Life or death. Working with the Word

https://liturgy.slu.edu

Liturgy Matters #36

The final unit of the Mass is called the dismissal rite. It is a very short unit, but an extremely important one. If "Amen" is a signal that a liturgical unit is ending, the repetition of the greeting "The Lord be with you" is a sign that a new one is opening. The Mass ends as it began; namely, under the sign of the cross and "in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." The priest traces in blessing over the assembly a large sign of the cross, saying, "May almighty God bless you, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit." As he does so, the people mark again the sign on their bodies and say, "Amen" to the blessing.

After the blessing, the priest or deacon, in some short phrase, dismisses the people, sending them out. But this dismissal ought not to be understood simply as the banal announcement that "it's over; you can go home now." It needs to be grasped within the dynamic of Jesus' words, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you". This "as" and "so" express a huge mystery; indeed, nothing less than an echo of the Trinitarian mystery in which the Son comes forth from the Father. In that same way, from those same mysterious depths, this assembly comes forth now from the risen Lord and is sent into the world. Thus, the pattern according to which the Lord entered the world must become the pattern for how every Christian comes into the world after celebrating Eucharist. Now the assembly has been made Church, and this is the Church in the world.

In the end it is Christ himself, the eternal Son of the Father, carried now in the flesh and in the lives of his members, poured out in self-emptying love. This is what it means to be a kingdom of priests. Through communion in the body and blood of Christ, the whole Church and each member become for the world what Christ is for the world: "life-giving Spirit". And the Church becomes this in the same pattern whereby Christ and the Spirit are this; namely, a complete self-emptying. "There is no greater love than this," and only love is credible to the world that does not yet believe.

And so ends the liturgy, but the Mass continues, as we go out to fulfill our call to be good Christians. May we all remember the gift we are given each Sunday and share this love with all we encounter daily.

Catholic Student Association

We are a community of faith and caring.

Latest on UAF News and information: https://news.uaf.edu>

UAF COVID-19 INFORMATION: A series of online forums will be held on the following Fridays at 10am by the chancellor's leadership team. August 7th forum participants will be led by Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor Anupma Prakash and include Keith Champagne, vice chancellor for student affairs; Doug Schrage, fire chief and director of emergency management; Linda Curda, College of Rural and Community Development; and Nettie La Belle-Hamer, vice chancellor for research. Additional dates will be held on August 14, 21, and 28 at 10am. Use the following n umbers to join by phone in listen-only mode: 1-866-832-7806, participant 2964272#. For more information, email Carla Browning, institutional events and communications manager, uaf-events@alaska.edu.

To Stay Catholic in College: In Matt D'Antuono's blog he emphasizes "Know your faith! I grew up going to a Catholic Church, but hardly anything sank in. I was like a sitting duck for people to come and explain to me what was wrong with Catholicism. The problem was that the picture they painted was a caricature, what's known as a 'straw man' in logic. Had I known what the Church really taught; I would have been able to answer any objection levelled against it.....Venerable Fulton Sheen accurately said, "There are not one hundred people in the United States who hate the Catholic Church, but there are millions who hate what they wrongly perceive the Catholic Church to be."

Know of any housing available near campus for students this coming school year? Please contact Mary Pat if you do and she will pass it on to interested students.

Campus Ministry: Please keep our ministry in your prayers and let us know if you hear of opportunities for students!

High School Youth Group

Sacred Heart invites all high school youth in the Fairbanks area to attend weekly events this summer including a hiking trip, bonfire, and other activities. Check Sacred Heart Youth Ministry page on Facebook for more up-to-date information

ICC Soup Kitchen Manage Job Opening

The Regional Soup Kitchen of the Diocese of Fairbanks is **seeking an individual** working 15—20 hours a week well versed in organizational skills working with volunteers, the needy, and the Diocese of Fairbanks. The individual should have 5 years of experience in the following: human resources, sound knowledge of computers, excellent learning and communication skills, and have the ability to collaborate and cooperate in a professional, productive, and proficient manner. Send all inquiries or resumes to tkuffel@cbna.org

ICC Soup Kitchen Needs

ICC Soup Kitchen depends on Immaculate Conception, Sacred Heart Cathedral, St. Raphael, St. Mark and St. Nicholas Churches on helping with volunteers and donations! Please help by giving of your time or donating food items to make this mission a success.

<u>Items needed</u>: Granola bars, sliced cheese, cheese sticks, desserts, cake/brownie mix. If you bake home items – please wrap into individual servings. Unable to shop – make a monetary donation to ICC's Soup Kitchen

Volunteers needed:

Tuesday 10:00 AM —2:00 PM Wednesday 10:00 AM —2:00 PM Thursday 9:00 AM —1:00 PM Friday9:00 AM—1:00 PM Saturday 10:00 AM —1:00 PM Sunday10:00 AM —1:00 PM

Volunteers help in a safe setting mindful of COVID19 protocol preparing lunch sacks.

Keep up the good work and continue to bring in donations on the weekend



to reach our 500 pounds! Please drop of your donations of canned or dry food to Sacred Heart Cathedral entry and place in the blue tub. **If you are bringing donations in for the ICC Soup Kitchen, make sure you contact them and let them know in advance. Make sure your box or bag of nonperishable items are labeled "ICC Food Kitchen."

Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.

I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

And unite myself wholly to You Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Retrouvaille of Alaska

Marriage Troubles? If your marriage has become troubled and stressed, unloving or uncaring; if you have grown cold and distant; even if you are divorced or separated, or are thinking about it, Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi) can help, as it has helped tens of thousands of others. Our next program begins Oct. 9, 2020. For information visit

www.HelpOurMarriage.com, or call 907-863-8000. Not counseling or group therapy. All contacts and names held in strict confidence.



Pray for Bishop Chad; Fr. Robert Fath; priests, religious, deacons and

seminarians serving in our diocese; retirees; Michael Gigliotti (dec.); parishioners unable to attend mass due to health risks; UAF and Fairbanks area schools; essential workers in the medical field and emergency services work areas.

All Staff, Clergy, and Volunteers must go thru the Safe and Sacred online training, found here: http://dioceseoffairbanks.org/joomla/index.php/safe-e-environment/training>

LOVE INC: GAP Ministry

God Always Provides! The GAP Ministry for August is **Personal Needs Closet**. Please bring donations for this ministry to: University Presbyterian Church, 3510 College Rd, Fairbanks 99709. Needed: Diapers & Wipes, Toothbrush & Paste, Shampoo/Conditioner, Body Wash; Razors, Deodorant, and Feminine Hygiene.

Stewardship Moment

<u>"</u>He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus." (Matthew 14:29)

When you hear Jesus calling, do you respond immediately and trust that He knows what He's doing? If so, you are walking on water! When we say "yes" to Jesus, we feel the power of His presence in our lives. We can feel the freedom it gives us! Listen to how Jesus is calling you to live the extraordinary life He has intended for you.

PRAYER FOR A NEW SCHOOL YEAR

"God of wisdom and might, we praise you for the wonder of our being, for mind, body, and spirit. Be with our children as they begin a new school year. Bless them and their teachers and staff. Give them the strength and grace as their bodies grow; wisdom and knowledge to their minds as they search for understanding; and peace and zeal to their hearts. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen."



St. Michael the Archangel,

Defend us in battle,

be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil.

May God rebuke him we humbly pray and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

NEIGHBORING PARISH MASS TIMES

Check Diocese of Fairbanks and parish websites

for current news, letters from Bishop Chad, Diocesan magazine, calendar of events, seminarian news and specific needs in our rural parishes. http://dioceseoffairbanks.org/joomla/

Sacred Heart Cathedral

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

Daily Mass: Mon-Fri 7:30am <u>Thursday 7:00pm (Live-Streamed)</u> Confessions Heard: Sat 3:00-4:00pm

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

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

Immaculate Conception 452-3533

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 - Outside in Parking Lot

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 (*Weekday Masses are Live Streamed*)
Weekday: Wed 6pm Mass & Adoration w/Rosary

http://www.stnicholasnp.org/



Catholic Schools of Fairbanks

https://www.catholicschools.org/blog