

March 8, 2026



Daily Readings
Third Week of Lent

Monday – 3/9
2 Kings 5:1-15ab
Luke 4:24-30

Tuesday – 3/10
Daniel 3:25, 34-43
Matthew 18:21-35

Wednesday – 3/11
Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9
Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday – 3/12
Hosea 14:2-10
Mark 12:28-34

Friday – 3/13
Hosea 14:2-10
Mark 12:28-34

Saturday – 3/14
Hosea 6:1-6
Luke 18:9-14

Fourth Sunday of Lent
March 15, 2026

1 Samuel 16:1b, 607, 10-13a
Psalm 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6
Ephesians 5:8-14
John 9:1-41
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings>

Saints of the Week

Mar 9: St. Frances of Rome
Mar 10: St. Mary Eugenie of Jesus
Mar 11: St. Constantine
Mar 12: St. Fina
Mar 13: B. Agnello of Pisa
Mar 14: St. Leobinus
Mar 15: St. Louise de Marillac

Learn about their stories at:
<https://www..org/saints/sofd.php>

Food for thought....

Blessed are students who volunteer to help others, they will deepen their capacity to love. Service to others is a major part of being Christian.

Blessed are the students who keep away from drugs, alcohol, and other dangerous activity, they are least likely to get into trouble.

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Catholic Student Association

The Catholic Student Association (CSA) is a community of faith and caring; interested in growing and practicing our Catholic faith.

Our mission is to provide support for students on campus who are practicing Catholics and those wanting to learn more about the Catholic Faith. We support continuing instruction and provide the opportunity to practice their faith with support from St Mark University Catholic Parish. CSA will assist in community service activities within UAF campus, the Diocese of Fairbanks, and Fairbanks community when time allows.



NO CSA Weekday Mass during Spring Break!

If class conflicts with the CSA on Tuesday currently, we encourage you to register with CSA to enjoy other opportunities that the club has to offer during the week .

Chrism Mass will be held 7:00 PM on March 12th at Sacred Heart Cathedral.

Join Bishop Steven J. Maekawa, O.P. blessing oils used in the sacraments throughout the Diocese. Priests from around the diocese will renew their commitment to their priestly vows. Lay people present recommit themselves to the service of God and others, which is rooted in their baptismal mission, whatever their vocation in life.

Spring Break – March 9th-13th: the last day of semester classes is April 27th. Take the opportunity to relax or catch up with work. Parishioners of St. Mark will keep you in our prayers as you take a break to relax.

Campus Pastor Fr. Ross Tozzi – Pastor for St. Mark Parish & CSA. Contact Information: Email: rtozzi@cbna.org or Ph: 907-347-3005.

Interested in learning more about Catholicism? Becoming a Catholic? Completing Sacraments? Contact Fr. Ross Tozzi or call (907) 347-3005. to get more information or come to our meetings this semester.

Michael OIsta, Director of Office of Faith and Family Formation for the Diocese of Fairbanks can be reached at olsta@cbna.org. Check out the Diocese of Fairbanks Ministries for Young Adults at <https://dioceseoffairbanks.org/young-adult>. **CSA Advisor Devan Larson** - UAF- catholic-Club@alaska.edu. Contact Devan if you have questions about the upcoming semester.

Check out www.stmarksuaf.org CSA/Young Adult tab for events and engage.uaf.edu/events for more information on campus activities.

- Once a month **Young Adult Feast and Faith** meet at Authentic Mexican Cuisine for a free meal and listen to a guest speaker.
- Once a month **Young Adult Game Night** meets March 15th at SHC.
- Fridays at **Voces Verbi** at ICC 6:00-8:00 PM for Young Adults ages 18-35.
- Monthly **Diocesan Movie Night** at ICC.



St. Mark's Sunday 5:30 PM Mass held at Sacred Heart Cathedral (1300 Peger Rd). Rides provided for those living on campus without available transportation. Contact Mary Pat Boger in advance at stmark@cbna.org or 907-379-9544.

SPRING BREAK IS HERE!

We will pray that all our students find time for resting, spending time with loved ones, and adventuring. ...Be Wise in your choices...Surround yourself with people who love Jesus...Remember who you represent...**RELAX and HAVE FUN!**

UPCOMING EVENTS ON CAMPUS:

Mar 8: 2:30-5PM Fairbanks Community Band Educational Concert & Instrument Petting Zoo in Davis Concert Hall. Free concert at 4 PM

Events of Interest off Campus:

March 5-7: Kinross Junior North American Championship in North Pole – Morning Star Park
March 6-28: Up With Art FNSBSD Student Art Show (K-12) at Pioneer Park Bear Gallery
March 11-12: Annual Convention Arts & Crafts Bazaar by Tanana Chiefs Conference
Now until June 24: Weekly Bike Clinic at Beaver Sports 5:30-6:30 PM every Wednesday
March 12: Tanana Lakes Recreation Area Spring Fest: 11AM-3PM
Feb 13-May 15: Fairbanks Trails Challenge. For info: 907-459-1070
Feb 16-Mar 31: World Ice Art Championships. TV Fairgrounds 12-10 PM

Neighboring Parish Mass Times

Sacred Heart Cathedral

(907) 474-9032
 Saturday Vigil: 4:30 PM
 Sunday 8:00 & 11:00 AM
 Spanish Mass at 1:00 PM
 St. Mark Mass at SHC 5:30 PM
 *Weekday: Mon-Fri: 7:30 AM
 Saturday 9:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday from 3:00 to 4:00 PM

Immaculate Conception

(907) 452-3533
 Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM
 Latin Rite Mass 6 PM – TBA
 Sunday: 7:30 & 9:30 AM, 12:00 PM
 *Weekday: Mon – 8:30 AM
 Tue, Wed, Thu, Fri: 12:10 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Half hour before every Mass (except Mondays). 6-7 PM Wed. & 3- 3:45PM on Saturdays

Saint Raphael

(907) 457-6603
 Saturday Vigil: 6:00 PM
 Sunday: 9:30 AM
 *Weekday: Tue, Th: 9:30 AM,
 Wed 5:30 PM/Fri: 6:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Sat: 5:00 – 5:30 PM

Saint Nicholas, North Pole

(907) 488-2595
 Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 & 12:00 PM

*Weekdays: Mon, T, Th, Fri: 9:00 AM
 Wed 7 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Wed: 6:00 PM & Sat: 4:00 PM

Ft. Wainwright Southern Lights Chapel

Sunday: 9:00 AM

*Weekday – Wed 7 PM

Eilson Air Force Base Chapel

Sunday 10:30 AM

Adoration

Sacred Heart Cathedral

Thursday 8:00 AM – 12 Noon
 Saturday 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Immaculate Conception

Sat: 12AM-11PM; Sun: 11AM-7PM
 Mon-Thu: 7AM-7PM; Fri: 7AM-11PM
 Contact Parish office to make a commitment.

St. Raphael Catholic Church

Tuesday & Thursday 8:30 AM – 9:30 AM
 Wednesday 4:30 AM-5:30 PM
 Friday 7:00 AM – 6:00 PM

St. Nicholas Catholic Church

Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri – 8:00 AM- 9:00 AM

Good Shepherd – Ft. Wainwright

Every First Friday after 11:45 AM Mass

FROM THE OFFICE OF FAITH AND FAMILY FORMATION:

The website for signing up for World Youth Day is live, and we will be having a diocese-wide “**World Youth Day Sneak Peak**” offered by Verso Ministries, the organization helping coordinate our travel, on a Sunday in **March 8th at 4:00 PM** on Zoom for those who would like to learn more. Those interested will need to register. There is also a new registration deadline of April 1st. Go to the Diocese webpage <https://dioceseoffairbanks.org/world-youth-day-seoul-2027> If you have questions contact Director of Faith and Family Formation – Michael Olsa, S.T.L. at olsa@cbna.org or 907-374-9526.



“Let the mouth fast from foul words and unjust criticism for what good is it if we abstain from birds and fishes but bite and devour our brothers.”
 – St. John Chrysostom

“Fasting cleanses the soul, raises the mind, subjects one’s flesh to the spirit, renders the heart contrite and humble, scatters the clouds of concupiscence, quenches the fire of lust, and kindles the true light of chastity. Enter again into yourself.”
 ~ Saint Augustine of Hippo

“Lent is the favorable time to offer to the Lord sincere thanks for the wonders he has done for humanity in every age, and especially in the Redemption when he did not spare his own Son (cf. Rom 8:32).”
 ~St. John Paul II

An Examination of Conscience with Dante

Preparing for your Lenten confession through Purgatorio (Divine Comedy)

Tuesday, March 3rd @ St. Nicholas Church
 Tuesday, March 17th @ Immaculate Conception Church
 7:00 pm at both locations

Father Robert will offer two opportunities to prepare for your Lenten confession by reflecting on the imagery of the seven deadly sins in Dante's Divine Comedy- Purgatorio. Spend an hour exploring the great poet's understanding of sin, purgation and virtue. Participants will leave with an examen to plan for their own confession. Questions? Email: rflth@cbna.org

FATHER DAVID MICHAEL MOSES' GUIDE TO CONFESSION FOR SINNERS

(Everything You Need to Know!)

15 STEPS TO RECONCILIATION & JOY

STEP 1: YOU HAVE TO HAVE SINNED.
Assuming you've done this already. No offense! We all have.

STEP 2: EXAMINATION OF CONSCIENCE.
Figure out the REALLY BAD stuff (Mortal Sins). Use an online guide or book. Feeling like a "donut" is normal, but remember Jesus came for sinners.

STEP 3: LOOK UP CONFESSION TIMES.
Check parish website (sacraments, confession, mass times) or bulletin. Call the parish office to be super duper sure. (Do you have confessions at 3 p.m.?)

STEP 4: GET TO THAT CHURCH.
Go to the location at the right time.

STEP 5: GO INSIDE & LOOK FOR A LINE.
Look for a line or a confessional. Check lights: RED = Occupied, GREEN/OFF = Welcome Sinners. If no lights, door closed? Cross fingers and hope!

STEP 6: CHOOSE A SIDE.
Some offer both. Pick what's comfortable for you.

STEP 7: START TALKING.
Bless me, Father, for I have sinned. It's been [time] since my last confession. (Feel free to ask "hey Father, it's been a while, can you walk me through it?")

STEP 8: MAKE YOUR CONFESSION.
State mortal sins & number of times. Be specific without being awkwardly specific. "Bring the NUGGETS, keep the SAUCE." Don't worry about judgment.

STEP 9: APOLOGIZE.
I am sorry for these and all my sins. (Let's the priest know you're done).

STEP 10: RECEIVE A PENANCE.
Priest gives you an outward sign of repentance (e.g., prayers, actions). REMEMBER what he tells you!

STEP 11: SAY THE ACT OF CONTRITION.
Oh my God, I am heartily sorry... because they offend Thee, my God, who are all good... I firmly resolve, with the help of Thy grace, to sin no more... Amen.

STEP 12: RECEIVE ABSOLUTION.
God, the Father of mercies... through the ministry of the Church, may God grant you pardon and peace, and I ABSOLVE you from your sins... Amen.

STEP 13: DON'T FORGET YOUR PENANCE.
Do this as soon as possible!

STEP 14: LEAVE FULLY FORGIVEN.
Restored to the State of Grace received at baptism. You're perfect, like your Heavenly Father!

STEP 15: REPEAT AS NEEDED.
Confession is the best Experience the joy of walking in a sinner but walking out NEW AGAIN!

CONFESSION: THE BEST WAY TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S MERCY & JOY!
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CATHOLIC SCHOOLS OF FAIRBANKS ST. PATRICK'S DAY CELEBRATION

Annual Dinner and Raffle
 March 17th – 6:00 PM at Catholic Schools of Fairbanks MPR.
 Doors Open at 5:30 PM. Join them for...
 Dinner
 Cash Raffle
 Dessert Auction
 Fishbowl Raffle.

Corned Beef
 \$15 Adults - \$10 Children
 Free for kids 5 and under.

Drawings begin at 7 PM
 Dessert Auction winners at 7:30 PM

For tickets go to catholic-schools.org/stpats.html