

# St. Anthony Catholic Church

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## Fourth Sunday of Lent March 31, 2019

Our mission:  
To express faith in action,  
welcome and celebrate diversity, and  
be alive in prayer and worship!

### All are welcome!



### Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday—9:00 AM  
Saturday—5:30 PM  
Sunday—8:30 AM—10:30 AM—5:30 PM

Healing Mass—First Friday  
Native Mass—Third Saturday—5:30 PM  
Filipino Mass—Second Sunday—5:30 PM  
Samoan Mass—Last Sunday—10:30 AM  
Youth Mass—Fourth Saturday—5:30 PM

### Adoration

Friday—7:00—8:00 PM

### Reconciliation

Saturday—4:00—5:00 PM

### Baptism

Baptism Parents' Class — First Sunday of each month  
9:45 AM in the Parish Office Building

### Marriage

Meet with Pastor at least six (6) months  
prior to wedding

### Funerals

Contact the Parish Office immediately  
after a death

### Office Hours

Monday — Friday 8:00 AM — 4:00 PM

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## Reflection for the Week

Dear Friends,

Peace!

“The key to beating loneliness in Priestly life, as well as anybody else, has always been friendships.” Here, I am referring to acquaintances that are normally superabundant in Priestly Ministry or to the myriad of good folks at the Parish who smile, shake hands and occasionally hug me on Sundays. Sharing stories as I visit them in their home and eat with them. “Too often, we underestimate the power of a touch, a smile, a kind word, a listening ear, an honest compliment or the smallest act of caring, all of which the potential to turn a life around.”

Honestly, I do not know how I would persevere in my calling without them. “Jesus went to Bethany to enjoy the friendship and intimacy of his friends Lazarus, Martha and Mary and to share a meal together (see John 12:1-3).” Jesus in His humanity needed friends. So too, a Priest needs his ‘Bethany’- he simply cannot genuinely thrive in a commitment to celibate chastity without at least a few true and intimate friendships. Such friendships are a gift from God.

Of course, we as Priests need to take a good day-off, vacation, good movies, retreat and spiritual direction to sustain our humanity and our Priesthood and Ministries.

Priests are graced with the friendship of Jesus deepened in our daily prayers, meditations, discernments and celebrating the Sacraments centered on the ‘Holy Eucharist.’ Jesus gave us this immense gift of being ministers of the mysteries of God (1 Corinthians 4:1). As often as we rediscover this truth, we are reminded that the Priesthood is not a matter of doing and having, but a matter of being.

Blessings and always,  
Father Vince

### Readings for Next Week’s Mass

#### Fifth Sunday of Lent

**FIRST READING—The Book of Isaiah**

Isaiah 43:16—21 (36C)

**SECOND READING—The Letter of St. Paul  
to the Philippians**

Philippians 3:8—14

**GOSPEL—The Holy Gospel according to St. John**

John 8:1—11

### Lenten Reconciliation Service Schedule

April 1, Monday, Saint Elizabeth—7 PM

April 2, Tuesday, Saint Anthony—7 PM

April 3, Wednesday, Saint Andrew—6:30 PM

April 5, 12-Friday, Holy Family—7 PM

April 8, Monday, Our Lady of Guadalupe,  
Co-Cathedral—7 PM

April 14, Thursday, Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
9 AM—7 PM

## Parish News and Events

**Lenten Reconciliation Service at St. Anthony will be this Tuesday, April 2, 7 PM.**

**There will be no Faith Formation this Tuesday, April 2.** Families are encouraged to attend the Lenten Reconciliation Service.

The **Parish Council** is working to update St. Anthony Parish's Mission Statement and Plan. We need your help with this initiative. We will be launching a **short Parish Survey** this week. **The survey will be available in paper format at all Masses through Easter.** This will be an anonymous survey and everyone's input matters. Thank you for your help and input.

**Lent is here**, and once again we are having “**Soup and Stations**” each **Friday, 6 PM**, from **March 15 through April 12**. This popular tradition starts with a potluck meatless soup and bread supper, followed by Stations of the Cross. Different Parish Ministries and Communities sponsor and organize each week. The Samoan Choir served March 22, the Native Ministry hosted March 29, the Filipino Gospel Choir will host April 5 and the Samoan Community has April 12th - Thank you! We hope to see you there!

The **Knights of Columbus** are selling tickets for their **18th Annual Bison Hunt Raffle!** Winners receive an **all-expenses paid guided bison hunt on Kodiak Island or \$3,500 cash. Tickets are \$20 each.** This is a major fundraiser for our Knights and helps them to support our Parish Ministries. For more details or to purchase, see the Knight in the entryway after this Mass or contact Paul Lightner.

**What else do the Knights of Columbus do besides pancakes? They support our Parish, our Pastor and the Church!** Our St. Anthony Knights have just **donated \$1,000 to our St. Anthony Youth.** They have **donated a new Monstrance to the Parish** after the old one was severely damaged in the earthquake. **Wow!** You should know when you support the Knights, they are supporting St. Anthony. **Thank a Knight today – buy a ticket!**

**What were you doing Saturday morning?** Our **St. Anthony Youth** were cooking and delivering **dinner for sixty (60) to Moms and Kids at Clare House!** They also delivered a big load of donated stuffed animals. Joyfully serving and sharing the love of Jesus with others is what they're all about. Then they all went and prayed and witnessed by their presence at the **Forty Days for Life.** Please thank and encourage our wonderful St. Anthony Youth!

**You are cordially invited to Lumen Christi Catholic High School's Spring Open House and Pizza Dinner!** Come visit our school on **Thursday, April 4, 6—8 PM.** Bring the family, enjoy a pizza dinner on us and learn more about the exciting opportunities our school has to offer for students in Grades 7—12. Meet Students, Parents and Faculty Members. Tour our Campus and be entered to win a \$50 Amazon gift card! We look forward to welcoming you to our School!

**Saint Therese's Camp registration is now open!** Join us for a supercharged week of fun, faith and friends at **Saint Therese's in Wasilla. Open to children entering Grades 3—12 in the Fall.** Boats, shooting range, volleyball, swimming, gaga ball, rock wall climbing, arts and crafts, great friends, great meals, campfires, all in a rich catholic environment. **Regular rate registration; Grades 3—8, \$327 per week. Grades 9—12, \$365 per week.** Visit [www.stthereseak.com](http://www.stthereseak.com) to register and for more information or call 232-2066.

**St. Therese's Camp seeks a Summer Cook!** We're looking for **someone who can cook three (3) meals a day for about one hundred (100) people, on June 16 — June 28 and July 14 — August 2.** Come enjoy fun, faith and friends on beautiful Neklason Lake as you and your kitchen helpers, twelve (12) hard-working high school kids keep the camp well fed. Stipend and housing at the camp are part of the deal. Contact Rudy Poglitsch, 232-2066 or [campdirector@stthereseak.com](mailto:campdirector@stthereseak.com) for more information.

**St. Therese's Camp Auction—"Raisin' of the Green 2019."** Support Fun, Faith and Friends in the Valley on **Saturday, April 13, 6—10 PM**, Bridge Restaurant, 221 W Ship Creek Avenue. **Tickets are \$25** at the door or purchase online at [www.stthereseak.com](http://www.stthereseak.com). Contact Yvette Tousignant at [yctous@gmail.com](mailto:yctous@gmail.com) or Rudy, 232-2066 for more information. **Come and support the great things that are happening at St. Therese's Camp!**

**Pregnancy Support and Adoption Services needs a new crib with a new mattress as well as a new car seat.** If you are interested in donating one of these items, please contact Melissa Webber, [mwebber@cssalaska.org](mailto:mwebber@cssalaska.org) or 222-7344. Thank you!

**Project Rachel Support Group.** Suffering, sad, or confused because of an abortion — you or a family member? Whether recently or long ago, consider grieving your loss through the Archdiocesan-supported **Project Rachel healing group.** It is free and confidential. For further information or to participate phone our confidential phone line, 297-7781 or Toll Free 1-866-434-3344 (outside the Anchorage area).

**TAKE A STAND FOR LIFE - From March 6 — April 14, our Community will take part in 40 Days for Life,** a groundbreaking, coordinated international mobilization. We pray that, **with God's help, this will mark the beginning of the end of abortion in our City and beyond.** This year, a prayer vigil from 12 Noon—7 PM, in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 4001 Lake Otis Parkway. Additional prayer vigils will take place daily during this period. For more information, contact Patrick Martin, 232-2211 or email [PatMartin@AlaskaRightToLife.org](mailto:PatMartin@AlaskaRightToLife.org).

**Can you help? Clare House needs a variety of different donations,** specially toilet paper and new pillows. Clare House provides a safe home environment for women and children in crisis, keeping the families together. Donations can be

dropped off at the shelter located at 4110 Spenard Road. Thank you in advance!

**Are you interested in volunteering but find you don't have the time?** You might be interested in joining Catholic Social Services' Donation Creation Teams! Many of our programs are in constant need of specific donations and we rely on volunteers to help supply them. Join a team and simply receive emails about needs as we have them and share those needs with people in your community! If interested or have questions, please contact Inmaly Inthaly: [iinthaly@cssalaska.org](mailto:iinthaly@cssalaska.org) or 222-7327.

**Invest in your marriage** by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend to affirm and celebrate your marriage. **May 3 — 5 at the Holy Spirit Retreat Center.** Lodging and meals are provided. The weekend ensures your privacy, no public or small group sharing is necessary. Apply today and see what a difference a routine check-up with some added holy maintenance can do for your relationship. Information and applications online: <http://alaskawwme.org> or call Deacon Bill or Sherry, 250-5885. **WWME Alumni are needed to support the weekend and the Ministry.**

**Save the Date!** Reserve your spot today to play in the **2019 Archbishop's Golf Tournament on Thursday, June 27, Settlers Bay Golf Course, Wasilla.** Register yourself or a team of four (4) at [www.archdioceseofanchorage.org/archbishops-golf-tournament](http://www.archdioceseofanchorage.org/archbishops-golf-tournament).

Understanding the true meaning of marriage is one thing, living it out is another. **Beloved: Living Marriage** examines the day-to-day challenges of being united as husband and wife, while maintaining individuality. Learning to effectively communicate, turning conflict into understanding, avoiding the pitfalls that wreck relationships and understanding sex in the context of authentic love are among the topics presented for helping relationships to thrive. Six sessions from trusted experts work for both marriage preparation and marriage enrichment opportunities. **Join us 6—8 PM Saturday evenings in the Upper Room at Lumen Christi High School, April 6 and May 4.** Gather for a potluck meal followed by open gym for the kids (childcare provided). At our April meeting, we will look at the Seder Meal and have a parent discussion on the Fifth in the Beloved video series, "Protecting the Bond". For more info,, contact James Kvidera, [james.p.kvidera@gmail.com](mailto:james.p.kvidera@gmail.com)

### Question of the Week

When have you been generous enough to forgive someone who hurt you deeply?

### Question of the Week for KIDS

Is there someone you need to forgive or ask forgiveness of?

## Liturgical Ministers — April 6/7

Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday — 5:30 PM		
Melissa van Haastert	M. Snowball E. Ramirez F. Bolewicz	Bella Dahl Jacob Fanene Cordilliah Fanene Nofoaga Fanene Serani Tafune
Sunday — 8:30 AM		
Stephanie O'Connor	A. Candelaria M. Pili P. Kough	Ken Young Kristopher Anaruk Samantha Anaruk James Anaruk Winter Anaruk
Sunday — 10:30 AM		
Malia Alefosio	A, Bol M. Roldan S. Lolesio T. Lolesio J. Peters T. Ulofoshio Sister Monique	Zanoah Mafuao Zephaniah Mafuao Edward Savelio Tristan Savelio Toe Poe Jr.
Sunday — 5:30 PM		
Victoria Rahm	N. VanHoey M. Laflamme M. Aldana	Ryon Yamat Emmanuel Mast Anastasia Mast Antonio Rivera Nicole Rivera Rafael Rivera
Home Eucharistic Ministry	Brenda Bergsrud	Pat Petrivelli

## Week at a Glance

<b>Monday</b>	Samoan Community Youth Practice - 7:00 PM
<b>Tuesday</b>	Creative Circle - 9:30 AM Faith Formation - 6:00 PM
<b>Wednesday</b>	<u>Bulletin Deadline - 5:00 PM</u> Filipino Gospel Choir Practice - 6:00 PM RCIA - 7:00 PM Samoan Choir Practice - 8:00 PM
<b>Thursday</b>	Kateri Circle - 11:00 AM Youth Night - 7:00 PM
<b>Friday</b>	Soup and Stations of the Cross - 6:00 PM
<b>Saturday</b>	Samoan Divine Mercy Group - 10:00 AM

### Did you know that Archbishop Etienne has his own blog?

Keep up on all of Archbishop's adventures around the Archdiocese of Anchorage by subscribing to his blog, **TRUTH IN LOVE** at [www.archbishopetienne.com](http://www.archbishopetienne.com).

For more events in the Archdiocese, visit <http://www.archdioceseofanchorage.org/news-events/>

## Prayer List for Our Sick and Suffering

If you have a name you wish to have added to the listing, please contact the Parish Office or send it to the bulletin editor, [sapbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:sapbulletin@gmail.com).

## Please Pray for our Sick and Suffering

Pacita Agron Vic Algoso Audey Algoso Elena Aquino Kristin Bozarth Keith Brown Ed Cordova Agnes Coyle Josie Duenas Robert Edwards Ed Grantier Kari Hays Maricel Juan Jerome Karella Joshua Kutzgar Sam Kutzgar Joyce Lightner Teresita Lolesio	Kendrick Matthews Don McDermott Duane Morfield Christopher Nickarz Dominador Ochoa Elmer Pagalilauan Margie Quinn Angie Ribuffo Susan Elizabeth Singh Josephine Skeete Rodel Soriano Estela Tuason Elizabeth Varee Richard Varee Ann Whalen Chris White Kareem Waugh
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## Collection from March 23/24

Regular Collection — \$3,490  
Building and Maintenance — \$125  
Online Giving — \$835  
Offertory by Mail — \$2,600  
Ash Wednesday — \$10  
Aid to the Church in Eastern Europe — \$50  
St. Vincent de Paul Society Alaska — \$692  
Black and Indian Missions — \$84  
CRS Rice Bowl — \$218  
Youth Ministry — \$500

**St. Anthony Parishioners donated 467 pounds of food to St. Francis House in the month of February and donated 7,267 pounds of food in 2018!**

Thank you for your generosity!

## Are you new to Our Parish?

**Do you have questions about our Faith Community?** Have you been attending St. Anthony and you would like to register as a member of our Parish? Do you need to update your contact information? Call the Parish Office, 333-5544 or via email—[saparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:saparishoffice@gmail.com).

### Would you like to receive the bulletin by email?

You may not be aware that the bulletin can be emailed directly to you, or anyone with an interest, every week. If you would like the current bulletin in your inbox on a weekly basis, please contact the Parish Office. We will gladly add you to our mailing list.

### The St. Anthony Parish Hall and Conference Rooms

are available for use for Parish Ministry or Private Events. Please contact the Parish Office for scheduling availability and details.