

## JULY 4-5, 2020: MULTICULTURAL MINISTRIES WEEKEND

### ➔ Did you know?: Christmas



Which two cultures celebrate a "countdown to Christmas" series of special Masses and meals each year around the Archdiocese of Anchorage? (answer below)

### ➔ Multi-Lingual Resources



This year's Annual Catholic Appeal posters have been translated into several languages: Spanish, Tagalog, and Samoan, to name a few. Pew cards are also available in Spanish.

### ➔ Anchorage & Kodiak



The Archdiocese of Anchorage provides ministry to both Alaska Native and Hispanic ministry efforts across the Archdiocese, especially in Anchorage and Kodiak.

### ➔ \$50K in Support



Over \$50,000 was provided last year in subsidies, travel, and staff expenses to support minority cultures and populations.

### ➔ Local Communities



There are many other ethnic ministries alive and well in our local parishes, including Samoan, Korean, and Filipino communities, and refugee communities through programs like Catholic Social Service's Refugee Assistance and Immigration Services.



## One Bread, One Body

2020 Annual Catholic Appeal

# SHARE THE GOSPEL THROUGH YOUR LIFE

*"Holiness doesn't mean doing extraordinary things, but doing ordinary things with love and faith."*

*-Pope Francis*

For many people, being part of a cultural ministry means belonging and being a loving presence: "The native group can grow in their faith because we have support from One Bread One Body," said Mary Black. "My husband and I have a mission to visit patients at the native hospital to let them know they are not alone, and we are praying for them."

**For others, being part of a cultural ministry is an outreach ministry itself: a way to share faith with family and friends.**

"Through our native ministry, we are friendly," said Renee Nicholson. "Many people say that we make them feel welcome and they keep coming back to church!"

This week, consider supporting outreach to our many ethnic ministries. How is your life a testament of hope to the world?

*Christmas countdowns: Las Posadas (Hispanics) and Simbang Gabi (Filipinos)*

ANSWER:

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