

St. Anthony Catholic Church

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The Baptism of the Lord January 12, 2020

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 AM

Saturday — 5:30 PM

Sunday — 8:30 AM — 10:30 AM — 5:30 PM

Healing Mass—First Friday

Filipino Mass — Second Sunday — 5:30 PM

Native Mass — Third Saturday — 5:30 PM

Samoan Mass — Last Sunday — 10:30 AM

Youth Mass — Fourth Saturday — 5:30 PM

ADORATION

Friday — 7 — 8 PM

RECONCILIATION

Saturday — 4 — 5 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 AM — 4 PM

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Reflection for the Week

At Christmas, we have contemplated the human birth of the Word incarnate by the Virgin Mary. In the mystery of the Epiphany, we then meditated on Christ's manifestation to all nations that was represented by the Magi, the wise men from the East, who came to adore the Child.

Now, in the mystery of Christ's Baptism in the Jordan River, we again encounter and represent the truth of the Lord's incarnation and His manifestation as the Christ. Jesus' Baptism is in fact His definitive manifestation as the Messiah or Christ, to Israel and as the Son of the Father to the entire world.

Here we find the dimension of the Epiphany, which was His manifestation to all nations. The Father's voice from heaven shows that Jesus of Nazareth is the eternal Son and the descent of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove shows the Trinitarian nature of the Christian God. The true and unique God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - shows Himself in Christ, through Him, with Him and in Him.

The same Spirit, that descended on the water of the River Jordan wafted over the waters during the first creation (Genesis 1:2). Therefore, the Baptism in the Jordan presents yet another truth: that Jesus has started a new creation. He is the second man (1 Corinthians 15:47) or the last Adam (1 Corinthians 15:45), that comes to repair the first Adam's guilt. He does this as the Lamb of God that takes away our sins.

"Looking at the events in light of the Cross and Resurrection, the Christian people realized what had happened: Jesus loaded the burden of all mankind's guilt upon His shoulders; He bore it down into the depths of the Jordan. He inaugurated his public activity by stepping into the place of sinners."

Joseph Ratzinger (Pope Benedict XVI), Jesus of Nazareth
Excerpted from the Congregation for the Clergy

Question of the Week for KIDS

When has the Holy Spirit helped you treat someone fairly?

Readings for Next Week's Mass

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

FIRST READING

The Book of the Prophet Isaiah

Isaiah 49:3, 5 — 6 (64A)

SECOND READING

First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians

1 Corinthians: 1:1 — 3

GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel according to St. John

John 1:29 — 34

Parish News and Events

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Right now, over forty (40) percent of Dioceses in the United States, including the Archdiocese of Anchorage are considered Home Mission Territory because they are unable to fund the essential Pastoral Work needed in their Communities. Your support funds programs, such as **Religious Education, Seminary Formation and Lay Ministry Training** to build vibrant Faith Communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at usccb.org/home-missions.

Father Vince is on vacation! Father Vince left for the Philippines on January 7 for some well-deserved relaxation and time with his friends and family. He will **return on February 14**. We welcome Father Fred Bugarin, who will be covering during this time.

As a matter of transparency and good stewardship, we want to inform you that the Parish has been blessed and **received a substantial year-end donation**. The generous donor wishes to remain anonymous. Fr. Vince and the Finance Council have decided to restrict this donation to the remaining earthquake repairs. This extraordinary donation can be seen in the financial statements that were included in this week's bulletin. More details about the upcoming repairs will be provided later.

St. Anthony Parish is pleased to welcome Dr. Steven Dillingham, Director of the U.S. Census, to our 10:30 AM Mass Celebration next Sunday, January 19. Dr. Dillingham wishes to share with us the importance of this nationwide effort to ensure everyone gets counted once, only once and in the right place. We encourage all Alaskans and parishioners to engage and participate in the 2020 census as the enumeration effort kicks off in Toksook Bay on January 21. National Census Day is April 1. This is the first Census where participants can self-respond online in addition to phone or by completing their responses by mail or having a Census Taker visit your household. The effort of the Census helps inform the Government of basic data on population and informs Congress about federal funding distribution to the States regarding important Programs. It also helps inform the State about legislative boundaries for representation at the local and state level. More information can be found at 2020census.gov. All responses are confidential, private, and protected by law. Please welcome our honored guest, Dr. Dillingham!

The **Parish Council** is supporting **Faith Formation** in their **Corporal Works of Mercy Initiative** for Lent this year. There will be a **Planning Meeting this Sunday, January 12, Noon** in the **Parish Hall**. All are welcome to attend and help with this new Program to put our faith in action!

Christmas undecorating will take place in the Church on **Monday, January 13, 6 PM**. Helping hands are always welcome!

The **Knights of Columbus** will hold their **Regular Monthly Business Meeting this Monday, January 13, 7 PM**, in the **Parish Hall**. All Knights are encouraged to attend. The meeting will be preceded by a Rosary at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary.

Join us after both morning Masses **next Sunday, January 19**, for the **Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast!** Harvey's secret-recipe pancakes and sausage, lots of fun, and great fellowship. This **Month's Breakfast** is generously sponsored by **Jean and Paul Palinski**.

The **Knights of Columbus** are selling tickets for their **19th Annual Bison Hunt Raffle!** Winners receive an **all-expenses paid guided Bison Hunt on Kodiak Island or \$3,500 in 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.

Lector Workbooks for the New Liturgical Year are available now. Current Lectors can pick up their new book in the Sacristy. Thank you for your service!

OPEN HOUSE! Holy Rosary Academy - Where Faith and Reason Meet in the Pursuit of Excellence! February 19, 6 — 8 PM. Student-led tours! Meet the faculty! Meet with the Principal! Phone: 276-5822 or Website: www.hraak.com.

Wednesday, January 22, the Church in the United States observes the Annual **“Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children.”** This day is set aside to pray for the legal protection of human life and to do penance for the violations to human dignity through abortion. We are called to observe this day through prayer and penance. More information: respectlife.org/january-22.

9 Days for Life — Pray to protect Human Life, January 21-29! **9 Days for Life** is a Novena for the protection of human life. Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the **Annual Respect Life Novena, 9 Days for Life, Tuesday, January 21 — Wednesday, January 29.** Get daily intentions, brief reflections and more. We pray that the dignity of human life may be respected from conception to natural death. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Join today at www.9daysforlife.com!

From **January 5 — 11**, the Catholic Church in the United States celebrates **National Migration Week.** The theme for this year's celebration is **“Promoting a Church and a World for All,”** which reflects the need for Catholics to be inclusive and welcoming to all our Brothers and Sisters. It is a call for unity to stand in solidarity with and care for those who are excluded and marginalized. To learn more and get engaged, visit the USCCB's website at <https://justiceformigrants.org/take-action/national-migration-week/>.

St. Therese's Camp. Join us at **“Raisin' of the Green” at The Bridge Restaurant, April 18.** Raisin' of The Green is our Spring Auction Fundraiser. Last year, Camp Supporters generated over **\$100,000** at the Event.

Here are some of the items already lined up for the Live Auction at Raisin' of the Green 2020 include the following:

**Two (2) tickets on the 50-yard line to a
University of Notre Dame Football Game
Bear Trail Lodge Fishing Trip
Winter Weekend at Petersville, Alaska
Helicopter Fishing Trip
Pebble Mine Helicopter Tour**

Tickets for Raisin' of the Green go live on January 1, all tickets will be sold online! Space is limited, so buy them early! The Camp website, www.stthereseak.com, will have a link to the ticket sales website on January 1. If you have items you'd like to donate for

Raisin' of the Green, we'd love to talk to you! Contact Yvette Tousignant, yctous@gmail.com or Rich Owens, icalaska@aol.com, if you'd like to donate an item for the Auction. Thank you for your extraordinary generosity to St. Therese's over the past six years!

The **St. Francis House Food Pantry** needs **travel-size toothpaste, floss, toothbrushes and mouthwash.** Did you know that there is a St. Francis House donation bin in the Entryway of the Church?

Can you help? Clare House needs a variety of different donations – this week, they are specially need **dish soap, black trash bags, white kitchen trash bags, medium and large non-latex gloves, toilet brush scrubbers and plungers.** Clare House provides a safe home environment for women and children in crisis, keeping the families together. Our St. Anthony Youth are collecting items in a basket in the Entryway or donations can be dropped off at the Shelter located at 4110 Spenard Road. Thank you in advance!

Pregnancy and Adoption Support Services. If you would like to help women and families struggling with an unplanned pregnancy, please consider donating **diapers and wipes. They are always need diapers. BABY WIPES would be a blessing!** They are always open to donations of anything pregnancy or baby related. Please drop off donations at the Main Center at 3710 East 20th Avenue. Attn: Tami Jo Watson.!

Brother Francis Shelter. Brother Francis is gratefully accepting donations for our homeless Brothers and Sisters. This week, we are specially hoping for **new or gently used socks, clothing and hand warmers.** Please drop off donations at **Brother Francis Shelter, 1021 E 3rd Avenue.**

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, go to our website: projectrachelalaska.com or call our confidential phone line, 297-7781 or toll free 1-866-434-3344, outside the Anchorage

Our Marriages call us to forgive! “Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope.” **Retrouvaille** offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a lackluster or failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems, difficulties, and crises. **Our next Program begins Feb. 28.** Your personal information is held in strictest confidence. For more details or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com, or call 863-8000.



Liturgical Ministers — January 18/19		
Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday — 5:30 PM		
Native American Community	Alaska Native Mass	Yvonne Lafaele Mary Lafaele Tanimu Mafuao Henryetta Talo
Sunday — 8:30 AM		
Pat Lizama	P. Kough T. Van Gelderen M. Smith	Kristopher Anaruk Samantha Anaruk James Anaruk Winter Anaruk Ken Young
Sunday — 10:30 AM		
Malia Alifosio	L. Greybear Sister Monique T. Lolesio W. West L. Zavala M. Roldan M. LaVine	Mariah Afuvai Melesete Afuvai Rjandro Parungao Lyndon Savelio Kolio Savelio Nifae Valai
Sunday — 5:30 PM		
Mimi LaFlamme	D. Hess A. Reidell S. Foreman	Rochelle Cabutotan Chester Cabutotan Angelie Corcino Sebastian Corcino Elizabeth Dasal Joaquin Leal
Home Eucharistic Ministry	Pat Petrivelli	Maria Darci Smith

Week at a Glance

Monday	Samoan Community Youth Practice — 7 PM
Tuesday	Creative Circle — 9:30 AM
Wednesday	<u>BULLETIN DEADLINE — 5 PM</u> Filipino Gospel Choir Practice — 6 PM Samoan Choir Practice — 7:30 PM
Thursday	Kateri Circle — 11 AM
Friday	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament — 7 PM Youth Night — 7 PM
Saturday	Samoan Divine Mercy Group — 10 AM Samoan Choir Practice — 12 Noon

Parishioners with any concerns about child and vulnerable adult safety or who need information about Safe Environment Compliance at St. Anthony should contact our Safe Environment Coordinator, Jill Popoalii, 333-5287 or via email at jpopoalii@stanthonyak.org

Question of the Week

How does your own baptism provide you with a “call to serve others?” In what ways, do you serve?

Prayer List for Our Sick and Suffering.

If you have a name you wish to be added to the listing, please contact the Parish Office or send it to the Bulletin Editor, sapbulletin@gmail.com.

Please Pray for our Sick and Suffering.

Pacita Agron Vic Algosó Audey Algosó Elena Aquino Eduardo Banaag Wes Bergsrud Edward Berube Jose Blancas Kristin Bozarth Keith Brown Geneva Colon Gloria Congdon Ed Cordova Agnes Coyle Nan Dietz Josie Duenas Robert Edwards Jim Egan Aundre Devone Elliot Ed Grantier Father John Hinsvark Frank Javier Jerome Karella Joshua Kutzgar Sam Kutzgar	Lucille LeViege and Family Joyce Lightner Teresita Lolesio Tony Lolesio Kendrick Matthews Norgen Molina Duane Morfield Christopher Nickarz Nick Nickarz Dominador Ochoa Elmer Pagalilauan Angie Ribuffo Gabby Roberts Susan Elizabeth Singh Josephine Skeete Zavier Smith Rodel Soriano Onya Stein Elizabeth Varee Richard Varee Kareem Waugh Ann Whalen Chris White Cal Williams
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Collection from December 31, January 1, 4/5

Regular Collection—\$4,681
Building and Maintenance—\$393
Online Giving—\$740
Christmas Offering—\$255
The Solemnity of Mary—\$1,312
Fund for Retired Religious—\$5
All Souls Day—\$20
World Mission Sunday—\$3
**St. Anthony Parishioners
Donated 504 pounds of food
to St. Francis House in DECEMBER
and total of 5,377 pounds of food in all of 2019.
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 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 Office@stanthonyak.org.

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 and Archdiocesan Ministry events. Please contact the Parish Office for scheduling availability and details.