



# St. Raphael Catholic Parish

## February 17th and 18th, 2024

### *First Sunday in Lent*

#### **Our Parish Mission:**

*As a Catholic parish working together in harmony with God, we share our gifts and talents to promote healing, helping and hospitality.*

#### **Liturgy Schedule**

Sun/Tues/Thurs 9:30am

Wed 5:30pm/Fri 6:00pm

Sat 6:00pm/Sun 9:30am

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 5:00pm to

5:30 pm or by appointment

**Rosary:** Wednesday at 6:00 pm

**Eucharistic Adoration:**

Tue, Thurs 8:30am-9:30am

Wed 4:30pm-5:30pm

Fri 7:00am-6:00pm

**Stations:** Fridays after 6:00pm mass.

#### **WELCOME VISITORS AND GUESTS**

*We are glad you chose to join us. If you have any questions please ask our hospitality ministers.*

*If you are new in town and looking for a parish home, we welcome you. If you are visiting and only here for a weekend, we are glad you joined us.*

**Entrance Antiphon** *cf. Psalm 91 (90):15-16*

When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days

**First Reading** *Genesis 9:8-16 (23B)*

After the great flood, God told Noah of the covenant between heaven and earth. Never again would a flood destroy the earth. To mark this covenant, the Lord set up a rainbow in the sky.

**Responsorial Psalm** *Psalm 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9*

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

**Second Reading** *1 Peter 3:18-22*

As the arc saved a chosen few in Noah's day, so does baptism by faith save God's chosen today.

Baptism is "an appeal to God for a clear conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ."

**Gospel Acclamation** *Matthew 4:4b*

One does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

**Gospel** *Mark 1:12-15*

The Spirit sent Jesus to the desert to fast and pray for forty days. Afterwards, Jesus appeared in Galilee proclaiming "The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel."

**Communion Antiphon** *Matthew 4:4*

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## Join in fellowship after mass in the social hall.

**Please call the office if you are ill or need assistance.**

**In the Hospital?** Contact Fr. Jingbe to arrange a visit, Holy Communion, Confession, and/or Anointing of the Sick.

**Do you have a need for the parish prayer chain?** Please email Gloria Slagle at stclare4@gmail.com

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# Calendar and Mass Intentions

## Saturday, February 17th

- ~ Eucharistic Adoration 5pm-6pm
- ~ Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:30pm
- ~ Mass 6pm

## Sunday, February 18th

- ~ Mass 9:30am— *For the Needs of Our Parish*

## Tuesday, February 20th

- ~ Eucharistic Adoration 8:30am-9:30am
- ~ Mass 9:30am— *Gabriel Anthony Pizzini+*

## Wednesday, February 21st

- ~ Eucharistic Adoration 4:30pm-5:30pm
- ~ Healing Mass 5:30pm— *Gabriel Anthony Pizzini+*
- ~ Rosary and Marian Group 6:00pm

## Thursday, February 22nd

- ~ Eucharistic Adoration 8:30am-9:30am
- ~ Mass 9:30am

## Friday, February 23rd

- ~ Eucharistic Adoration 7:00am-6:00pm
- ~ Mass 6:00pm
- ~ Stations of The Cross following mass
- ~ Soup and Bread following Stations

## Saturday, February 24th

- ~ Eucharistic Adoration 5pm-6pm
- ~ Sacrament of Reconciliation 5:30pm
- ~ Mass 6pm

## Sunday, February 25th

- ~ Mass 9:30am— *For the Needs of Our Parish*

## Tuesday, February 27th

- ~ Eucharistic Adoration 8:30am-9:30am
- ~ Mass 9:30am— *Carl & Wanda Niedziela +*

## Wednesday, February 28th

- ~ Eucharistic Adoration 4:30pm-5:30pm
- ~ Healing Mass 5:30pm
- ~ Rosary and Marian Group 6:00pm

## Thursday, February 29th

- ~ Eucharistic Adoration 8:30am-9:30am
- ~ Mass 9:30am

## Friday, March 1st

- ~ Eucharistic Adoration 7:00am-6:00pm
- ~ Mass 6:00pm
- ~ Stations of The Cross following mass
- ~ Soup and Bread following Stations

*+ after a name denotes Repose of the Soul Intention*



*The fervent prayer of a righteous person is very powerful .....*

*~ James 5:16*

*Please remember these friends in your prayers....*

For the repose of the soul of Mary Ellen Bergquist (Fr. Pat's Mother). May God grant them eternal rest.

For health concerns of our parishioners, their friends and their families, especially: Meghan Slagle, Gloria Slagle, Ron Gebhardt, Gene and Jeanette Grasto, Mary Lou Weese, and Tom Slagle. For Jade, Meg Johnson, Tracy Haskell, and Deacon George's sisters, Laura, Linda and Bonita and his son, Brian.

Safe travels for all who are traveling.

For the sanctity of life from conception until natural death.

All those suffering from illness and injury.

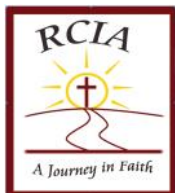
For seminarians, all priests & religious everywhere.

## 24 Hours for Our Lord

The "24 Hours for the Lord" event is a Lenten initiative of prayer and reconciliation introduced by Pope Francis. This year marks the 11th edition. As previously, the event will be celebrated in dioceses around the world on the eve of the fourth Sunday of Lent, from Friday, March 8th to Saturday, March 9th. The motto chosen by the Holy Father for this year is taken from a verse of the Letter to the Romans: "Walking in a new life" (Romans 6,4).

St. Raphael's Parish will hold Adoration of the blessed sacrament from the conclusion of Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 8th and will continue until 5:30 pm Saturday for Mass. There is a signup sheet to ensure that someone will be here during each hour of this blessed tradition. If you can commit to one hour of Adoration please sign up for an available time slot. Even if you can't commit to a full hour, come and spend time with The Lord.

Donations are now being accepted for **Easter Lily Memorials**. The cost will be \$15 per plant. If you plan to donate on WeShare the Easter Lily donation field should be active soon but please also fill out an envelope so that we properly receive your memorial intention. Additional donations are also welcome to help cover the cost of other Easter Flowers and decorations. Envelopes are available in the entryway on the table.



**Faith Formation - RCIA** this week will be a discussion of the sacrament of the Holy Eucharist

Let us join in praying with the students and families of the Catholic Schools of Fairbanks this Lent.

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Feb 18-24



**Catholic Schools of Fairbanks  
Lenten Prayer Campaign**  
Please Partner with us these 40 days!

**Lord, Bless our Students**



We pray that you will bless our students with a zeal for learning. We pray that you will bless students with the grace to put their knowledge to use in building the kingdom. We pray that you will bless all students with shelter, food, and love. Please remember in prayer all students who have no one to pray for them. We pray.

## Second Collection February 17th and 18th:

Recognizing a need to call the faithful to support missionary work among African American and Native American Catholics, the U.S. Catholic bishops established this Catholic Church charity for the Catholic Missions in 1884 to administer a national collection—the first of its kind in the United States—to support missionary work.

## Secret Sisters

There is still time to join. Sisters will be drawn after mass this Sunday February 18. If you still want to join there are forms in the rear of church. What is it all about? Each woman who participates will pick the name of another woman in our parish. All throughout Lent you will pray for her daily and remind her in small ways that she is being thought to. At the same time, another woman is praying for you! It has been a wonderful way to get to know other ladies in our parish. And who couldn't use a few more prayers? All women are invited to participate. The week after Easter, there will be a Potluck to reveal the Secrets. Just stop by the office or see Elizabeth Hilker, Camille Connelley-Terhune or Nancy Gibson to get a form. We would love to have you join us this year!

## Parish Council

There is a Parish Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday February 20th. The meeting will be at 6:30pm in the parish Social Hall.  
Agenda is now posted on the bulletin board.



## 40 Cans of Lent

St. Raphael's "40 CANS FOR LENT" food drive runs through the Lenten season, Feb. 14 - March 28. This is the 11th year St. Raphael's KoC has sponsored 40 CANS, which benefits our local food bank, rescue mission, and any parishioners in need. The parish's generosity is the secret

ingredient that brings success every year in helping our community with hunger and inclusion.

**The Fairbanks Food Bank** deals with individual clients and benefits from "meals in a can" donations. Items like canned chili, soups, tuna... or individual mac and cheese servings are examples. Bags of apples, fruit, or nutrition bars are popular.

**The Fairbanks Rescue Mission** cooks for large groups and benefits from large, packaged item donations. They recently asked for 1-2 bags of onions, bottles of mayonnaise, boxes of instant potatoes, bags of pancake mix, spices, and baking ingredients including corn starch, onion powder, garlic powder, pepper, and Italian seasoning... are welcomed. Cases of canned vegetables are needed, especially green beans and corn.

All donated items are being collected in the parish social hall. An alternative way to contribute is to have the Knights shop for you. By making a monetary donation on WeShare, with cash or writing a check to St. Raphael Parish noting, **40 CANS** in the memo section of the check, the Knights will collect the funds and shop from the charitable organization's "what we need list" on your behalf.

If you're inclined to bake a few dozen cookies, homemade cookies are welcome at the Rescue Mission anytime!

Thank you for all that you share. Knight Mike Mathers and KoC Council 12431.

## Stations of the Cross and Soup and Bread:

We will have Stations of The Cross after mass every Friday during Lent. Following stations, there will be Soup and Bread in the Social Hall.

While we eat, we will have a guided discussion of the book *This Is My Body: A Call To Eucharistic Revival* by Bishop Robert Barron. If you would like a copy of the book please signup on the clipboard in the entryway. All are welcome to join for the discussion. Childcare will be provided.

## Rebuilding and Renewing

There is a Stewardship committee meeting scheduled for Thursday February 29, 2024 at 6:30pm. Come and see how you can help your parish. We all have gifts and strengths to bring to service.



**Parish Office Hours**  
**Tuesday and Friday: 10am-3pm**  
**Wednesday: 12:30pm-5:30pm**

**Parochial Administrator**

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***WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE:***

**LECTORS**

February 18: T.B.A.

February 25: T.B.A.

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

February 18: Jeanine L / Peter S

February 25: John B / Tammy M

**HOSPITALITY**

February 17: Wanda B or *Parish Volunteer*

February 18: Leo & Colleen Z.

February 24: Wanda B.

February 25: Reid & Monica O.

**Area Mass Times**

**Sacred Heart Cathedral**

Sat. 4:30 PM

Sun. 8:00 AM; 11:00 AM

1:00 PM Spanish

M, T, Th, F. 7:30 AM Wed 12:10 PM

**Latin Mass: Sacred Heart Cathedral @ 6:30pm**

See Cathedral website

**Immaculate Conception**

Sat. 4:00 PM; Sun. 7:30 AM 10:00 AM

M, T, Th, F. 12:10 PM Wed 5:30 PM

**Saint Nicholas, North Pole**

Sat. 5:00 PM; Sun. 9:00 AM 12:00 PM

M, T, Th, F. 9:00 AM; W 7:00 PM

**St. Mark University Parish**

Sun. 5:30 PM at Sacred Heart Cathedral

**Good Shepherd, Ft. Wainwright**

Sun. 9:00 AM

**Our Lady of Snows, Eielson AFB**

Sun. 10:30 AM

Tue.-Wed.-Thur. 11:30 AM

## Call for Volunteers

**Altar Servers:** The parish is in need for Altar Servers to serve during Lent and for the Easter Triduum Services. If your child has had their first Holy Eucharist and would be interested in serving the Lord please Contact Andrew Niedziela (Office Manager) to put you on the contact list.

secretary@straphaelfairbanks.org

**Collection Counters:** We are in need of some additional people to help count the collection every week. If you would be interested in helping please contact Tammy Miller and she will coordinate with you. Itammy4999@yahoo.com



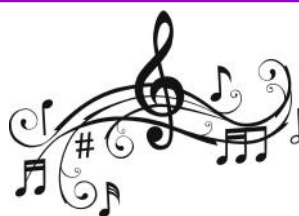
Please remember our water is delivered. Check the faucet before leaving the restroom and ensure it is not dripping. Thank you!

## Rite of Election:

The RCIA Rite of Election will take place this Sunday February 18th at Sacred Heart Cathedral at 4:00pm. The rite will include sung Vespers as well as the formal Rite of Election for all those in the diocese seeking full communion as brothers and sisters in the Catholic Church. Come pray for those who will be joining our diocese in all of our regional parishes.

## Call for Talented Volunteers:

The Choir and Musicians are asking for anyone musically talented either with their voice or with an instrument who have any interest in participating in our Lenten and Easter Liturgies please talk to Therese Schneider. Thank you to all those with amazing talents that have helped in the past.



## Parish Finances July 1, 2023- June 30, 2024

Budgeted Need \$252,300.00

Monthly Need \$21,025.00

November Collections: \$17,132.00

December Collections: \$29,753.95

January Collections: \$27,563.28

**Thank you for your generosity and continued support!**