



St. Raphael Catholic Parish

February 24th and 25th, 2024

Second 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 27(26):8-9*

Of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face. It is your face, O Lord, that I seek; hide not your face from me.

First Reading *Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 (26B)*

God tested Abraham, asking him to sacrifice his only son Issac. Seeing Abraham's obedience, God relented. Because of Abraham's faith, God blessed him greatly.

Responsorial Psalm *Psalm 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19*

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

Second Reading *Romans 8:31b-34*

We have received the ultimate proof of God's love: Christ Jesus given up to death for the sake of all. "If God is for us, who can be against us?"

Gospel Acclamation *cf. Matthew 17:5*

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: This is my beloved Son, listen to him.

Gospel *Mark 9:2-10*

Jesus went up a mountain with his disciples and was transfigured before their eyes. A voice from a cloud proclaimed, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him."

Communion Antiphon *Matthew 17:5*

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

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 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— *Ryan Casey*

Friday, March 1st

- ~ Eucharistic Adoration 7:00am-6:00pm
- ~ Mass 6:00pm— *St. Raphael Adoration Attendees*
- ~ Stations of The Cross following mass
Stations led by the Knights of Columbus
- ~ Soup and Bread following Stations

Saturday, March 2nd

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

Sunday, March 3rd

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

Tuesday, March 5th

- ~ Eucharistic Adoration 8:30am-9:30am
- ~ Mass 9:30am— *Trevor Hege*

Wednesday, March 6th

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

Thursday, March 7th

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

Friday, March 8th

- ~ Eucharistic Adoration 7:00am-6:00pm
 - ~ Mass 6:00pm
 - ~ Stations of The Cross following mass
 - ~ Soup and Bread following Stations
 - ~ 24 Hours for the Lord Begins following Stations
- + after a name denotes *Repose of the Soul Intention*
Mass intention envelopes are in the rear of the Church.



*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.

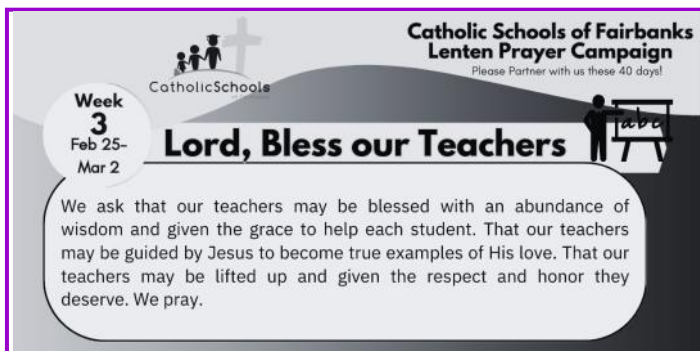
24 Hours for Our Lord

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 in previous years, 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 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 or more hours of Adoration please sign up for available times. 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 is active 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 walk through the liturgical Mass to develop a deeper understanding of our sacred liturgy.



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

Week 3
Feb 25-
Mar 2

Lord, Bless our Teachers

We ask that our teachers may be blessed with an abundance of wisdom and given the grace to help each student. That our teachers may be guided by Jesus to become true examples of His love. That our teachers may be lifted up and given the respect and honor they deserve. We pray.

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

Liturgy Update:

For those who follow the mass in the Breaking Bread Hymnal: For the next three weeks the 3rd, 4th and 5th weeks of Lent we will be doing the optional Year A readings. This is notated as an option in the missal. This information will also be reflected in the weekly email as well as on the front of the bulletin.

Centering Prayer mini-workshop

This past Wednesday, Madeline Nance held the first mini-workshop for St. Raphael's Parish to begin learning the Centering Prayer method. This will be a recurring event on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm; all are welcome to attend.

The group will be using the work of Trappist Monk Fr Thomas Keating.

Fr Thomas is known for saying that this precious instrument is too good to remain locked in the cloister as it was in the past. He found a way where anyone can benefit from the rewards and blessings of this popular prayer method. The commitment and practice take one from not only meditating on the Passion and other events in the life of Christ but also assisting in finding a personal passion for developing a closer communion and relationship with Jesus Christ. If you have any questions about this prayer method, look for Madeline, she will have information for anyone interested. And of course, all are welcome to join the group on Wednesday.

Parish Council

Parish Council minutes from the meeting on February 20 will be posted soon. Next meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2024



40 CANS FOR LENT: food drive runs through the Lenten season till 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.

Stations of The Cross: The Knights will be leading the Stations on March 1st.

Fish Fry: The knights will be holding a Lenten Fish Fry on Saturday March 9th. Look for details in the bulletin and email next week.



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

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@staphaelfairbanks.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. ltammy4999@yahoo.com

Stations of the Cross and Soup and Bread:

Anyone is welcome to attend the Stations of the Cross and stay for Soup and Bread and participate in the book discussion about "This Is My Body" by Bishop Baron

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

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WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE:

LECTORS

February 25: Stefani / Peter

March 3: Katie / Vince

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

February 25: John B / Tammy M

March 3: Jeff G / Anna A

HOSPITALITY

February 24: Wanda B. or *volunteer*

February 25: Reid & Monica O.

March 2: T.B.A.

March 3: T.B.A.

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

The Apostles' Creed will be used in place of the
Nicene Creed throughout Lent.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
(all bow through the words "the Virgin Mary")
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting.
Amen.

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. Thank you to those who have
answered the call already!



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!