

# St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish

540 3rd Ave NE - Valley City, ND 58072

WEBSITE:

[www.catherineofalexandria.org](http://www.catherineofalexandria.org)

**November 14, 2021**  
**33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**



## Parish Team

**Parish Office..... 845-0354**

**Monday-Friday 8am-12pm and 12:30pm-4:30pm**

Pastor: Msgr. Dennis Skonseng

cell phone .....701-261-4716

e-mail: [dennis.skonseng@fargodiocese.org](mailto:dennis.skonseng@fargodiocese.org)

## **Deacons**

Rev. Mr. Arlie Braunberger    Rev. Mr. Ed Didier

Rev. Mr. Ray Grim            Rev. Mr. Joe Leitner

Rev. Mr. Tom Vanorny

Parish Office Administrator: Jessica (Jess) Storhoff

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Parish Council:

Micki Isensee

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Roberta Lemnus

Ken Reid

Don Rondestvedt

Jodie Scherr

Joe Zubrod

**St. Catherine School.....845-1453**

Director of Religious Education:

Office Assistant: Jenny Faure

**Rectory .....845-0725**

**Fax .....845-0556**

**Nearly Nu Store.....845-1022**

**Baptisms:** Contact the Parish Office.

**Marriage:** Contact the Pastor at least 6 months prior to the wedding.

**RCIA:** Contact the Parish Office

**Home Bound Eucharist:** Darlene Kerzman,  
845-4316 or 701-721-1899

**Bulletin Deadline:** 3 PM on Wednesdays

**Newcomers:** WELCOME! Please register at the Parish Office or use the registration form on our website.

If you have an announcement for the bulletin, please email Jess: [stcatherinesparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:stcatherinesparishoffice@gmail.com)

## **Thank You!**

Thank you to all the parishioners of St. Catherine of Alexandria parish for the thoughts and prayers during my surgery and recovery. I am doing well. Also a thank you to the quilters for the beautiful quilt. Allen Siebert

## **Black and Indian Mission Collection**

Next week, our parish will take up the 137th annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

## **St. Catherine School has an immediate opening for a Custodian / Maintenance Person.**

The ideal candidate will be a reliable, dependable, self-starter, with exceptional attention to detail. Must have mechanical aptitude, and a basic understanding of plumbing, electrical, carpet cleaning, painting, grounds and building maintenance and upkeep. Must be flexible, and have very good communication and interpersonal skills. A valid ND Driver's License is required and candidate must successfully complete a background screening. This is a full time position with benefits. Application Form may be picked up at St. Catherine School office, or found online at [www.stcatherine.k12.nd.us](http://www.stcatherine.k12.nd.us) under Careers. Position is open until filled.

## **KC Breakfast**

There will be a KC Breakfast on  
November 14, 2021  
9:00am to 12:00pm in the Parish Hall.  
They will be serving Blueberry Pancakes,  
Scrambled Eggs,  
Link Sausages/Smokies.  
Proceeds to support the  
Barnes County Food Pantry.

## November Calendar of Events

<b>SUN 14</b>	<b>Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass 9am-12pm KC Breakfast 10:15am Divine Mercy Chaplet 10:30am Mass 6:30pm RCIA
<b>MON 15</b>	7:30am Rosary 8:00am Mass 6:00pm Bible Study & Picture
<b>TUE 16</b>	7:30am Rosary 8:00am Mass 8:30am –10pm Adoration 8:30am Tuesday Morning Movie Group
<b>WED 17</b>	7:30am Rosary 8:00am Mass 8:45am Cursillo Prayer Group—SHR 6:30pm Family Faith Formation 7:00pm Youth Group
<b>THU 18</b>	8:30am Rosary 9:00am Mass 1-4:30pm Quilters 6:30-9pm Quilters 7:00pm Deacon's Meeting
<b>FRI 19</b>	7:30am Rosary 8:00am Mass
<b>SAT 20</b>	10:00am Mass at Mercy Hospital 5:00pm Rosary 5:30pm Mass
<b>Sun 21</b>	<b>Solemnity of Christ the King</b> 8:00am Rosary 8:30am Mass 10:15am Divine Mercy Chaplet 10:30am Mass 6:30pm RCIA

### MASS INTENTIONS November 15 - 21

**Monday** 8:00am † Norma Jean Kohler  
**Tuesday** 8:00am † Isabell Wooden  
**Wednesday** 8:00am LJ Dyrness (Spec. Int.)  
**Thursday** 8:00am Chrissy Drake (Spec. Int.)  
**Friday** 8:00am † Margaret Miller  
**Saturday** 5:30pm Garet Goven (Spec. Int.)  
**Sunday** 8:30am People of the Parish  
 10:30am Amara Judd-Drake (Spec. Int.)

### RECONCILIATION: 7:30 -7:50am

Monday – Wednesday & Friday  
 8:30 - 8:50 Thursday; 4:00 - 5:15pm Saturday  
 7:30 - 8:15am Sunday

**Cemetery Announcement:** The Cemetery Gate will be open from **8am to 5pm** daily through spring. Please contact Mel Klingenberg (sexton) @ 701-840-2262 for any questions.

## TODAYS READINGS

**First Reading** — Those who lead the many to justice shall be like the stars forever (Daniel 12:1-3).

**Psalm** — You are my inheritance, O Lord! (Psalm 16).

**Second Reading** — Where there is forgiveness, there is no longer offering for sin (Hebrews 10:11-14, 18).

**Gospel** — Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away (Mark 13:24-32).

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43

**Tuesday:** 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; Lk 19:1-10

**Wednesday:** 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15; Lk 19:11-28

**Thursday:** 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41-44 or (for the memorial of the Dedication) Acts 28:11-16, 30-31; Ps 98:1-6; Mt 14:22-33

**Friday:** 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11-12; Lk 19:45-48

**Saturday:** 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; Lk 20:27-40

**Sunday:** Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Sunday:** Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Monday:** St. Albert the Great

**Tuesday:** St. Margaret of Scotland; St. Gertrude

**Wednesday:** St. Elizabeth of Hungary

**Thursday:** Dedication of the Basilicas of Ss. Peter and Paul; St. Rose Philippine Duchesne

**Saturday:** Blessed Virgin Mary

### PRAYER NETWORK

Remember in your prayers our parishioners and friends who are ill or are in need of our prayers:  
 George Bodnar, Mary Mitzel, Rebecca Radermacher, Bob McGough, Sharon Linnehan, Lisa Puhr, Dietrich Schlichtmann, Brian Ventsch, Rita Beaudry, Louis & Kelly Bohl, Dennis Stangler, David Kurtenbach, Caroline Schumacher, Glenda Sherman, Joyce Hafner, Pat Schwehr, Sandy Christianson, Andrew & Tiffany Higgins, Robin Kinney, Sharon Kinney, Dale & Virginia Davy, Kathy Nelson, Florence Zaun, Larry Zaun, Karen Leadbetter, James Leadbetter, Matt & Emersyn Vanic, Darlene Stanford-Adams, Cheryl Kappel, Diane Sherman, Lucille Winkler, Allen Siebert, Terry Calkins, Tony Drake, Mary Ann Anderson, Shirley Starke, Father Dale Kinzler, Anne Wuolu, Mary Jane Huber, Art Milner Sr., Linda Simmons, Hailey Jenson and any others who are in need of prayers.

## **FINANCIAL REPORT: November 7, 2021**

### **Regular Parish Income**

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Last Week	9,310.20	9,098.00	212.20
Year to Date	154,169.47	172,862.00	(18,692.53)

Registered families.....	487		
Adult Envelopes		8,509.70	
Plate		202.00	
Children		43.50	
Energy		10.00	
All Saints		545.00	
<b>Total Collection</b>		<b>9,310.20</b>	

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**World Mission Collection ~ \$1,257.00**

**Thank you for your generous gifts!!**

**Online Giving available @**

**[www.catherineofalexandria.org](http://www.catherineofalexandria.org)**



*Our Lord wishes for us to be whole, body, mind and soul. To be healed, to be complete. There is a group of individuals from the deanery that are*

*offering to pray with you, for healing. We would be willing to come to pray with you as an individual, at your home or parish church. Confidentiality is assured. **The St. Catherine's Healing Prayer Group meets on the 4th Monday of the month at 7 PM in the Church our next prayer meeting is Monday, November 22.** We are also asking for individuals who would like to be involved in this healing ministry from around the deanery to join us. We have gotten permission from the priests in the deanery so please visit with your pastor. If you are interested please contact one of the individuals listed below for more information.*

Doran Chandler 701-840-1257  
Deacon Jim McAllister 701-840-1473

### **Tuesday Morning Movies**

Please join the Tuesday Morning Movie Group, each Tuesday morning after the 8:00 Mass in the Sacred Heart Room for a movie, muffins and mighty good fellowship. Showing this week is "The Secret of Therese". All are welcome!!

### ***Dona Eis Requiem***

Please remember in your prayers the repose of the soul of **Violet "Vi" McAllister**, mother of Deacon Jim (Bev) McAllister and Lori (Peter) Paulson, who recently passed away. May she rest forever in God's loving care.



**Don't miss your chance to be included in our new directory.**

We only have 3 weeks to go before our deadline of **December 1**. Remember, there is no charge for

having this done in Dutton's studio. Other locations are also possible for a small charge. Those who participate with a family picture will receive a complementary directory. This is a great resource to have on hand to keep up to date with our fellow parishioners. There have been so many changes since our last one in 2015! We only have 175 families done so far, so please call and make an appointment.

Appointments can be made by calling **Dutton's at 845-3390**. Appointment are available Monday-Saturday, morning, afternoon or evening. If you have scheduling concerns, something can be worked out.

Thank you to our parishioners who have already participated in this exciting parish project. You are appreciated!!

### **Prayer Quilts/Shawls Available**

Some of our parishioners may be dealing with some very challenging physical, mental, spiritual or emotional situations/needs (a terminal illness, treatments, an accident, severe depression, a miscarriage) To convey the prayers & support of our parish family, Prayer Quilts/Shawls are available for all parishioners who will need them. To request a Prayer Quilt/Shawl contact: Christine, 845-3815 or Lela, 840-8352.

### **Please Contact Msgr. Skonseng or Parish Office for Requests for the Sacraments**

If you are ill or vulnerable in health and not able to leave your homes and you need the sacraments, please contact Msgr. Skonseng or the Parish Office. If you need the sacrament of Reconciliation or the Anointing of the Sick or Holy Communion, please call Msgr. Skonseng at the Parish Office at 845-0354 or his cell phone at 701-261-4716. If you need Holy Communion, please call the Parish Office at 845-0354 or Darlene Kerzman at 845-4316 or 701-721-1899. --- Msgr. Skonseng

## St Catherine's Teen Corner Grades 9-12

**November 17:** "Born of the Virgin Mary", 7:00 p.m.

**November 24:** No Class, Thanksgiving

**December 1:** "Suffered Under Pontius Pilate", 7:00 p.m.



### **Adoration Adorers Needed**

We are in need of Adoration adorers on Tuesdays from 3-4 PM. If you are able to help at those times please call Nancy Orthman at 845-6271. Please leave a message if no one answers.



### **Family Faith Formation**



#### **UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Wednesday, Nov. 17 – Regular Classes & Parent session on Reconciliation  
Wednesday, Nov. 24 – NO CLASS

Wednesday, Dec. 1 – Family Faith Formation – Meet in church at 6:30pm

Sunday, Dec. 5 – Reconciliation Retreat & First Reconciliation – 1:00-4:00

**THANK YOU** to everyone that has donated books and DVDs to our faith formation library. We are overwhelmed with the support of this parish community! Students and catechists cannot wait to dive in to the materials! If you still want to donate, you can go straight to our list by entering the link, or by going to our Facebook page (see below) and clicking the link from there.

Thank you for your generosity!

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/HGU4FU7U1NQF?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/HGU4FU7U1NQF?ref_=wl_share)

We are back on Facebook on the parish page, so "like" us and follow our journey throughout the year!  
St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish or @stcatherineff  
Sara Sorby – sara.sorby@k12.nd.us or 763-221-1893

### **St. Catherine's Serving Groups**

#### **November Serving Group:**

**November 25 Solemnity of St. Catherine of Alexandria/Thanksgiving Day:** Breakfast items, no rolls, Ina Thomsen is the chairperson.

Letters to November serving members have been sent.

#### **Christmas Food Boxes from Barnes County Food Pantry**

Due to changes at Social Services, individuals will need to contact the Senior Center and provide their information no later than **December 3rd**. Forms to request a box will be available at Social Services, Head Start, area churches and at the Senior Center. The date for pick up will be December 17th at the South Central bus facility. Letters with instructions, tickets, and grocery store vouchers will be mailed out prior to that date. **Forms are located in the main entry of the church.**





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KC Council 6438 Knight of the Month for October  
Mel Klingenberg

KC Council 6438 Family of the Month for October  
Kory & Amanda Kunze

### Let Us Do Our Best to Honor St. Joseph



The Year of St. Joseph will come to an end on December 8, 2021, but our devotion to St. Joseph should continue as a regular part of living our Catholic faith. I encourage members of St. Catherine Parish to do the Consecration to St. Joseph, if you have not yet done so during this Year of St. Joseph. We have many books of Consecration to St. Joseph: The Wonders of Our Spiritual Father on hand by Father Donald H. Calloway, MIC. This book is filled with much knowledge and information about St. Joseph and inspirational stories and prayers to help us in our devotion to St. Joseph. It gives us reflections and prayers to pray for each day of the 33 days of preparation for the Consecration to St. Joseph. I am encouraging you to make the Consecration to St. Joseph on the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph on Sunday, December 26<sup>th</sup>. You can do the preparation days as individuals, married couples, families, or a group of parishioners. The starting date is Tuesday, November 23. You can make the consecration in your homes or at one of the Masses after Communion on the celebration of the Feast of the Holy Family on the weekend of December 25-26. This would be a great way to grow closer to St. Joseph, Jesus, and the Blessed Virgin Mary and to celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. Furthermore, you can make the Consecration to St. Joseph again if you want to on December 26<sup>th</sup>. We will have the books for the Consecration to St. Joseph available for \$10.00 in the Good Shepherd Gathering Space on the weekends of November 13-14 and 20-21. --- Msgr. Skonseng

### The Early Church

**Session 3: Nov. 15:** Martyrs and Apologists, covering 100-200AD  
Read Session 3 and do Quick Questions. Contact Anne: 701-845-5242; 840-1648 (PLEASE leave a brief message). God bless you all.

#### Future dates:

**Nov. 29** Early Church 4: The Faith Attacked AD 200-300  
**Dec. 6** Early Church 5: The Dawn of Christendom AD 300-325  
**Dec. 20** Early Church 6: The Arian Attack AD 325-335

#### 2022

**Jan. 3** Early Church 7: The Bitter Fruit of Heresy AD 335-381  
**Jan. 17** Early Church 8: Heroes of God AD 316-397  
**Jan. 31** Early Church 9: Councils and a Great Pope AD 410-461  
**Feb. 7** Early Church 10: Splintering of an Empire AD

### Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA): To Know and to Grow in the Catholic Faith

An opportunity for a personal relationship with Christ and His Church and conversion and growth through prayer and instruction will be offered to people according to the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). The RCIA is for adults who have not been baptized, non-Catholics who have been baptized and are interested in becoming Catholics, adult Catholics who have been baptized but have not received Confirmation and/or Holy Communion, Catholics who are returning to the Church, and Catholics who want to learn more about their Catholic faith. The sessions of the RCIA will take place on **Sunday evenings, from 6:30 to 8:00 PM** in the St. Catherine Conference Room in the Parish Office Building. **To register for the RCIA, please contact Msgr. Skonseng at the Parish Office**

## VALLEY CITY RIGHT TO LIFE

Dear Friends of Life,

The North Dakota Right to Life organization has been serving as the voice for unborn children since 1967. Since the United States Supreme Court legalized abortion in January of 1973, more than 60 million lives have been destroyed. We need to use our energy, diligence, and especially prayer to ensure that everyone is made aware that every life is sacred as it comes from God. We believe that God has designed a particular plan and purpose for each life. We reject the idea that a woman has any special right to destroy another human being for her own convenience. This vulnerable and defenseless unborn child is a unique member of humanity.

Right to Life is a local, state, and national organization with chapters across the United States. Our vision is that all vulnerable persons in our society are protected throughout the span of their lives from conception to natural death. Our goal is that all abortion, infanticide, and euthanasia be ended and through education and legislation, every person's attitude and commitment changes to a fervent respect for all human life.

Will you please prayerfully consider joining or renewing your 2021-22 membership today? Our Valley City Chapter meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at Grace Free Lutheran Church and we welcome you to attend to unite in our efforts in protecting life. Each passing week, approximately 30,000 unique and precious lives are taken away by abortion.

**PLEASE ACT IMMEDIATELY FOR LIFE!!! MANY THANKS AND MAY GOD BLESS!!!**

Sincerely in Life,

Darlene Kerzman, VC RTL Treasurer/Membership Chairperson

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### Individual RTL Membership Dues

\$10 - Local RTL

\$25 – ND State RTL

\$35 – Both Local and State

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Please write checks to **Valley City Right to Life** and mail to:

Darlene Kerzman

11953 SE 33Y Street

Valley City, ND 58072-9414

Barnes County Ministerial

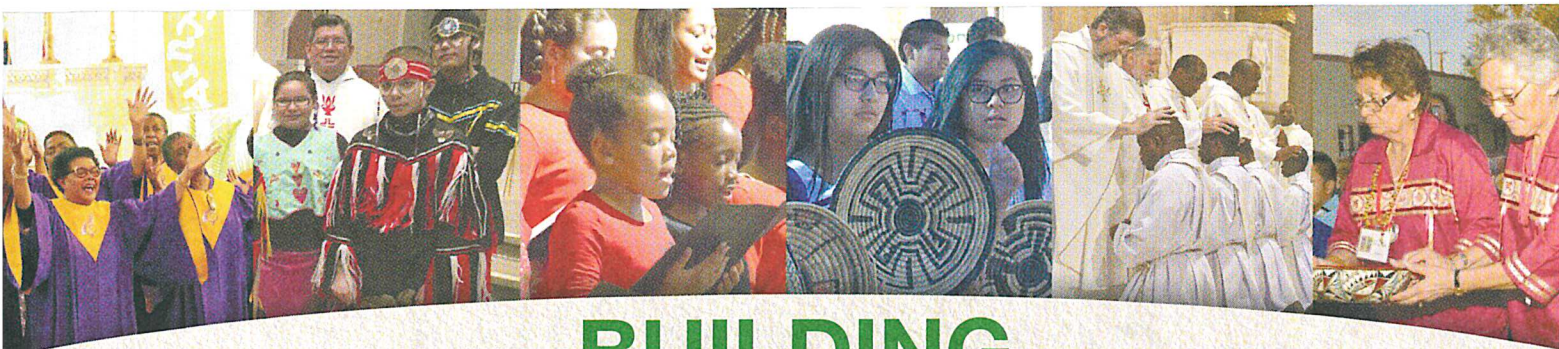
## *Community Thanksgiving Service*

Sunday, November 21 | 4:00 PM

Congregational UCC Church

217 4th St NW, Valley City





## BUILDING Our Mission to the Missions

**T**he Black and Indian Mission Collection (BIMC) exists to help diocesan communities to build up the Church and preach the Gospel of Jesus among the African American, Native American, and Alaska Native people of God.

Every year, it is the amazing generosity of Catholic faithful, just like you, who enable the Black and Indian Mission Office to support the following important priorities:

### Enlivening Parish Life & Catechesis

Grant funds from the BIMC support parish-based catechetical programs, which form and train catechists who form children to be disciples of Jesus in the world and who put bibles and catechisms in kids' hands so they can learn the ways of the Lord and take their place around his altar.



### Empowering Evangelizers

BIMC grant funds support African American and Native American ministries to sponsor events and formation that encourage living the Christian life in culturally appropriate ways. The religious sisters shown here, serve Native American Catholic communities across the United States.



### Helping Educators Reach Kids

With your contribution to the BIMC, you will help support the placement of good teachers to educate African American and Native American children. In 2020, your generous donations reached over 5,000 students in more than 400 schools and parishes across the United States.



### Encouraging Vocations

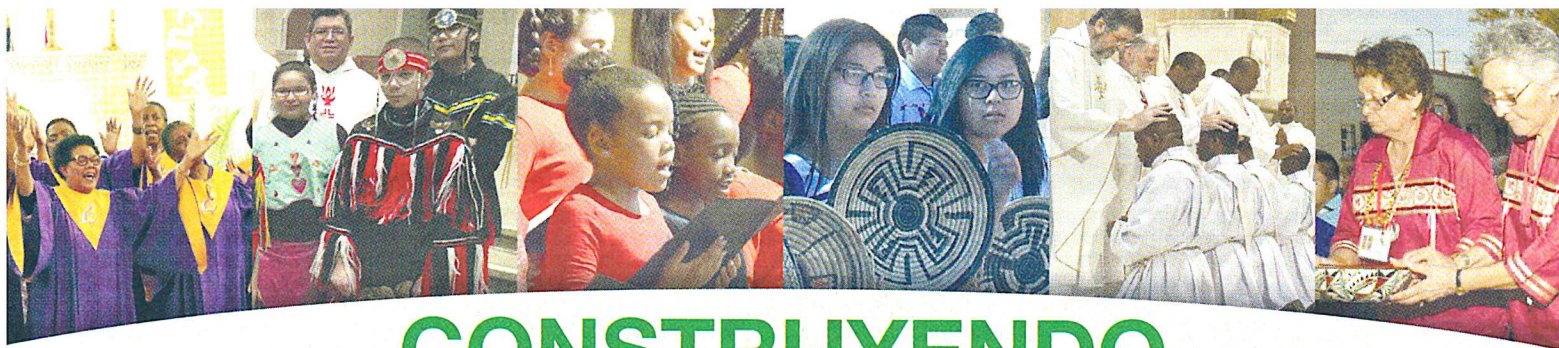
The church needs men and women to answer the call to the consecrated life and offer their witness as radical disciples of Jesus Christ. We need priests in order to have the Eucharist! Supporting the BIMC enables us to help encourage vocations to the priesthood and religious life in African American and Native American communities across the country.



**BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION**  
[www.blackandindianmission.org](http://www.blackandindianmission.org)







# CONSTRUYENDO Nuestra Misión con las Misiones

**L**a Colecta para las Misiones Afro Americanas e Indígenas (CMAI) existe para ayudar a comunidades diocesanas a edificar la Iglesia y a predicar el Evangelio de Jesús entre los Afro Americanos, Nativo Americanos y Nativos de Alaska, comunidades que también forman parte del pueblo de Dios.

Cada año, la gran generosidad de los fieles católicos como ustedes, facilita a la Oficina de las Misiones Afro Americanas y Nativo Americanas apoyar las siguientes prioridades:

## Animar la Vida Parroquial y la Catequesis

Los fondos de subvención de la CMAI nos permiten apoyar a los programas catequéticos de las parroquias. También nos permiten apoyar la formación de los catequistas que enseñan a niños a ser discípulos de Jesús en el mundo, además de poner Biblias y libros de Catecismo en las manos de los niños para aprender los caminos del Señor y tomar su lugar alrededor de su altar.



## Ayudar a Educadores a Conectar con los Niños

Con sus contribuciones al CMAI, ustedes apoyarán a los buenos maestros de los niños Afro Americanos y Nativo Americanos. En el año 2020, sus donaciones llegaron a más de 5,000 estudiantes en alrededor de 400 escuelas y parroquias en todas las regiones de los Estados Unidos.



## Fortalecer a Evangelizadores

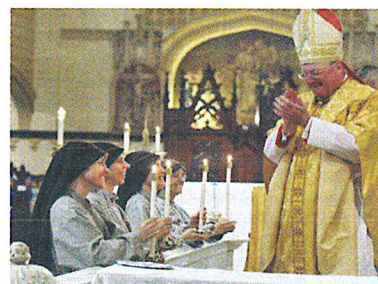
Los fondos de subvención de la CMAI ayudan a las Oficinas de los Ministerios Afro

Americanos y Nativo Americanos a patrocinar eventos y la formación que animan la vida cristiana en modos culturalmente apropiados. Arriba en la imagen se muestra un grupo de hermanas religiosas que sirven a los Nativo Americanos Católicos en la proclamación del Evangelio de Jesucristo.



## Fomentar Vocaciones

La iglesia necesita a hombres y mujeres comprometidos a la vida consagrada para que sean testigos de la vida cristiana radical. Necesitamos a sacerdotes para poder celebrar la Eucaristía! Su apoyo a la CMAI nos permite ayudar las comunidades Afro Americano y Nativo Americano a fomentar vocaciones al sacerdocio y a la vida religiosa.



**LA COLECTA PARA LAS MISIONES  
AFRO-AMERICANAS E INDÍGENAS**

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