

ITEMS FOR SALE BY PARISHIONERS

2 – Caddis float tubes
1 Shakespeare 7' wonder rod
Size 12 insulated chest waders (Frogg Toggs)
1 Sport Cat portable heater
1 Sevylor inflatable Raft
Plana Avanti size L swim fins
Some misc. Thermos bottles and smaller items
Funds go to debt reduction. Contact Jim Yeargan 694-2571

Magna 15 Speed Index Shifting Mountain Tamer Bicycle, 25" wheels - \$25.00
Emerson dorm mini-fridge, 17"Wx19"Hx18"D, white, 1.7 cu ft - \$35.00
Contact: Christine Dordan 830-7438

ARCHDIOCESE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Program Needs

Clare House is in need of

- Non-Latex gloves
- White kitchen trash bags
- Black trash bags
- Clorox wipes
- Liquid laundry detergent
- Tooth paste

Volunteer Opportunities

SFH Warehouse Volunteers | Saint Francis House needs at least one more person Monday – Friday to help with packing boxes and stocking shelves. There is some heavy lifting required. Please email Bronwen at bnicholls@cssalaska.org with questions. Thank you!



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Welcome Visitors and soon to be New Parishioners

Thank you for visiting our parish, and for joining us in our celebrations as we worship and praise Our Lord. Please stop by the Welcome Table after Mass to get information about our parish and pick up a parish registration form.

Prayer Chain Phone # 694-4771

The deadline for bulletin entries is Wed. @ noon.

JULY 26, 2020 17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Readings 1 Kings 3:5, 7–12,,
Psalm 119:57, 72, 76–77, 127–130
Romans 8:28–30, Matthew 13:44–52

What is your new life in Christ worth to you?

Do you love His words more than gold and silver, as we sing in today's Psalm? Would you, like the characters in the Gospel today, sell all that you have in order to possess the kingdom He promises to us? If God were to grant any wish, would you follow Solomon's example in today's First Reading—asking not for a long life or riches, but for wisdom to know God's ways and to desire His will?

The background for today's Gospel, as it has been for the past several weeks, is the rejection of Jesus' preaching by Israel. The kingdom of heaven has come into their midst, yet many cannot see that Jesus is the fulfillment of God's promises, a gift of divine compassion given that they—and we—might live.

We too must ever discover the kingdom anew, to find it as a treasure—a pearl of great price. By comparison with the kingdom, we must count all else as rubbish (see Philippians 3:8). And we must be willing to give up all that we have—all our priorities and plans—in order to gain it.

Jesus' Gospel discloses what Paul, in today's Epistle, calls the purpose of God's plan (see Ephesians 1:4). That purpose is that Jesus would be the firstborn of many brothers.

His words give understanding to the simple, the childlike. As Solomon does today, we must humble ourselves before God, giving ourselves to His service. Let our prayer be for an understanding heart, one that desires only to do His will. We are called to love God, to delight in His law, and to forsake every false way. And we are to conform ourselves daily ever more closely to the image of His Son.

If we do this, we can approach His altar as a pleasing sacrifice, confident that all things work for the good—that we whom He has justified will also one day be glorified.

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:30 pm

Sunday: 10 am and 7 pm

Weekdays* :

On hold. Sunday Mass 10 am and 7pm only, or streamed at 10 am. Daily Mass Tues-Fri 9 am.

Monday-
Communion Service 9 am

Tues-Fri. Mass 9 am

*Unless otherwise noted in the weekly schedule

Holy Days: 9 am and 7 pm

Rosary—8:30 am daily, 6:15 pm on Thursday

Eucharistic Adoration—Perpetual

Mass Intentions week of July 27

Mon.		
Tues.	Sr. Margarita Buitago	ROS
Wed.	John Luddon	ROS
Thurs.	Homer & Anna Ramsden	ROS
Fri.	Marie Lombard	BD
Sat.	Jamie Yeargan Marmon	ROS
Sun. 10am	David La Vergne	ROS
7pm	People of the Parish	

Fr. Arthur / AB Schwietz are still saying Mass if you have a Mass intention scheduled, and are offering them for your intention.

Miscellaneous Items

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION— *"It gives more praise to God and more delight if we pray steadfast in love, trusting his goodness, clinging to him by grace, than if we ask for everything our thoughts can name . . . The best prayer is to rest in the goodness of God."* - St. Julian of Norwich

Thank you, Adorers and welcome back to Perpetual Adoration!

We still have some open hours, so if you can bring a mask, a pen and sanitize, and want to be with Jesus for an hour or so, please choose one of these:

Open Hours:
 Sunday 2 pm
 Monday 1 pm and 11 pm
 Tuesday 6 am and 1 pm
 Wednesday 3 am
 Thursday 3 am
 Friday 3 am, 5 am, 12 Noon, 7 pm and 9 pm
 Saturday 5 am, 6 am, 10 am, 5 pm, 8 pm and 11 pm

Please contact Virginia at 632-0272 or log in to the online scheduler to substitute for an hour. And please call if you have any questions or want to reserve (or unreserve) a weekly hour.

WEEK DAY MASS—Daily Mass has resumed at 9 am in the Nave Tuesday through Fridays. Masks and social distancing required.

LOVE INC—Our ANNUAL BACKPACK GIVEAWAY CANCELLED!! The PFDs were placed in most Alaskans accounts on July 2. We believe that it would be good stewardship for our neighbors to purchase their children's backpacks this year

BOWLATHON CANCELLED!! We need YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT! The Annual BOWLATHON is our only fundraiser. We raise an average of \$5,000 each year without these monies, we will not be able to meet our operating budget for 2020 – 2021. We need your help!! Please donate towards this fundraiser; even though we did not hold the event.



**HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS
IN THE CHURCH!**

Sunday, July 26, 10am and 7pm

(10am will still be livestreamed on our Facebook Site)

See link for protocols



Before You Arrive:

If you have any symptoms of the COVID-19, have recently been around someone who has tested for COVID-19 or in a vulnerable category you are strongly encouraged to stay home. The obligation to attend mass is still suspended (although the Divine Command to Keep Holy the Sabbath continues). We will continue to live-stream the 10am Mass on Facebook as we have been doing before. Bring a face covering, as there is currently a city mandate to wear a mask when you are indoors. We may have some masks available if they arrive on time and we don't run out. Plan to arrive at St. Andrew 15 to 30 minutes ahead of time. The church will be sanitized before and after each Mass.

When You Arrive:

Masks are required inside the Church at all times, except when receiving Communion. Please approach the main doors on the north or south sides. Two lines will be forming on the north side and one on the south side. Make sure your household is at least 6' behind the household in front of you. As you approach the doors, you will be asked if you would mind having your temperature taken. You are not required to do so but we respectfully request that you do in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19. People with temperature readings of 100.5 or greater will be asked to return home. A "seating coordinator" will be located in the narthex. He/She will direct you to an usher who will take you to your seat. You will likely be in a seat other than your "normal" seat. Enjoy the new view! Most households will be seated next to an aisle. Please keep at least 6' between your household and the household sitting next to you.

Restrooms will be available.

During Mass:

Due to potential increased exposure associated with voice projection, there will be limited singing. The sign of peace continues to be suspended. No offertory basket will be passed around. However, offertory boxes will be available in the narthex. Communion will be distributed during Mass. We encourage you to receive Communion in the hand but Communion on the tongue will be available. Please lower or remove your mask before you receive. An "offering" boxes will be available in the narthex should you want to make your offering after Mass.

After Mass:

Communion will be available to those who watched the live stream until 12 noon in the front of the church.