

# Saint Anthony Catholic Church

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Twenty-Eighth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
October 10, 2021

## Our Mission

To express faith in action,  
welcome and celebrate  
diversity, and be alive in  
prayer and worship!



## Mass Schedule

Tuesdays - Fridays: 9 AM

Saturdays: 5:30 PM

Sundays: 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: Second Saturday, 5:30 PM

## Adoration

Fridays: 7-8 PM

## Reconciliation

Saturdays: 4-5 PM

## Baptism

Baptism Parents Class: First Sunday  
of month: 9:45 AM, Parish Office

## 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 By Appointment

## Parish Staff

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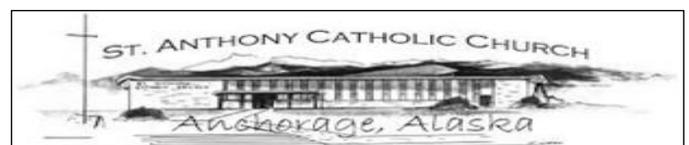
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# All are welcome!



## Reflection for the Week

With all the rage around minimalism these days, you might not expect today's Gospel reading to hit quite so hard. But it turns out that Jesus' charge to "sell what you have" in order to "enter the kingdom of God" is just as challenging when you have bare white walls and unstained wood furnishings as it is when you're surrounded by glamorous hues and glitz, Mark 10:21, 23.

In fact, what Jesus speaks of in His conversation with the rich man is actually the opposite of what is suggested by an aesthetic of empty space. When we consider this story within the context of the rest of Mark Chapter 10, we are presented with an idea of God's kingdom not as a small, meticulously curated place of exclusion, but rather as an expansive and inclusive community bustling with lively people and ideas that previous generations thought did not fit into God's plan. In Mark 10 that includes gender equality, children's dignity, servants and the enslaved, those with illness, and those who are poor.

Each time Jesus is approached about how one of these ideas or identities fits into God's plan, He responds in a way that expands the notion of God's kingdom to include those people who others presume will be excluded for who they are or kicked out for bad behavior. Where previously men were given all power in relationships, Jesus acknowledges women's equal agency in God's original design. In a society that did not recognize children as people with dignity, Jesus values their presence. Faced with expectations of entitlement, Jesus prioritizes those who tend toward patience and generosity. At a time when illness was understood as punishment for sin, a miraculous healing from Jesus marks one as blessed. And when poverty indicated one's lack of worthiness before God, Jesus says a simple life lived for others is all it takes to exist in God's loving embrace.

Cries of "You must meet these qualifications to join!"; "If you do that, you will be kicked out!"; and "There is not enough room for everyone!" come from a fear of scarcity. Not the scarcity of décor on a self-proclaimed minimalist's bedroom wall, but the thought that I must hold on to what is mine—my things, my space, my money or I will not have enough.

Jesus' response to the rich man and others in Mark 10, affirms a God of abundance. When people in power try to trick Jesus into mandating exclusion, He affirms the expansive inclusivity of a loving God who created a world and filled every inch of it with good things. There is room for more ideas and many people here, He says "It is possible for God's kingdom to grow."

Stephanie Clary  
Digital Editor, U.S. Catholic  
Taken from uscatholic.org

## Parish News and Events

Archbishop Andrew Bellisario, CM has reinstated the obligation to attend Holy Mass on Sunday and Holy Days of Obligation. This obligation reinforces our need for essential celebration of the Holy Eucharist, which is "the source and summit of Christian Life" Thanks to be God. Please consult Father Vince, if you have any questions about the obligation to attend Mass.

**Passenger Loading Zone.** Passenger Loading Zone is not a parking area. It is for the safety of those who are unable to walk from the other parking lot spaces. Thank you for your understanding.

Due to the current rise of COVID-19 cases, for the safety and well-being of other Parishioners, all attendees are required to wear masks during all the Masses.

Saint Anthony Parishioners donated **778 pounds** of food to Saint Francis House during the month of **September.**

The **Saint Anthony Parish Council** will have an in-person **meeting** this **Sunday, October 10, 12 Noon** at the **Parish Hall.** All are welcome to attend. Masks are required when attending this meeting.

The Saint Anthony **Knights of Columbus** Council will hold their **Regular Monthly Business Meeting**, this **Monday, October 11, 7 PM**, in the **Parish Hall.** The Meeting will be preceded by a Rosary in the Sanctuary, 6:30 PM. All Knights are encouraged to attend.

**Sunday Coffee and Donuts** and the **Monthly Pancake Breakfasts** are **on hold** until further notice due to the rising COVID-19 cases.

**Kateri Circle** meets every **Thursdays** at **1 PM.** Come and join us for recitation of the Rosary, and reading of the Scripture for the coming weekend. Lunches will be temporarily on hold as a precaution due to the rising COVID-19 cases in Anchorage.

There will be a Second Collection on **October 23-24**, for **World Mission Sunday.** This collection supports the **Society of the Propagation of the Faith**, **91%** of collection and **Catholic Near East Welfare Society**, **9%.** Thank you for your generous contribution and continued support.

Father Vince would like to restart the **Youth Masses** again on the second Saturdays of the month, starting **November 13.** More information will be provided in the bulletin at a later date.

For those Parishioners who would like to continue **online giving**, the Parish has resolved all the issues preventing its continued use. Here is the link to the online giving site - [Sign In](#) | [OSV Hub](#)



United in Mission Annual Catholic Appeal 2021. This year's goal for Saint Anthony's Parish is \$47,799.20. Through **Week 21**, Saint Anthony Parish has pledged **\$31,081.20**, which is **65.02%** of our goal. Brochures and additional information are available on the tables at the Church Entry. Thank you for your generous support.

The **Knights of Columbus** are once again selling their **Pot' O' Gold Raffle Tickets!** Grand prize is **\$15,000 cash**, and there are **10 prizes of \$1,000 cash** each. Only **4,000** tickets are sold. Tickets are **\$25** each. This is a major Fundraiser for the Knights and Saint Anthony, where **\$10** from every ticket sold **comes back to our local Knight's Council**. Proceeds are used by our Knights' Council to support our Parish and many worthy projects and causes. See one of the Knights in the back of the Church for details or to purchase tickets.

Remember our **Little Reading Library** on the Church Grounds? **Melissa Branch** and her son, **Dominic**, have volunteered to be new "foster parents" of the Little Reading Library. To keep the library stocked, the Library will need book donations, all ages and variety. You can drop off your book donations at the Saint Anthony Parish. Questions can be directed to **Melissa**, [greatlandgirl@gmail.com](mailto:greatlandgirl@gmail.com). Thanks for your support.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Program (RCIA)** is on **Sundays** after the **10:30 AM Mass**. If you or someone you know is seeking initiation into the Catholic Church, or a Catholic desiring to complete Sacramental Initiation or a returning Catholic, this is a wonderful opportunity to come together in a small group to learn more about our faith. Sessions will focus on Scripture, Prayer and introduction to the Church's teachings and beliefs to prepare individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist during the Easter Season. **Darcy Steger** will be leading the Program this year. Please contact **Darcy**, [darcysteger@gmail.com](mailto:darcysteger@gmail.com) for more information if you have any questions about RCIA or would like to register. Contact the Parish Office for more information.

**Faith Formation.** Parents, we invite you to register and bring your children to Faith Formation. As parents, you are the first and primary religious educators of your children. Our Parish Faith Formation Programs are there to assist and support you in fulfilling your obligation to educate your children to love, know and serve the Lord. So please, register your children today. With the joy of the Gospel, may you share with your children your life of faith.

**Glory Bound 2021** at **Saint Therese's Camp** is on! Glory Bound 2021 runs **December 28-30** for **Grades 6-8** and **December 30-January 1** for **High School**. Campers will enjoy three days full of fun activities

including sledding, playing on frozen Lake Neklason, snowball fights and music, all conducted by our outstanding counselors. We will also have fireworks on New Year's Eve for the High Schoolers! We will also have Mass, Confession, Adoration, cabin talks, and a variety of spiritually focused sessions. The cost is **\$106** for **Grades 6-8** and **\$118** for **High School Students**. Visit [www.stthereseak.com](http://www.stthereseak.com) to register. Hurry, Glory Bound is already half full! Some scholarship money is available. Contact **Rudy**, 907 232 2066 with any questions.

**Saint Anthony Parish Masses.** As we return to normal Masses, the Parish would like to start having altar servers and Hospitality Ministers on all the Saturday and Sundays Masses. If you know of anyone who is between the ages of nine through fourteen and is interested in becoming an altar server, please contact the Parish Office via telephone or by email for additional information.

**Saint Anthony Parish** is looking for **members** of the Parish who are interested in **servicing as a Sacristan**. This is an easy, fun way to help your Parish in a very important way! Please call the Parish Office to let us know of your interest.

There will be a **Recitation of the Rosary** in the **Chapel, Tuesday through Saturday Mornings, 8:30 AM**. All are welcome to come and pray. For details, please contact John Nicely.

**Do you have extra rosaries to share?** We would like to have some rosaries to give to those without when they ask, we frequently get requests. If you have any extra rosaries you are not using and would like to share them with others, please contact John Nicely.

**Catholic Social Services (CSS)** needs the following items: **cleaning supplies, laundry detergent, and shampoo**. The listing above are the needs of the following programs: **Saint Francis Food Pantry, Homeless Family Services, and Supportive Family Services**. You can bring these items to Main Office, 3710 E20<sup>th</sup>.Avenue.

**Clare House (CH)** needs a variety of different donations. Currently, CH needs the following items: **new or used blankets, warm winter gear - gloves, mittens, beanies, snow pants, snow jacket, hoodies, dish soap, and body wash**. CH provides a safe home environment for women and children in crisis, keeping the families together. Your generous support of these families in crisis is a great blessing.

**Afghan Relief.** Our hearts are with all those who are affected by the humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan - both the people fleeing their homes and our military personnel. The **Refugee Assistance and Immigration Services (RAIS) Program** will be welcoming **50-100 Afghan evacuees** to Alaska. These evacuees will be arriving in Alaska from **September to March**, fleeing

Liturgical Ministers - October 16/17	
Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
<b>Saturday – 5:30 PM</b>	
Native American Community	Mary Snowball
<b>Sunday – 8:30 AM</b>	
Darcy Steger	Tim Van Gelderen
<b>Sunday – 10:30 AM</b>	
Elena Saturnino	Ulalia Tafune Jacinta Peters Darcy Steger
<b>Sunday – 5:30 PM</b>	
Victoria Rahm	Mila Aldana

**Readings for Next Week's Masses**  
**Twenty-Ninth Sunday**  
**in Ordinary Time**  
**FIRST READING**  
 Book of Isaiah  
 Isaiah 53:10 - 11  
**SECOND READING**  
 Letter to the Hebrews  
 Hebrews 4:14 - 16  
**GOSPEL**  
 The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark  
 Mark 10:35 - 45 or 10:42 - 45

**Question of the Week**  
 Are you willing to give up everything  
 to gain entry to the kingdom of God?

their homeland. To find out how you can help: Visit [www.cssalaska.org/afghanrelief](http://www.cssalaska.org/afghanrelief) for all the details.

The Rite of Acolyte for our Deacon Candidates in formation will take place during Holy Mass at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Friday, October 22, 6 PM. Archbishop Bellisario will be presiding. This is the last of the preparatory rites leading up to the Diaconal Ordination in the Spring. Those to be instituted into the Ministry of Acolyte are our own Jon Agosti, Saint Anthony, Anchorage, Sandon Broek, Holy Cross, Anchorage, John Ostrom, Saint Patrick, Anchorage, and Don Remer, Saint Andrew, Eagle River. All are welcome to attend.

**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](mailto:sapbulletin@gmail.com).

**Pray for our Sick and Suffering**

Anjie Aspiras	Teresita Lolesio
Wes Bergsrud	Darlene Lord
Daniel Brooks	Bobby Nickarz
Neddie Canete	Christopher Nickarz
Nan Dietz	Dee Olin
Robert L. Edwards	Paul Palinski
Donna Gum	Mary Patania
Frank Javier	Amy Reidell
Patricia Garrett	Josephine Skeete
Jerome Karella	Josefina Torio
Joshua Kutzgar	Elizabeth Varee
Sam Kutzgar	Richard Varee
Alexine Leach	Chris White
Joyce Lightner	



**Collection - October 2/3**  
 Offertory - \$4,126  
 Saint Vincent de Paul - \$20  
 Building and Maintenance - \$180  
 Votive Candle Donations - \$228  
 Saint Anthony Parishioners donated  
**778 pounds** of food in **September**.  
**Thank you for your generosity!**



**Are you new to Our Parish?**

Do you have questions about our Faith Community? Have you been attending Saint 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](mailto: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 Saint Anthony Parish Hall and Conference Rooms** are still **unavailable** until further notice. Please contact the Parish Office for details.

