

# Saint Anthony Catholic Church

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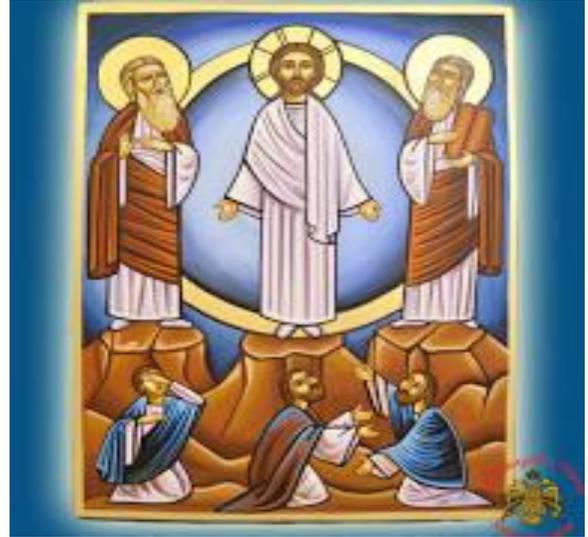
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Twenty-Ninth Sunday  
in Ordinary Time  
October 17, 2021

## 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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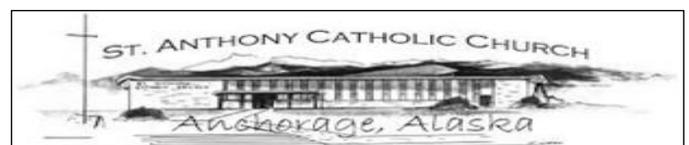
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# All are welcome!



## Reflection for the Week

I once attended a National Catholic Conference and volunteered to help with some of the behind-the-scenes work. My job was setting up chairs. I attacked this work with the goal of speed and accuracy. I wanted to set up as quickly as possible to get it all done.

I looked across the way and saw another volunteer going slowly. As he set up each chair, he paused as if he was taking a rest before moving on to the next one. "We will never finish," I thought. After I finished my section, I went over to the man who was working slowly. I asked him if he needed help. He declined, saying he was doing okay. I walked away shaking my head as I moved to another section.

Before I restarted, another volunteer came by. "See that man over there setting up the chairs? As he sets up each one, he says a prayer for the person who will sit in that seat, that they may experience God in the way they need during this conference."

That is why he was going so slow. He was taking his time to intentionally pray.

As I grabbed my next chair, I began to slow down. Soon I was praying over each chair too.

During the Conference, I attended a keynote session. And who did I see on stage? That man, who had been setting up chairs so slowly and intentionally, speaking and sharing from his heart.

"Whoever wishes to be great among you must be your servant," Matthew 20:26.

Often when I read this passage where James and his brother John argue about who will sit in a place of honor next to Jesus, I think of how foolish the two apostles are, of how they argue about silly things. I think that the path to greatness is through service. If I can serve more, the greater I will become, perhaps even one day sitting at the right hand of Jesus.

The truth is, I am the foolish one.

The Gospel does not tell us that the path to greatness is through service. Jesus teaches us that greatness is expressed through service. We do not act like a servant to become great. We serve because there is greatness in the service of the other.

The dignified act of servanthood and the desire to be at the service of the other for the sake of the kingdom is greatness.

Like James and John, I have been pursuing the wrong thing. Jesus offered His life and everything in it for us. He did not do it to become something other than what He already was. His service revealed what already existed within.

As His followers, we are invited into the life of selfless service. Not because it is the path to greatness, but because it reveals what we already are the beloved children of God. The Son of Man came to serve. As sons and daughters of the Father, we too can serve as Jesus did, even in setting up chairs.

Aires Patulo  
Taken from usatholic.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 have their masks on during all the Masses.**

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

**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 next weekend, **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. Saint Anthony's Parish goal is \$47,799.20. Through **Week 21**, Saint Anthony Parish has pledged **\$31,081.20**, which is **65.02%** of our goal. No change from previous week. Brochures and additional information are available on the tables at the Church Entry. Thank you for your continued 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 Parishioners 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: **diapers size 5 and 6, baby wipes, 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, and dish soap**. 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 their homeland. To find out how you can help: Visit [www.cssalaska.org/afghanrelief](http://www.cssalaska.org/afghanrelief) for all the details.

**Project Rachel.** If you or someone you know has been impacted by abortion, whether recently or long ago, consider grieving your loss through the Archdiocesan-supported **Project Rachel Healing Group**. It is free and completely confidential. Distance Ministry is available. Learn more at [projectrachelalaska.com](http://projectrachelalaska.com) or call our confidential phone line, 297-7781 or the National Hotline, 866-434-3344.

Liturgical Ministers - October 23/24	
Lectors	Eucharistic Ministers
<b>Saturday – 5:30 PM</b>	
Melissa Branch	Jim Bell
<b>Sunday – 8:30 AM</b>	
Marci Sablan	Sister Yoshi Takaoka
<b>Sunday – 10:30 AM</b>	
Jill Popoalii	Laura Zavala Marge Armstrong Sr. Monique Theurillat
<b>Sunday – 5:30 PM</b>	
Mimi LaFlamme	Mimi LaFlamme

**Readings for Next Week's Masses**  
October 24, 2021

**Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**FIRST READING**  
Book of Jeremiah  
Jeremiah 31:7 - 9

**SECOND READING**  
Letter to the Hebrews  
Hebrews 5:1 - 6

**GOSPEL**  
The Holy Gospel according to Saint Mark  
Mark 10:46 - 52

**Question of the Week**

Are you ready for a life of selfless service to others?

The Rite of Acolyte for our Deacon Candidates in formation will take place during Holy Mass at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe this coming 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.

**New Website for the Archdiocese.** There is a new website for the Archdiocese of Anchorage-Juneau. <https://aoaj.org/>. Read the Archdiocese of Anchorage-Juneau's newspaper, The North Star Catholic, at <https://northstarcatholic.org/>.

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

**Collection - October 9/10**

Offertory - \$4,367  
Building and Maintenance - \$40  
PFD Offering - \$105  
Online Building and Maintenance - \$105  
Online Offering - \$1,650

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**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.