SAINT BENEDICT CATHOLIC CHURCH

ARCHDIOCESE OF ANCHORAGE-JUNEAU

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time





November 08, 2026

Mission and Core Values

Saint Benedict Parish is a community of Catholic, Christian stewards, working to live and preach the Word of God in thought, word and deed. As a ministry of Saint Benedict Parish, Lumen Christi High School provides a rigorous Catholic education in a Christ-like environment. We are called to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ, to build community, and to serve our brothers and sistersWe are united in our core values of living Faith, Celebrating Family and Achieving Excellence!

Mass Times:



Monday - Friday: 9:00am
Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:00am, 10:30am, 12:15pm

Adoration:



Monday - Friday: 10am - 10pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday: 6pm - 7pm
Saturday: 3:45pm - 4:45pm OR by appointment

Parish Office

8110 Jewel Lake Road
Anchorage, AK 99502

(907) 243-2195
FAX: (907) 243-0088

OFFICE HOURS:
TUESDAY - FRIDAY: 10AM - 5PM

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Lumen Christi Catholic High School

8110 Jewel Lake Road, Bldg. D
Anchorage, AK 99502

Grades 7th -12th

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OFFICE HOURS:
MONDAY- FRIDAY: 7:30AM - 3PM
(Aug. - May)

: www.lumenchristiak.org

THOUGHTS FROM OUR PASTOR

Gratitude: A Steward's Response

This weekend the Church celebrates Stewardship Sunday. The Gospel challenges us to examine the readiness of our souls through the parable of the ten virgins. While all of them fell asleep waiting for the bridegroom, the wise virgins brought extra oil for their lamps, while the foolish did not and were caught entirely unprepared at midnight.

In the Christian life, that oil represents the tangible fruits of our faith, prayer, and charity.

It is a relationship with God built up day by day through active discipleship. You cannot borrow this oil from someone else at the last minute; it must be cultivated personally.

This is the essence of stewardship. Stewardship is how we keep our spiritual lamps filled with oil. God has entrusted each of us with a unique combination of time, talent, and treasure. These gifts are not meant to be hoarded or hidden out of fear but shared generously to illuminate our parish and the wider world.

When you volunteer in our ministries, commit to Sunday Mass and daily prayer, or support our parish financially, you pour oil into your lamp. You ensure that the light of Christ shines brightly in our community.

This week, please pray over your commitment to our parish. Are you using your God-given resources to build up His kingdom? Let us be like the wise virgins—ready, vigilant, and generous. It's not too late to send in your commitment form to Kay in the office. You should thereafter hear back from the Ministry Head with details for training. Thank you for your time, talent, and treasure. Gratitude is the proper response of a good steward.

- Fr. Tom

WELCOME TO SAINT BENEDICT PARISH!

~Our Community at a Glance~

Prayer Chain: email Shirley Arnold at s_arnoldak@outlook.com
Outreach: Emergency food for those in need call 907-273-1596
Clare House: 4th Tuesday each month; contact Beth Waetjen @ 907-242-2384
Archangel Attic: Open Tues.-Thurs. 12pm-3pm, and Fri. 10am –3pm, Sat. 10am-4pm, call 907-215-7079. To volunteer call Colleen: 354-4372 or Mary: 868-3453
Youth & Young adult Catechesis: call Gabe O'Lena 907-215-7058
Family Faith Formation Sundays: Fr. Tom Lilly, tlilly@stbenedictsak.com, 243-2195
10:30 Mass Choir: See Steve Ring after Mass or email sring1316@outlook.com
Samoan Mass: 12:15 Mass, 1st Sunday of the Month
Filipino Mass: 12:15 Mass, 3rd Sunday of the Month
Hospitality Sundays: Coffee /donuts, after 8am-10:30am Masses
Pancake Breakfast: Served 8am to 12:15pm the 2nd Sunday of the month, Oct-Apr
Knights of Columbus: Meets 1st Wednesday at 7pm in the Parish Hall.
Legion of Mary: Meets Mon. at 5:30pm; call Ed Wassell



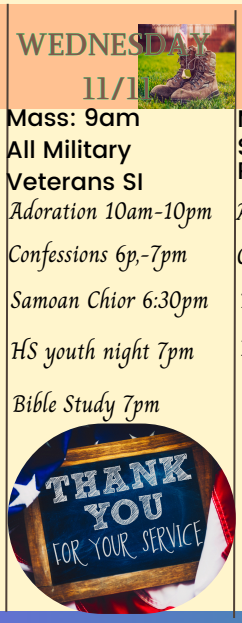
Archangel Attic Hours:
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Fri. 10am – 3pm
Sat. 10am- 4pm

907-215-7079

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The Archangel Attic is the St.Benedict/LCHS Thrift Store! Come shop with us!

MONDAY 11/09	TUESDAY 11/10	WEDNESDAY 11/11	THURSDAY 11/12	FRIDAY 11/13	SATURDAY 11/14	SUNDAY 11/15
Mass: 9am Angie Sipin SI *Office Closed* *Adoration 10am-10pm* *Legion of Mary 6pm* *OCIA 6:30pm*	Mass: 9am Avalene Mitchell SI *Adoration 10am-10pm* *Video & discussion 9:40am* *Blessed Among Women 6pm* *Usher Training 7pm*	Mass: 9am All Military Veterans SI *Adoration 10am-10pm* *Confessions 6p,-7pm* *Samoan Chior 6:30pm* *HS youth night 7pm* *Bible Study 7pm*	Mass: 9am Solidad Perrez ROS *Adoration 10am-10pm* *Choir Practice 7pm* *Book Club 7pm* *Esto Vir 6pm*	Mass: 9am Roy & Terry Stoddard SI *Adoration 10am-10pm* *Jr. Legion 10am* ***Kid Play 1pm*** *Samoan Chior 6:30pm*	Vigil Mass: 5pm Jim Gillitzer ROS *Confessions 3:45-4:45* *Samoan Chior 6:30pm* *Extraordinary Minister Training 10am* *Usher Training 11am*	Masses: 8am:People of the Parish SI 10:30am:Andrew J Simonds ROS 12:15pm:Angie Sipin SI ***Super Sunday*** *Today 1:30-3:30*



Mass Intentions: SI= Special Intentions RTH= Return to Health ROS= Repose of Soul

SAINT BENEDICT STAFF

Pastor
Fr. Tom Lilly
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Readings:

Sunday 11/08
Wisdom 6:12-16
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 5:1-12

Sunday 11/15
Proverbs 31:10-13, 19, 20, 30, 31
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
Matthew 25:14-30

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

- **OCIA:** Contact Office at 243-2195
- **Baptism of infants:** celebrated either during Mass, after the 12:15 Mass on Sundays or at any other time approved by the Pastor. Parents are required to attend a baptismal preparation class prior to the baptism of the child.
- **Weddings:** scheduled by meeting with the Pastor at least six months prior to the wedding date. Please call the office for more details.
- **Funerals**: contact the parish office following a death and we will be pleased to assist you.
- **Anointing of the Sick, or Communion to the Homebound:** Please call the parish office to request a visit.

For questions, contact the parish office: (907) 243-2195.

PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE

Stewardship of Treasure:

	WEEK 18	Year-to-Date
Offertory Income	$ 14,491.35	$ 200,827.65
Other Income	$ 820.00	$ 57,622.90
	$ 15,311.35	$ 258,450.55

Avg. Weekly Expenses: $14,912.51
Year To Date Expenses: $181,411.20

*Avg. wk. expenses based on FY26 financials

Parish Year-To-Date Net Income

Total Income	$ 258,450.55
Total Expense	$ 181,411.20
	$ 77,039.35

*Year To Date is from July 1, 2026 - November 1, 2026

Online Donation Income:

- There were 52 gifts made online
- There were 2 Maintenance Fund donations
- There was 1 Parish Outreach donation
- There were 0 Special Collection donations
- There were 0 Faith Formation donations

Dear Lord,
Thank you for teaching me to be generous as you have been generous with me. Thank you for showing me that all I am and have are gifts from you. And that these gifts from you, Lord, are meant to be shared. Show me the joys of generosity. Help me to understand others, perhaps unknown to me, depend on me for help. Remind me that my world, my parish, needs "Good Samaritans" to heal the wounds of our times. Make me a gift to others in your name.

Amen

Hope Soup Kitchen

Thanks to all who come and put together meals for Hope Soup Kitchen!
Next date is Saturday November 7th!

Call Andy Flores @ 907-887-4917

Clare House

Thank you to all who provide meals for Clare House! Next dinner date is October 27th!

The Traveling Madonna

Please say a rosary each day she is in your home.
Thank you for welcoming the Lord's mother.
Questions call the office 907-243-2195

Thinking about Prison Ministry?

Two requirements by State of Alaska Dept.of Corrections:

1. Fill out application form-download at https://www.godinprison.com
2. Attend a Religious Volunteer Training Session

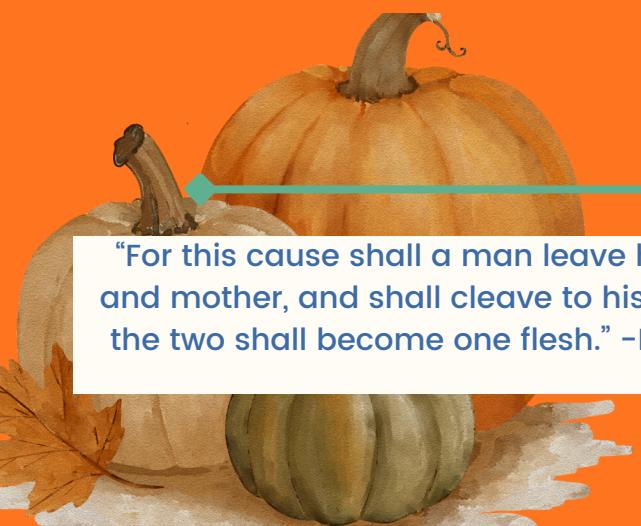
Next Training Session:
Date:TBA
Time: TBA
Place: TBA

Questions? Contact your fellow St. Benedict parishioners:
Phil Ayer 907-250-2711
Greg Gallagher 907-917-9003

CELEBRATIONS

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Roy and Terry Stoddard	11/12/66
Bernie and Beatrice Freeman	11/29/69
Ryan and Justine Kersten	11/10/76
Lonnie and Marcy Adkins	11/27/82
Doug and Rebecca Berry	11/28/92
Richard and Letti Wulf	11/22/08
Ken and Linda Miller	11/11/12
James and Cierra Aloysius	11/12/13
Joab and Krisine Mendoza	11/27/14
Nick and Oriele Kinder	11/07/15
Anthony Jayson and Diane Ong	11/03/18
Nick and Kristen Moran	11/27/20



"For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife; and the two shall become one flesh." -Eph. 5:31

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Lonnie Adkins
Diane Peterson
Christina Del Rosario
Shirley Arnold
Bill Arnold
Bea Freeman
Waetjen Family
Alicia Warren
Fr. Tim Saur
Anthony Mitchell
Rosemary Dunn
Connie Budahl
Danny Lee
Franklin Ellenson
Hien Pham
Terry Tutor
Marty Goblowski
Jim and Sally Seeley
Fr. Rob Evenson
Sam Waetjen
Damon Carey
Gerry Rapp
Alicia Datuin
Mike & Bettye Smith
Pat Scott
Julie Allard
Bernie & Marian Simon
Will Davenport
Nicole Johnson
Jessica Randolph
Geneva Colon
Michele Waetjen
Denise Trefry
Richard Campbell
James Mitchell & sons
Fontaine Wilhelm
Theresa Dolan
Ofelia Domingo
Maipele Burns
Mike Keenan
Kevin Pfeiffer
Steve Taylor
Lara Krill
Joseph Mitchell
Dan Rollins
Ted & Agnes Mayac
Doris Clausen
Ellison Williamson
Jackie & Greg Kern
Paul Larson
Mary Dubois
Glen Allen
Virginia Aberle
Elizabeth Bastiani
Solita Balones
Mark Blumenthal
Deneen B. Bozeman
Ed & Terese O'Neil



TO ADD OR REMOVE

please call (907) 243-2195

United In Mission

"Many Gifts, One Church"

2026 Annual Catholic Appeal

Saint Benedict Parish

ARCHDIOCESE OF ANCHORAGE-JUNEAU

YOU MADE IT!!

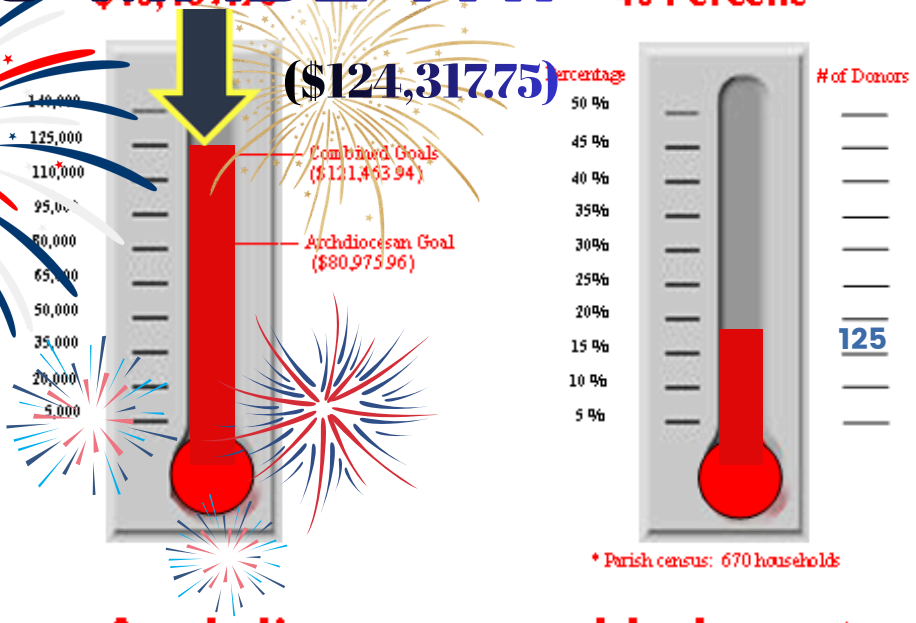
Archdiocesan Goal
$ 80,975.96

Parish Goal
$ 110,463.94

Participation Goal
40 Percent *

Donating to ~~United in Mission~~ "Many Gifts, ~~One Church~~" has never ~~been~~ easier!

Use the QR code and donate right now online.
ARCHDIOCESE OF ANCHORAGE-JUNEAU



* Parish census: 670 households

Contributions beyond our Archdiocesan goal help us to:



Prep and paint exterior.



Close off old access.



Weatherproof the foundation.



Replace all windows.



Convert lighting to LED.



Update bathroom.



Install secure door.



Paint the interior.



Install a new furnace.

Renovate the "Archangel Attic"

Why? Didn't we already do this project last year? Answer: We completed phase I. We raised approximately $36,000 and that amount will allow us to install new windows, a new secure entry door and paint the exterior of the building this summer. Proceeds from this year's appeal will allow us to complete this two-year renovation project. In the summer of 2027 we will install a new furnace, renovate the bathroom, and replace all lighting with LED fixtures. Once completed, the Archangel Attic will be ready for the next decade! The Attic serves as an outreach to the needy in our community, as well as a revenue source for scholarships to Lumen Christi Catholic High School (generating more than $1.4 million since 2011!). All staff, including managers Mary and Colleen, are volunteers. **Thank you!**

ST. BENEDICT PARISH

FY2027 Quarter 1 Financial Report

September 30. 2026

Income	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Over (Under)
Income-Church			
Sunday Collections	$ 142,034.55	$ 156,249.99	$ (14,215.44)
Other Donations Total	$ 36,152.00	$ 22,143.72	$ 14,008.28
Other Income Total	$ 3,729.00	$ 11,524.98	$ (7,795.98)
Income Totals:	**$ 181,915.55**	**$ 189,918.69**	**$ (8,003.14)**
Income –School			
Fees/Tuition Income Totals	$ 266,807.91	$ 294,000.00	$ (27,192.09)
Fundraising Total	$ 18,954.30	$ 67,500.00	$ (48,545.70)
Sports Total	$ (732.73)	$ 14,249.99	$ (14,982.72)
Sales Income	$ 5,436.00	$ 0.00	$ 5,436.00
Archangel Attic	$ 24,779.00	$ 28,749.99	$ (3,970.99)
Tuition Discounts	$ (4,450.00)	$ (4,400.00)	$ (50.00)
Other income total	$ 198,368.76	$ 1,524.99	$ 196,843.77
Income Totals:	**$ 509,163.24**	**$ 401,624.97**	**$ 107,538.27**
Revenue Totals:	**$ 691,078.79**	**$ 591,543.66**	**$ 99,535.13**
Expense –Church			
Personnel Expense Totals:	$ 74,851.75	$ 100,233.24	$ (25,381.49)
Repairs & Maintenance	$ 10,546.28	$ 6,124.98	$ 4,421.30
Utilities total	$ 10,330.61	$ 10,575.00	$ (244.39)
Diocesan Assessments	$ 28,475.06	$ 28,475.01	$ 0.05
Bank Fees	$ (809.54)	$ 2,375.01	$ (3,184.55)
Other Operating Expenses Totals:	$ 27,215.96	$ 38,835.00	$ (11,619.04)
Expense Totals:	**$ 150,610.12**	**$ 186,618.24**	**$ (36,008.12)**
Expense –School			
Personnel Expense Totals	$ 304,474.54	$ 344,473.95	$ (39,999.41)
Repair & Maint Total	$ 241,260.46	$ 39,605.01	$ 201,655.45
Utilities Total	$ 14,374.24	$ 19,350.00	$ (4,975.76)
Sports Total	$ 15,174.99	$ 13,687.53	$ 1,487.46
Other Expense total	$ 85,494.07	$ 55,449.99	$ 30,044.08
Expense Totals:	**$ 660,778.30**	**$ 472,566.48**	**$ 188,211.82**
Total Expenses	**$ 811,388.42**	**$ 659,184.72**	**$ 152,203.70**
Net Revenue (Loss)	**$(120,309.63)**	**$ (67,641.06)**	**$ (52,668.57)**

As we conclude the first quarter of our new fiscal year, we would like to share an update on our parish and school finances and offer our heartfelt thanks to our parish community. Your ongoing support through weekly offerings, special gifts, and faithful stewardship helps sustain our ministries, serve those in need, and maintain our parish and school. We are deeply grateful for your generosity and commitment, which enable us to continue sharing Christ's love and serving others through our faith and actions.

Financial Overview

During the first quarter, Sunday collections were below budget, partially offset by additional donations. Parish expenses remained below budget, while school expenses exceeded budget, primarily due to preparations for the new school year and student enrollment coming in below projections. As a result, the combined parish and school net loss was greater than budgeted. The timing of certain budgeted revenues and expenses also contributed to this variance. We will continue to monitor our financial performance closely as we move through the fiscal year.

Parish and School Highlights

One of the most exciting highlights of the first quarter was the ribbon-cutting ceremony for our two beautiful new exterior classrooms! This milestone represents a wonderful investment in our school community, and it would not have been possible without your generosity and support. We are currently targeting a November move-in date and look forward to seeing these new spaces serve our students and our parish.

In September, our Super Sunday Faith Formation classes also began, bringing children and families together to grow in faith and strengthen their relationship with Christ. These milestones reflect the many ways our parish and school continue to grow and serve our community.

Your generosity and faithful stewardship make these opportunities possible and allow us to continue fulfilling our shared mission of faith, education, and service.

Thank you for your continued generosity, your faithful stewardship, and your commitment to the mission we share. We are blessed to be part of such a supportive parish community and look forward with hope and gratitude to all that God has in store for this year.

Thank you for your continued support. May God bless you and your families!

The Finance Committee



Thanksgiving Baskets



The ***Outreach Ministry*** is preparing for the annual

Thanksgiving Basket Program

If you can donate food, it will be greatly appreciated.
Below is a list of suggested food items according to the first letter of your last name.

- ✓ *The food will be packaged on Friday, November 22nd.*
- ✓ *Pick ups will be on Saturday, November 23rd between9:30am-10:30am.*

You may begin dropping off food in the church basement, Parish Hall as soon as you can.

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- ❖ Turkeys can be dropped off at Tastee Freez at any time before Wednesday, November 20th, *(let them know you are from St. Benedict Parish)*
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Food Needed:

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F-J foil, oatmeal, instant potatoes, canned fruit, canned vegetables, toilet paper, dish soap.

K-N canned sweet potatoes, pancake mix, pie filling, cranberry sauce, bath soap, jam or jelly, powdered milk.

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T-Z butter or margarine, rolls, black olives, pie crust, paper towels, flour, foil pans, jam or jelly.

If you need a basket, please call Outreach at 273-1596:

1. **Leave your name, address, phone number**
2. **Number of people in your household**
3. **Whether you can pick up your basket Saturday, November 23rd between 9:30am and 10:30am, or need it delivered.**



LUMEN CHRISTI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

LIVING FAITH, CELEBRATING FAMILY, AND ACHIEVING EXCELLENCE



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

As we turn the corner into the month of November, our hallway and classrooms are full of excitement with the knowledge that Thanksgiving break is just a couple of weeks away! This is the busy time of the semester, as teachers provide a lot of classroom content and administer assessments so that students won't have a lot of work to do over break starting Friday, November 20th. Additionally, our rifle, debate, junior high basketball, and girls volleyball seasons are in full swing. Over 80% of our students are participating in extracurricular activities either at Lumen Christi or through other after school programs. In other words, our students are busy, busy and being challenged mentally and physically!

This week, our seniors and juniors met with Mrs. Judy Friar, a veteran guidance counselor for over 20 years. You can see her bio here: https://www.friarworks907.com/judyfriar-specialist. For the past four years, Mrs. Friar has provided career interest and college advising services to our high school students. She meets with groups of our students once a month in our school library and has assisted dozens of Lumen Christi graduates with their career aspirations. We are so blessed to have her knowledge, skills, abilities and talents in our school!

I hope everyone has a blessed and safe weekend!

Brian



KNIGHT'S TABLE

CONGRATULATIONS OCTOBER

Knight of the Month: Fr. Tom Lilly

Family of the Month: Larry & Cheryl Clement

The Knight of the month

Fr Tom Lilly - Yes for obvious reasons we have selected Fr Tom for our St Benedict's Knight of the Month - He has been very active, and a faithful minister to this St Benedict's parish and Lumen Christi School. We would like to honor Fr Tom for all of the 'day to day and week to week' steadfastness as well as his want and ability to make us all feel like a welcome part of the parish.

Family of the month

Larry and Cheryl Clement. Larry has acted as our council Life Director and Cheryl has been right there by his side. Larry also takes on duties in the Fourth Degree and is around for many of our socials and events and Cheryl is also involved in the Catholic Daughters. They have been active in leading us for the 40 Days for Life campaigns and we recognize them as our family of the month!

"Thank you! Thank you!
Thanks to the generosity of St. Benedict parishioners, the Knights were able to deliver to Catholic Social Services, 63 boxes of diapers, wipes and 8 cans of formula worth an estimated value of $3125. The CSS staff was especially grateful as the diaper shelves were mostly bare."

WHAT'S UP?

Patriotic Rosary– 12/07 and 11/16 at 6:00 pm
K of C Council meeting - 12/02 at 7:00 pm
4th Degree meeting – 11/07 at 7:00 pm
Officer's meeting - 11/19 6pm



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WITHIN THE CHURCH COMMUNITY...

NEWS AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE OF ANCHORAGE!

Welcome to this week's Communication Email! Here's a look at the latest news, events, and updates from around our Archdiocese. Stay connected and informed as we continue to grow in faith and community together!

Upcoming events around the Archdiocese

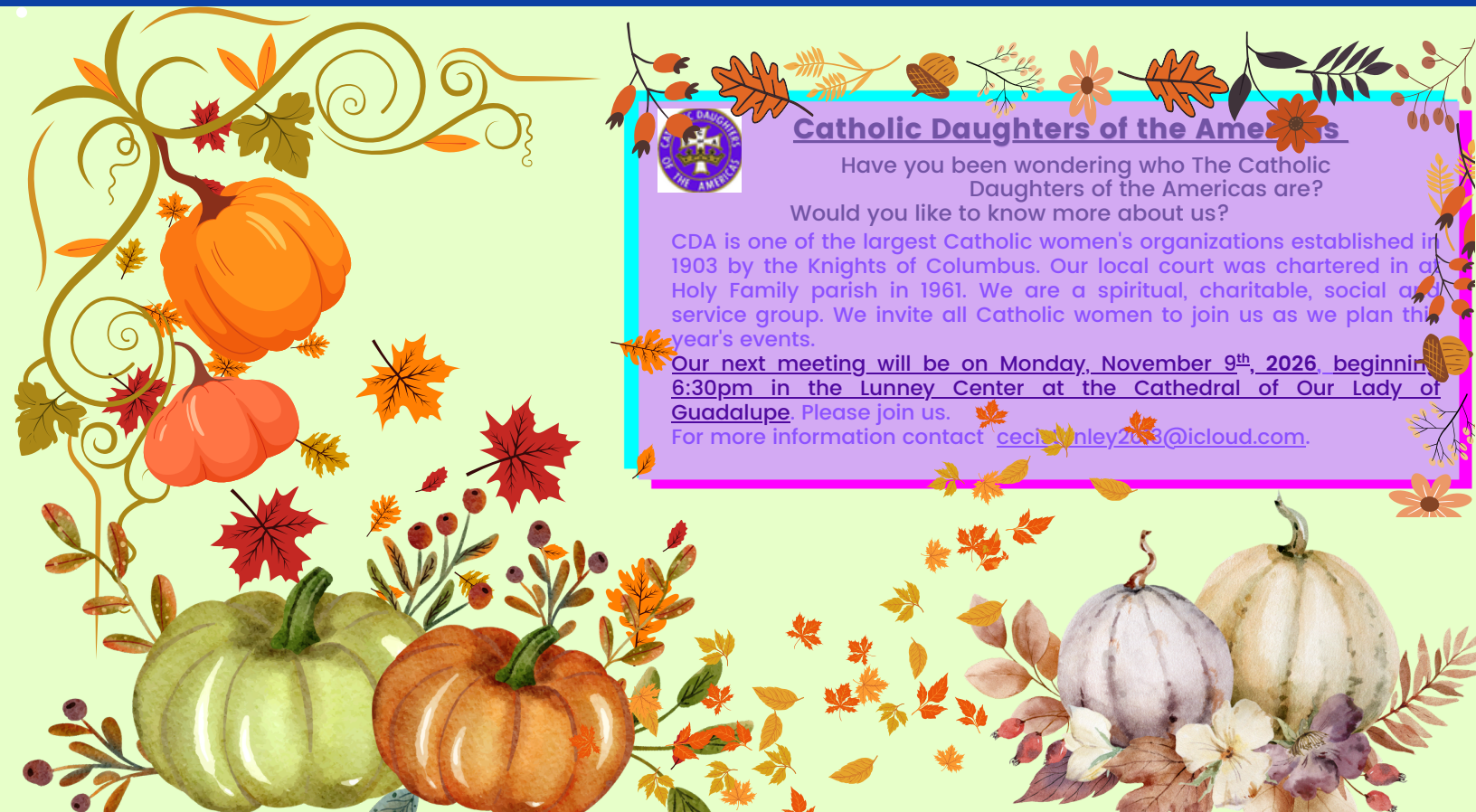
- CHRISTMAS CARD SUBMISSION: We are doing the Christmas card submission again. Please put in your bulletins and announcements. (Next page)

- The Archdiocese of Anchorage-Juneau invites our talented and creative youth of the archdiocese to come up with a Christmas card design to submit.

- The card that is selected will be used as the Archdiocese of Anchorage-Juneau's Christmas Card. Please go to the aoaj.org to download a registration sheet. All entries need to be postmarked by November 2, 2026.

- FAITH FORMATION: Young Adult Retreat "Living with Joy" speakers Llewellyn Young and Mandy Thronas-Brown from Honolulu, HI. Monday October 26th from 4:30pm -9:00pm at the Cathedral of Our Lady of Guadalupe in Anchorage. Dinner will be provided register at www.aoaj.org/office-of-faith-formation

- Retreat for Faith Formation volunteers, catechists and directors of religious education.
- "Living with Joy" speakers Llewellyn Young and Mandy Thronas-Brown from Honolulu, HI. Saturday October 24th, 10:00am -3:00pm at JPII Center at St. Patrick's in Anchorage. Lunch provided. Register at www.aoaj.org/office-of-faith-formation



ADULT ED.

TUESDAY MORNINGS:

We are watching a series interesting videos.
Join us for coffee, pastries,
and discussion after 9AM Mass.

BIBLE STUDY



Meets the 2nd –4th or 5th.
Wednesday's of each month at 7pm

See you November 11th Rm 121!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

BLESSED AMONG WOMEN

Our next gathering will be on
Tuesday
evening November 10th
at 6pm, in the Parish Hall.



This is a monthly gathering to seek a more profound understanding of what it means to be a woman of God through quarterly presentations by local speakers and spiritual teachings from Pope St John Paul II and female Saints (while sharing food and fellowship with other women).

MEN'S MINISTRY

ESTO VIR



Our next Meeting will be on
Thursday, November 12th.
We meet in the Parish Hall, for food, fellowship, and faith.

Food: Pasta and Meatballs w/garlic bread

Topic: "It is not who you think it is!"
"Unlock your Super Power!"

Speaker: Doug Berry



BOOK CLUB



Thursday, Dec. 3rd, 7pm,
@ TBA.

We will be discussing...

St. Benedict Parish Lending Library –

Pick up a book to enjoy, leave a book to share. Look for the bookcase near the Adoration door, where we have some books, publications, etc. that may be of interest to our Parish community and enrich our Catholic faith. Come see what we have - more to come! Contact Lynn Stuhr @ lstuhr18@gmail.com or 907-830-1627.



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2) click Sign Up
3) click I belong to a parish/organization
4) type in St. Benedict and look for our address (8110 Jewel Lake Rd. Anchorage, AK) and then enter your name and email!

Ascension Presents has awesome material and shorter videos on various Catholic Topics through YouTube and Facebook!

ADORATION

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



ADORATION IS OFFERED:

Monday–Friday

10:00AM-10:00PM

You are welcome to come in to pray during these times. Spend time alone with Jesus or bring your family to pray together!
Call the office to get the code to the adoration door.

"Could you not watch one hour with me?" (Mt. 6:21; 26:40)

OCIA



What is Catholicism?

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church?

Do you feel you are on the outside looking in?

Would you like to know more about the Catholic Faith?

Maybe you were raised Catholic and have strayed?

Have you ever wondered, 'Why am I even doing this? Going to Mass?

Do you remember all the reasons of your faith, the beauty of our faith?

We meet, Monday evenings at 6:30pm in the parish rectory starting Sept. 28th!

We would love to have you join us. Everyone is welcome!

For questions contact the office 243-2195



& FOR OUR YOUTH...



FAITH-FAMILY-FUN

Everyone Pre-K to 12th grade!

12pm-2pm: Gym Time & Snack
2pm: Family Formation
2:30pm: Kids & Adult classes
3:30pm: Classes over

EVANGELIZATION

What is Hallow?

Through prayer and meditation rooted in the Catholic faith, Hallow helps people find peace and grow in faith, every day. As the #1 prayer app in the world, Hallow provides a wide variety of audio-guided meditation, prayer challenges, mental health content, sleep stories, and sacred music. Users pray with Fr. Mike, Sr. Miriam, Jonathan Roumie, Mark Wahlberg, Immaculee Ilibagiza, Bishop Barron, + many others.

How do I access Hallow?

Everyone is invited to be a part of our parish community page. There, you can create a profile, add friends, share/respond to prayer intentions, and take part in prayer challenges with the parish.

The steps are simple:

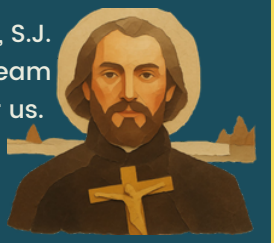
- ¨ Download or open the Hallow app on your phone
- ¨ Join the parish page;
- ¨ Tap "Community" on the menu at the bottom of your screen > Select "Join a Church" > Search for your parish by name or zip code > Join the parish page.
  Start praying with your community!

Customer Support

If you have any issues getting someone set up on the app, please reach out to parishsupport@hallow.app. We have an incredibly talented support team that responds to parish partners with super high priority. We look forward to praying with you!

YOUTH CORNER

St. Andrew Bobola, S.J.
Patron of our E/C Team
Pray for us.



UPCOMING *Youth Nights*



Wednesday 7-9 pm

Veteran's Day

What does the virtue of Patriotism mean? How does that apply to our lives today?

Nov 11 2026



Wednesday 7-9 pm

Yearly Cycles

What happens in the Church yearly? Why do some things seem to have a priority over others? What are things we celebrate every year?

Nov 18 2026



Wednesday 7-10pm

Movie Night

We will be spending a little extra time in Youth Night this night watching a movie from the Hobbit series! Come join us with Popcorn and snacks provided!

Nov 25 2026

@stbensyouthanc

11/11 High School Night 7pm!

TBD Jr. High Night 6pm

ADULT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

CHECK OUT OUR PAGES!

ST. BEN'S YOUTH MINISTRY

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GLORY BOUND 2026!

Registration for St. Therese's Camp Glory Bound 2026 is Open!



Recharge your faith with great counselors, fun activities, and delicious food in the middle of winter.

Grades 6–8: December 28–30, $155
Grades 9–12: December 30–Jan. 1: $165

Some financial aid available; contact 907-232-2066 for information.
See you at camp!

WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. . .

WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE



On-going Breakfast and Lunch Needs-

Brother Francis Shelter and Complex Care:
(Drop off at 1021 E. 3rd Ave OR 303 W Fireweed Ln)

Additionally, if you have a group that would like to provide an ENTIRE breakfast or lunch, here are the sign-up genius links:

Complex Care Breakfast and Lunch Sign Ups (87 guests):
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D44ACAA2FA3F9CE9-66622855-complex

Brother Francis Shelter Breakfast and Lunch Sign Ups (120 guests)
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D44ACAA2FA3F9CE9-66623016-brother

On-going Breakfast and Lunch Needs-

Brother Francis Shelter and Complex Care:
(Drop off at 1021 E. 3rd Ave OR 303 W Fireweed Ln)

There is an on-going and immediate need for breakfast item donations at both locations. Donations of any quantity can be dropped off.

Suggested Breakfast Items:

- Cereal Boxes
- Milk (Refrigerated and/or Shelf Stable Boxes)
- Pre-packaged breakfast pastries
- Muffins
- Bananas
- Instant Oatmeal Packets



Catholic Social Services is collecting new or gently used winter gear for both children and adults, and all sizes are welcome. We are especially in need of good-quality winter boots in all sizes.

Most-needed items include winter coats and jackets, snow pants, warm layers, gloves and mittens, winter boots, hats, scarves, and warm socks.

Please drop off donations by October 14 at:
Catholic Social Services Main Office
4600 DeBarr Road
Monday-Friday, 9 PM-5 PM

Saint Francis House Food Pantry Current Needs:

(Drop off at 3710 E. 20th Ave. from 1-4 pm Monday through Thursday and 9-4 on Fridays. Donations for specific CSS programs should be taken to each program location.)

- Canned meat
- Canned Veggies
- Canned Beans
- Dry goods
- Rice
- Pastas
- Canned Soups
- Oats
- Egg Cartons

Brother Francis Shelter:

(Drop off from 9 am - 5 pm, Monday - Friday, at 1021 E. 3rd Ave.)

Hygiene items

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Maxi pads
- Tampons

Bedding & Comfort Items

- Full-size blankets
- Emergency blankets (if available)
- Bath Towels
- Twin sheets

Clothing & Personal Items

- Socks—any kind are great. Warmer the better, but having clean socks to give out is crucial
- Warm gloves (if available)
- Warm hats
- Other winter supplies/coats, warm clothing

3rd Avenue Resource; Navigation Center:

(Drop off from 9 am – 2 pm, Monday - Friday, at 1101 E. 3rd Ave.)

- Towels
- Socks
- Snacks
- Beanies/ Gloves


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