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WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

Saturday 5:30 pm
Sunday 10:30 am

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES:

Tuesday– Friday 9:00 am

OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday – Friday 9:00 am – 3:00 pm

ROSARY PRAYER GROUP:

9:45am – 10:00am every Sunday prior to Mass

PRAYER CHAIN:

Call Audrey Little @ 690-1536 Or email Karen Crapps at crappspk@gci.net

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION & BENEDICTION:

First Friday of each month, 9:30am – 8:00pm.

PRAYER MEETING:

Please contact Janice Wilsack for more information.

BULLETIN & INSERT DEADLINE:

Articles for the weekly bulletin must be in by Wednesday at noon. Thank you!

Our Lady of the Angels

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AUGUST 19TH, 2018

OUR MISSION:

As Community,

We celebrate Christ through the Word, the Eucharist, and the Sacraments of the Church.

We educate and enrich through worship, faith formation, and living out our faith rooted in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We welcome and reach out to members of our local community through sharing our many and varied gifts, and practicing the corporal and spiritual works of mercy.

We commit to building parish community by welcoming, embracing, and serving all.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES/EVENTS:

- ✠ Aug 19 Blessing of the Backpacks
- ✠ Aug 21 KPBSD School Begins
- ✠ Aug 27 Capital Improvements begin on OLA's boiler
- ✠ Sept 2 Blessing of the Catechists
- ✠ Sept 9 First day of Children's Liturgy of the Word
- ✠ Sept 9 First day of Sunday Faith Formation for grades K-6 @ 11:45am
- ✠ Sept 12 First day of *Wednesday Night Live* for grades 7-12 @ 6pm
- ✠ Sept 16 Parish Pancake Breakfast after Mass
- ✠ Sept 23 Students Attending Homecoming Special Mass @ 6pm



A joyous welcome to everyone who is visiting our parish today! If you are not Catholic and would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, or if you are baptized Catholic and have been away for a while and have some questions, please contact Father Tom Rush in the parish office at 283-4555.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Giving! OLA wants to remind you that we offer electronic giving as a way to automate your regular offering. Electronic giving offers convenience, as well as providing a much-needed donation consistency for our parish.

Go to www.kenacatholicchurch.org at any time to set up and maintain your automatic donation plan. Questions or assistance please contact the parish office.

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Father Tom asks that students and their parents schedule an interview with him if the student is in their second year of the Confirmation program, or will be entering the Confirmation program this year.

Father Tom will be available the first and last week of September for scheduling.

Availability is on a first-come basis. To reserve your time, please contact the parish office at 283-4555, or by email at: ladyoftheangels@gmail.com.

A WORD FROM POPE FRANCIS

Dear young people, your joyful presence, your thirst for truth and high ideals are signs of hope! Being young does not mean being passive, but rather means being tenacious in your efforts to achieve important goals, even if this comes at a price. Being young does not mean closing your eyes to difficulties: instead, it requires a refusal to compromise or be mediocre. It does not mean escaping or fleeing, but engaging rather in solidarity with everyone, especially the weakest. The Church counts on you and will continue to count on you who are generous and capable of great energy and noble sacrifices.

(6/6/16, Youth)



STEWARDSHIP & THE NEW EVANGELIZATION

Obstacles to Stewardship

People who want to live as Christian disciples and Christian stewards face serious obstacles. In the United States and other nations, a dominant secular culture often contradicts religious convictions about the meaning of life. This culture frequently encourages us to focus on ourselves and our pleasures.

At times, we can find it far too easy to ignore spiritual realities and to deny religion a role in shaping human and social values. As Catholics who have entered into the mainstream of American society and experienced its advantages, many of us also have been adversely influenced by this secular culture.

We know what it is to struggle against selfishness and greed, and we realize that it is harder for many today to accept the challenge of being a Christian steward.

It is essential, therefore, that we make a special effort to understand the true meaning of stewardship and live accordingly.

A LITTLE BIT OF HUMOR...

Words of wisdom: "There's a fine line between a long, drawn-out sermon and a hostage situation."

2018-2019



Faith Formation

Register today!!

Fall **Faith Formation** is nearly here. The general schedule is as follows:

Starts Sunday, September 9th

- ✚ Grades K-6: 11:45am to 12:45pm
 - Includes snack

Starts Wednesday, September 12th

- ✚ Grades 7-12: 6:00pm-8:30pm
 - Includes light dinner

We ask families to please register your children of grades K-12 in faith formation. Please complete the registration form in its entirety, especially the lines for emergency contact and food allergies, or other important information.

The registration forms can be found on the documents table in the foyer at the top of the stairs.

Completed forms with payment can be mailed to, or dropped off at the parish office, or placed in the basket on the table near the Sacristy.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION & FAITH FORMATION

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

First Fridays' of the month 7:00-8:00 pm
Saturdays' before Mass 4:45-5:15pm

Sacrament of Baptism:

By appointment only. Please contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Six month preparation. Please contact the Parish Office.

Faith Formation Classes:

Start September 9th. K-6th grade, Sundays 11:45 am to 12:45 pm

Start September 12th. Wednesday Night Live: 7th – 12th grade, Wednesdays 6:00-8:30 pm.

Please contact the parish office for 2018-2019 Faith Formation classes.

Confirmation Class:

Please contact the Parish Office.

RCIA Class: For individuals who are not Catholic and would like to learn more about the Catholic faith.

Please contact the Parish Office.

ST. FRANCIS STEWARDSHIP AWARDS

The St. Francis Stewardship Awards formally recognizes those dedicated individuals and groups throughout the Archdiocese of Anchorage who serve generously in support of the work of the Church in their parishes.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in a pastoral letter defined stewardship as, "an expression of discipleship, with the power to change how we understand and live out our lives... Indeed, good stewards live in communion with Christ and through Christ and the Spirit strive to return all gifts to the Father 'with an increase.'"

It is that increase we seek to honor. Not for any earthly reward, but so that we may together celebrate the ties of love that bind together our local Church.

Recipients will be announced in parish bulletins, Archdiocese website and social media, in October/November and will be featured in an ad in the Catholic Anchor in November. A dinner will be held to honor the recipient on October 24, 2018.



REMEMBRANCE

Please keep the family and friends, as well as those who went before us in eternal life in your thoughts & prayers. In this month we remember the passing of:

- ✠ Ryan Colton
- ✠ John Efta
- ✠ Cleone Wells
- ✠ Dale Neether

*If you wish to remember a loved one, please contact the parish office.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Children's Liturgy Catechists

Looking for Children's Liturgy volunteers! Our young parishioners process downstairs with their catechist to listen to the Sunday readings from the Children's Lectionary.

The readings are shared with the children at a level that is understandable to them through songs, stories, crafts, etc. Then they return upstairs during the Offertory to share in the Liturgy of the Eucharist with their families.

With the current volunteer rotation, this stewardship is once a month. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Fr. Tom at 283-4555.

Faith Formation Volunteers

Faith Formation 2018-2019 is nearly here, and we are looking for some help in a couple of different areas.

We are **in need of substitute teachers for Sunday.**

For **Sunday Faith Formation**, we are **in need of a few teens to assist during the one hour class.** They would help the teacher with projects, help the children with class work and help the teacher with any other needs.

For **Wednesday Night Live** (evening teen class) - we are **in need of teens who have been confirmed, adults, and young adults to assist in the Confirmation program.** This could include helping with ice-breakers and games, cooking dinner for our youth, doing a 20-30 minute presentation, a 15 minute testimony, helping with prayer/reflection, or just general help.

If you or your teen(s) would like to help in this rewarding ministry, please contact Fr. Tom at 283-4555.

Men's Group: Pancake Breakfast

Join a fun, faith-inspired group of guys! Starting in September on the third Sunday of every month, the Men's Group comes together in the morning at 9am to prepare a delicious breakfast for the parishioners after mass.

If you would like more information, or to volunteer with Pancake Breakfast, please let Fr. Tom know.

MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY AND MINISTRY SCHEDULE:

<p align="center">Saturday @ 5:30pm August 25th, 2018</p>	<p align="center">Sunday @ 10:30am August 26th, 2018</p>	
<p>Lectors: Jane Fuerstenau</p> <p>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Margaret Simon Phil Pijahn</p> <p>Altar Servers: To be determined</p> <p>If you have any questions or comments regarding all ministry schedules, <u>please</u> contact Fr. Tom.</p>	<p>Lector: Nora Satathite</p> <p>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Audrey Little Janice Wilsack Lee Halstead Phyllis Halstead Tim Agosti Lucy Ritter Yasko Lehtinen</p> <p>Altar Servers: To be determined</p> <p>Hospitality: Wight Family</p>	<p>Children's Liturgy: Returning September 9th</p> <p>Collection Counters:</p> <p>(Aug 21 @ 10am) Robin F. Helen H.</p> <p>(Aug 28 @ 10am) Rose H. Terrya G.</p> <div data-bbox="1133 1024 1453 1121" style="text-align: right;">  Invite friends with Facebook </div> <div data-bbox="1156 1152 1429 1251" style="text-align: right;">  myParish </div>



One Bread, One Body

2018 Annual Catholic Appeal

The people of our faith community have contributed **\$10,780.00** to this year's One Bread, One Body Annual Catholic Appeal. Our parish goal is \$24,634.00. If you haven't already, please join this effort to nurture the ministries of our local Church.

Please make your pledge today at www.archdioceseofanchorage.org/donate.