

SAINT ANNE MISSION

Klagetoh, Arizona

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Summer to Fall

Dear Friends,

In many ways, the Summer of 2023 felt like old times again. As detailed in the article at the right, we were able to re-initiate the Mission's summer ministry to local youth through the Vacation Bible Schools in Klagetoh and Ganado.

We also welcomed a full slate of volunteer groups through the months of June and July. Some of their tasks and activities are depicted in this newsletter, but they did so much that the whole story can't be told here.

Last weekend, I visited our friends in Gulf Breeze and Pensacola Beach, Florida. Each year the Catholic church there gives us the opportunity to speak and takes up a collection to help the Mission with heating expenses.

This week, we welcome the American Indian Benefit Alliance. They are traveling with two trailers full of clothing and other goods for distribution to the community.

We remain grateful to all of the people throughout the country who continue to make St. Anne Mission their Mission. Blessings and hozho.



Bro. Charles Schilling, SC
Administrator

Masthead: Boys from St. Joseph High School in Metuchen, NJ, help demolish an old shed at Ella Begay's homesite.

Vacation Bible Schools

For the first time since 2019, St. Anne and All Saints Missions held summertime Vacation Bible Schools for the youth of the area.

Students from two Baton Rouge Catholic high schools assisted with the Klagetoh Summer Bible School in June, while a group from Northern Virginia's Pope John Paul the Great High School conducted the Ganado Bible School in July.

While attendance did not match pre-pandemic levels, the number of students attending increased each day over the four-day sessions and the young people, both local and those visiting, had a fantastic experience.



Above: Father Christopher Tipton, chaplain at St. John Paul the Great High School, celebrates Mass in the All Saints hall to close the Ganado Bible School.

Below: Student volunteers and local youth gather for a group picture in the St. Anne Church at the conclusion of the Klagetoh Bible School.



Mission Groups Scheduled

These groups are scheduled to visit the Mission

St Anthony High School
Long Beach, CA
Sep 28 - Oct 1, 2023

Mt St Charles Academy
Woonsocket, RI
October 11-16, 2023

St Stanislaus College
Bay St Louis, MS
November 18-24, 2023

Coindre Leadership Program
New Orleans, LA
February 11-17, 2024

St Louis University
St Louis, MO
March 9-16, 2024

St Stanislaus College
Bay St Louis, MS
March 29-April 5, 2024

Bp Guertin High School
Nashua, NH
April 20-27, 2024

**Catholic High School &
St Joseph's Academy**
Baton Rouge, LA
(Klagetoh Bible School)
June 8-15, 2024

**Pope John Paul the Great
High School**
Potomac Shores, VA
(Ganado Bible School)
July 6-13, 2024

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Parish Luncheon

On Sunday, July 9, St. Anne parishioners gathered for a luncheon after Mass to celebrate the resumption of a regular Sunday Mass schedule in Klagetoh. Community members shared food and fellowship.

Brother Jake

The Mission was happy to welcome Brother Jake Avergonzado, SC, to Klagetoh to round out his novitiate experience with the Brothers of the Sacred Heart. Brother Jake spent most of the month of June and part of July at the Mission, assisting with the Klagetoh Bible School and working with several other volunteer groups on projects in the community. In August, Brother Jake returned to his native Philippines to profess his First Vows as a Brother of the Sacred Heart.



Brother Jake on the trail at Colorado's Mesa Verde National Park.

Nellie's New Fridge

In late July I received a call from Nellie Davis, one of our older parishioners. She told me that her refrigerator had gone out. It just so happened that one of our donors called that afternoon, asking if I had a 'project' he could help with. I relayed the story of Nellie's refrigerator and got the okay to buy her one, on him.



Superior General Bro. Mark Hilton congratulates Bro. David on the occasion of his perpetual profession as a Brother of the Sacred Heart.

Brother David

Brother David Landry, who moved to the Mission last year, completed his period of temporary profession in August when he pronounced his perpetual vows as a Brother of the Sacred Heart in New Orleans, Louisiana. Brother David continues to be assigned to St. Anne Mission, where he has taken charge of the emergency food pantry.

A Fan for Angel

When the Coindre Leadership Program participants heard that Angel Chee's ceiling fan had broken, they got right on it. A trip to Home Depot in Gallup and a couple of hours later a new fan was in place.



McHood Park



All work and no play? No way! The gang from McQuaid Jesuit High School got to cool off at Winslow's Mchood Park - a popular local summer 'swimming hole'.