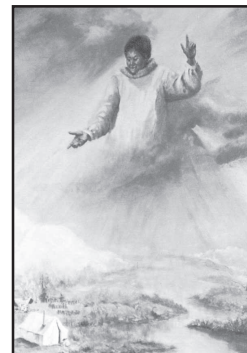




The Alaskan Shepherd



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Without both there are no Missions

Dear Friend,

Thank you for your kind and generous support toward our work here in the Far North. It is a real consolation to me to realize that there are those who are willing to make sacrifices in order to share in our mission. In a very real sense, you are among those who give life to our work for Christ.

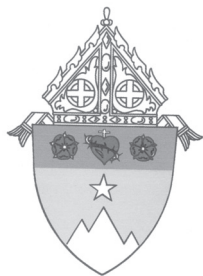
The generosity of our loyal benefactors never ceases to amaze me. It is always heartwarming when we are surprised with an unexpected donation, but it is the continued support and loyalty of people such as yourself that we have learned to depend and count on. It is with deep and mindful gratitude that I send you my blessing. I say "mindful" because I know that you have often continued your generosity even though times might have been a bit difficult for you. Indeed, you are practicing true stewardship in recognizing that everything anyone of us possesses is truly a gift from God.

This letter gives me an opportunity to inform you of how we distribute your donations. The majority of your donations are allocated for operational expenses, especially to our various mission churches. Additionally, annuities, wills, bequests, stock gifts and life insurance policies are just some of the special ways you can help us meet the call to serve the people living and ministering here in Northern Alaska. Thanks to such generous benefactors as you, over the past 17 years, we have been able to build our Endowment Fund to \$14,546,086.79. During these same years, the earnings have helped operate and maintain our diocesan and mission programs. For over 46 years, generous folks such as you have donated to our work through the Alaskan Shepherd, and we are so, so grateful.

Please take a moment and look over the gift opportunities enclosed with this letter. In an effort to give you some alternatives to your past practice of gift-giving, we have prepared this list of diverse opportunities to support our services. *Please do not consider this in any way our request for additional help.* It is simply our attempt at potentially simplifying the way your donations may be gifted to the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska (legal corporate name.) If there are any options which interest you, or if you have any questions, please drop us a line and we will be happy to have a member of our staff contact you to answer your questions.

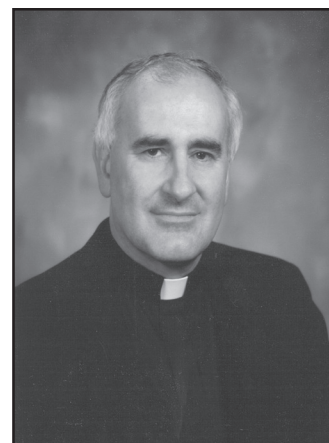
Again, I thank you from my heart for all your past support. I look forward to continuing this relationship with you for many years to come. May all your days be filled with all the blessings you so richly deserve.

Sincerely yours in Christ,



Donald J. Kettler

Donald J. Kettler
Bishop of Fairbanks



CATHOLIC BISHOP OF NORTHERN ALASKA
1312 PEGER ROAD FAIRBANKS, ALASKA 99709
Phone: 907-374-9532 <http://www.cbna.info>

Special Masses are offered throughout the year for you and your intentions by our Missionary Priests. Please pray that God may bless us and our work.

GIFT OPPORTUNITIES

Contact us at (907) 374-9500 or info@cbna.org for more information on these gift opportunities.

Outright Gift: These gifts take the form of cash, common stocks, securities, real estate and personal property.

Bequest: Through a Last Will and Testament or Trust, donors can bequeath a percentage of the remainder of their estate, a specific amount of money, stocks or mutual funds, and real or personal property.

Charitable Lead Trust: Through cash, common stock or real estate, this gift operates in the opposite manner of a remainder trust, in that current income for a specific period of the trust is used by the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska. After a specified period of time, the corpus is returned to the donor or beneficiary.

Charitable Gift Annuities: This type of annuity provides fixed income for life of one or two people. Interest rates are based on the annuitants age and payments are available on an annual, semi-annual, quarterly or monthly basis. The annuity can be funded with cash, common stock, or securities. Upon the death of the last surviving annuitant, the remaining assets will be retained by the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska.

Deferred Gift Annuities: Similar to an immediate payment annuity except that the payments begin at a future date determined by the donor at the time of the gift.

Charitable Remainder Annuity or Unitrust: Like the gift annuity, the donor receives a life-time income and may receive an immediate charitable tax deduction. It is usually funded with real estate, common stock, securities or cash.

Charitable Insurance Policy: You may obtain an insurance policy with the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska as the beneficiary and owner of the policy. You may also be able to obtain a tax deduction for the cost. Please call us or any life insurance agent to discuss this option.

Equipment or Items: If you are interested in contributing any type of equipment or items to be used in the missions, please contact our development person at (907) 374-9500 or send an email to info@cbna.org.

Stock: One opportunity for assisting with our mission work here in northern Alaska is to make a gift of stock to the **Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska (CBNA)**, the legal name for the Diocese of Fairbanks.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE PENSION ACT OF 2006:

The Pension Protection Act of 2006 offers individuals who are 70½ years of age and have IRA's, a new opportunity to support qualified charitable organizations. Please check our website for more information--info@cbna.org.

****Gift must be transferred directly from the IRA manager to the charitable organization.***

****Donor must be at least 70½ years old.***

****Contribution must be an outright gift.***

****There is a \$100,000 limit on the IRA transfer.***

****The provision in the law expires December 31, 2007.***

If you are interested in providing a donation to the missions in this manner, the following procedure should be used. Contact your local broker and request a transfer of your stock, mutual fund or common stock, to the Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska, and request them to contact CBNA's broker, Ragen MacKenzie, Division of Wells Fargo Investments at (907) 451-7767 with the following instructions:

“This transfer is being executed as a gift to the Diocese of Fairbanks, Alaska. I would like to do a Depository Trust Corporation (DTC) Transfer of _____ (# of shares of a particular stock) to **DTC #733**, with free delivery into Account number #20037336, which is Catholic Bishop of Northern Alaska, #5.”

If you have any questions or comments, please call (907) 374-9500 or send an email to info@cbna.org for more information. Please provide information regarding the nature of the donation, to help facilitate matching of donated items to mission needs.

***Tom Buzek or George Bowder—can assist you directly.**

Alaskan Shepherd CREDIT CARD Donations!

The *Alaskan Shepherd* is able to offer our donors the option of making their offerings to the Alaskan Missions by credit card. We have had substantial interest in this option and are pleased to provide this service. If you are interested in a one-time, regular or periodic offering by credit card, please fill out the information below and we will be happy to extend this service to you.

TO: CATHOLIC BISHOP OF NORTHERN ALASKA (our legal title):

1312 Peger Road, Fairbanks, Alaska 99709-5199 **Date** _____ **2006**

YES, Bishop Kettler, I want to help you and the missionaries ministering in Northern Alaska to bring the Mass, the Sacraments, religious education, and training to the widely-scattered Indian and Eskimo people of Christ. Please do not consider this a pledge, but I am happy to contribute as long as I can. Enclosed is my tax-deductible donation. Please direct it to the following fund:

() **ALASKAN SHEPHERD ENDOWMENT FUND-F06** () \$ _____

() **GENERAL FUND-F01** () \$ _____

Name _____

Street No./P.O. Box _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Telephone: _____ **Email:** _____

If donating by *credit card*:

TYPE OF CARD (Visa or Master Cards only):

() **VISA** () **MASTER CARD**

EXP DATE: ____ -- ____

AMOUNT OF GIFT: \$ _____

CREDIT CARD NUMBER: _____

One Time Only: () Monthly: () Quarterly: () Twice A Year: () Annually: ()

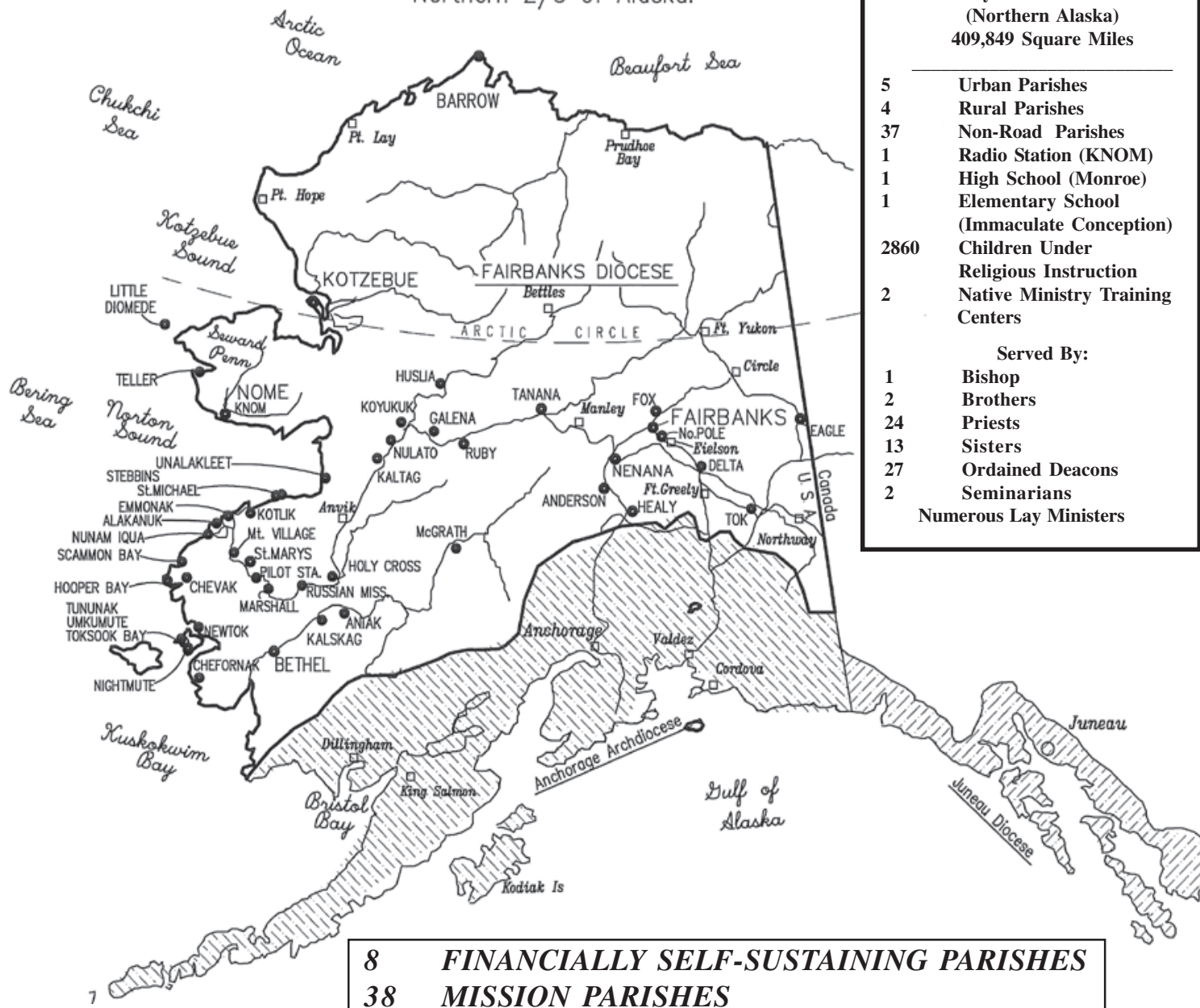
NAME AS LISTED ON CREDIT CARD:

SIGNATURE:

Be assured that we make every effort to keep our fund-raising overhead at a minimum, and that our fund-raising program complies with all state and federal laws regulating such non-profit, tax-deductible programs as ours. Be assured, too, that we never, under any circumstances, sell or give out the names of our benefactors. This sacred pledge we have always faithfully honored.

If donating by **CHECK** please make payable to: **CATHOLIC BISHOP OF NORTHERN ALASKA** or **CBNA**

CATHOLIC BISHOP OF NORTHERN ALASKA
MISSIONARY DIOCESE OF FAIRBANKS
Northern 2/3 of Alaska.



TO: CATHOLIC BISHOP OF NORTHERN ALASKA

1312 Peger Road, Fairbanks, Alaska 99709 DATE _____

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Dear Bishop Kettler:

Enclosed is my special donation of \$_____ to your all-important *Alaskan Shepherd Endowment Fund*. I am happy and grateful to be able to be a part of your missionary diocese and its ministries.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____

ZIP _____

Please make checks payable to: CATHOLIC BISHOP OF NORTHERN ALASKA or CBNA



DIOCESE OF FAIRBANKS ALASKA

PARISHES NOT ACCESSIBLE BY ROAD

CITY/VILLAGE	PARISH NAME	Established
ALAKANUK	ST. IGNATIUS	1951
ANIAK	ST. THERESA	1939
*BARROW	ST. PATRICK	1954
*BETHEL	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	1943
CHEFORNAK	ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA	1952
CHEVAK	SACRED HEART	1935
EMMONAK	SACRED HEART	1953
GALENA	ST. JOHN BERCHMANS	1921
HOLY CROSS	HOLY FAMILY	1929
<u>HOOPER BAY</u>	LITTLE FLOWER OF JESUS	1928
HUSLIA	ST. FRANCIS REGIS	1955
KALSKAG	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	1926
KALTAG	ST. TERESA	1956
KOTLIK	ST. JOSEPH	1932
<u>KOTZEBUE</u>	ST. FRANCIS XAVIER	1929
KOYUKUK	ST. PATRICK	1948
LITTLE DIOMEDE ISLAND	ST. JUDE	1935
MARSHALL	IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY	1945
MCGRATH	ST. MICHAEL	1959
MOUNTAIN VILLAGE	ST. LAWRENCE	1921
NEWTOK	HOLY FAMILY	1978
NIGHTMUTE	OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP	1931
NOME	ST. JOSEPH	1901
NULATO	OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS	1877
<u>NUNAM IQUA</u>	ST. PETER	1983
PILOT STATION	ST. CHARLES SPINOLA	1914
RUBY	ST. PETER IN CHAINS	1913
RUSSIAN MISSION	OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE	1966
<u>SAINT MARYS</u>	CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY	1970
SCAMMON BAY	BLESSED SACRAMENT	1932
ST. MICHAEL	ST. MICHAEL	1954
STEBBINS	ST. BERNARD	1908
TANANA	ST. ALOYSIUS	1887
TELLER	ST. ANN	1962
<u>TOKSOOK BAY</u>	ST. PETER THE FISHERMAN	1966
TUNUNAK	ST. JOSEPH	1889
UNALAKLEET	HOLY ANGELS	1952

ROAD PARISHES

CITY/VILLAGE	PARISH NAME	Established
*DELTA JUNCTION	OUR LADY OF SORROWS	1952
*FAIRBANKS	IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	1904
*FAIRBANKS	SACRED HEART CATHEDRAL	1966
*FAIRBANKS	ST. MARK	1977
*FAIRBANKS	ST. RAPHAEL THE ARCHANGEL	1981
HEALY	HOLY MARY OF GUADALUPE	1982
NENANA	ST. THERESA	1917
*NORTH POLE	ST. NICHOLAS	1975
TOK	HOLY ROSARY	1949

****THESE PARISHES ARE FINANCIALLY SELF-SUSTAINING***

CATHOLIC BISHOP OF NORTHERN ALASKA (CBNA)
1312 Peger Road, Fairbanks, Alaska 99709

Dear Bishop Donald J. Kettler:

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I wish to include CBNA in my Will or Trust. Please send information.

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Please have your representative call me.

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I have already included CBNA in my will.

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I would like to discuss Annuity and/or Life Insurance Options.

Rev./Sr./Br./Mr./Mrs./Miss/Ms. _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ **PHONE:** _____ **CELL:** _____

Through prayer we are joined together with those who generously support this Missionary Diocese.
If you wish us to pray for your loved ones or any special intentions, please list them below:



Additionally, we will remember you, each and every week, during our staff Mass and in a special way during our three annual Novenas.

Novena of Grace March 4-12th (2007)

Sacred Heart Novena June 7-15 (2007)

St. Therese Novena September 23-October 1 (2007)

***Your first class 39¢ stamp donations
are greatly appreciated.***