

Saint Innocent of Alaska Orthodox Mission

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Martyrs Probus, Tarachus, and Andronicus

Your Eminence, Fathers, and Brethren,

Christ is in our midst! He is and ever shall be! From the time I arrived here at St. Innocent Mission, coffee hour was already reestablished. We have returned to our normal liturgical practices while adhering to the diocesan guidelines. Our liturgical life includes Saturday evening vespers and Sunday liturgies. We have also celebrated moliebens for healing and panikhidas. We have had both vigil and divine liturgy for major feasts. We were blessed to have our dean, Fr. Alexey Karlgut, with us for our parish feast.

In addition to our liturgical life, we have begun a weekly men's group. In this group we have discussed spiritual topics as well as issues that directly affect the mission. We have also have Christian education classes on Sundays.

Our liturgical life is stable and growing so at this point our main focus has been evangelism and outreach. We often receive visitors, but most are from out of town, so our parish council has been working hard to find new ways to do outreach during the pandemic. We hope to implement new ways to reach our community as soon as possible.

The mission's finances have been stable this past year. The balances are as follows:

Checking: \$17,539.81

Savings: \$13,048.72

Finally, St. Innocent Mission would like to thank His Eminence and the diocesan council for their continued support.

In Christ,

Fr. John Morris

Acting Rector, St. Innocent of Alaska Mission