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CORE Team Member Profile:



Bobbie Ackley

Born and raised in St. Paul, Minnesota, I moved to Southern California in 1968. In 1988 I took a cruise/tour of Alaska and met Rick Ackley. We married in 1989 and lived in Redondo Beach, California, until 2005, when I retired after 30+ years in The Aerospace Corporation and we moved to Wasilla. My working career started with part-time jobs as clerk, stenographer (remember that word?), and publishing assistant on Spanish language manuals and Toyota dealer manuals, and evolved from teacher of geometry and advanced algebra to manager of corporate training, director of compensation and benefits, and assistant secretary of the corporation ("chief cook and bottle washer" for the Board of Trustees). Thanks to Rick and his daughters Melody and Heidi, I enjoy being a wife, mother, and now grandmother to Abbey, Bradley, Noah, and Madison.

Looking to make friends in my new community, I attended the first Wasilla ACTS retreat in 2005. That retreat and a cabin full of active parishioners led me (and Rick) to Sacred Heart Parish.

ACTS was developed in Texas as a parish-based ministry. An ACTS community is growing at Sacred Heart, and I look forward to active ACTS

communities in our neighboring parishes in Mat-Su and Anchorage.



Fr. Luz and our youngest ACTS member Aly.

POLICY CORNER

ACTS Core Team Mission Statement:

The members of the ACTS community will strive to assist members of the parish family to attain a deeper relationship with our Lord and with fellow parishioners through:

Adoration: The call, acceptance and response to God.

Community: Love and caring for each other as members of the body of Christ.

Theology: Study of our faith through scripture.

Service: To God, each other and our parish family. To achieve this goal, there will be two major focus points.

First, we will sponsor weekend lay retreats, which are patterned after the description of the early church in the ACTS of the Apostles (Acts 2:42-47). The purpose of the weekend is to invite the retreatant to a new relationship with our Lord and fellow parishioners through **Adoration** and daily prayer; through **Community** in one's parish as a member of the body of Christ; through **Theology** encouraging an intellectual and spiritual growth that bears fruits in our daily lives; and finally to encourage a spirit of **Service** to our Lord, our parish and each other. Participants experience God's love and joy throughout the weekend, returning to their faith community with a deeper love for each other and an increased desire to become more involved in their parish community.

Second, we will focus on spiritual development, service orientation and on-going community building among those who have attended ACTS retreats. This mission is continued and enhanced by retreat reunions, scheduled gatherings of the ACTS community, prayer groups,

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evangelization, community service projects, and other faith enriching events.

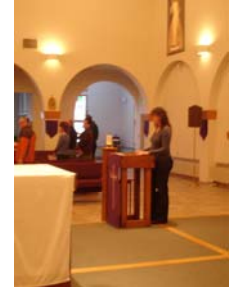
The governing body of the ACTS community will be a group of men and women known as the ACTS Core. As with all parish ministries, ACTS Core shall solicit the support of and be governed by the pastor. The greater good of the parish shall be foremost in activities of the CORE and ACTS community.

Looking Ahead

- ❖ ACTS Community Brunch & talk by Fr. Luz Flores, Sat. April 4, 11:00am at Evangelos in Wasilla.
- ❖ CORE Team Meeting April 22 at 7:00pm, Sacred Heart (all are invited).
- ❖ CORE Team Meeting May 20 at 7:00pm, Sacred Heart (all are invited).
- ❖ ACTS flower bulb fundraiser Sept. 12 & 13 after each mass.
- ❖ Wasilla Men's ACTS retreat Nov. 5-8.
- ❖ ACTS "recipe in a jar" fundraiser Dec. 5 & 6 after each mass.
- ❖ ACTS second annual Christmas party Dec. 11.
- ❖ Wasilla Women's ACTS retreat Feb. 4-7, 2010.



ACTS and Knights Sponsored Stations of the Cross and Soup Supper



2008 ACTS Christmas Party



Saint to Reflect On...

St. Leonard of Port Maurice

Feast day: November 26: Patron Saint of Parish Missions



Franciscan proponent of the Blessed Sacrament, the devotion of the Sacred Heart, and the Stations of the Cross, as well as the Immaculate Conception. He was born Leonard Casanova in Port Maurice, Porto Maurizio, Italy, and joined the Franciscans of the Strict Observance in 1697. Ordained in 1703, he began preaching all over the Tuscany region of Italy. By 1736 he was attracting huge crowds in Rome and elsewhere, and he erected almost six hundred Stations of the Cross throughout the lands. In 1744, Leonard was sent by Pope Benedict XIV to preach on Corsica, returning to Rome in 1751 after receiving a summons from the pope. Leonard died at his friary, St. Bonaventure, on November 26th. He was canonized in 1867 and named patron of parish missions.

Join us for Brunch and a talk by Fr. Luz Flores
Saturday, April 4, 11:00am
Evangelos in Wasilla



Happy Easter