

# SAINT ANNE MISSION

*Klagetoh, Arizona*

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## An Expanded Community in Klagetoh

During the Fall of 2024, the local religious community at St. Anne Mission was revitalized with the arrival of two Brothers of the Sacred Heart from overseas. On October 30, we welcomed Brother Martin Misheck Chivige, SC from the Province of Eastern & Southern Africa. A native of Zimbabwe, Brother Martin joined

has taught courses in formation and worked as a spiritual director and retreat director. Brother Martin has also served his province in several leadership positions.

On December 11, Brother Louis Victor Odilon Rafanomezantsoa, SC made the long trek from the Province of Madagascar to join the local community in Klagetoh. Brother Victor is proud to be a Brother of the Sacred Heart. He entered the community in 2008 made his first profession on August 15, 2014.

He has a bachelor's degree in computer science from the University of Saint Mary's in Minnesota earned through extension classes in Nairobi, Kenya.

Brother Victor has worked as the Finance Manager at the University of the Sacred Heart in Antananarivo, Madagascar for five years. He is thrilled to be Klagetoh, continuing our mission of serving the neglected and marginalized in the community, particularly among the Navajo people.

Brothers Martin and Victor are in the United States on 30 month Religious Worker visas. They join Sister Monica Dubois, OP and Brother Charles Schilling, SC as members of the resident religious community and staff at St. Anne Mission.



*Brothers Martin and Louis Victor get a photo in the Mission Church after decorating for the Christmas Season.*

the Brothers of the Sacred Heart in 1997 and professed his first vows in 1999. He holds a bachelor's degree in Education and a Master's degree in Counseling Psychology.

Brother Martin has worked in religious formation for over 17 years in Kenya, Zambia and Zimbabwe. He



*In the masthead: Br Martin with Ailema Benally, Sr Monica and volunteers from St Anthony High School, Long Beach, CA.*

*Left: The Brothers at Grand Canyon National Park.*

## Brother John Hotstream, SC

Brother John Hotstream, who served as administrator of Saint Anne Mission from 1997 until his retirement in 2012, passed away early Christmas morning in New Orleans, Louisiana. John was born on March 19, 1937 and entered the Brothers of the Sacred Heart in 1951. He made his final vows in 1962 and taught at several schools in Alabama, Louisiana and Mississippi. He also spent several years ministering as a missionary in Uganda.



In 1994, he was assigned to live and work at Saint Anne Mission in Klagetoh, where he touched the lives of many people who have fond memories of him.

A Memorial Mass is scheduled for 10:30 AM on Saturday, January 11 at St. Matthew the Apostle Catholic Church in River Ridge, Louisiana. A reception will follow.

A second Memorial Mass will be celebrated at St. Anne Mission sometime during the first quarter of 2025.



## Custom Built Tabernacle

Art Flores and Valerie Lavender, the proprietors of the Tumacacori Mesquite Sawmill just north of Nogales, Arizona, recently delivered a magnificent custom wooden tabernacle to St. Anne Mission.



The tabernacle was designed to complement the existing wood-themed decor of the church sanctuary. We plan to have the tabernacle blessed and enthroned before the beginning of Lent.

Art and Valerie's work can be seen at [www.mesquitedesign.com](http://www.mesquitedesign.com). Valerie is the daughter of long-time St. Anne parishioner Amelia Benally.

## New(er) Van for Saint Anne

In October, a generous donor recently made it possible for the Mission to trade-in its 2016 Dodge Grand Caravan for a slightly newer 2019 model. The 2016 vehicle had accumulated over 220,000 miles and was beginning to have some mechanical issues. The newer vehicle features more safety features including a backup camera and hands-free telephone capability. We hope it will serve the Mission and the parish's needs for several years to come.



*Above: This gently used 2019 Dodge Grand Caravan is the latest addition to the Mission's fleet of vehicles.*

*Left: Brother John Hotstream stands in the Mission's hogan kitchen with parishioners Charlotte Peshlakai, Maryanne Benally and Amelia Benally.*