

ST. ANNE MISSION

Klagetoh, Arizona

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A Summer to Remember

All Creatures of Our God and King...

Stained glass windows are a part of Catholic identity. While many churches feature images from the Bible or particular saints, St. Anne Mission's stained glass panels recall the words of St. Francis' canticle with images of some of the creatures - both wild and domestic - that inhabit the high desert where the mission is located. The nine panels, designed and rendered by long-time benefactor Ms. Dot Fleming, depict horse, cow, sheep, eagle, prairie dogs, coyote, bear, rabbit and elk.



As many of you have noted in recent correspondences, we've been quite busy this summer! Please accept these photos in lieu of a wall of text. And *ahéhéé* to all of our volunteers.

Clockwise from above: Sr. Monica leads kids at the Klagetoh Bible School in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance • Boys from Canisius High School (Buffalo, NY) repair a horse corral • The group from Bp. Guertin High School (Nashua, NH) at Canyon de Chelly • Jett gives a dental exam to one of Holbrook's scary dinosaurs • A volunteer gives a ride at the Klagetoh Bible School • Coindré Leadership participants help install a floor • Elijah calls bingo during Family Fun Night • Kyle works with the kids at the Ganado Bible School • Girls from St. Joseph's Academy (Baton Rouge, LA) clean a sheep corral

In the masthead: Dark skies signal the onset of the welcome monsoon rains in Klagetoh.



Mission Groups Scheduled

The following groups are currently scheduled to visit in 2014-2015

St. Mary's High School
Phoenix, AZ
November 19-23, 2014

Mt. St. Charles Academy
Woonsocket, RI
February 14-21, 2015

In Memory

We remember the following friends and benefactors who have recently passed away

Mr. Joe Brown
Sr. Lucille Fournier, OP
Mrs. Helen Johnson
Mrs. Kay Suiter

Grace + Cate = GREAT!

For the fourth year St. Anne Mission was blessed to host two summer interns through the Shepherd Alliance for Poverty. Our interns for 2014 were college students Cate Costley and Grace Holland. These young ladies were a great addition to our staff this summer, not only pitching in with the numerous volunteer groups who visited, but undertaking projects with local youth on their initiative during the "between times". We wish them well in the future. Aheehel!



Collective local memory tells us that the painting pictured above was done by a man known as Askie, Sr. when he was in his late teens. Askie, Sr. passed away some time ago - aged well into his 80s. His son and our neighbor, Askie, Jr., is in his mid 80s now. We suspect that Askie, Sr.'s painting was made soon after the original mission church in Klagetoh was built in the mid 1920s.

That original church burnt several years later and the present church, seen below, was then built. The rebuilt church was nearly identical to its predecessor.

In the 1960s, two hogans were added to the south side of the church building. These hogans were originally used as a clinic by a couple of Medical Mission Sisters who served at St. Anne Mission. Some of the local elders recall that patients entered the first hogan, which served as a reception and waiting area, then were seen and treated in the second hogan. Between the two were shower rooms where people could wash up in an era when running water was even less common on the reservation than it is today. Today those hogans house Sister Monica's weekly Rummage Sales.



Above: Cate and Grace share a moment at Canyon de Chelly.

