

# On Mission

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Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Here is the month of October. September was a great month for most of us, except the end of the month of August was troublesome in Hoonah. As you recall, the weekend of August 28-29, it was when two Policemen Matt Tokuoka and Tony Wallace were shot dead in Hoonah. It was my scheduled visit in Hoonah when this happened. That Sunday was a very "frozen" for all people in that town.

Many State Troopers, Police officers and other agents came to handle the situation that very day of shooting to manage how to capture the killer and help handle the security in Hoonah. A few of them are still there until now.

People were scarred because the killer did not want to surrender for two days. Until on Monday August 30 evening when Matt Tokuoka's wife, Haley organized a Candle Light Service when a couple of hundreds of people showed up to attend and prayed together. I was pleased to join them in both Candle Light service and at the ANB hall for talking and listening to them.

Wednesday September 08 was the day of the Memorial Service for the two slain police officers at Hoonah Schools New Gym that brought people from all over Alaska and out of state to attend. Beside many Law Enforcement Agents, Governor Sean Parnell and other authorities, our Bishop Edward Burns, Deacon Charles Rohrbacher and myself went on the ferry Malaspina which allowed each one of us as passengers to socialize and know each other and to celebrate the lives of the deceased two police officers.

You are all invited to check my traveling schedule and read this newsletter on the website: [www.dioceseofjuneau.org](http://www.dioceseofjuneau.org) and click on the link "On Mission."

May God bless you all!  
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## **Celebrations in Various Communities in the end of August and September**

**Hoonah August 27-29:** People could not attend because they were not allowed by the police to displace from wherever they were. But it was an opportunity to be with the general public in the ANB hall for three days to talk, to counsel and to listen to them.

**Lemon Creek Correctional Center September 05:** It was a very enjoyable Bible Study with the inmates. Men from 1:30 pm to 3:00 pm and women from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm. It is fun to talk to and to listen to them and how interested they are in the Scriptures.

**Yakutat:September 8-12:** What a nice visit in Yakutat! From Thursday September 09 to Sunday September 12, it was an opportunity to visit with more than one parishioners.

**Gustavus September 13-15:** Such a wonderful community of people! Mass was held at Bear Track Lodge. I could visit Gustavus School which was a good time with the students and teachers and also with Judy Brakel and her husband Greg. I was impressed by their dedication to gardening in their backyard.

**\*Please, find below my schedule of Visits** for the Month of October! Please, feel free to contact me if you have any concern on both email and phone as listed below!

## **My schedule for Missions Visits last weekend of August & September 2010:**

\*St Paul's October 02-03.

\*Pelican October 09-11.

\*Hoonah October 14-18.

\*Kake October 21-24.

\*Yakutat October 28-Nov 01 .