



# St. Albert the Great University Parish



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**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**Entrance Antiphon for the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
“All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, shall sing to your name, O Most High!” Psalm 66 (65):4

### Mass Readings

**Mon. JAN. 18**

1 Sm 15:16–23  
Mk 2:18–22

**Tues. JAN. 19**

1 Sm 16:1–13  
Mk 2:23–28

**Weds. JAN. 20**

1 Sm 17:32–33, 37,  
40–51; Mk 3:1–6

**Thurs. JAN. 21**

St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr  
1 Sm 18:6–9; 19:1–7;  
Mk 3:7–12

**Fri. JAN. 22**

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children  
1 Sm 24:3–21  
Mk 3:13–19

**Sat. JAN. 23**

2 Sm 1:1–4,  
11–12, 19, 23–27  
Mk 3:20–21

**Sunday JAN. 24**

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Neh 8:2–4a,  
5–6, 8–10  
1 Cor 12:12–30  
Lk 1:1–4; 4:14–21

## THIS FRIDAY:

### Night Snowshoe & Forest Chili!!!



We'll gather after the 5:30 pm Mass, put on our snowshoes, and head out on the Tech Trails... to a rendezvous with some delicious homemade chili! Use your free rental at the OAC to get snowshoes if you don't have them!



### WINTER CARNIVAL IS COMING!

Sign up this weekend for special events, All-Nighter statue competition, etc.

Starting this coming week, we'll also be working on an Ice Chapel in the back lot of St. Al's for the

Ice Mass on Friday of Winter Carnival!!!



### Eucharistic Adoration

Solemn Exposition & Benediction:

Tues., 7:30 - 9 pm

Simple Exposition

Monday - Friday,  
7:45 - 8:45 am

**Come pray with us before our Eucharistic Lord!**



**BIBLE STUDIES STARTING!**

Well over 100 students are already in FOCUS Bible Studies... Get involved!  
Contact Richard Fitzpatrick  
(richard.fitzpatrick@focus.org)  
or sign up after Mass!

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**Pastoral Associate:** Sr. Ellen Enright, IBVM + (906)523-4912 + cell (630) 542-9938 + ibvmellen@stal-mtu.com

**Development Director:** Rhen Hoehn + cell (906) 281-0151 + rhen@stal-mtu.com + Work Schedule M-F, 9 am - 5 pm

**Office Phone:** (906)482-5530 **Office Email:** stalbert@stal-mtu.com **Office Hours:** Tues - Fri, 9 am - 4 pm

**Mass Times: Sunday 11:00 am & 7:00 pm // Wednesday 9:00 pm / Friday 5:30 pm**

**Confessions:** Tuesday 7:45 pm, Wednesday 8:00 pm & Friday 4:30 pm // or by appointment

**Baptisms:** Please make arrangements with pastor at least one month in advance.

**Confirmation & First Communion:** Please notify the parish office of your need ASAP.

**Marriages:** Arrangements must be made at least six months prior to the wedding.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Upon request when suffering from serious illness or before surgery.

**St. Anne's Masses**

**Sunday:** 9:00 am

**Tuesday:** 5:30 pm

**Thursday:** 9:00 am

**Saturday:** 5:30 pm

# Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2016

Sun.	Jan. 17	11 am	† Robert Gitzen	By Helen Wuthrich By Chris Bryan By Judy Hadrill By Fr. Ben Hasse By the Parishes By the Parish	Intensions Mass
Sun.	Jan. 17	7 pm	† Charles, Virginia & Georgia Bryan		
Weds.	Jan. 20	9 pm	For a Special Intention		
Fri.	Jan. 22	5:30 pm	† Joe & Liz Liska		
Sun.	Jan. 24	11 am	For the People of St. Al's & St. Anne's		
Sun.	Jan. 24	7 pm	For An Abundant Outpouring of Vocations		

Liturgical Ministers	Mass	Usher	Altar Server	Lector	EMHC
	9:00 pm Weds., Jan. 20		Helen Rau	Devon Van Order	Michael Best
	5:30 pm Fri., Jan 22		Abby Steinbrecher	Rafael Gil-Figueroa	Dan Killick
	11 am Sun., Jan 24	Jacob Ahles Help Needed	Josh Hallfrisch Michael Kostick Husam Sweidan	Nathan Dills Leopold Eckert	André Bonen/Chris Bryan/ Rachelle Wiegand/Help Needed/ Help Needed
	7 pm Sun., Jan. 24	Nicholas Fisher Help Needed	Ben Metzger Help Needed	Isaac Hermann Mary Wachuta	Dan Kulas Help Needed

## PARISH EVENTS

**Spring Campus Ministry Retreat** Save the date, Feb. 12-14  
**Spring Break Mission Trips** We have two amazing opportunities to serve during spring break this year... St. Martin de Porres House of Hope in Chicago and Bay Cliff Health Camp near Marquette. Make plans to give of yourself during the upcoming spring break. Both groups will leave on Sunday, March 6 and return on Friday, March 11. Talk to Sr. Ellen or Fr. Ben ASAP if you're interested, or sign up in the office!

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**6-Day Silent Directed Retreat** - Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> -29<sup>th</sup>. With very few exceptions, there is no talking during the retreat. Meals are eaten in silence. No emails or television. Even verbal greetings between participants are discouraged. During a silent retreat, participants live by a different set of rules designed to bring rest and peace, and to heighten one's awareness of God's presence.

There are exceptions to the "no talking" rule. Silent retreats include Mass and communal morning and evening prayer. The cornerstone of the retreat is a regular opportunity to visit with a spiritual director (that's the *directed* part in Silent Directed Retreat). The spiritual directors are there to accompany the participants — listening, encouraging, challenging and helping retreatants see God working in their lives. Sister Ellen is one of the directors. If you need a ride to the retreat please contact her.

To register please go to [www.marrygrove.org](http://www.marrygrove.org), or call 906-644-2771. Cost is \$235 per person.



**Friday Night  
Fireside  
Fellowship:**  
Our Regular Weekly  
Hotspot for Fellowship,  
Prayer, Fun, & Learning!

FNFF starts about 7 pm, unless otherwise announced.  
(Preceded by 4:30 pm Confessions & 5:30 pm Mass)

- Jan. 22 **Night Snowshoeing and Forest Chili** - explore the woods on snowshoes, hearty hot chili to be found there! (departure right after the 5:30 pm Mass)
- Jan. 29 **To the Skete** - an evening of monastic chanted prayer, conversation, and delicious monk-food!
- Feb. 5 **Mass in the Ice Church** - For Winter Carnival, we'll have 5:30 pm Mass in a special ice chapel!
- Feb. 12 **Spring Retreat: The Roots of Discipleship** - Join the other UP campuses for a weekend of prayer, fellowship, and learning @ Marygrove Retreat Center
- Feb. 19 **Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity** - topic TBA



## LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

**Beginning Sunday, Jan. 10**  
Baraga County Catholic Community Prayer Group will be hosting a Life in the Spirit Seminar on **Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in L'Anse**. This eight-week seminar will teach us what living our lives in the Holy Spirit is all about and how it can truly change us.

Come and be set on fire by the power of the HOLY SPIRIT, and allow Him to stir into flame all the gifts he has bestowed upon us at our Baptism. Then we can go out into the world and make disciples of all the nations. In the words of Our Holy Father, Pope Francis "Expect to be surprised by God." He has created us for greatness. Let us receive his wonderful gifts so we can bring them out into the world and Renew the Face of the Earth! For more information regarding the seminar, contact Jacque Velmer at 524-5307.

## Local Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Ho. Cty. Med. Care Thurs., 2 pm	Cypress Manor Fri., 10:30 am	Portage Pointe Thurs., 11:00 am
		Jan. 28, Fr. Corbin
Feb. 11, Fr. William	Feb. 12, Fr. Ben	Feb. 25, Fr. John

## Words of Wisdom from Bishop Frederic Baraga

"Our good and venerated Bishop Baraga has died. He is gone and has left us orphans and next Friday, we will be obliged to accompany him to his last home.

Who could measure the extent of our loss."

Father Bourion







As you read this bulletin, I'm down in Detroit at Sacred Heart Major Seminary, visiting our seminarians who are studying there, and also accompanying 10 guys who are visiting! Dustin Larson, who has been doing a pastoral internship in Kingsford this school year, is also with us! This is a good example of a place where my role as Vocations Director, and my role as a parish pastor overlap! **Please pray for our seminarians, for these men who are discerning, and an abundant outpouring of vocations in our diocese and around the world!** I have no doubt that God wants to call many men and women to beautiful and radical lives of service... may we cooperate!

It's providential that we have this weekend the Gospel of the **Wedding Feast at Cana**: in a time of need, Jesus takes ordinary water and transforms it into fine wine! One powerful way of reading this parable is to see **the Lord taking ordinary stuff, and lifting it up, elevating it.** He will take our mundane and faltering love, and elevate it! Whatever call God has given us, He wants to take our small response and multiply it! Just to take a current event... many people have generously offered to share part of their PowerBall winnings with our parishes when they hit it big! God can do that for every single one of us, the more the merrier. His love is multiplied by being shared, not divided!



When I began to prepare for this vocations trip when we returned from Dallas, far too close to the departure date, I was preparing my heart to have only 1 or 2 guys respond... and yet many more are going. **I was thinking far too small, depending only on my own planning and efforts.** Mary knew better!!! She brought the recently married couple's need to Jesus, and left it in His hands, speaking her last recorded words in Scripture, "Do whatever He tells you!" **Where does God want to do more in your life, in your heart, in your family, than you expect? Where does He want you to entrust your needs to Mary's intercession, into His hands?**

We have some great events coming up... snowshoeing this Friday, and lots of Winter Carnival fun, plan to join us!

I am very grateful to Fr. Jeff & Fr. Corbin who are covering Masses this weekend! I was not able to find coverage for the Tuesday evening Mass in Chassell, so Dcn. Tom has generously agree to have Eucharistic Adoration and lead a Rosary instead.

*God Bless, Fr. Ben*

**"Let's Eat!"**

A free community meal, **all are welcome!**



Hosted at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Chassell  
Bring friends and meet new ones in this comfortable and relaxed environment, for a delicious and nutritious meal.  
Cooking and set-up will start at 2 pm, serving at 4:00 pm, clean-up at 6 pm. Please consider coming with your family to help with this great community outreach!

**The Next Let's Eat is THIS Sunday, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>.**


Are you or a loved one experiencing homosexual attractions and looking for answers?



**Courage**, an apostolate of the Catholic Church, ministers to persons with same-sex attractions and their loved ones. It also has an outreach called **Encourage** which ministers to relatives, spouses, and friends of persons with same-sex attractions.  
Visit <http://www.couragec.net> for more information.

**Do you or does someone you love struggle with addiction?**

Along with prayer, Confession, Eucharist, and spiritual counsel, our faith encourages us to seek tested healing resources, among them many good 12-step programs. Several such groups meet regularly at St. Al's; to be referred to one that might be a good fit for you or your loved one, call 906-482-7778, or talk to Fr. Ben.




**Life Outreach Center**  
www.houghtonpregnancy.org 906-482-8681  
lifeoutreachhoughton@gmail.com

**Think you're pregnant? Not sure what to do?**  
**We listen. We care. We can help. There is hope.**  
222 Shelden Ave. #1 Houghton, MI 49931  
above The Print Shop in Downtown Houghton.

**Hours of Operation:** (or by appointment)  
Mon. 11 am - 5 pm //Weds. noon - 8 pm //Thurs. noon - 8 pm

<b>CONTRIBUTIONS</b>		
<b>National &amp; Diocesan Collections</b>		
Jan 31, 2016 - Black & Indian Mission Collection		
	January 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2016	Year to Date
Envelopes	\$650.00	\$25,505.64
Loose	\$594.00	\$11,101.86
Holy Day	\$3.00	\$1,222.95
Fuel	\$70.00	\$250.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,317.00</b>	<b>\$38,080.45</b>
Budgeted	\$1,144.23	\$32,038.44
Overage/ (shortfall)	+\$172.77	+\$6,042.01

**Please Note:** Barbara and I just noticed last week that we had been using the wrong "budgeted" number. We corrected this, and that is why the budgeted and overage numbers you see here have changed from some weeks back. - Fr. Ben

 **10 % of our parish income is tithed to charities and ministries that directly assist the poor and the needy.**

**RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)** is a process where people can investigate Catholicism. We welcome anyone who wants to explore the teachings of the Church. **If you know anyone who is interested or wishes to be on the RCIA team, have them contact Sister Ellen: 906-523-4912 [ibvmellen@stal-mtu.com](mailto:ibvmellen@stal-mtu.com)**



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**CHAPEL RAT Student Residents:**

**Spring 2015**

Tom Webb (Head Rat)

Dan Killick + Michael Kostick + Sam Marek  
+ Patrick McFall + Abhijith Geo Philip

**What's Happening at St. Al's? (Weekly Schedule)**

Sunday	11:00 am 12:30 pm 7:00 pm	Mass + social RCIA/Fireplace Area Mass + social
Monday	7:45 am 8:30 am	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Morning Prayer, DHH Center Lounge
Tuesday	7:45 am 7:30 pm 8:55 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Eucharistic Holy Hour, Solemn Exposition (Praise & Worship Music, Confession during Adoration) Solemn Benediction
Wednesday	7:45 am 8:30 am 7:00 pm 8:00 pm 9:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Morning Prayer, DHH Center Lounge Knitting and Crocheting w/ Sr. Ellen Confession Mass
Thursday	7:45 am 9:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Rosary, Wadsworth Lobby
Friday	7:45 am 8:30 am 4:30 pm 5:30 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Morning Prayer, DHH Center Lounge Confession Mass, followed by FNFF <b>This Week: Night Snowshoe &amp; Chili</b>
Saturday		No regularly scheduled St. Al's activities, but there are 4:30 pm Confessions at St. Anne's in Chassell!

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**St. Albert the Great University Parish  
Pastoral Council 2015/2016**



Rachelle Wiegand, President  
Miranda Sauter, Vice President  
Abby Steinbrecher, Secretary

Devon VanOrder  
Carly Joseph (Fall '15)  
**Grad Rep:** Rafael Gil-Figueroa  
**FOCUS Rep:** Richard Fitzpatrick  
**Faculty Adviser:** Dr. Martin Thompson  
**Year Round Parishioner:** Jack Dueweke

Aaron Crapsey  
Michael Best (Spring '16)  
**Rat Rep:** Tom Webb

**2015-16 Ministry Leaders**

(recently updated, contact Fr. Ben with corrections!)

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**STUDY:**

**Apologetics** volunteer needed

**FOCUS Bible Studies** Richard Fitzpatrick, [richard.fitzpatrick@focus.org](mailto:richard.fitzpatrick@focus.org)

**Learn the Faith** a new ministry in the making... help needed, contact Fr. Ben!

**SERVICE:**

**New Student Outreach** Rachelle Wiegand, [rmweigan@mtu.edu](mailto:rmweigan@mtu.edu)

**St. Al's Saturday Service (S.A.S.S.)** Nathan Dills, [nrdills@mtu.edu](mailto:nrdills@mtu.edu)

**Master of the Solemn Brunch** Mike Theoret, [mttheo@mtu.edu](mailto:mttheo@mtu.edu)

**Respect Life** volunteer needed

**Youth Ministry Retreat Team** volunteer needed

**COMMUNITY:**

**Intramural Sports** Michael Best, [mtbest@mtu.edu](mailto:mtbest@mtu.edu)

**Friday Night Fireside Fellowship** Mary Wachuta, [mpwachut@mtu.edu](mailto:mpwachut@mtu.edu); Daniel LaCroix, [djlacroi@mtu.edu](mailto:djlacroi@mtu.edu); Abby Steinbrecher, [arsteinb@mtu.edu](mailto:arsteinb@mtu.edu)

**To get involved, contact the leaders to get more information, or talk with Fr. Ben or Sister Ellen**