



St. Albert the Great University Parish



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4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jan. 31st, 2016

Entrance Antiphon for the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
 “Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.” Psalm 106 (105):47

Mass Readings

Mon. FEB. 1
 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13
 Mk 5:1-20

Tues. FEB. 2
 Presentation of the Lord
 Mal 3:1-4
 Heb 2:14-18
 Lk 2:22-40

Weds. FEB. 3
 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17
 Mk 6:1-6

Thurs. FEB. 4
 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12
 Mk 6:7-13

Fri. FEB. 5
 St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr
 Sir 47:2-11
 Mk 6:14-29

Sat. FEB. 6
 St. Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs
 1 Kgs 3:4-13
 Mk 6:30-34

Sun. FEB. 7
 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time
 Is 6:1-2a, 3-8
 1 Cor 15:1-11
 Lk 5:1-11



WINTER CARNIVAL IS HERE!

Join us for some of the special St. Al's Events:

- 9 pm Tues, Feb. 2nd: **Brunch to fuel the All-Nighter**
Come get well fed for the rest of the week!
- 4 pm Weds., Feb. 3rd: **All-Nighter Snow Statue!!!**
Come help us build an image of MARYland!
- 5:30 pm Fri., Feb. 5th: **THE ICE MASS!!!**
First ever Winter Carnival Mass in our newly built Ice Chapel of Our Lady of the Snows
- 7 pm Fri., Feb. 5th: **Build Quinzees** (Snow Shelters) and spend the night in them - Winter Camping!
- 7 pm Sat., Feb. 6th: **St. Al's 4th Period**, come on down after hockey for games, Karaoke, pizza!
- **Winter Carnival Brunch** after the 11am Sunday Mass

THIS FRIDAY: THE ICE MASS!!!

We're still working on the final completion of our first ever **Ice Chapel of Our Lady of the Snows** out behind St. Al's! Join us this Friday for our 5:30 pm Mass in the Ice Chapel! It will be a simple daily Mass, but a beautiful opportunity for prayer and devotion in the midst of Winter Carnival. **See you there!**

Time to Sign-up for the Spring Campus Ministry Retreat!!!

Join students from around the UP at Marygrove Retreat Center for a weekend of prayer, learning, fellowship, and great food! **Theme: The Roots of Discipleship.** Leaving after classes on Friday, Feb. 12th, and returning on Sunday afternoon. Cost is \$70.00, scholarships are available. **Sign up after Mass, or email Fr. Ben: benjhasse@yahoo.com**



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)
 to get connected with a group!

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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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 31st, 2016

Sun.	Jan. 31	11 am	For Eternal Repose of Deceased Clergy of the Diocese	By the Parish	Mass Intentions
Sun.	Jan. 31	7 pm	† Richard Sterne	On Behalf of St. Joseph's-Lake Linden	
Weds.	Feb. 03	9 pm	† Marguerite J. Ryan	By John Ryan	
Fri.	Feb. 05	5:30 pm	† Clarence Monette	On Behalf of St. Joseph's-Lake Linden	
Sun.	Feb. 07	11 am	† Mary McGrath	By Helen Wachuta	
Sun.	Feb. 07	7 pm	For the People of St. Al's & St. Anne's	By the Parishes	

Liturgical Ministers	Mass	Usher	Altar Server	Lector	EMHC
	9:00 pm Weds., Feb. 03		Daniel LaCroix	Josh Hallfrisch	Mary Wachuta/Dan Killick
	5:30 pm Fri., Feb. 05		Helen Rau	Miranda Sauter	Rachelle Wiegand/Michael Kostick
	11 am Sun., Feb. 07	Jacob Ahles Alexis Dani	Michael Best Michael Paling Husam Sweidan	James Spaight Abby Steinbrecher	Andrew Bonen/Bob Hiltunen/Dan Killick/ Jacob Loew/ help needed
	7 pm Sun., Feb. 07	April Brown Nick Fisher	Ben Metzger Aubrey Zackal	Brian Martell Andrew Summers	Daniel Kulas/Carly Joseph

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

5th Annual Italian Night to Benefit the Steubenville Youth Pilgrimage - Sat., Feb. 13th, at Church of the Resurrection in Hancock. Serving from 3-7 pm. Tickets on sale now in the Parish Office, Bruno's Motors or any Steubenville Youth Member. Adults - \$15, Ages 6-13 - \$8, 5 & under - Free.

Squires Beef Stew Dinner - Sun., Feb. 27th, 4:30-7:30 pm. Tickets available from all Squires, \$10 for ages 13 & up. Dinner will consist of beef stew, salad, rolls, desert and refreshments. Proceeds from the fundraiser benefit Squires' activities and also a portion will go toward their convention in June.

Local Nursing Home Mass Schedule

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



Needed for next year: hats, mittens and gloves of any size.



!!!Support our St. Al's Broomball Teams!!!

Upcoming Games, Week of Sunday, Jan. 31

Omnia Possum (Women's) Black: Tues.-8:15pm; Sun.(7th)-2pm

Deo Volente (McNair) Gold: Tues.-6:45pm

Stat Crux (McNair) Gold: Fri.-8am

Non Nisi Te Domine (O-C) No Games This Week

In Hoc Signo Vincas (O-C) Silver: Thurs.-8:15pm; Sun.(7th)-7:30pm

Dies Irae (O-C) Silver: Mon.-11:15pm; Sun.(7th)-9:30am

Records as of Sat. morning, Jan. 30th	Omnia Possum 0-4 (I can do All Things)
	Deo Volente 4-1 (God Willing)
	Stat Crux 1-4 (the Cross stands Firm)
	Non Nisi Te Domine 0-5 (Nothing but You O Lord)
	In Hoc Signo Vincas 0-4 (in this Sign you will Conquer)
	Dies Irae 3-1 (the Day of Wrath)



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)

- Feb. 5 **Mass in the Ice Church** - For Winter Carnival, we'll have 5:30 pm Mass in a special ice chapel! Afterwards we'll be building **Quinzees** to sleep in!
- 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
- Feb. 26 **Christian Division, & the Call to Unity** - come learn about how we got divided, and the Lord's call back into full unity!

"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 Sunday, Feb. 21st.



The meal will be a spaghetti dinner and the Sponsors are the Chassell Women's Club and Northern Great Lakes Synod.



Words of Wisdom from Bishop Frederic Baraga

The Bishop, half frozen, was sitting on a little sleigh, about two inches higher than the ground and he was dragged by a small Indian dog. I happened to look through the window and when I saw my Bishop, with such attire, I could not help weeping. Father Bourion



After speaking to the challenge of building a Culture of Life last weekend, I find it providential that our readings this Sunday begin with these words spoken by

God to the Prophet Jeremiah! **“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you.”** Technology has given us the possibility of gazing upon the child in the womb in new way. The humanity of the unborn child is so evident!

God also speaks to Jeremiah of the opposition he will encounter in preaching the Word of the Lord, “But do you gird your loins; stand up and tell them all that I command you...for it is I this day who have made you a fortified city, a pillar of iron, a wall of brass, against the whole land:...They will fight against you but not prevail over you, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.” **It’s always good for us to examine ourselves, “Am I preaching the truth in love?”** Sometimes people oppose us because we’re being jerks!!! However, the Word of God tells us clearly that if we follow Jesus faithfully, we will encounter similar treatment!

Jesus speaks to the people of His hometown, Nazareth, and He tells them of their own hardness of heart. Look how they respond, “When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. They rose up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town had been built, to hurl him down headlong.” I hope we are honest enough to recognize our own hearts there... when someone corrects us, we often push back, and hard. **Just as we can expect persecution and resistance, we need to be aware that this same resistance is often found in our own hearts!** Come Holy Spirit, help us to hear your Word spoken to us in love, even when we need correction. Help us to speak the Truth in Love to all whom we encounter, without counting the cost! Give us courage, give us wisdom, give us Your mercy!

This week coming up is **Winter Carnival at Michigan Tech!** We’ve got some exciting new events, they’re on the front of this bulletin! Please come out on Wednesday evening to help build the All-Nighter Snow Sculptures! As in years past, please consider bringing some baked goods or some hot food by St. Al’s on Wednesday afternoon and evening to help feed all the cold hungry workers! Forms can be started at 4 pm, we’ll be working until dawn! The theme this year is the 50 states, and we’ll be building a statue of MARYland (the Blessed Mother in a grotto above an outline of the state of Maryland!!!

Also, we have another new event this year we’d like to invite you to during Winter Carnival: **the Ice Mass in the Ice Chapel of Our Lady of the Snows!!!** We’ve been working on an ice chapel on the backlot of St. Al’s for a couple weeks, and on this coming Friday at 5:30 pm, we’ll be having our Friday evening Mass there! Dress warm and come pray with us. It will be a simple daily Mass lasting 30 - 40 minutes. We hope that this will allow us to inject a little faith and devotion into a time sometimes associated with debauchery!

We’re also having **St. Al’s 4th Period** again this Saturday

after the hockey game, resurrecting an event that was part of St. Al’s early years! **There will be pizza, games, and Karaoke until midnight... bring your friends and come hang out!**

It’s time to sign-up for the Spring **Campus Ministry Retreat at Marygrove!** We’re probably going to fill up this year, so sign up this weekend if you want to go!!! The theme is “The Roots of Discipleship,” and the cost is \$70.00, scholarships are available, talk to me.

It is a joy to serve you as your pastor! **Please keep seeking the Lord’s grace in the basics:** daily prayer, Sunday Mass, regular confession. He has the power to transform our lives and hearts, and our whole hurting world!

God Bless, Fr. Ben

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 **En-Courage** which ministers to relatives, spouses, and friends of persons with same-sex attractions.

Visit <http://www.couragerc.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.

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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

CONTRIBUTIONS

National & Diocesan Collections

Feb. 10, 2016 - Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa


	January 24 th , 2016	Year to Date
Envelopes	\$821.00	\$26,681.64
Loose	\$267.24	\$11,764.78
Holy Day	\$0.00	\$1,222.95
Fuel	\$10.00	\$260.00
Total	\$1,098.24	\$39,929.37
Budgeted	\$1,144.23	\$34,326.90
Overage/ (shortfall)	-\$45.99	+\$5,602.47*

*Please note: we are very grateful to a generous parishioners who made a Christmas offering of \$5,000.00. THANK YOU! - 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**



2015 - 2016 FOCUS Team

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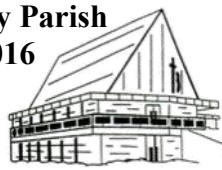
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CHAPEL RAT Student Residents:

Spring 2015
Tom Webb (Head Rat)
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+ 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 in the Ice Chapel!!! After Mass, build Quinzees!
Saturday		No regularly scheduled St. Al's activities, but there are 4:30 pm Confessions at St. Anne's in Chassell!

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

SERVICE:
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Respect Life volunteer needed
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To get involved, contact the leaders to get more information, or talk with Fr. Ben or Sister Ellen

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