



St. Albert the Great University Parish



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Established 1963

**4th Sunday
of Lent
Mar. 6th, 2016**

Entrance Antiphon for the Fourth Sunday of Lent
“Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.” cf. Isaiah 66:10-11

Mass Readings

Mon. MAR. 7
Is 65:17-21
Jn 4:43-54

Tues. MAR. 8
Ez 47:1-9, 12
Jn 5:1-16

Weds. MAR. 9
Is 49:8-15
Jn 5:17-30

Thurs. MAR. 10
Ex 32:7-14
Jn 5:31-47

Fri. MAR. 11
Wis 2:1a, 12-22
Jn 7:1-2,
10, 25-30

Sat. MAR. 12
Jer 11:18-20
Jn 7:40-53

Sun. MAR. 13
5th Sunday
of Lent
Is 43:16-21
Phil 3:8-14
Jn 8:1-11

FYI - Liturgical Schedule is different this week:

Due to Michigan Tech's Spring Break, and Fr. Ben accompanying our students on one of our Spring Break Mission Trips, all liturgies this week are suspended (Adoration, Masses, Stations of the Cross, Confessions)

EXCEPT

**4:30 pm Confessions &
5:30 pm Mass on Friday
(Thank you, Fr. Corbin!)**

The normal liturgical schedule will resume next Sunday, March 13th.

Nota Bene:

There WILL be Stations of the Cross at 5:30 pm on Weds. at St. Anne's in Chassell, followed by a Soup Supper.

Eucharistic Adoration

Our times of Eucharistic Exposition are suspended this week, during spring break, and will resume on Monday, March 14



Come pray with us before our Eucharistic Lord!

Lenten Learning:

I have distributed some copies of *A Minute in the Church*, vols. 1 & 2, by Gus Lloyd in the past.



Well, he has a third volume in the set out now, *The Mass*! These are a great resource to deepen your own understanding of our beautiful faith...

...and a VERY effective way to help people who are exploring or questioning the Faith find the answers they need!

Please pick up a set today, and feel free to share them with others!



**WE ARE THE
PRO-LIFE
GENERATION**

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Mass Times: Sun. 11 am & 7 pm // Tues. 12:15 pm/ Weds. 9 pm/ Thurs. 12:15 pm/ Fri. 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 of Lent

March 6th, 2016

Sun.	Mar. 06	11 am	For the People of St. Al's & St. Anne's	By the Parishes	Mass Intentions
Sun.	Mar. 06	7 pm	NO MASS due to Spring Break		
Tues.	Mar. 08	12:15 pm	NO MASS due to Spring Break		
Weds.	Mar. 09	5:30 pm	NO MASS due to Spring Break		
Thurs.	Mar. 10	12:15 pm	NO MASS due to Spring Break		
Fri.	Mar. 11	5:30 pm	For Renewal & Strengthening of Marriages	By the Parish	
Sun.	Mar. 13	11 am	† Don Trotz	By William & Christine Crowley	
Sun.	Mar. 13	7 pm	For Our Newly Ordained Deacons	By Fr. Ben Hasse	

Liturgical Ministers	Mass	Usher	Altar Server	Lector	EMHC
	12:15 pm Tues., Mar. 08		NO MASS due to Spring Break		
	5:30 pm Weds., Mar. 09		NO MASS due to Spring Break		
	12:15 pm Thurs., Mar. 10		NO MASS due to Spring Break		
	5:30 pm Fri., Mar. 11		Help needed	Bobby Escobar	---
	11 am Sun., Mar. 13	J. Ahles, help needed	M. Best, R. Gil-Figueroa, J. Hallfrisch	M. Sauter, N. Dills	Kostick, Hiltunen, Wuthrich, LaCroix, help needed
	7 pm Sun., Mar. 13	S. Peterson, help needed	B. Metzger, A. Clark	I. Herman, V. Quinde	C. Joseph / D. Kulas

PARISH EVENTS

New Study Group Starting: Catholicism Project (By Bishop Robert Barron) on Wednesdays 4-6 pm by the fireplace! Learn more about the mysteries of the Catholic Faith! Workbook cost \$10.00. Email Fr. Ben benjhasse@yahoo.com to join.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Christian Women's Brunch - At Zion Lutheran Church-Hancock, on Thurs., Mar. 10th, at 9:15 am. Speaker: Dr. Selin Oommen, Instructor at MTU, Bible teacher. Topic: "Who Will Roll Away the Stone?" Donation: \$8.

Call of Duty - 21st Century Crusade Mini Retreat - At St. Ignatius Loyola Church-Houghton, Sat., Mar. 19th (St. Joseph's Day), 8:30 am-8 pm. Grades 9th-12th. College Adults welcome also! The day will consist of talks, games, spiritual, learning and of course fun! Come with an open mind and open ears. You may bring a friend. RSVP by Mar. 14th if you would like a T-shirt. Entry Fee \$10 plus a canned good. Scholarships are available. Call St. Ignatius at 906-482-0212.

A Retreat to surpass all Retreats. The **Triduum** of Holy Week, Mar. 24-27th, (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday) is the high point of the Church year. This retreat is powerfully balanced between periods of silence, the Holy Week liturgies, private and communal prayer and one conference each day. This year, enter into the death and resurrection of the Lord in a way that cannot be experienced except in a retreat setting. The fee is a free will offering. To register go online at www.marygrove.org or call 906-644-2771.



Words of Wisdom from Bishop Frederic Baraga

Last winter Baraga went on snowshoes from L'Anse to Copper Harbor, a distance of fifty-seven miles, thought an uninhabited region, solely to baptize a child, of whom he had heard that it would probably die.

Local Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Ho. Cty. Med. Care Thurs., 2 pm	Cypress Manor Fri., 10:30 am	Portage Pointe Thurs., 11:00 am
Mar. 10, Fr. Corbin	Mar. 11, Fr. William	Mar. 17, Fr. John



**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)

- March 11 **No Fireside, Spring Break**
- March 18 **Making the Case for Life** - Using a dynamic DVD presentation by Trent Horn, learn how to articulate the Pro-Life message.
- March 25 **Good Friday** - After the Good Friday Service, a simple meal, Tenebrae, & the *Passion of the Christ*
- April 1 **Senior Testimonies** - hear some of our seasoned veterans share from the heart!

John Wesley-James Jones Memorial Foundation - Encourages college students who are active in local churches and Christian organizations while attending college to apply for:
THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM - The Wesley-Jones Foundation will award multiple scholarships worth up to \$3,000 to Christian students. The essential requirement is that the student be *actively involved in Christian activities in local churches or on campus*. At a minimum the student must already be enrolled and approaching the end of their freshman year or later to apply.

THE GRANT PROGRAM - The Wesley-Jones Foundation will support some Christian programmatic activities oriented towards college students through a mini-grant program (up to \$500 maximum). Campus Christian organizations, churches with campus ministries, or churches who wish to sponsor activities that will involve Michigan Tech or Finlandia University are all eligible to apply.

Application forms for both programs are available at the following website: www.cs.mtu.edu/~zlwant/wesley-jones/forms.html. **Applications are due by March 31st.**

From the desk of Fr. Ben...

6 March 2016

“Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.” (cf.

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Laetare Jerusalem

Cf. Is 66: 10, 11

Isaiah 66:10-11)

With these beautiful words of the Entrance

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L Aetá- re * Jerúsa-lem : et convén-tum fá- ci-

Bishop John recently issued “Sing to the Lord, All the Earth!” An Instruction on Sacred Music in Divine Worship. This document, among other things, calls our attention to the beauty and significance of these “antiphons.” The Entrance and Communion Antiphons are found in the Roman Missal (the liturgical book I use to pray the prayers of the Mass) and in our missalettes. There is also an Offertory Antiphon that is collected in other liturgical books.

In recent months, the St. Anne’s has been chanting the Communion Antiphons very beautifully! In the months ahead, I hope we will be able to begin singing some of them here at St. Al’s as well. These texts, mostly biblical, are connected to the other readings and prayers, and the liturgical feast. During the renewal and reform of the liturgy, the antiphons faded from use in some places, although always present in the documents. Fortunately, they are beginning to be used much more widely again. In our diocese, both Archbishop Sample and now Bishop John have been enthusiastic in promoting their use. We get some sense of their significance when we note that this Sunday’s widely used nickname was based on the antiphon!

One of our primary causes for rejoicing is the **Lord’s Mercy!** Like the Loving Father in our parable this Sunday, He offers abundant forgiveness! Please take advantage of our **local penance services**, beautiful times to get to Confession in solidarity with others:



- ♦ Mon., March 7, St. Ignatius, Houghton 6:30 pm
- ♦ Weds., March 9, Resurrection, Hancock 7:00 pm
- ♦ **Mon., March 14, St. Anne’s, Chassell 6:00 pm**
- ♦ Weds., March 16, Sacred Heart, Calumet 6:00 pm
- ♦ **Sun., March 20, St. Al’s, Houghton 3:00 pm**

I will be with some of our Michigan Tech students on the **Spring Break Mission Trip** this week to Bay Cliff Health Camp near Marquette, and Sr. Ellen will be staying down in Chicago for the group going there. **I was only able to find coverage for the Friday evening Mass here at St. Al’s.** As the note on the front of the bulletin details, all our other liturgies this week are suspended. At St. Anne’s, that means that **the Tuesday and Thursday Masses are cancelled.** I am grateful to Dcn. Tom for covering the **Wednesday Stations** and the Holy Hour there. Please pray for all the students who are traveling, and especially for our Spring Break Mission groups!

There is no 7 pm Mass this Sunday, March 6, but that will resume next Sunday, March 13, along with the rest of the liturgical schedule.

God Bless, Fr. Ben

Do you have room in your heart and home for a child in need? Interested in helping children by becoming a licensed foster parent or adopting?

If you want to learn more, please contact Mary Sparapani at (906) 282-4605 or mkrause@cssup.org



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

CONTRIBUTIONS

National & Diocesan Collections

Mar. 6 - Catholic Relief Services Overseas Fund

	February 28 th , 2016	Year to Date
Envelopes	\$801.00	\$30,108.49
Loose	\$305.00	\$13,573.40
Holy Day	\$0.00	\$1,222.95
Fuel	\$0.00	\$295.00
Total	\$1,106.00	\$45,199.84
Budgeted	\$1,144.23	\$40,048.05
Overage/ (shortfall)	-\$38.23	+\$5,151.79

National & Diocesan Collections: Solidarity Fund - \$40




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**

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 Tom Webb (Head Rat)
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 + Patrick McFall + Abhijith Geo Philip

**What's Happening at St. Al's?
 (Special Lenten Weekly Schedule) SPRING BREAK**

Sunday	11:00 am 12:30 pm 7:00 pm	Mass + social RCIA/Fireplace Area Mass + social
Monday	7:45 am 11:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Night Prayer, Room 374 DHH
Tuesday	7:45 am 12:15 pm 7:30 pm 8:55 pm 11:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Mass Stations of the Cross followed by Eucharistic Holy Hour, Solemn Exposition (Confession during Adoration) Solemn Benediction Night Prayer, Room 374 DHH
Wednesday	7:45 am 4:00 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm 9:00 pm 11:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Catholicism Project Study Group Knitting and Crocheting w/ Sr. Ellen Confession Mass Night Prayer, Room 374 DHH
Thursday	7:45 am 12:15 pm 9:00 pm 11:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Mass Rosary, Wadsworth Lobby Night Prayer, Room 374 DHH
Friday	7:45 am 12:15 pm 4:30 pm 5:30 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Stations of the Cross Confession Mass followed by dinner. After dinner, a group will be going to the Hockey game.
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!)

MASS MINISTRIES:
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COMMUNITY:
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To get involved, contact the leaders to get more information, or talk with Fr. Ben or Sister Ellen