



St. Albert the Great University Parish



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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 17th, 2016

Entrance Antiphon for the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
“See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.”
Psalm 54 (53):6, 8

Mass Readings

Monday JULY 18
Mi 6:1-4, 6-8
Mt 12:38-42

Tuesday JULY 19
Mi 7:14-15, 18-20
Mt 12:46-50

Weds. JULY 20
Jer 1:1, 4-10
Mt 13:1-9

Thursday JULY 21
Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13
Mt 13:10-17

Friday JULY 22
St. Mary Magdalene
Jer 3:14-17
Jn 20:1-2, 11-18

Saturday JULY 23
Jer 7:1-11
Mt 13:24-30

Sunday JULY 24
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gn 18:20-32
Col 2:12-14
Lk 11:1-13

WEDNESDAY Night Cookout!



We will gather this **WEDNESDAY** at 6 pm for a potluck cookout & volleyball! The main dish will be provided, bring a dish to pass. Cookouts are open to ANYONE who wants to join in!

Millions of youth from around the world will be gathering soon in Poland for



World Youth Day 2016...

please keep them in your prayers!



St. Anne's Parish Picnic is THIS Sunday!!!



Sunday, July 17th

In the Chassell Pavilion, begins at 12 noon. Knights of Columbus will provide the meat, please bring a dish to pass!

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-Sean Thomas, epilogist at Catholic Answers



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7 - 8 am,
Wednesday - Friday

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Mass Times: Sun. 11 am / Weds. & Fri. 5:30 pm

Confessions: Tuesday 7:00 pm, Wednesday & Friday 5:00 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

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 17th, 2016

Sun.	July 17	11 am	For the People of St. Al's & St. Anne's	By the Parishes	Mass Intentions
Weds.	July 20	5:30 pm	† Irene Schnotala	On Behalf of St. Joseph's-Lake Linden	
Fri.	July 22	5:30 pm	† Greg Groves	By Anonymous	
Sun.	July 24	11 am	For the People of St. Al's & St. Anne's	By the Parishes	

Liturgical Ministers	Mass	Usher	Altar Server	Lector	EMHC
	5:30 pm Weds., July 20		H. Rau	M. Schorr	
	5:30 pm Fri., July 22		H. Sweidan	M. Howard	
	11 am Sun., July 24	A. Duah-Gyamfi P. Roche	H. Sweidan, B. Anithottam, J. Edasseril	V. Manzie T. Archibald	L. Bloch A. Bonen
7 pm Mass is suspended during the summer, resumes in late August.					

PARISH EVENTS

Budget Finance Committee Meeting - Tues., July 19th, 4 pm in the Parish Office.

Summer Bible Study: Meeting by the fireplace on Wednesdays at 6:15pm, after the 5:30 pm Mass. Stop by if you're interested, or contact Husam Sweidan, hisweida@mtu.edu

Summer Morning Holy Hours Morning Holy Hours are Tuesday through Thursday this week, 7 am - 8 am.

Want some adventure? Join the trip to **St. Martin de Porres, House of Hope in Chicago** to work with the women. We will leave on Monday, August 15th. Contact Sister Ellen.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Become a Shepherd - Stop Human Trafficking and Exploitation, Protect, Help, Empower and, Restore Dignity - Event to be held at St. Ignatius Church Hall on Thurs., July 21st, from 6-9 pm. See posted sign for more event details. RSVP to 989-245-3760.

Organist of the Keweenaw Recital Series - Fri., July 22nd, BACH AM LINDENSEE: Bach's "Eight Little Preludes and Fugues". Organist: Tom Kraska. At the former Congregational Church in Lake Linden, 7 pm. Donations welcome for organ maintenance.



Squires Car Wash - The Squires are having a car wash on Sat., July 23rd, at the Cyberia Coffee Shop on Sharon Avenue from 11am -4pm. There will be signs posted and the car wash will cost \$5. Please support the Squires as this money will go toward their canoe race held Aug. 5th-7th in Grayling, MI.



1st Annual Diocesan Youth Choir Camp! St. Peter Cathedral, Aug. 8 -12 / 9 am - 5 pm
The Diocesan Youth Choir Camp is a unique music experience for youth ages 10-17. Youth will have the opportunity to develop their voices and sharpen their musical skills.

The cost of the camp is \$30 per family and includes daily lunch & materials. Scholarships are available for financial assistance. Please request a camp registration form at the diocesan office, or via email: sholmberg@dioceseofmarquette.org

Upcoming Marygrove Retreat

8-Day Silent Directed Retreat: July 31st-Aug. 7th. When the topic of a silent retreat comes up, without fail someone will laugh and say: "I could never do that!" Is this true about you? If your day is saturated by information and communication, then you are probably a good candidate for a Silent Directed Retreat.

Local Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Ho. Cty. Med. Care Thurs., 2 pm	Cypress Manor Fri., 10:30 am	Portage Pointe Thurs., 11:00 am
		July 28, Fr. William

The name says it all: "Silent Directed Retreat." 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. **So consider taking a break from your phone & Facebook. Even the most skeptical participant on a Silent Directed Retreat comes away refreshed & renewed.** (8-Day: \$310). **For more information: www.marygrove.org or call 906-644-2771.**



Words of Wisdom from Bishop Frederic Baraga

Undoubtedly Bishop Baraga made mistakes, but they were errors of judgment rather than errors of the heart.

Wedding Season is upon us!

Please pray for **Dan Morgan and Mayra Sanchez** who will be married next Sunday, July 24th at St. Al's...

and for **Matthew Koczur and Amy Surmont** (who served on our first FOCUS team) who will be married next Friday, July 22nd, in Muskegon.

"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, July 17th.

The sponsor is Chassell Carpentry & Woodwork.

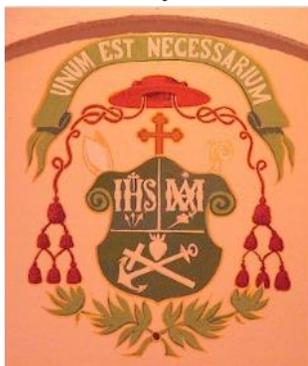


After a week of feverish activity, the words of this Sunday's Gospel speak to my heart! "...you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing." Jesus calls Martha not to lose track of

what is most important, not to get scattered and lose track of God in the midst of many duties and worries.

Rhen and I had a fruitful week of fundraising, meeting some wonderful alumni families. We stayed mostly with priest-friends of mine from seminary, which was also a blessing. Along the way, I stopped to order some Mass vestments for our parishes, and to visit Sacred Heart Seminary and School of Theology in Hales Corners, WI, where one of our seminarians will start this fall. We drove all over the place, and I was fielding phone calls and emails from a hundred directions the whole time. It was a good week, but one where it was easy to feel scattered!

Bishop Baraga was ordained a bishop in 1853, after a little over 20 years of being in Michigan and around Lake Superior. He was responsible for the northern Lower Peninsula, the U.P., northern Wisconsin, and northern Minnesota. He had very few priests, difficult travel, and endless challenges. Like every bishop, he had to choose an episcopal motto, which among other things, would go on his coat of arms. I find deep humility and insight in his choice, "Unum est necessarium." These are Jesus' words to Martha, in Latin, "There is need of only one thing." First of all, I think Bishop Baraga wanted to remind HIMSELF of the need to focus first on the Lord, on HIS love and grace, and not to be totally consumed by worry and busyness in his difficult assignment.



I also think God gives us a gift through this choice... He reminds us to be focused on Him in the midst of our worries and troubles. What burdens your heart? What tends to draw you away from the Lord and His love? What occupies the "screen" of your mind and heart and displaces Him? **Jesus invites to re-center, to re-focus, and to return to Him!**

One basic and necessary consequence of this truth is **the need each one of us has for some daily commitment and rhythm of prayer**... it will almost certainly look different in each person's life, according to his or her concrete circumstances... but daily prayer isn't for SOME Catholics, but for ALL! How do you pray each day? How is God calling you to make that more regular, more real, more profound?

As I encourage each of you to take a copy of Return, the book by Brandon Vogt about how to bring our loved ones back to Church, it definitely begins by seeking our *own* deeper conversion and prayer. **We can't give and share what we don't first have. If we want our loved ones to return to God and to His Church, WE need to turn to Him ourselves!**

THIS Sunday is St. Anne's Parish Picnic! It starts at noon at the Chassell Pavilion... I hope to see you there! Bring your family, bring your friends, and a dish to share!

Thursdays have been hard this month as far as cookouts go, **so next WEDNESDAY, July 20th, we're going to do a cook-out at 6 pm, after the 5:30 pm Mass.** Bring a dish to share, I'll cook up something tasty for the main dish!

Next weekend, a good group from St. Anne's will be joining youth and chaperones from around the U.P. (six busloads!) to go to the **Steubenville on the Lake Youth Conference on the campus of Carthage College in Kenosha, WI.** Please keep us all in your prayers! Fr. Paul Nomellini will be with you, and I am SO grateful for his help! **Pray that God will bless this pilgrimage!**
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 **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.

Development Initiatives:

Rhen and I had some very promising meetings with alumni this past week. We visited 9 different families, all around Lake Michigan. It has been very encouraging to meet folks!

We've also been seeing a good response to our Religious Preference Card mailing, with over 200 responses so far.

A note about our "budgeted" weekly collection amount below: we will be doing a matching collection challenge the weekends before O-week and before classes, which we hope will result in a lot of giving those weekends. We wrote our collection budget accordingly. More details will be coming!

CONTRIBUTIONS		
Capital Improvements Envelopes - \$41.00		
	July 10 th , 2016	Year to Date
Envelopes	\$755.00	\$1,596.00
Loose	\$431.24	\$693.64
Holy Day	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fuel	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$1,186.24	\$2,289.64
Budgeted	\$1,532.70	\$3,065.40
Overage/ (shortfall)	-\$346.46	-\$775.76



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**



2016 - 2017 FOCUS Team



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CHAPEL RAT Student Residents:

Summer 2016
Abhijith Geo Philip + Akwasi Duah-Gyamfi

Fall 2016
Peter Hoch + Rudy Hoover + Daniel LaCroix
Sam Marek + Patrick McFall + Phillip Wyman

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

Sunday	11:00 am 12:30 pm	Mass + social RCIA/Fireplace Area
Tuesday	7:00 am 8:00 pm 8:55 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Eucharistic Holy Hour, Solemn Exposition (Confession during Adoration) Solemn Benediction
Wednesday	7:00 am 5:00 pm 5:30 pm 6:15 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Confession Mass Bible Study - all are welcome! (Fireplace)
Thursday	7:00 am 6:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Potluck Cookout (some Thursdays during the summer.)
Friday	7:00 am 5:00 pm 5:30 pm	No Holy Hour this Friday Confession Mass
Saturday		At St. Anne's in Chassell: 4:30 pm Confessions & 5:30 pm Mass

2016-17 Ministry Leaders
(recently updated, contact Fr. Ben with corrections!)

MASS MINISTRIES:

Altar Server Daniel LaCroix, djlacroi@mtu.edu
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Michael Best, mtbest@mtu.edu
Lectors Caroline Spezia, cespezia@mtu.edu
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Ushers/Greeters Jacob Ahles jlalles@mtu.edu

PRAYER MINISTRIES:

Night Prayer Alec Clark, alecc@mtu.edu
Rosary Alex Gill, adgill@mtu.edu
Praise and Worship Cristina Reyes, Melanie Howard

STUDY:

Apologetics volunteer needed
FOCUS Bible Studies TBD
Learn the Faith Devon Van Order, djvanord@mtu.edu

SERVICE:

New Student Outreach Rachelle Wiegand, rmweigan@mtu.edu
St. Al's Saturday Service (S.A.S.S.) TBD
Master of the Solemn Brunch Mike Theoret, mttheoret@mtu.edu
Respect Life contact Alec Clark, alecc@mtu.edu
Youth Ministry Retreat Team volunteer needed

COMMUNITY:

Intramural Sports Michael Best, mtbest@mtu.edu
Friday Night Fireside Fellowship Daniel LaCroix, djlacroi@mtu.edu; Abby Steinbrecher, arsteinb@mtu.edu

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



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