

St. Albert the Great University Parish



Michigan Technological University

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Entrance Antiphon for the 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me.
For you are my rock, my stronghold!

Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name. cf. Psalm 31 (30):3-4

6th Sunday in Ord. Time
February 11, 2018

Mass Readings

Monday Feb. 12

Jas 1:1-11
Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday Feb. 13

Jas 1:12-18
Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday Feb. 14

Ash Wednesday
Jl 2:12-18
2 Cor 5:20-6:2
Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday Feb. 15

Thursday after
Ash Wednesday
Dt 30:15-20
Lk 9:22-25

Friday Feb. 16

Friday after
Ash Wednesday
Is 58:1-9a
Mt 9:14-15

Saturday Feb. 17

Saturday after
Ash Wednesday
Is 58:9b-14
Lk 5:27-32

Sunday Feb. 18

First Sunday of Lent
Gn 9:8-15
1 Pt 3:18-22
Mk 1:12-15

LENTEN DISCIPLINES

Ash Wednesday (February 14th) and Good Friday (March 30th) are days of fast AND abstinence.

Abstinence is also to be observed on all the Fridays of Lent.

Fasting is required of all the faithful in good health from the age of 18 to the beginning of their 60th year. Fasting is usually interpreted to mean one full meal and, if necessary, two other small meals. One should not eat between meals, but milk, fruit juices, and other liquids are permitted.

Abstinence binds everyone over the age of 14. Abstinence means no meat should be eaten during the entire day.

Anyone unable to observe the fast and abstinence obligations because of health or other serious reasons should substitute another penance.

These simple forms of self-denial help to remind us of the Lord's Passion and Death. We offer them to God for our own conversion to Christ, and the conversion of the whole world. They can also be an occasion to grow in self-discipline and solidarity with the poor.

FIRESIDE this Friday:

“What a Catholic Philosopher wants every scientist & engineer to know!”

Friday, February 16nd

After Mass & Dinner, **Dr. Michael Bowler** will speak to us out of his experience teaching philosophy to students at Michigan Tech. What does someone steeped in the quest for wisdom want you to know?



Our Parish has been gifted with access to **Formed.org** by a generous alumnus! It's basically a Catholic Netflix!

Just go to the website & set an account using our parish code: ZMH2NM
Learn MORE about the Catholic Faith!



Eucharistic Adoration

Solemn Exposition & Benediction:
Tuesday 7:30 - 9 pm

Simple Exposition
8-9 am, Mon-Thurs

and on Friday:

8:00am - 5:15pm ALL DAY ADORATION

Come pray before our Eucharistic Lord!

Spring Break Mission Trip!

Now's the time to sign up for St. Al's Spring Break Mission Trip!

Use your spring break for service and adventure!

Our Spring Break Mission Trip this year is a return to a site we've visited before:

Fr. Carr's Place 2B, a homeless shelter, clinic, and foodbank in Oshkosh, WI.

Leave on Sunday, March 11th
and return on Friday, March 16th!

Contact Fr. Ben: benjhasse@yahoo.com

Pastor: Fr. Ben Hasse + 906-482-5530 + cell (906)290-2434 + benjhasse@yahoo.com + blog: snowshoetracks.blogspot.com

Pastoral Associates: Sr. Jacqueline Spaniola cell (906)231-6862 sisterj@mtucatholic.org
Sr. Marcelyn Gervais cell (906)281-7851 (Sr. Carolee Vanness is resident at St. Anne's, but serves in L'Anse)

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

Parish Secretary & Bookkeeper: Barbara Wakeham (906)482-5530 stalbert@stal-mtu.com **Office Hours:** Tues - Fri, 9a - 4p

Mass Times: Sun. 11 am & 7 pm / Weds. 9:00 pm / Fri. 12:15 pm

Confessions: Tuesday 7:45 pm, Wednesday 8 pm & 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

Sun.	Feb. 11	11 am	† Nancy Klingbeil	By Denis & Mary Skoglund By Dan & Cynthia Flynn On Behalf of St. Joseph's-Lake Linden By the Franciscan Sisters By the Parishes By André Bonen & Family	Mass Intentions
Sun.	Feb. 11	7 pm	† Robert & Mary Flynn		
Weds.	Feb. 14	12:15 pm	Ash Wednesday Service		
Weds.	Feb. 14	9 pm	† Kathy Judnich		
Fri.	Feb. 16	5:30 pm	For Vocations to the Franciscan Community		
Sun.	Feb. 18	11 am	For the People of St. Al's & St. Anne's		
Sun.	Feb. 18	7 pm	† Michael Shiroda, Sr.		

Liturgical Ministers	Mass	Usher	Altar Server	Lector	EMHC
	9 pm Weds., Feb. 14		M. Hollman	V. Cistaro	D. Kulas & J. Sauter
	5:30 pm Fri., Feb. 16		D. Killick	G. Rushlau	A. Henrickson & C. Morrall
	11 am Sun., Feb. 18	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA
	7 pm, Sun., Feb. 18	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA

FAITH FORMATION & PRAYER

Ash Wednesday Services There will be Mass for Ash Wednesday at St. Anne's at 7 am and 5:30 pm. At St. Al's there will be a service (not a Mass) at 12:15pm, and Mass at 9 pm. Ash Wednesday is a day of fasting (two small meals) and abstinence (not meat)

A Biblical Journey through the Mass Classes are off to a GREAT start, join in! Wednesday at St. Anne's (10 am & 7 pm). At St. Al's, Mondays (9:30 pm) and Thursdays (12:15 pm & 7 pm). Go deeper into the Mass!

Financial Peace University What if you knew where all of your money was going each month? What if you were debt-free, investing and making wise spending decisions? With Dave Ramsey's class Financial Peace University, you CAN take control of your money and start planning for your future. Class coordinated by Rhen & Kylie Hoehn, starting **Sunday, Feb. 18th at 3 pm** at St. Al's, it will teach this famous plan to help people take control of their lives, especially with regards to debt. To register and to buy the course materials use this link: www.fpu.com/1059034

Spring Campus Ministry Retreat April 13-15 Bay Cliff Retreat Center, \$75.00.

PARISH EVENTS

Spring Break Mission Trip March 11-16, going to Fr. Carr's Place 2B, a homeless shelter and foodbank in Oshkosh, WI. No set fee, all participants send fundraising letters. **If you're interested, please sign up after Mass this weekend!**

COMMUNITY EVENTS

The ALPHA program hosted by the Keweenaw Catholic Community. Held at Sacred Heart Church in Calumet starting on Sat., Feb. 17th, thru May 19th. See posted flyer for details.

UPCOMING MARYGROVE RETREATS

Six Day Silent Directed Retreat (March 19-24) 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. Consider taking a break from your phone and all the noise that invades your life. Even the most skeptical participant on a Silent Directed Retreat comes away refreshed and renewed. (Six Day: \$260).

Holy Week Triduum Guided Retreat (March 29-April 1) The Triduum of Holy Week (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday) and Easter Sunday is the high point of the Church year. This retreat includes periods of silence during which to reflect on the Passion, Death and Resurrection of the



Friday Night Fireside Fellowship:

4:30 pm Confessions,
5:30 pm Mass, FNFF follows!
Feb. 16 "What a Catholic Philosopher wants every scientist and engineer to know!" - Dr. Bowler

Feb. 23 Who is Bishop Baraga?

Mar. 2 Men's & Women's Night

Mar. 9 Spring Break Begins

Lord, the Holy Week liturgies, Scripture study, Tenebrae service, private and communal prayer, and one retreat conference each day. This year, enter into celebration of our Lord's death and resurrection in a way that cannot be experienced except in a retreat setting. A free-will offering will be taken to cover the costs of the retreat.

**Info: 906-644-2771, or www.marygrove.org
or email: mgcbox38@centurylink.net.**

"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. 18.

**Sponsored by: A Generous Neighbor
Volunteer Appreciation Day will be held at the event!**

Porn Kills Love! Eliminate Porn in your Life!

Basic Resources for individuals, couples, parents:

Integrity Restored: <http://integrityrestored.com/>

Fight the New Drug: <http://fightthenewdrug.org/>

Also, pick up a copy of the books *Delivered* and/or *Restored*



Words of Wisdom from Bishop Frederic Baraga

"Nineteen nice sleds from Mackinac and Pointe St. Ignace came together and drove me in triumph to Mackinac, where the zealous missionary, Fr. Murray, received me at the door of the Church. The people came into the church and from the altar I gave them the bishop's blessing." Bp. Baraga, Feb. 15, 1860



“A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, ‘If you wish, you can make me clean.’ Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, ‘I do will it. Be made clean.’”

Jesus has the power to heal us in body, mind, and soul. He responds to our prayers for our own healing, and the healing of those we love. His response is often mysterious... but it always starts with us bringing Him our real needs and desires for healing!

The Bible Class on the Mass continues this week, please join in! Times are in the column to the far left.

Next Sunday, Rhen and Kylie Hoehn are going to be leading a group through **Financial Peace University**. The details are to the left. The program is rooted in an Evangelical Christian context, but the principles are applicable to anyone wanting to seek financial peace.

Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday. Masses will be at 7 am and 5:30 pm at St. Anne’s. At St. Al’s there will be a 12:15 pm service and Mass at 9 pm. All the money collected at our Ash Wednesday services will go to our Catholic Schools.

Winter Carnival was awesome... my WARM gratitude to everyone who participated! We had huge numbers building the Ice Chapel and the All-Nighter, as well as cooking, participating in Special Events, etc. **We’ve won the All-Nighter now for FOUR years in a row!** We had about 400 people come in total to the three Ice Masses! As I’m typing this on Saturday afternoon, we’re not sure yet how we did in the Special Events category, or overall, but we’re hopeful that we did well! Again, THANK YOU to everyone who made that happen!

We are in the midst of our **Winter Carnival Living Faith Matching Challenge!** A generous alumni donor has put up \$5000 as a challenge for new or increased gifts as part of the Living Faith Society (monthly giving). Visit our website to sign up www.mtucatholic.org/donate or contact our parish Development Director, rhen@mtucatholic.org.

Lent begins this coming week, and I’m very excited to be entering into this holy season with you!

God Bless, Fr. Ben

DIOCESAN CATHOLIC SCHOOLS COLLECTION

Our Diocesan Catholic schools are an irreplaceable vehicle for passing on the faith to our children and forming future leaders in our Church and the community. This special collection helps to secure the financial stability and viability of our Catholic schools. Please use the designated envelope on Ash Wednesday this week, or afterwards. Everything collected on Ash Wednesday will go towards this need.

Please be generous in your support of our children’s education.

Post-Abortion Healing Resources

Project Rachel: hopeafterabortion.com

Rachel’s Vineyard: www.rachelsvineyard.org

Silent No More Campaign: www.silentnomoreawareness.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.

Local Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Ho. Cty. Med. Care Thurs., 2 pm	Lighthouse Fri., 10:30 am	Portage Pointe Mon., 11:00 am
Mar. 08, Fr. John	Mar. 09, Fr. John	Feb. 22, Fr. John

Stewardship Updates

- Most of our spots are full for the first week of interviews regarding our **draft case statement for a proposed capital campaign!** Thank you for your quick responses! If you haven’t yet scheduled an appointment to be interviewed regarding the plan, please call the office this week!
- **The sale of our half acre backlot is complete.** The proceeds will primarily be used to replenish our Parish Fund, while about a third will be used to advance a number of other projects including: Capital Campaign planning, some engineering & design work, and the design and building of a new garage. We have occupancy until March 1st. After the Ice Mass, we’ll be moving out of the pole barn, and harvesting the oak trees for lumber and firewood.
- If you are a registered parishioner, please pick up your **offertory envelopes** in the vestibule.
- It looks possible that we will have **an associate pastor** starting July 1st, 2018, so planning has begun for this.

St. Al’s CONTRIBUTIONS

	Feb. 4 th , 2018	Year to Date
Envelopes	\$752.00	\$24,466.20
Loose	\$366.17	\$16,756.56
Holy Day	\$0.0	\$5,820.56
Fuel	\$0.00	\$398.00
Total	\$1,118.17	\$47,441.32
*Budgeted	\$1,532.70	\$49,046.40
Overage/ (shortfall)	-\$414.53	-\$1,605.08

To give online: www.mtucatholic.org/donate



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 in which people can investigate Catholicism. We welcome anyone who wants to explore the teachings of the Church. Meetings take place each Sunday from 12:30 - 2:00 pm at St. Al's, after the 11 am Mass. **To get involved, contact Sister Jacqueline: cell 906-231-6862, sisterj@mtucatholic.org**

2017 - 2018 FOCUS Team



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CHAPEL RAT Student Residents:

Fall 2017: Head Rat: Daniel LaCroix
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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	7:30 am 8:00 am 9:00 am	Morning Prayer, DHH Center Lounge Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Mass (when Fr. Ben is in town)
Tuesday	8:00 am 7:30 pm 8:55 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Eucharistic Holy Hour, Solemn Exposition (Praise & Worship, Confession) Solemn Benediction
Wednesday	7:30 am 8:00 am 8:00 pm 9:00 pm	Morning Prayer, DHH Center Lounge Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Confession Mass
Thursday	8:00 am 12:15 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Bible Class (Fireplace) Bible Class (Fireplace) SoulCore (Wads G17 / G19)
Friday	7:30 am 8:00 am 4:30am 5:30 pm	Morning Prayer, DHH Center Lounge Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition ALL DAY ADORATION (til 5:15 pm) Confession Mass, afterwards dinner and Fireside: "What a Catholic Philosopher..."
Saturday		At St. Anne's in Chassell: 4:30 pm Confessions & 5:30 pm Mass



Life Outreach Center

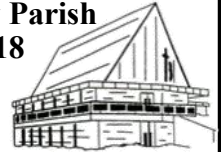
**Think you're pregnant?
Not sure what to do?**

We listen. We care. We can help. There is hope.

906-482-8681 lifeoutreachhoughton@gmail.com
Web: lifeoutreachhought.wixsite.com/pregnancy-services
222 Sheldon 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

**St. Albert the Great University Parish
Pastoral Council 2017/2018**



Jill Poliskey, President
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Rudy Hoover, Jessica Paling, Daniel LaCroix (& Rat. Rep.)
Grad. Rep: TBD **FOCUS Rep:** Colleen Morrall
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2017-18 Ministry Leaders

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7 pm Choir: help needed
Head Cantor: Chris Schwartz, ceschwar@mtu.edu
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Ushers/Greeters Tim Ciarelli, tciarel@mtu.edu

PRAYER MINISTRIES:

Night Prayer Alex Gorcyca, ajgorcyc@mtu.edu

Rosary TBA

Praise and Worship help needed

SoulCore Rose Turner, roset@mtu.edu; Katie Buchalski, kcbuchal@mtu.edu

STUDY:

Apologetics volunteer needed

FOCUS Bible Studies Colleen Morrall, Team Director
colleen.morrall@focus.org

Learn the Faith Devon Van Order, djvanord@mtu.edu

SERVICE:

New Student Outreach Abby Steinbrecher, arsteinb@mtu.edu

St. Al's Service Emily Burke, emilyb@mtu.edu; Virginia Cistaro, vlcistar@mtu.edu

Master of the Solemn Brunch James Bonar, jbbonar@mtu.edu

Respect Life TBA

Youth Ministry Retreat Team volunteer needed

COMMUNITY:

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Men's Houses: JP II: Devon Van Order djvanord@mtu.edu

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Friday Night Fireside Fellowship James Bonar, jbbonar@mtu.edu; Zach Smith, ztsmith@mtu.edu

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