



St. Albert the Great University Parish



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**Fifth Sunday of
Easter
April 24th, 2016**



Entrance Antiphon for the Fifth Sunday of Easter
"O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders;
in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia."
cf. Psalm 98 (97):1-2

Mass Readings

Mon. APRIL 25
1 Pt 5:5b-14
Mk 16:15-20

Tues. APRIL 26
Acts 14:19-28
Jn 14:27-31a

**Weds.
APRIL 27**
Acts 15:1-6
Jn 15:1-8

**Thurs.
APRIL 28**
Acts 15:7-21
Jn 15:9-11

Fri. APRIL 29
Acts 15:22-31
Jn 15:12-17

Sat. APRIL 30
Acts 16:1-10
Jn 15:18-21

Sun. MAY 1
Sixth Sunday
of Easter
Acts 15:1-2, 22-29;
Rv 21:10-14, 22-23
Jn 14:23-29

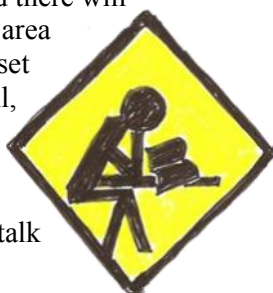
Take Note: Summer schedule begins next Sunday, May 1st!

After this Sunday, April 24th, St. Al's 7 pm Sunday Mass will be suspended until late August. Starting May 1st, the Wednesday and Friday Masses will both be at 5:30 pm, with confessions beforehand at 4:30 pm. The Tuesday night Holy Hour will be from 8-9 pm.



During Finals Week:
St. Al's main hall will be reserved for studying Monday - Friday!

The ping-pong tables will be packed away, extra tables will be set out, and there will be coffee and snacks... the area around the fireplace will be set aside for hanging out, foosball, and pool. If the library's too full and you need a place to study, come on up the hill... you can even go upstairs and talk to the Teacher!!!



!!!MIDNIGHT PANCAKES!!!

Special Finals Week event...

11:00 pm on Monday, Apr. 25th!

Take a study break, and fuel your brain... we'll have a hearty breakfast available as Monday turns into Tuesday! (11 pm - 1am)

Eucharistic Adoration

Solemn Exposition &

Benediction:

Tues., 7:30 - 9 pm

Simple Exposition

Mon.-Fri., 7:45 -

8:45 am



**Come pray
with us
before our**

Congratulations Graduates!

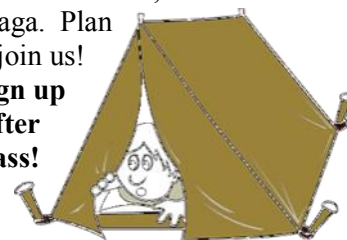
It is bittersweet for us... as we are joy-filled for your completion of this stage of the journey, know that we are sad you are leaving us! You will be in our thoughts and prayers wherever your journey takes you! Please come downstairs for cake and ice cream!

If you are graduating and your name is not on the list in the bulletin insert, please contact the office.

Spring Camping Trip!

Are you going to be in town for a few days after finals? Sunday afternoon, May 1 - Tuesday afternoon May 3 we'll be going camping in the Sturgeon River Gorge Wilderness Area, SW of Baraga. Plan to join us!

**Sign up
after
Mass!**



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Mass Times: Sun. 11 am & 7 pm / Weds. 9 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

Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 24th, 2016

Sun.	Apr. 24	11 am	† Ben & Aldona Martin	By Mary & Wayne Skripka By the Parish On Behalf of St. Joseph's-Lake Linden By the Parish By the Parishes	Mass Intentions
Sun.	Apr. 24	7 pm	For the Intentions of the Clergy of the Diocese		
Weds.	Apr. 27	9 pm	† Mabel Mitchell		
Fri.	Apr. 29	5:30 pm	For An Abundant Outpouring of Vocations		
Sun.	May 01	11 am	For the People of St. Al's & St. Anne's		
Sun.	May 01	7 pm	NO 7 PM MASS UNTIL AUG. 28th		

Liturgical Ministers	Mass	Usher	Altar Server	Lector	EMHC
	9 pm Weds., Apr. 27		H. Sweidan	J. Hallfrisch	Wiegand, Rausch
	5:30 pm Fri., Apr. 29		Help needed	Help needed	Help Needed
	11 am Sun., May 01	J. Dueweke, A. Duah-Gyamfi	H. Sweidan D. LaCroix	I. Hermann M. Rausch	R. Fitzpatrick M. Burkholder
7 pm Mass suspended after Sunday April 24th, resumes in late August.					

PARISH EVENTS

Finals Week Study Hall: This week the hall downstairs will be reserved for studying. We'll take out the ping pong and keep it quiet - come on up the hill and study!

Midnight Pancakes: Pancakes served 11 pm—1 am this Monday, April. 25th

Finance Committee Meeting - Tues., Apr. 26th, at 4 pm in the Parish office.

St. Al's/St. Anne's Parish Office will be closed on Weds., Apr. 27th, in order for staff to attend a Sec./Bookkeeper Workshop being held in Marquette.

Spring Camping Trip: Departing after next Sunday's 11 am Mass, returning Tuesday afternoon. Sign up after Mass.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Melodies from Times of War - Thurs., May 12th, 7 pm, Calumet Theatre. Noteworthy presents a night of music to honor our veterans. No admission - Free will offering will be taken to benefit the Forgotten Eagles Veterans Group.

Upcoming Marygrove Retreats

Mary, Queen of Heaven Retreat: Apr. 29th-May 1st. Join people of faith for 3 days of prayer & reflection in honor of our Blessed Mother. This year, the 99th anniversary of the appearance of Our Lady at Fatima, our Marian Retreat will focus on Mary's presence in our lives of prayer. We will examine the many facets of the Mary's care for us, as we explore the Scripture stories & Church Teachings celebrating Mary's special role in God's plan for our salvation. This retreat is for both men and women, \$120 per person, \$200 per married couple.

Serenity Retreat: For Those Touched by Alcoholism or Addiction: May 6th-8th. This 12-Step Retreat is for men & women who are in recovery for alcoholism/addiction or who are close to someone who struggles with alcohol abuse or addiction. Members of AA and Al Anon are invited to participate in this retreat, recognizing that God can grant the serenity one needs to face the hardships of life. The cost of this retreat is yet to be determined. (Guest Director from Serenity International)

Senior Citizens Retreat: May 10-12 This retreat emphasizes the value of age & wisdom, often not appreciated in society today and will touch issues & concerns unique to those in the "gifted years." It begins with supper at 5 pm, Tues., & is open to both singles & couples. \$90/single, \$160/married couple. (Director TBD). For more: email mgcbox38@centurylink.net.



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)

April 29 **Volleyball & Campfire**, weather permitting!!
May 1-3 **FNFF Bonus - Camping Trip!**

Local Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Ho. Cty. Med. Care	Cypress Manor	Portage Pointe
Thurs., 2 pm	Fri., 10:30 am	Thurs., 11:00 am
May 12, Fr. John	May 13, Fr. William	Apr. 28, Fr. William

Spaghetti Dinner: Sun., May 1st

Serving from 11 am to 5 pm. Eat in or take out. Adults \$9. Children under 12 are free. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus & St. Anne's Altar Society. There are sign-up sheets at the back entrance to church for desserts and for workers to help serve dinner. @ St. Anne's Parish, Chassell



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



Words of Wisdom from Bishop Frederic Baraga



"On April 27, I had to be in Cincinnati at the Provincial Council. Therefore I set out on the journey immediately after Easter and went on snowshoes from here to Mackinac, and from there partly on foot, partly on a dog sled, a journey of five days towards the south to Alpena."
- Bishop Baraga, Sault Ste. Marie

Jesus speaks very clearly in our Gospel, "I give you a new commandment: **love one another**. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." Every day we are called to imitate Jesus by choosing the good of the people we encounter, our neighbors. Oftentimes that involves the Cross for us, just as it did for Him. As it is difficult, at times, it is also fruitful... to the extent that we give a witness of love, we "speak" a word of truth to the world. **As I preached last Sunday, our participation in Jesus' Good Shepherding involves "speaking the Truth in Love."**

The **bulletin inserts** this week highlight some concrete examples of love. Sr. Ellen includes a **helpful summary** of Pope Francis' recent *Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation Amoris Laetitia* from the FOCUS website. Love in our families is both at the very core of the Christian life, and at times particularly difficult! The extra insert features a **thank you from Bishop John** for the extra collection taken up some weeks ago on behalf of the Syriac Catholic Diocese. This sharing of what God has given us is a very appropriate act of love.

Finally, on the other side of that thank you is a **recent blog post from Bishop Robert Barron**. I included a different blog post from him last Sunday, that one on *Amoris Laetitia*. This week, I have included his very pointed analysis of the current tidal wave of porn and porn addiction that is damaging our culture, our lives, and our families. **"Porn and the Curse of Total Sexual Freedom"** reminds us and alerts us that we must re-examine the lies of the Sexual Revolution. The removal of any limits to sexual activity other than that it be consensual has born extremely bitter fruit. "Complete sexual freedom has not made us psychologically healthier, just the contrary. It has deeply sickened our society." **The solution is not to knock down any remaining limitations... the solution is to seek true freedom in the truth, and in love!**

Don't forget that at our entrances **we have copies of *Delivered and Restored*, two different collections of testimonies** of individuals and married couples who have followed Christ to freedom after being addicted to porn. Please make good use of these resources whether the struggle is personal, or that of a loved one. We have long since passed the point where we can afford to ignore this difficult issue.

Thank you very much for your generosity in the recent collection for our **Priests' Retirement Fund**. If you would still like to donate, just use the appropriately marked envelope, or memo your check "Priests Retirement Fund."

Please put the **Totus Tuus summer program** on your calendar! We will have registration forms shortly. St. Al's is going to host it on Sunday, June 19th for the 7-12th graders, and on Monday, June 20th for the K-6th graders

In recent weeks **I have set back in motion a project that has been pending for a couple years**: the replacement of our pews and carpeting in St. Al's church. Watch for more details to come, but I think I have a concrete plan taking shape! I welcome your thoughts and input, so let me know what you think!

We also have our **end of the year Camping Trip** coming up next Sunday - Tuesday after finals! I think we'll probably head back to the beautiful Sturgeon River Gorge Wilderness Area,

but we're still working on all the details! Sign up after Mass.

Next Saturday is graduation. To our graduates: We are proud of you and happy for you, but sad to see you leaving us! It is my privilege to recognize you at our Masses this weekend.

Monday is Midnight Pancakes, and all week we'll be setting aside the hall for study hours. **Good Luck to all students as you take finals and finish projects!** *God Bless, Fr. Ben*



Save the Date:
Totus Tuus is coming again in June!

This year it's being **hosted at St. Al's on June 19-24th** in collaboration with other local parishes! The 7-12th grade program runs Sunday evening - Thursday evening 7 - 9:15pm, and the K-6th grade program runs Monday - Friday, 9 am to 2:30 pm.

Registration materials will be available soon: plan for your children and grandchildren to be involved in this dynamic summer program led by a team of 4 young adult missionaries!

"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, May 15th.
The sponsor is St. Anne's Parish



Prayers for Sr. Ellen & the Loretto Sisters who are having their annual assembly this weekend near Chicago.

CONTRIBUTIONS

National & Diocesan Collections

April 24 - Catholic Home Missions Appeal


	April 17 th , 2016	Year to Date
Envelopes	\$623.85	\$36,448.49
Loose	\$232.00	\$16,324.55
Holy Day	\$0.00	\$1,222.95
Fuel	\$0.00	\$380.00
Total	\$855.85	\$54,375.99
Budgeted	\$1,144.23	\$48,057.66
Overage/ (shortfall)	-\$288.38	+\$6,318.33

Marquette Diocesan Priest's Retirement - \$296.00



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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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 11:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Night Prayer, Room 374 DHH
Tuesday	7:45 am 7:30 pm 8:55 pm 11:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Eucharistic Holy Hour, Solemn Exposition (Praise & Worship Music, Confession during Adoration) Solemn Benediction Night Prayer, Room 374 DHH
Wednesday	7:45 am 7:00 pm 8:00 pm 9:00 pm 11:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Knitting and Crocheting w/ Sr. Ellen Confession Mass Night Prayer, Room 374 DHH
Thursday	7:45 am 9:00 pm 11:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Rosary, Wadsworth Lobby Night Prayer, Room 374 DHH
Friday	7:45 am 4:30 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Confession Mass, followed by dinner Fireside: Volleyball & Campfire
Saturday		At St. Anne's in Chassell: 4:30 pm Confessions & 5:30 pm Mass

2015-16 Ministry Leaders

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

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Respect Life volunteer needed
Youth Ministry Retreat Team 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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