



# St. Albert the Great University Parish



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## The Ascension of the Lord May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Entrance Antiphon for the Ascension of the Lord**  
“Men of Galilee, why gaze in wonder at the heavens?  
This Jesus whom you saw ascending into heaven  
will return to you as you saw him go, alleluia.” cf. Psalm 27 (26):7-9

### Mass Readings

**Mon. MAY 9**  
Acts 19:1-8  
Jn 16:29-33

**Tues. MAY 10**  
Acts 20:17-27  
Jn 17:1-11a

**Weds. MAY 11**  
Acts 20:28-38  
Jn 17:11b-19

**Thurs. MAY 12**  
Acts 22:30;  
23:6-11  
Jn 17:20-26

**Fri. MAY 13**  
Acts 25:13b-21  
Jn 21:15-19

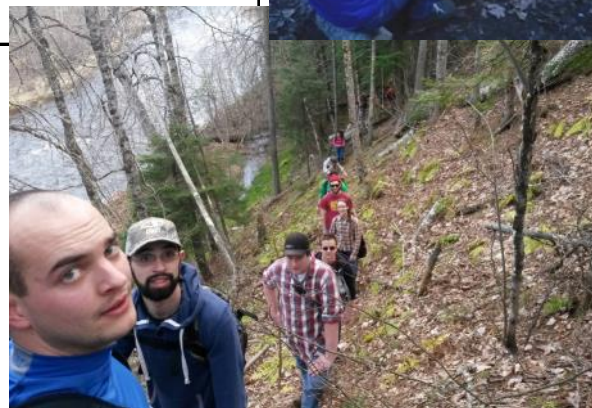
**Sat. MAY 14**  
Acts 1:15-17,  
20-26  
Jn 15:9-17

**Sun. MAY 15**  
Pentecost  
Acts 2:1-11  
1 Cor 12:3b-7,  
12-13  
Jn 20:19-23



### Praise God for a Great Spring Camping Trip!

Silver Mountain (left), the Sturgeon River Gorge Wilderness area (bottom right), and Sturgeon River Falls! (bottom left)



### “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 15<sup>th</sup>.**  
The sponsor is **St. Anne’s Parish**

### Eucharistic Adoration

Solemn Exposition & Benediction:

Tues., 8 - 9 pm

Simple Exposition

Weds.-Fri., 7:00 - 8:00 am

(We’re trying 7-8 am this summer, come pray with us before work!)

**Come pray with us before our Eucharistic Lord!**



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

**Confessions:** Tuesday 7:00 pm, Wednesday & 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

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May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016

<b>Sun.</b>	<b>May 08</b>	<b>11 am</b>	† John Wuthrich	By Helen Wuthrich By Allan & Alyce Hoffman On Behalf of St. Joseph's-Lake Linden By the Parishes	<b>Mass Intentions</b>
<b>Weds.</b>	<b>May 11</b>	<b>5:30 pm</b>	† Joyce Bonen		
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>May 13</b>	<b>5:30 pm</b>	† Margaret Vertin		
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>May 15</b>	<b>11 am</b>	For the People of St. Al's & St. Anne's		

<b>Liturgical Ministers</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>Usher</b>	<b>Altar Server</b>	<b>Lector</b>	<b>EMHC</b>
	5:30 pm Weds., May 11		Help needed	Help needed	
	5:30 pm Fri., May 13		Help needed	Help needed	
	11 am Sun., May 15	Jack Dueweke Akwas Duah-Gyamfi	Husam Sweidan Help Needed	Isidore Dorpenyo Help needed	A. Bonen, R. Hiltunen, H. Wuthrich

7 pm Mass is suspended during the summer, resumes in late August.

## PARISH EVENTS

**Summer Morning Holy Hours** Because our morning Eucharistic Adoration has been so fruitful, we're going to try keeping it going this summer from 7 am to 8 am. This week it will be on Weds, Thurs. & Fri.

**Corpus Christi Procession:** Save the Date! Our Vicariate-wide procession will take place on Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>, beginning at St. Al's at 2 pm and finishing at St. Ignatius.

**Thursday Night Cookouts** Our first Thursday Night Cookout this summer will be on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. We'll provide the main dish, potluck. Food, community, volleyball!

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Melodies from Times of War** - Thurs., May 12<sup>th</sup>, 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.

**Used Book Sale & Pie & Coffee Social** - Sat., May 14<sup>th</sup>, from 9 am to 3 pm at First United Methodist Church in Hancock.

**15<sup>th</sup> Annual Knights of Columbus (Council 2713) Walleye Charity Fishing Tournament** will be held on Portage, Torch, and Lac La Belle Lakes. Sat., June 4<sup>th</sup>, from 6 am-4 pm. There will be a Registration meeting on Fri., June 3<sup>rd</sup>, at Lake Linden Park Pavilion at 7 pm. Email Brad at bradleyclovis@yahoo.com for information.

**The Barbara Kettle Gundlach Shelter Home is in need of volunteers.** They are a temporary shelter for victims of domestic violence and their children who need safe refuge from a domestic violence situation. Volunteering with them is a rewarding experience. The Shelter Home relies on volunteers to operate from day to day. For more information please call Tammie Dupuis, Program Manager, at 337-5632.

## Upcoming Marygrove Retreats

**Six-Day Silent Directed Retreat:** June 5<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> and an **Eight-Day Silent Directed Retreat:** July 31<sup>st</sup>-Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>. 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. 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

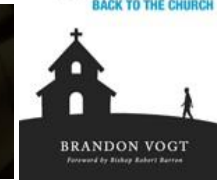
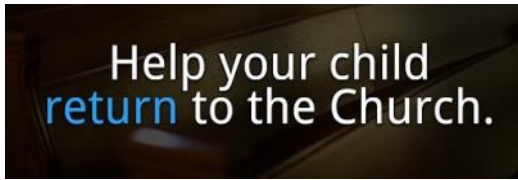
include Mass and communal morning and evening prayer. The cornerstone of the retreat is a regular opportunity to visit with a spiritual director (that's the directed part in Silent Directed Retreat). The spiritual directors are there to accompany the participants – listening, encouraging, challenging and helping retreatants see God working in their lives. **So consider taking a break from your phone and Facebook. Even the most skeptical participant on a Silent Directed Retreat comes away refreshed and renewed.** (Three Day: \$120, Six Day: \$235, and Eight Day: \$310).

**For more information on any of the above retreats go online at [www.marygrove.org](http://www.marygrove.org) or call 906-644-2771.**

**An exciting new resource to empower you to help your children and grandchildren return to the Church!**

"Every Catholic parent needs this book."  
—Bret Mark, pastor at Catholic Action

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HOW TO DRAW YOUR CHILD  
BACK TO THE CHURCH



## 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	May 26, Fr. John



## Words of Wisdom from Bishop Frederic Baraga

From his mother, Baraga received a sensitive soul, a sovereign love for God and a tender devotion to our Heavenly Mother and also her bountiful love for the poor.



## Totus Tuus is coming again in June!

This year it's being hosted at St. Al's on June 19-24<sup>th</sup> in collaboration with other local parishes! The 7-12<sup>th</sup> grade program runs Sunday evening - Thursday evening 7 - 9:15pm, and the K-6<sup>th</sup> 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!



With most of the dioceses in the United States, our dioceses transfers the **Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord** from Thursday (40 days after Easter) to Sunday for the easier celebration of our communities. (This will also happen with Corpus Christi at the end of the month.) The journey Jesus has made from the manger in Bethlehem all the way to Calvary and into the Tomb, a journey crowned by the Resurrection, reaches its final destination as Jesus ascends into heaven, back to

the Father. He ascends now, though, with a glorified body, still incarnate. **Where He has gone, we hope to follow!**

This past Sunday to Tuesday we were camping in the **Sturgeon River Gorge** with . We had beautiful weather, some good hiking, and a lot of fun. This trip was the final event of the spring semester, **so now my schedule shifts gears.** I'm getting ready for



Dcn. Aaron's and Dcn. Jernej's ordination on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, getting the seminarians settled into their summer assignments and activities, and making sure our three new seminarians are all lined up to start in the fall. We're also about to start Totus Tuus across the diocese. I run the program for our diocese, so I coordinate the work of the 3 teams, the intern (Dustin Larson this summer), and the 15 sites where they will put on the program. I'm also going to be working more actively on fundraising for St. Al's. When you add in our building project at St. Anne's and getting ready for St. Anne's parish picnic and the Steubenville conference in July, I will continue to be free from any attack of boredom in the coming months!

This Sunday, along with the Solemnity of the Ascension, **we also mark the civic feast of Mother's Day.** Recently, this short essay was dropped off in the office:

**A Mother...** The most important person on earth is a mother. She cannot claim the honor of having built Notre Dame Cathedral. She need not. She has built something more magnificent than any Cathedral — a dwelling for an immortal soul, the tiny perfection of her baby's body.

The angels have not been blessed with such a grace. They cannot share in God's creative miracle to bring new saints to Heaven. Only a human mother can. Mothers are closer to God the Creator than any other creature. God joins forces with mothers in performing this act of creation.

What on God's good earth is more glorious than this: to be a mother? -Joseph Cardinal Mindszenty

The summer schedule is still in development, but we'll be bringing back our **Thursday Cookouts** (first one on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 6

pm), and also trying a **morning Holy Hour from 7 - 8 am**, this week that will be Thursday and Friday. **If there are students who want a Bible Study**, talk to me, because we will probably try to get at least one or two groups going as well.

Rhen has improved our newsletters, updated our website, and set up meetings and contacted alumni one-on-one. **The Alumni Gathering (described below)** in Detroit is the next step in making better connections with our alumni! It is exciting to see this outreach grow!  
*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.couragec.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:**

With Rhen Hoehn's ( our new Development Director) initiative and leadership, we'll be initiating a new way of reaching out to St. Al's alumni. **On Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, we'll be hosting our first ever Alumni Gathering in Plymouth, MI near Detroit.** Right now we have about 30 people coming!. We hope it will be a time for networking, fellowship, and sharing of good memories from St. Al's! We also hope to deepen our relationship with our active alumni, and their awareness of current initiatives and needs. This is a first try, but we hope to plan similar events in other areas where there is are significant numbers of alumni. If you know someone who might be interested in this kind of event, please let Rhen know!

We are also in the early planning stages for a series of events during **Michigan Tech's Alumni Weekend** in August!

**CONTRIBUTIONS**

**National & Diocesan Collections**

June 26 - Peter's Pence

	May 1 <sup>st</sup> , 2016	Year to Date
Envelopes	\$849.85	\$37,868.34
Loose	\$1,007.00	\$17,631.85
Holy Day	\$0.00	\$1,222.95
Fuel	\$0.00	\$380.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,856.85</b>	<b>\$57,102.84</b>
Budgeted	\$1,144.23	\$50,346.12
Overage/ (shortfall)	+\$712.62	+\$6,756.72



**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](mailto:ibvmellen@stal-mtu.com)**

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## 2016-17 Ministry Leaders

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

### MASS MINISTRIES:

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### PRAYER MINISTRIES:

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**Rosary** Alex Gill, [adgill@mtu.edu](mailto: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](mailto:djvanord@mtu.edu)

### SERVICE:

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

### COMMUNITY:

**Intramural Sports** Michael Best, [mtbest@mtu.edu](mailto:mtbest@mtu.edu)  
**Friday Night Fireside Fellowship** Daniel LaCroix, [djlacroi@mtu.edu](mailto:djlacroi@mtu.edu); Abby Steinbrecher, [arsteinb@mtu.edu](mailto:arsteinb@mtu.edu)

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



### 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	8:00 pm 8:55 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Solemn Exposition (Confession during Adoration) Solemn Benediction
Wednesday	7:00 am 4:30 pm 5:30 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Confession Mass
Thursday	7:00 am 6:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Potluck Cookout (some Thursdays during the summer, first one <b>June 2<sup>nd</sup></b> , watch for specific announcements)
Friday	7:00 am 4:30 pm 5:30 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Confession Mass
Saturday		At St. Anne's in Chassell: 4:30 pm Confessions & 5:30 pm Mass



### Life Outreach Center

[www.houghtonpregnancy.org](http://www.houghtonpregnancy.org) 906-482-8681  
[lifeoutreachhoughton@gmail.com](mailto: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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