

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Sept. 4th, 2016

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Entrance Antiphon for the 23nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"You are just, O Lord, and your judgment is right; treat vour servant in accord with your merciful love," Psalm 119 (118):137, 124

Mass Readings

Monday SEPT. 5 1 Cor 5:1–8 Lk 6:6-11

Tuesday SEPT. 6 1 Cor 6:1-11 Lk 6:12-19

> Wednesday SEPT. 7 1 Cor 7:25-31 Lk 6:20-26

Thursday SEPT. 8

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mi 5:1-4a Mt 1:1–16, 18–23

Friday SEPT. 9

St. Peter Claver, Priest 1 Cor 9:16–19, 22b-27;Lk 6:39-42 **Saturday SEPT. 10**

1 Cor 10:14-22 Lk 6:43-49

Sunday SEPT. 11 24th Sunday in

Ordinary Time Ex 32:7–11, 13– 14 1 Tm 1:12-17 Lk 15:1-32



THANK YOU to everyone who participated in our Matching Collection Challenge! In just 8 days (Aug. 21-28) we raised \$30,938.85!!!! Our \$10,000 matching challenge was met by over \$20,000 in donations!

Upcoming Events

Monday, Sept. 5th: Labor Day Mass, 9:30 am

Labor Day Cookout, 4 pm - 10 pm

Food, Volleyball, Games

Friday, Sept. 9th: **K-Day** - come help out at the St. Al's

Dunk Tank and Watering Hole!

Friday, Sept. 16th: **Procession of the Cross** - join Catholics

from around the area to show our love

for the Cross of Jesus Christ!

Friday, Sept. 23rd: BARN DANCE We've rented out the whole Chassell Pavilion for a big shindig!

Eucharistic Adoration



Solemn Exposition & Benediction: Tues., 7:30 - 9 pm

Simple **Exposition** 8-9 am, Monday - Friday

Come pray with us before our Eucharistic Lord!

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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 pm / Fri. 5:30 pm

Confessions: Tuesday 7:30 pm, Wednesday 8 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

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Su	n. Sej	t. 04	11 am	† Meri & Mike Farmer	By Chris Bryan	
Su	n. Sej	t. 04	7 pm	For the People of St. Al's & St. Anne's	By the Parishes	
Mo	n. Sej	t. 05	9:30 am	For all Workers, Employers, and the Unemployed	By the Parishes	nte >
We	eds. Sej	t. 07	9 pm	† Eleanor & Ted Lichay	By Dave & Bob Lichay	Mass tentio
Fri	. Sej	t. 09	<u>9 am</u>	For the Intentions of our FOCUS Missionary Sponsors	By Maria Rausch	SS
Su	n. Sej	t. 11	11 am	† Albert Gitzen	By Helen Wuthrich	ns
Su	n. Sej	t. 11	7 pm	† Mike Peller	By Chris Bryan	

	Mass	Usher	Altar Server	Lector	EMHC
Liturgical Ministers	9 pm Wed., Sept. 07		Dan LaCroix	Devon Van Order	R. Wiegand, C. Murray
	9 am Fri., Sept. 09		Help needed	Help needed	Help needed
	11 am Sun., Sept. 11	P. Roche A. Dani	C. Matetich S. Oley, B. Anithottam	I. Hermann A. Steinbrecher	C. Murray, M. Miko, M. Best R. Wiegand, J. Loew
	7 pm Sun., Sept. 11	Help needed	S. Marek A. Zackal	D. Van Order M. Schorr	B. Metzger G. Roose

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Labor Day Mass 9:30 am this Monday, Sept. 5th.

<u>Labor Day Cookout</u> Join us on Monday afternoon at 4 pm by the volleyball court!

K-Day St. Al's will have a big presence as this classic Michigan Tech Event. Mass will be moved to 9 am, immediately following the morning Holy Hour this Friday, Sept. 9th.

BARN DANCE! Put Friday, Sept. 23 on your calendar for our St. Al's Barn Dance, held at the Chassell Pavilion!

<u>Fall Campus Ministry Retreat</u> the diocesan Fall Campus Retreat will take place at BayCliff, Oct. 28-30 with NMU, LSSU, GCC, and Bay! Save the date... details to come!

See the See 2016 - SAVE THE DATE! - Our diocesan middle-school (6th - 8th) youth rally is Saturday, October 29th. We hope to have all our 6th - 8th graders there!!!

SEEK 2017 FOCUS' national conference is in San Antonio, TX! The Conference is Jan 2-8 (including travel), so save the date, more details to come! www.focusonline.org/seek2017/

COMMUNITY EVENTS

<u>Christian Women's Brunch</u> - Thurs., Sept. 8th, 9:15 am at Zion Lutheran Church-Hancock. Speaker: Dr. Selin Philip Oomman. Inspirational Speaker/Delicious Food/Friendly Fellowship. Donation: \$8. All women are welcome.

<u>The Bloodmobile</u> will be at Holy Trinity in Chassell on Sun., Sept. 11th. There are still a lot of openings to donate between the hours of 10-11 am.

Discernment Retreat: Seeing with the Eyes of St. Francis

Is God calling you to be a Franciscan Sister? Sister Anne Marie Lom leads the Sept. 16-18 weekend reflection that includes time for prayer, conversations with Sisters and a Lake Michigan Beach Sweep. Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity, Manitowoc, WI. For more information: fscc-calledtobe.org

2016 Silver Tea Craft & Bake Sale - Benefit for the Carmelite Sisters - Sept. 17-18th, from Noon-3 pm, at the Carmelite Monastery North of Iron Mountain. Featuring the Sister's Annual Silver Tea (coffee, tea, sandwiches, sweets) and their Famous Homebaked Bread!! Homemade craft items, baked goods and miscellaneous items are available.

Organist of the Keweenaw Recital Series - Sun., Sept. 18th, at 3 pm at Trinity Episcopal, Houghton. Fr. Corbin Eddy to perform on the 1912 Austin organ, accompanied with clarinet and flute musicians.

Fall Luncheon at Church of the Resurrection-Hancock, on Sat., Sept. 24th, 11 am - 2 pm. Soups & Salads. Bake Sale, Craft Sale, Raffle. Cost: \$7.50 per person.

Friday Night Fireside Fellowship:

Our Regular Weekly *Hotspot* for Fellowship, Prayer, Fun, and Learning! 4:30 pm Confessions, 5:30 pm Mass, FNFF follows!

Sept. 9: MTU K-Day - St. Al's will be there running the

Watering Hole!

Sept. 16: **Procession of the Cross**

From St. Al's to Resurrection Parish

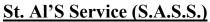
in Hancock

Sept. 23: **Barn Dance** at the Chassell Pavilion

Sept. 30: Sunset Social at Calu

met Waterworks

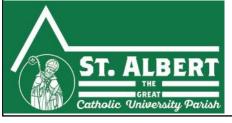
Oct. 7: The Bishop is in the House! Come hang out with our shepherd, Bishop John Doerfler!



Get involved with service to those who are most in need! Carly Joseph (cajoseph@mtu.edu) and Alexis Dani (amdani@mtu.edu) are leading our service ministry this year... contact them to become part of the team!



Local Nursing Home Mass Schedule			
Ho. Cty. Med. Care Thurs., 2 pm	Cypress Manor Fri., 10:30 am	Portage Pointe Thurs., 11:00 am	
Sept. 8, Fr. William	Sept. 9, Fr. Ben	Sept. 29, Fr. William	



New t-shirt design & St. Al's string bags... get them while they're hot! (more sizes have arrived!)



Words of Wisdom from Bishop Frederic Baraga

Bishop Baraga had slowed and he had signs of palsey. He preached his last sermons, in three languages, in St. Ann's Church, at Hancock, and he said so himself, for he felt that his voice was failing.

September 1866

From the desk of Fr. Ben... 04 September 2016

Our Gospel reading this Sunday is pretty stern stuff (a theme over the last few Sundays!). Jesus says, "Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple." He even speaks of "hating" our own family. Jesus wants us to put Him first in our lives, before all other things: "Moderation in all things but the love of God." This seems pretty hard to understand... what would it look like if someone actually lived this way? Actually, it looks like this:



This very Sunday, Pope Francis is going to canonize Mother Teresa, and it is a powerful thing for us to receive that as an invitation: may our lives begin to look more like hers, configured to Christ, to His Truth, to His Love, to His Mercy!

Mother Teresa was deep in the Word of God! Every pew at St. Al's has bibles ready to hand for your own prayer and study, and we have a BIG stack of hardcover Bibles downstairs for your use! Let's wear those Bibles out quickly! We also recently received a big shipment of rosaries. They're already blessed, so take one for yourself, or bring one to a family member or friend!

The response to our Matching Gift Challenge has been tremendous: including the \$10,000 challenge gift, we raised over \$30,000!!! Thank you very much to all who participated!

Pay close attention to this week's liturgical schedule. A couple changes: there is a 9:30 am Mass on Monday morning for Labor Day! Also, our Mass on Friday is moved to 9 am right after the morning Holy Hour so that we can all be free to work and enjoy K-Day in the afternoon.

Please make sure you fill out a PRI (Parish Registration and Interest form) even if you've done so in past semesters. This helps us keep in touch with you, and connect you with opportunities according to your interests. In the coming week, you will hear back from the ministries you've selected.

One area of both need and opportunity is our Music Ministry! We're much better organized this year, and we need more singers and instrumentalists. Just go up in the choir loft and introduce yourself! Alternately, you can email Phillip Wyman, our Student Music Ministry Leader: pjwyman@mtu.edu

We've made a great beginning to this year, let's keep going! Commit yourself to participating in your faith, and also learning and growing! God Bless, Fr. Ben

From Bishop John Doerfler:

A special emergency collection for 2016 Louisiana flood victims will be taken up at all parishes and missions in the Diocese of Marquette on the weekend of **Sept. 17-18**. Collection proceeds will be used to support the humanitarian efforts of Catholic Charities USA and to provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted dioceses.



Commemorating the Reformation: This October will mark the beginning of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation led by Martin Luther. Especially in recent years there have been serious efforts to reach common ground in theology and to find ways to collaborate more effectively in ministry. This is how our own bishop puts it:

"For many years, Lutherans and Catholics have been studying together and praying together in an attempt to bridge the gap between the old labels of division called Protestant and Catholic. In late October this year, Pope Francis will commemorate the beginning of the Reformation as he prays in a Lutheran Cathedral in Sweden. An important theological conference is taking place from September 25 – 26th at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church and Finlandia University in Hancock, Michigan. All Catholics and Lutherans are welcome to be a part of this conference." - Bishop John Doerfler

In anticipation of this conference, and an ecumenical service scheduled for September 25, Dr. Philip Johnson, President of Finlandia University and Father Corbin Eddy are presenting at the Church of the Resurrection on Wednesday, September 14th. A light supper will be served at 6:00 PM and the discussion will start at 7:00 PM. Please mark your calendars. Invite your friends and neighbors to participate.

Are you or a loved one experiencing homosexual attractions and looking for an-



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.

Matching Collection Challenge:

A HUGE thank you to everyone who participated! We had a tremendous response: with a \$10,000 matching challenge offered, we had \$20,938.85 given and pledged! So, we raised in total, \$30,938.85. Over \$5,000 of that total was pledged in monthly electronic giving which we'll see over the course of the coming year!

Again, THANK YOU for such generous support!

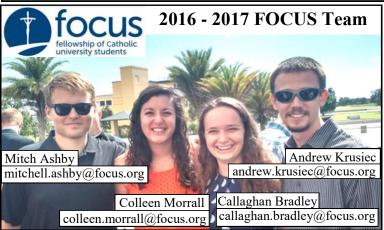
CONTRIBUTIONS		
Aug	August 28 th , 2016	
Envelopes	\$2,566.00	\$9,669.15
Loose	\$7,670.00	\$12,349.08
Holy Day	\$0.00	\$20.00
Fuel	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$10,236.00	
*Budgeted	\$1,532.70	\$13,794.30
Overage/ (shortfall)	+\$8,703.30	+\$8,243.93
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To give 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 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





CHAPEL RAT Student Residents:

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

What's Happening at St. Al's? (Weekly Schedule)				
Sunday	11:00 am Mass 12:30 pm RCIA 7:00 pm Mass	/Fireplace Area		
Monday		aristic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Prayer, Room 206 DHH		
Tuesday	7:30 pm Euch tion (durin 8:55 pm Soler	aristic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition aristic Holy Hour, Solemn Exposi- Praise & Worship Music, Confession g Adoration) nn Benediction t Prayer, Room 206 DHH		
Wednesday	7:00 pm Knitt 8:00 pm Confe 9:00 pm Mass			
Thursday	10:00 pm Volle	aristic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition byball, SDC Court 1, til midnight Prayer, Room 206 DHH		
Friday	9:00 am Mass	aristic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition (rescheduled due to KDay) ide: K-Day! (all afternoon)		
Saturday	At St. Anne's in Chassell: 4:30 pm Confessions & 5:30 pm Mass			



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. 222 Shelden 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



Abby Steinbrecher President Devon Van Order, Vice President Aaron Crapsey, Secretary

Michael Best
Jill Poliskey

Rat Rep: TBD

Daniel LaCroix

Grad Rep: TBD

FOCUS Rep: TBD

Faculty Adviser: Dr. Martin Thompson Year Round Parishioner: Jack Dueweke

2016-17 Ministry Leaders

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Night Praver Alec Clark, alecc@mtu.edu

Rosary Alex Gill, adgill@mtu.edu

<u>Praise and Worship</u> Cristina Reyes, Melanie Howard, Annika Corrazol

STUDY:

Apologetics volunteer needed

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

<u>Learn the Faith</u> Devon Van Order, djvanord@mtu.edu **SERVICE:**

New Student Outreach Rachelle Wiegand, rmweigan@mtu.edu

St. Al'S Service (S.A.S.S.) Carly Joseph, cajoseph@mtu.edu; Alexis Dani, amdani@mtu.edu

Master of the Solemn Brunch Mike Theoret, mttheore@mtu.edu

Respect Life contact Alec Clark, alecc@mtu.edu

Youth Ministry Retreat Team volunteer needed

COMMUNITY:

Women's House: Melanie Howard mehoward@mtu.edu Men's House: Devon Van Order djvanord@mtu.edu

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<u>Friday Night Fireside Fellowship</u> 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