



St. Albert the Great University Parish



Michigan Technological University

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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jan. 22nd 2017

Entrance Antiphon for the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth.
In his presence are majesty and splendor, strength and honor in his holy place.
cf. Psalm 96 (95):1, 6

Mass Readings

Monday Jan. 23
Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Heb 9:15, 24-28
Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday Jan. 24
St. Francis de Sales, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
Heb 10:1-10,
Mk 3:31-35

Weds. Jan. 25
The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
Acts 22:3-16
Mk 16:15-18

Thurs. Jan. 26
Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops
2 Tm 1:1-8
Mk 4:21-25

Fri. Jan. 27
Heb 10:32-39
Mk 4:26-34

Sat. Jan. 28
St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest & Doctor of the Church
Heb 11:1-2, 8-19
Mk 4:35-41

Sunday Jan. 29
Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Zep 2:3; 3:12-13
1 Cor 1:26-31
Mt 5:1-12a

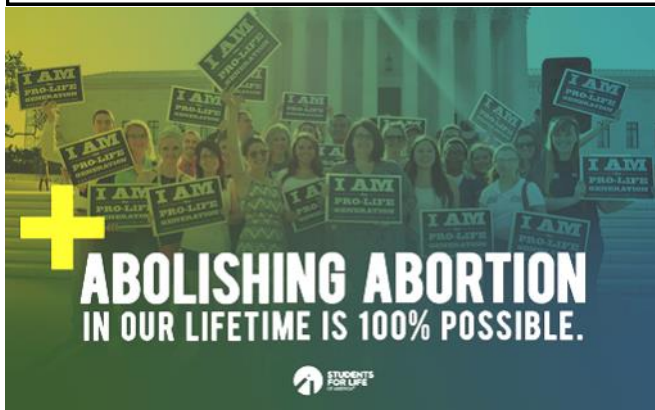
Fireside this week: Snowshoe Hike & Forest Chili!!!

Development Updates

We're going to be doing a **Winter Carnival Living Faith Matching Gift Challenge...** Starting next week, any new Living Faith gifts (monthly giving) or any increased Living Faith gifts, will be matched for the first six months, up to a total of at least \$5500!

Also, we've begun an exciting new initiative: graduating seniors **Miranda Sauter and Michael Best have agreed to lead our first-ever Senior Class Gift!** If you're a graduating senior, you'll have an opportunity to pledge \$20/month for 50 month (totaling \$1000) as a way of giving back to St. Al's! **Talk to Miranda & Michael after Mass to learn more details!**

Details online at mtucatholic.org/class-gifts



Spring Break Mission Trips!!

Now's the time to sign up for one of St. Al's Mission Trips! Use your spring break for service and adventure! Go to Bay Cliff Health Camp near Marquette, or to St. Martin de Porres House of Hope in Chicago, IL. Both trips run Sun., March 5th to Fri., March 10th! Contact: Fr. Ben Hasse benjhasse@yahoo.com

St. Al's Service

Upcoming Events:

- 1. Visiting the Bluffs** (assisted/senior living center): **Sat. Feb 18, 2-4pm.** Join fellow St. Al's students for afternoon of board and card games with the residents. Meet at St. Al's at 1:40pm, we will carpool to the Bluffs.
 - 2. Visiting the Bluffs- individual visiting.** The Bluffs has "coffee chats" 2-3pm on Sundays, & you can go on your own to spend some time with the residents. email activities@thebluffs.org
 - 3. Spring Break Mission Trips:** Mar. 5-10
 - 4. Woodsplitting:** Sat. Mar 18, 1-4pm. Split wood to heat the homes of our local elderly citizens through Little Brother's firewood program. It's a great way to get a workout, spend time outside in the wonderful UP air, and help out!
 - 5. Little Brother's Easter-** Weekend of April 16. Individual opportunity to help cook or serve the Easter meal for the elderly. Details later...
 - 6. Visit Omega House-** The Omega House is a hospice home here in Houghton. A group from St. Al's will visit in April. More details coming.
- Contact Carly Joseph cajoseph@mtu.edu / 248-881-5494 to sign up!



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!

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

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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

Sun.	Jan. 22	11 am	For the People of St. Al's & St. Anne's	By the Parishes	Mass Intentions
Sun.	Jan. 22	7 pm	† Kathy Judnich	Offered on Behalf of St. Joseph's-Lake Linden	
Weds.	Jan. 25	9 pm	For an Abundant Outpouring of Vocations †	By the Parish	
Fri.	Jan. 27	5:30 pm	Wayne Torgeson	By André Bonen & Family	
Sun.	Jan. 29	11 am	† Dominick & Helen Taddonio	By Shawn & Theresa McFall	
Sun.	Jan. 29	7 pm	In Honor of Avianna T. Kocho's Birthday	By Alvin & Colleen Klein	

Liturgical Ministers	Mass	Usher	Altar Server	Lector	EMHC
	9 pm Wed., Jan. 25		J. Bonar	V. Cistaro	Jake Sauter
	5:30 pm Fri., Jan. 27		D. LaCroix	B. Burtka	Mel Howard
	11 am Sun., Jan. 29	M. Thomas, J. Dueweke C. Van Camp	H. Sweidan, M. Best	K. Gingras Z. LaLonde	J. Bonar, C. Morrall, D. La-Croix, B. Hiltunen, A. Bonen,
	7 pm Sun., Jan. 29	S. Pederson N. Fisher	P. Hoch S. Marek	I. Hermann, J. Berryman	E. Murphy, B. Metzger

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

EPIC: A Journey through Church History Monday night study group continues with a new topic, Church History! 9:30 - 11:00 pm starting Monday, Jan. 23.

Finance Committee Meeting - Tues., Jan. 24th, at 4 pm.

Winter Carnival: Want to get involved in Winter Carnival Special Events? Contact Michael Best: mtbest@mtu.edu

All-Nighter Snow Statue: We'll be building from 4 pm on Weds., Feb. 8 until 7 am on Thursday, Feb. 9. Come and join us! If you're inclined towards cooking, please consider bringing the workers hot food and cookies to help carry them through the night!

The Ice Mass We'll be celebrating our 2nd Annual Ice Mass on Friday, Feb. 10th, at 5:30 pm with a Chili Feed to follow... put it on your calendars!

Spring Silent Retreat On Feb. 24-26, we have a new retreat in the schedule this year, at Marygrove. It is a silent-directed retreat. Rather than conference talks to the whole group, or small group discussion, each retreatant spends their time in silent prayer, and meets with a spiritual director one-on-one. Sr. Ellen and Fr. Ryan Ford are organizing the retreat! If you're interested in going, register at: www.marygrove.org/register.html

Spring Break Mission Trips Join one of St. Al's two Spring Break Mission Trips: one goes to Bay Cliff Health Camp, and one goes to St. Martin de Porres House of Hope in Chicago.

Spring Campus Ministry Retreat Our normal spring retreat is happening March 24-26, but this year it's at Bay Cliff Health Camp, the same site which hosted our Fall Retreat.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Ultreya (A call to move forward and to keep the flame of the Cursillo burning brightly.) To all Cursillistas or those who may desire to attend Cursillo in the future, (a Christian outreach movement underpinned in a community setting through prayer, reconciliation, study and worship) make a plan to attend the Ultreya to be held at St. Joseph Church in Lake Linden on Mon., Jan. 30th at 7 pm.

Catholic 20 Something Women – You are Invited! A Discernment of Spirits Retreat based on St. Ignatius' rules for discerning your call, and understanding God's will in your life. Led by Franciscan Sister Jacqueline Spaniola, OSF at the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity Convent, Manitowoc WI, Jan. 27-29th. A special day for prayer, quiet and reflection. Learn more and register at fsc-calledtobe.org

Copper Country Frassati Society's First Friday gathering Feb. 3rd Mass at 6:30 pm at St. Paul's, Calumet. Come early for Adoration and Benediction. After Mass, dinner at Denali in Lake Linden, and then the group may hang out further after-

Friday Night Fireside Fellowship:

4:30 pm Confessions, 5:30 pm Mass, FNFF follows!

Jan. 27 **Snowshoe Hike & Forest Chili** Winter adventure!

Feb. 3 **Holy Transfiguration Skete** Solemn Vespers at 5 pm!

Feb. 10 **Ice Mass & Chili Feed** Bring your friends!

Feb. 17 **The Mystery of Natural Family Planning** - Vicki Sage presents on the gift of fertility.



Local Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Ho. Cty. Med. Care Thurs., 2 pm	Cypress Manor Fri., 10:30 am	Portage Pointe Thurs., 11:00 am
Feb. 09, Fr. John	Feb. 10, Fr. John	Jan. 26, Fr. William

ward. Young adult Catholics, their family, and friends are invited to join in any or all of the evening's activities.

A bonus activity will occur the following Fri., Feb. 10th, at 5:30 pm when the group will attend Mass in the Ice Chapel at St. Albert the Great University Parish in Houghton.

Everyone is encouraged to dress warmly and join the group for this special Winter Carnival outdoor Mass.



Our Parish just got gifted a year of 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!

Words of Wisdom from Bishop Frederic Baraga
In honor of Catholic Schools Week, listen to what Frederic Baraga is teaching you: "My dear children make use of your faith; learn well and firmly believe all that Jesus taught us."

Porn Kill 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*



Praise God, we had a wonderful trip to the seminary in Detroit this past weekend. The 9 young men who came had a great experience of the seminary, and our seminarians. We visited Old

Sainte Anne's, one of the oldest parishes in the country (although not as old as Holy Name of Mary in the Soo), and even had a delicious Polish dinner in Hamtramck. It was a blessing to reconnect with Fr. Ryan Ford as well. He is working his STL (a graduate degree in Theology), as well as serving as part of the formation faculty at the seminary.

There has been quite a bit of transition the Archdiocese of Detroit in recent months. One of their auxiliary bishops was recently named the Archbishop of Guam! Among other things, the Vice Rector of the seminary, Fr. Gerard Battersby, will be ordained a bishop this week and become an auxiliary bishop there in Detroit. I was able to meet with Fr. Burr who has now become the Vice Rector. **I'm really happy to report that our 7 seminarians there in Detroit are doing well.** This past week Bishop John has been visiting the seminary near Milwaukee (Matthew) and the seminary in Winona, MN (Jack) where 2 of our other men are studying as well.

On the way home from Detroit last Monday, we went to Fr **Ted Brodeur's Funeral Mass** at Holy Name of Mary Parish in Sault Ste. Marie. I had met Fr. Ted several times, he was famous for his pranks and jokes. It was a powerful experience for the men discerning to be part of the fraternity of the priests of the diocese gathered for our brother's funeral.

As many of you have heard, right before she was supposed to come home from Christmas, visiting her family in Buffalo, NY, **Sr. Ellen was hospitalized with a serious leg infection.** Thank you to all who have prayed for her. She is out of the hospital and getting stronger every day in a short-term rehab facility! **Please continue to pray for her healing!**

We've made a good start on the **2nd Annual Ice Chapel of Our Lady of the Snows** out behind St. Al's! The Ice Mass is on Friday, Feb. 10th, at 5:30 pm followed by a Chili Feed... put it on your calendars!

I am so glad that we are able to offer you a **small Christmas gift, Scott Hahn's book *The Lamb's Supper***. A convert and former Presbyterian minister, Dr. Hahn really unpacks the deep mystical significance of the Eucharist as foretaste and preparation for the Heavenly Wedding Feast of the Lamb.

We also have our **2017 Church Calendars** and the **Jan-Feb-Mar Living Faith prayer books** available as well! The remaining **2017 Offering Envelopes** have been mailed out.

This Monday is the **Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**, the tragic anniversary of the 1973 Supreme Court decision, Roe vs. Wade, which ruled that any laws in our country prohibiting abortion were unconstitutional. **Since then, over 60 million abortions have occurred**, leaving 2x that many parents, and 4x that many grandparents impacted, not to mention siblings. When you look at that math: 120 million parents, 240 million grandparents... we're talking about everybody. Many of these terrible wounds are hidden, but statistically, every single one of us is connected to someone killed by abortion, and to people carrying the wound of having procured an abortion (or having one forced upon them).

As we discuss these very difficult facts, **it is essential to remember the perfection of God's mercy offered to each person who asks for it!** If you or someone you love is bearing this burden, seek out beautiful healing resources at Rachel's Vineyard (www.rachelsvineyard.org) and Project Rachel (hopeafterabortion.com). Both ministries reference Jeremiah 31:15, which is also cited in Matthew 2:18. "Thus says the LORD: In Ramah is heard the sound of sobbing, bitter weeping! Rachel mourns for her children, she refuses to be consoled for her children—they are no more! **Thus says the LORD: Cease your cries of weeping, hold back your tears!... There is hope for your future—oracle of the LORD— your children shall return to their own territory.**"

There is much to pray for, many to pray for, ourselves to pray for, our nation to pray for! **May God give us the grace, wisdom, and courage to rebuild a culture of life!**

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.

Combined Mission Collection

Last Sunday we had the first of FIVE combined second collections. This was the **Missions Collection**. It combined 4 previous collections:

- 1) **Black & Indian Missions:**
- 2) **Catholic Home Missions:**
- 3) **Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa:**
- 4) **Propagation of the Faith:**

Thank you very much for your generosity to these causes! If you would still like to give to them, please use the special envelope from your offering envelopes, or mark the cause you want to give you on a plain envelope, or on the memo line of the check. **You can specify a certain amount for one or several or all of these four causes. If you do not specify, your offering in the envelope will be split equally 4 ways.** Please look carefully at the envelope. - Fr. Ben

CONTRIBUTIONS

COMBINED MISSION COLLECTION Total: \$248.00
Black & Indian - \$55.75
Catholic Home Mission - \$55.75
Solidarity Fund for Church in Africa - \$80.75
Propagation of the Faith - \$55.75


	January 15 th , 2017	Year to Date
Envelopes	\$556.00	\$24,872.92
Loose	\$422.05	\$20,090.02
Holy Day	\$0.00	\$1,552.87
Fuel	\$35.00	\$425.00
Total	\$1,013.05	\$46,940.81
*Budgeted	\$1,532.70	\$44,448.30
Overage/ (shortfall)	-\$519.65	+\$2,492.51

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**



2016 - 2017 FOCUS Team



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CHAPEL RAT Student Residents:

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

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	8:00 am 9:30 pm 10:30 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Epic Ch. History Study Grp: Fire place Night Prayer, Room 206 DHH
Tuesday	8:00 am 7:30 pm 8:55 pm 10:30 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Eucharistic Holy Hour, Solemn Exposition (Praise & Worship Music, Confession during Adoration) Solemn Benediction Night Prayer, Room 206 DHH
Wednesday	8:00 am 7:00 pm 8:00 pm 9:00 pm 10:30 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Knitting and Crocheting w/ Sr. Ellen Confession Mass Night Prayer, Room 206 DHH
Thursday	8:00 am 9:00 pm 10:00 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Rosary, Chapel Volleyball, SDC Court 1, til midnight
Friday	8:00 am 4:30 pm 5:30 pm	Eucharistic Holy Hour, Simple Exposition Confessions Mass then dinner & Fireside: When we went SEEKing, what did we find?
Saturday		At St. Anne's in Chassell: 4:30 pm Confessions & 5:30 pm Mass




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lifeoutreachhoughton@gmail.com

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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 2016/2017**



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2016-17 Ministry Leaders

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