



St. Albert the Great University Parish



Michigan Technological University

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Entrance Antiphon for the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Save us, O Lord our God!

And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name,
 and make it our glory to praise you. Psalm 106 (105):47

4th Sunday in Ord. Time
 January 28, 2018

Mass Readings

Monday Jan. 29

2 Sm 15:13-14,
 30; 16:5-13
 Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday Jan. 30

2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b,
 24-25a, 30-19:3
 Mk 5:21-43

**Wednesday
 Jan. 31**

St. John Bosco, Priest
 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17
 Mk 6:1-6

Thursday Feb. 1

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12
 Mk 6:7-13

Friday Feb. 2

Presentation of
 the Lord
 Mal 3:1-4
 Heb 2:14-18
 Lk 2:22-40

Saturday Feb. 3

1 Kgs 3:4-13
 Mk 6:30-34

**Sunday
 Feb. 4**

Fifth Sunday in
 Ordinary Time
 Jb 7:1-4, 6-71
 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23
 Mk 1:29-39

**Vote for
 Virginia
 Cistaro,
 our St. Al's
 Winter Carnival
 Queen
 Candidate!**



**FIRESIDE
 this Friday:
 Night Snowshoe &
 Forest Chili!**
 Friday, February 2nd



After Mass we'll suit up for snowshoeing! If you don't have your own, please plan to rent some from the OAP on Friday! Once we get out to the woods, we'll have a steaming bowl of homemade chili!



The Ice Mass cometh!

In just two weeks, we'll be celebrating in the Ice Chapel of Our Lady of the Snows!

The main Ice Mass will be on **Friday, February 9th, at 5:30 pm**, with a big Chili Feed to follow. (We are tentatively planning Mass by candlelight later that night, also Mass on Sat. morning.)



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.	Jan. 28	11 am	† Mary McGrath	By Helen Wachuta	Mass Intentions
Sun.	Jan. 28	7 pm	In Celebration of Aviana T. Kocha's Birthday	By Alvin & Colleen Klein	
Weds.	Jan. 31	9 pm	† Scott Maurer	By the Parish	
Fri.	Feb. 02	5:30 pm	† Betty McGrath	By Helen Wachuta	
Sun.	Feb. 04	11 am	† Charlie Conner	By Chris Bryan	
Sun.	Feb. 04	7 pm	For the People of St. Al's & St. Anne's	By the Parishes	

Liturgical Ministers	Mass	Usher	Altar Server	Lector	EMHC
	9 pm Weds., Jan. 31		D. Killick	I. Hermann	A. Krusiec & J. Sauter
	5:30 pm Fri., Feb. 02		J. Treib	Z. LaLonde	A. Henrickson & D. LaCroix
	11 am Sun., Feb. 04	L. Wenderski, M. Thomas & C. Van Camp	D. Killick, J. Paling & S. Oley	L. Lott G.E. Agbozo	B. Hiltunen, C. Bryan, J. Loew, A. Krusiec & C. Morrall
	7 pm, Sun., Feb. 04	N. Marino P. Sawyer	Help Needed J. Treib	S. Arndt A. Sutherland	I. Hermann C. Joseph

FAITH FORMATION & PRAYER

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

Ice Mass 5:30 pm on Friday, Feb. 9th.

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

PARISH EVENTS

St. Al's Service This Thursday, Feb. 1st, from 6-8pm in St. Al's basement, making fleece baby blankets for the Life Outreach Center! Contact Emily for details: emilyb@mtu.edu

Winter Carnival Solemn Brunch After Mass next Sunday, Feb. 4th, to nourish us all for the labors of Winter Carnival, and to get the week started off well! The First Solemn Brunch of our new Master of the Solemn Brunch, James Bonar!

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.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Support the Life Outreach Center We have beautiful pro-life calendars distributed by our local Crisis Pregnancy Center (contact info on the back of the bulletin) for a \$5.00 donation. Get them in the side-section after Mass.

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 & worship) make a plan to attend the Ultreya to be held at St. Joseph Church in Lake Linden on Mon., Jan. 29th, 7 pm. Use the Front St. entrance.

Copper Country Frassati Society: First Friday Gathering Fri., Feb. 2nd. Mass in the chapel at the Church of the Resurrection, Hancock at 6 pm. Then La Cantina for dinner. Young adult Catholics, their family, and friends are invited to join in



Friday Night Fireside Fellowship:

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

- Feb. 2 Night Snowshoeing & Forest Chili
- Feb. 9 THE ICE MASS!!!!
- Feb. 16 TBA
- Feb. 23 Who is Bishop Baraga?

any or all of the evening's activities.

"Grieving with Love & Compassion" workshop offered by Omega House. Sat., Feb. 10th from 10 am-12 pm at Omega House, 2211 Maureen Lane, Houghton. Free and open to community. Invite a friend to join you. Call Sarah Cheney at 281-5558 to register. Individual grief & loss counseling is also available at no cost.

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).



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: lifeoutreachhoughton.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



Words of Wisdom from Bishop Frederic Baraga

"Fr. Baraga heard of great sufferings, particularly, a widow and her children, He procured medicines and set out in the dead of winter. When I found him he was in distress as his snowshoes had given out and if not for our meeting he would have perished."

Ben Armstrong, Trader



January 28th is the great feastday of St. Thomas Aquinas, one of the smartest people in history, a very great theologian, and patron of students and schools! He was the protégé of St. Albert the Great!

St. Thomas, among many other things, was the great advocate for respecting both faith and reason... they are not enemies, locked in mortal combat. Embracing faith doesn't mean abandoning our minds, and using our human intelligence to its utmost is compatible with recognizing that love goes beyond mere

intelligence! Faith doesn't do violence to reason (properly understanding both), but perfects it, and brings it into an encounter with the living and infinite God who is Love!

The Bible Class on the Mass got off to a great start this week at both parishes, with dozens of people involved! The first session was an intro... so if you didn't go this past week, don't hesitate to jump in this week! Times are in the column to the far left.

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

I spoke with Sr. Ellen this week, and she asked me to thank you for the Christmas cards! Although her right hand has improved, she's not's able to write well still, and that is why she hasn't responded! Please email or call her: 630-542-9938 ibvmellen@me.com

Building is going well on **the Ice Chapel of Our Lady of the Snows!** This will be a third year, and we have BIG plans!!! Watch email and Facebook to get the latest updates on work times! **The Third Annual Ice Mass will be at 5:30 pm on Friday, February 9th.** Given the wide publicity and interest, we're looking at having Mass later on that evening again, by candlelight (weather permitting), as well as possibly again on Saturday morning. Final details will be available next weekend.

Winter Carnival special events have begun, with Snow Volleyball, the Yooper Sprint (one ski and one snowshoe) and others already happening! **Virginia Cistaro is our Queen Candidate, if you're an MTU student, please vote for her on Involvement Link!**

We had a wonderful visit to monks last Friday, with almost 50 people going! **This Friday for Fireside, we'll be doing some night snowshoeing after Mass, and having some delicious piping hot homemade chili out in the woods!**

Next Sunday our new Master of the Solemn Brunch will be exercising his art after the 11 am Mass! *God Bless, Fr. Ben*

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
Feb. 08, Fr. William	Feb. 09, Fr. Ben	Feb. 22, Fr. John

Stewardship Updates

- All registered parishioners should have received a phone call this past week following up on the mailing that included a **cover letter from Fr. Ben** and a **draft case statement for a proposed capital campaign**. 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 closed this past Monday.** 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 pole barn. 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

	Jan. 21 st , 2018	Year to Date
Envelopes	\$955.00	\$22,989.20
Loose	\$639.00	\$16,083.39
Holy Day	\$0.0	\$5,820.56
Fuel	\$50.00	\$398.00
Total	\$1,644.00	\$45,291.15
*Budgeted	\$1,532.70	\$45,981.00
Overage/ (shortfall)	+\$111.30	-\$689.85

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.

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*

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
Jacob Flynn + Alex Gorcyca + Dan Killick
Husam Sweidan + 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	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 Fireside: Snowshoe Trip & Forest Chili
Saturday		At St. Anne's in Chassell: 4:30 pm Confessions & 5:30 pm Mass

"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. 21.

Sponsored by: TBD

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



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

MASS MINISTRIES:

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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:

Women's House: Zoe LaLonde, zmlalond@mtu.edu

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Intramural Sports Patrick McFall, pdmcfall@mtu.edu

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

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