

St. Albert the Great University Parish

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Third Sunday of Advent December 13, 2020

# **Entrance Antiphon for the Third Sunday of Advent**

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice. Indeed, the Lord is near. *Phil 4: 4-5* 

## <u>Mass</u> <u>Readings</u>

Mon. DEC. 14 Nm 24:2–7, 15–17a Mt 21:23–27 Tues. DEC. 15 Zep 3:1–2, 9–13

Mt 21:28–32 Wed. DEC. 16 Is 45:6c–8, 18, 21c–25 Lk 7:18b–23 Thurs. DEC. 17

Gn 49:2, 8–10 Mt 1:1–17 Fri. DEC. 18 Jer 23:5–8 Mt 1:18–25 Sat. DEC. 19

Jgs 13:2–7, 24–25a Lk 1:5–25

Sun. DEC. 20 Fourth Sunday of Advent 2 Sm 7:1–5, 8b–12, 14a, 16 Rom 16:25–27 Lk 1:26–38

# Congratulations to our Dec. graduates!

(our best attempt at an accurate list!)

We are proud of you, but sad to see you go! Know of our prayers for you as you take the next step!

Kurtis Alessi Taylor Anderson Zach Angst Brett Annelin Jesse Boehm **Kurt Booms** Adam Cerney Ben Chizmar Jared Clabots Abigail Friedl Walter Friesel Ricky Greub John Hammel Travis Havercamp Aprille Hibbard Michael Hubbard Nathan Isley Richard Juntunen

Zoe' LaLonde Danielle Lautenbach Tim Laynes Andrew Lewinski Jason Looker Ben Lutz Tyler Marenger Chelsea Morin Erin Murphy **Brett Otto** Jessica Paling Katie Palmcook Jake Paulsen Spencer Reed Ross Samuelson Jake Sauter **Kyrstin Schmidt** Darin Shillair Zach Smith Bernadette Spezia Matthew Stawicki Tyler Strauss Jacob Suidgeest Derrick Sullivan William Turkovich Giulio Vario Morgan Veurink Tyler White Jack Williams Chandler Zent

## **Advent Penance Services**

Holy Name of Jesus Vicariate Prepare well for Christmas!

- 6 pm, Weds., Dec. 16 St. Joseph's, Lake Linden
- 6 pm, Weds, Dec. 16 Sacred Heart, Calumet
- 6 pm, Monday, Dec. 21 St. Anne's, Chassell

### **Christmas Eve Masses**

- St. Al's, 4 pm (Parking Lot Mass) (also St. Anne's 4 pm, <u>Invite Only</u>, Faith Formation Families)
- St. Al's and St. Anne's, both at 6 pm
- St. Al's and St. Anne's, both 8 pm (Candlelight Only Mass)

### **Christmas Day Masses**

- St. Anne's, 9 am
- St. Al's, 11 am

# **Eucharistic Adoration**



Solemn Exposition
& Benediction:
Tuesday 7:30 - 9 pm

<u>Simple Exposition</u> 7-10 am, Monday - Friday

All-Day Adoration, Weds., 7 am - 8:50 pm Come pray before our Eucharistic Lord!

**Pastor:** Fr. Ben Hasse: office (906) 482-5530 cell (906) 290-2434 benjhasse@yahoo.com snowshoetracks.blogspot.com **Associate Pastor:** Fr. Thomas Merkel office (same) cell (906) 396-7522 fathertom@mtucatholic.org

Pastoral Associates: Sr. Jacqueline Spaniola cell (906) 231-6862 sisteri@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@mtucatholic.org + Work Schedule M-F, 9 am - 4 pm

Communications Director: Sarah Williams + cell (906) 231-7810 + sarah@mtucatholic.org

Parish Office Manager: Sue Hainault (906) 482-5530 office@mtucatholic.org Office Hours: M-F, 9 am - 4 pm

Natural Family Planning Coordinator: Kylie Hoehn + cell (906) 281-4688 + kylie@mtucatholic.org

Mass Times: Sat. 5:30 pm / Sun. 11 am, 5 pm (Parking Lot), 7 pm / Wed. 9 pm / Fri. 5:30 pm

**Outdoor Confessions:** Tues. 7:30-9 pm, Weds. 8 pm & Fri. 4:30 (NW Balcony & Side entrance) **Baptisms:** Please make arrangements with pastor at least one month in advance.

**Daptisms:** Flease 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

Saturday: 4 pm Sunday: 7:45 am, 9 am Tuesday: 5:30 pm

Thursday: 9 am

Sun.	Dec. 13	5:30 pm For the Special Intention of Faye Bartoszek 11:00 am † Joseph & Walter Sullivan 5:00 pm For the Intentions of Our St. Al's Benefactors	By Fr. Tom Merkel By Marilyn Flannigan By the Parish	In
Sun.	Dec. 13	7:00 pm For the People of St. Al's & St. Anne's	By the Parishes	Mass Intentions
Fri.	Dec. 18	9:00 pm † Mardell Rasinowich 5:30 pm For Vocations to the Franciscan Community	By Steve & Sue Hainault By the Franciscan Sisters	tions
Sun. Sun.	Dec. 20 Dec. 20	11:00 am † David Hyre 5:00 pm For the Special Intention of Caryn Carlson	By Margaret Abraham By the Merkel Family	<i>92</i>

Liturgical Ministers	Mass	Usher	Lector
	9:00 pm Wed, Dec. 16		Help Needed
	5:30 pm Fri, Dec. 18		Emily Riippa
	11 am Sun, Dec. 20	Help Needed & Help Needed	Help Needed & Help Needed
	5 pm Sun, Dec. 20	Parking Lot: Help Needed	Parking Lot: Help Needed

#### **FAITH FORMATION & PRAYER**

Prepare for Advent! Join Sr. Jacqueline each Weds., on Dec. 16 and 23 from 10-10:45 am and 7-7:45 pm. This is a free program from Formed.org, with Sr. Jacqueline facilitating. The next three sessions are: Trust in God by Brigid DeMoor, Watch & Pray by Dr. Ed Sr. and The Gift by Dr. Tim Gray. To receive more information, email sisterj@mtucatholic.org

#### **PARISH EVENT**

Finance Council Meeting, 4 pm Wednesday, Dec. 16.

<u>New Stained Glass Windows at St. Anne's</u> Stop by this week to spend some time with the beauty of the newly installed stained glass windows in the side entrance at St. Anne's!

<u>Mass for Families with Little Kids</u> A short daily Mass every Sat. at 9 am at St. Anne's in Chassell, a time for families to bring their rambunctious little ones!

<u>SEEK 2021</u> FOCUS' national conference, now in a virtual format! Cost is only \$50 until Dec. 15. Register today and hold your spot for \$21. Contact Evan Murtha for more details: evan.murtha@focus.org

Knights of Columbus Campus Council #17237: This is a great way for the men of our community to grow in fellowship and service! Contact Grand Knight Jack Hoffman to join: jackhoff@mtu.edu

<u>Life Outreach Center December Diaper Drive</u> During December, please help support local families in our community by donating any brand and size (especially 4,5, and 6) diapers and baby wipes in the box located at the entrance.

# **Basic Pandemic Safety Reminders**

- Please wear a **mask** in church.
- Please **sanitize** your hands when you arrive, and before communion in the pew, if you can.
- Please observe social distance spacing: every other pew is blocked, a spot for one or two people at each end. If you're a family of three or more, please take a whole pew.
- Bishop John encourages everyone to receive **communion** in the hand, and please **stay spaced** out in the line.
- If you have a positive COVID test, <u>or</u> symptoms, please refrain from attending <u>indoor</u> Masses.
- Please make use of expanded Mass times, especially on Saturday evening (5:30 pm & 7 pm)
- Please put something in the basket by the baptismal font! We are grateful for your support!



# Friday Night Fireside Fellowship:

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

Dec. 18 Friday of Finals Week: *The Nativity Story* 

# **Christmas Break Schedule**

Starting this coming Saturday, Dec. 19

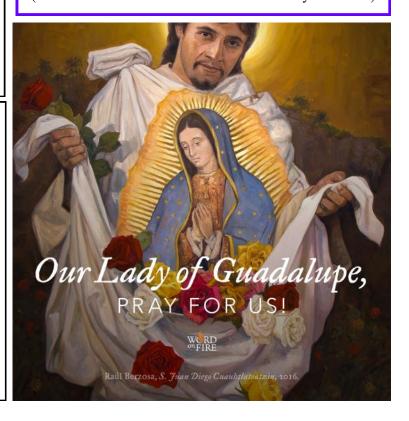
At St. Al's during the break, the **weekend Mass Schedule** will be:

Sunday 11 am Mass & Sunday 5 pm Parking Lot Mass

**Daily Masses** on Mon., Weds., & Friday at 5:30 pm Preceded by Confessions at 5 pm

**Daily Adoration** Tuesday - Friday 7:30 - 8:30 am Also, Tuesday Solemn Exposition & Benediction 8-9 pm

(watch for New Year's Eve & New Year's Day schedules)



From the desk of Fr. Ben...

#### 13 December 2020



"So they said to [John the Baptist], 'Who are you, so we can give an answer to those who sent us? What do you have to say for yourself?" He said: 'I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, "make straight the way of the Lord," as Isaiah the prophet said.""

While John the Baptist exercised a unique role, it is a role that is also an invitation for we who are baptized. "A man named John was sent from God. He came for testimony, to tes-

tify to the light, so that all might believe through him." Like John, we are called to testify to the Light, to Jesus Christ, the Light of the World.

We ask the Lord that the remaining days of this Advent Season might be a time of spiritual preparation, of purification, of deeper self knowledge. May God's mercy and power prepare our hearts both to receive the Christ Child, but also to proclaim Him, to testify to Him!

We have a pandemic Christmas Mass schedule. We will offer 8 Masses between our two parishes, so we should have plenty of seats. Please note, the 4 pm Mass at St. Anne's is invitation only, so that we can get our families with little kids into our limited seating. The 4 pm Mass at St. Al's will be a Parking Lot Mass... so unlimited space. The 8 pm Masses will be by candlelight!

We'll be celebrating these liturgies with less than our full pomp and circumstance in some respects... but we can still celebrate safely, and with deep reverence! Please invite family members and friends to come to one of our Christmas Masses with you!

Advent Penance Services have begun! Please take advantage of Advent to make a good confession. In addition to our confession times at St. Al's on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, there are Parking lot confessions at St. Anne's are every Saturday at 3 pm!

We had made good progress on our Giving Tuesday fundraiser for the pipe organ... but more money came in this week, and we ended up raising over \$6,000.00, more than 150% of our original goal! We'll be able to do more work on the organ than expected... thank you!!!

The coming two weeks tend to be a pretty busy time for many people and many families. Many of the things we're about are good things... but if taken all together they end up eliminating time for prayer, for silence, for inner preparation for Christmas, then that's a big problem! Please make it a point to stop by St. Al's for some quiet prayer.

Go for a quiet walk by yourself or with your family and pray the rosary. Prepare the room of your heart, mind, and soul to receive Him! This is also a great time to spend some quiet time with the Nativity accounts in Scripture in Matthew and Luke!

This coming weekend we'll be shifting to our Christmas Break schedule, be advised!

# Creighton Model System training is available at St. Al's!

A natural family planning system, Creighton is highly effective and supports the church's call to responsible parenthood without the use of contraceptives or artificial reproductive technologies.

#### Applicable for:

- Avoiding pregnancy
   Achieving pregnancy
- Gynecological health monitoring Infertility

Contact Kylie Hoehn kylie@mtucatholic.org to learn more.



#### Words of Wisdom from Bishop Frederic Baraga

Bishop Baraga ordered me to sleep in the only bed available in the parsonage, while he himself slept on the floor with only a mat under him and a cloak for his cover. The bishop refused even a pillow. "You must

spare yourself," he would say; "I am old and accustom to such things. I am your bishop; you must obey." — Fr. Chebul



# Looking for a new show to watch? Go to Formed.org!

#### Dec. 13: Third Sunday of Advent

YDisciple: Advent, Session 3: Watch and Pray

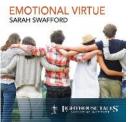
Christmas in Rome

#### Dec. 14: St. John of the Cross

The Fire of Love
Fire Within
Prayer for Beginners
Into Your Hands Father
Deep Conversion, Deep Prayer

The 3 Stages of the Interior Life

True Reformers: Session 5, St. Teresa of Avila



NEW CDs from Lighthouse Talks/ Augustine Institute are located in the side entrance. Please donate \$3 per CD.

**Emotional Virtue** Today's dating scene is more complicated than ever, especially with social media, texting, and endless pressure of the world's expectations. Learn how to navigate through the confusion and discover the

freedom that comes from living a virtuous life. Sarah Swafford speaks to teens and young adults about how to live a drama-free life.

St. Al's CONTRIBUTIONS				
December	5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2020	Year to Date		
Envelopes	\$1,573.00	\$22,091.20		
Loose	\$191.00	\$5,014.00		
Holy Day	\$94.00	\$335.00		
Fuel	\$22.00	\$488.00		
Total	\$1,880.00	\$27,928.20		
*Budgeted	\$1,432.70	\$32,952.10		
Overage/ (shortfall)	+\$447.30	-\$5,023.90		

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 in which people can investigate Catholicism. We welcome anyone who wants to explore the teachings of the Church. Meetings take place each Sunday from 12:00 - 1:30 pm at St. Al's, after the 11 am Mass. To get involved, contact Sister Jacqueline: cell 906-231-6862, sisteri@mtucatholic.org





# **CHAPEL RAT** Student Residents, 2020-21

(Head Rat) Tanner Sheahan, Jacob Flynn, John Kostick Joe Lockwood, Chas Osborn, Ben Steary

# What's Happening

at St. Al's? (Finals Week)				
Sunday	5 pm	Mass + Hot Cocoa Parking Lot Mass, Lot 32 + Hot Cocoa Mass + Hot Cocoa		
Monday		Morning Adoration Mass (if Fr. Ben or Fr. Tom are in town)		
Tuesday		Morning Adoration Eucharistic Holy Hour Confessions (side entrance & balcony)		
Wednesday	7:30 pm 8 pm	Morning Adoration SoulCore, on Zoom Confessions (side entrance & balcony) Mass + Hot Cocoa		
Thursday	7-8:40 a	Morning Adoration (ending early)		
Friday	4:30 pm	Morning Adoration Confessions (side entrance & balcony) Mass + Friday Night Fireside Fellowship		
Saturday		Mass-(suspended until mid-January) Mass-(suspended until mid-January)		
Saturday @ St. Anne's, Chassell: 3 pm Confessions (parking lot) & 4 pm Mass				

#### 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* 

#### **Post-Abortion Healing Resources**

Project Rachel: hopeafterabortion.com

Rachel's Vineyard: www.rachelsvineyard.org

Silent No More Campaign: www.silentnomoreawareness.org

#### St. Al's Pastoral Council 2020-21

Abby Bevilacqua, **President** Josh Treib, VP

Justin Sulak, Secretary/Treasurer

Gabe Allis Jay Czerniak Katie Smith Grad. Rep: TBD

FOCUS Rep: TBD Rat Rep: Tanner Sheahan

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

## **2020-21 Ministry Leaders**

#### MASS MINISTRIES:

Lectors Stephanie Arndt, smarndt@mtu.edu

#### **Music Ministry**

Music Ministry Leader: Katie Krautkramer, kakrautk@mtu.edu Accompanists: Walter Friesel, whfriese@mtu.edu

Cantors: Chelsea Morin, clmorin@mtu.edu Ushers/Greeters Mickey Moore, bmmoore@mtu.edu

PRAYER MINISTRIES:

Night Prayer Help needed

Rosary Aaron Kramer, akramer@mtu.edu

Praise and Worship help needed

SoulCore Rose Turner, roset@mtu.edu

& Alli Hummel, anhummel@mtu.edu

All-Day Wednesday Adoration Daniel Griffin dpgriffi@mtu.edu & Grace Ojala gmojala@mtu.edu

STUDY:

**Apologetics** volunteer needed

FOCUS Bible Studies Kelsey McCullough, Team Director kelsey.mccullough@focus.org

Learn the Faith Devon Van Order, djvanord@mtu.edu **SERVICE:** 

New Student Outreach Madi Hollman, mhollman@mtu.edu

St. Al's Service Heather Harris, hkharris@mtu.edu

Master of the Solemn Brunch Clare Campbell, clarec@mtu.edu Respect Life TBA

Youth Ministry Retreat Team volunteer needed

**COMMUNITY:** 

#### Women's Houses:

St. Mary: Morgan Ottman, mmottman@mtu.edu

St. Therese: Madi Hollman, mhollman@mtu.edu

St. Hildegard: Cora Jarman, cjarman@mtu.edu

#### Men's Houses:

JPII: Josh Treib, jgtreib@mtu.edu

St. Joseph: Mickey Moore, bmmoore@mtu.edu

St. Thomas Aquinas: Devon Van Order, djvanord@mtu.edu

Intramural Sports COACH Patrick McFall, pdmcfall@mtu.edu Assistant Coach, Daniel Kulas, dgkulas@mtu.edu

Friday Night Fireside Fellowship Andrew Gross, Clare Campbell, Mary Schloss, Brendan Flanagan, Kaleb Dorweiler, Katie Krautkramer

**OuarterMaster (4<sup>th</sup> Period)** Andy Ward, adward@mtu.edu Skenopoios /Tentmaker Andrew Flanagan,

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Contact the leaders or Fr. Ben for more information.