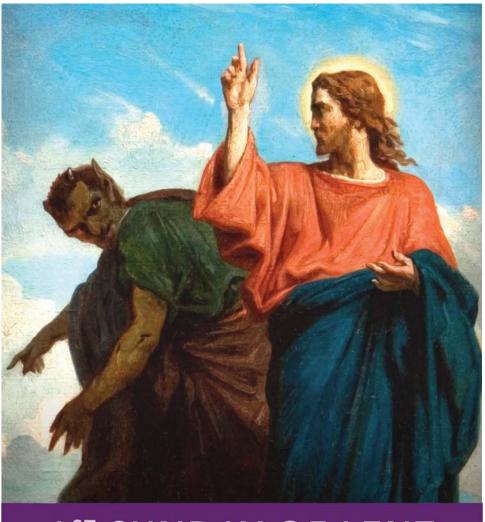


The Catholic Church in the Heart of Albertville

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1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

Then the devil took Jesus up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." - Mt 4:8-9

Welcome Visitors!

Are you new to our community? We are glad you're here and hope that you find our parish a place to call home! To register as a member, please contact the Parish Office at . 763-497-2474 or complete the Registration Form on our website.

Mass Schedule*

Saturday Vigil Mass	4:00pm
Sunday Mass	8:00am
•	10:00am

Daily Mass

Tuesday	8:00am
Wednesday	8:00am
Thursday	8:00am
Friday Ad Orientem	12:00pm
1st Saturday <i>Latin Chant</i>	8:30am

Sacraments

Reconciliation Schedule*

Saturday 2:30-3:45pm Wednesday 8:30-9:00am 12:30-1:00pm Friday 1st Saturday 7:30-8:15am

Marriage

Call the Parish Office one year prior to your proposed marriage date.

Baptism

Available on the 1st Saturday after the 4:00pm Mass and on the 3rd Sunday after the 10:00am Mass. Call the Parish Office to register for Baptism and for preparation details.

RCIA

Classes are available October to April. To learn more about becoming Catholic, contact the Parish Office.

Office Hours

8:30-4:00pm Monday-Friday (Closed 12:00-1:00pm for lunch)

Chapel Hours

Our Adoration Chapel is open from 6:00pm Sunday to 8:00am Saturday.

subject to change with Holidays

Readings | Mass Intentions

Today's Readings

First Reading: The LORD God formed man out of the clay of the ground and blew into his nostrils the breath of life. (Gn 2:7)

Psalm: Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned. (Ps 51) **Second Reading:** For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so, through the obedience of the one, the many will be made righteous. (Rom 5:19)

Gospel: At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights. (Mt 4:1-2)



Mass Intentions for the Week of February 27 - March 5

Day of Week	Mass Time	Mass Intention	
Tue, Feb 28	8:00am	† Brenda Klinkner	
Wed, Mar 1	8:00am	† Donatus & Irma Vetsch	
Thu, Mar 2	8:00am	† Floyd Goenner	
Fri, Mar 3	12:00pm	† Bonnie Cornelius	
Sat, Mar 4	8:30am 4:00pm	† Eileen Arnold † Brenda Klinkner	
Sun, Mar 5	8:00am	† Richard Lindenfelser	
	10:00am	All Parishioners	

Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel

Chapel Hours:

The chapel is open from 6:00pm on Sundays to 8:00am on Saturdays.

Immediate Need

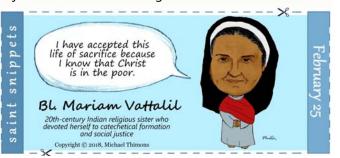
5:00-6:00pm—Monday 2:00-3:00am—Thursday 4:00-5:00am—Thursday

3:00-4:00am—Friday 7:00-8:00am—Friday 5:00-6:00pm—Friday



If you have questions or would like to have a weekly hour of adoration, contact Brenda at 763-286-8570.

A Vocation View—Lent is a season of renewal and spiritual growth. These forty penitential days invite us to strive for our true calling. If you want to talk about your vocation discernment, email Fr. Joe at: frjoe@churchofstalbert.org or call 763-497-2474.



From the Desk of Fr. Joe Zabinski

Forty Days = Your Entire Life

"At that time Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry." Matthew 4:1-2

"Forty" is a significant number. In Scripture, it is used more than 145 different times. For example, the rain during the Great Flood lasted forty days and forty nights. Each time Moses went up Mount Sinai, he remained there for forty days and nights. The Israelites wandered in the desert for forty years. After His resurrection, Jesus appeared to His disciples for forty days before ascending into Heaven. And there are many other uses of "forty" throughout the Bible. Interestingly, forty is even significant within human nature, in that we develop within our mother's womb for forty weeks before being born.

The "forty" that we commemorate today is the forty days and forty nights that our Lord spent in the desert being tempted by the devil while He fasted and prayed. Forty is used to symbolize a time of testing, purification, trial or probation. For that reason, it should also be seen as a symbol of your entire life here on earth. In Saint Matthew's version of Jesus' temptation in the desert, He specifically uses the wording "forty days and forty nights." Saint Bede, in commenting upon this, points out that this period of time not only symbolizes our entire lives, but the "days" represent the many graces and blessings we receive, while the "nights" represent the crosses we endure.

As we begin our Lenten journey, it is important to once again apply the lessons of Jesus' time in the desert to our entire lives. Let's consider two lessons we can take from the passage quoted above. First, we see that Jesus was "led by the Spirit into the desert to be tempted by the devil." This teaches us that Jesus not only endured temptation, He confronted it. He was not afraid of the devil and did not fear his attacks. Instead, He willingly faced those temptations, being led by the Spirit, so as to not only overcome them in His life but also to enable us to confront, in our lives, every temptation by the power and initiative of the Holy Spirit. We must never be afraid to confront temptations directly and confidently when the Holy Spirit is in the lead.

A second important lesson is that Jesus voluntarily fasted during this time in the desert. This illustrates the importance of the virtue of temperance in life. If we see this period of forty as a symbol of our whole lives, then we will understand that temperance must always be part of our lives. When we experience the joys and blessings of life (the forty days), we must certainly celebrate them. But we must always do so with a certain self-denial, in that we must never allow the passing things of this world to become the primary satisfaction we seek. Saint John of the Cross teaches that we can even become overly attached to spiritual consolations. Conversely, when we experience the crosses of life (the forty nights), we must also practice a certain self-denial, in that we must not allow the difficulties we endure to discourage us or to distract us from seeking out and fulfilling the will of God. Fasting, meaning our acquisition of the virtue of temperance, must lead us always through the ups and downs of life, helping us to keep our eyes on the truths God has revealed to us and rejecting the lies of the devil. https://mycatholic.life/

Have a blessed lenten journey! Fr. Joe Zabinski

Reflect, today, upon the importance of the virtue of temperance with courage throughout life. Throughout life's many ups and downs, joys and sorrows, blessings and crosses, we must allow ourselves to be led by the Spirit, confronting every circumstance with courage and self-control. Reflect upon any ways that you struggle with the crosses you endure or excessively cling to the consolations of life. Seek to embrace the road of virtue this Lent in imitation of Jesus' forty days and nights in the desert. Lord, You confronted all temptation with courage and strength. You fasted throughout the forty days and forty nights so as to teach us how to navigate the ups and downs of life. Please give me the virtues of temperance and courage, and bestow the Holy Spirit upon me so that I may follow You into the desert of my own life. Jesus, I trust in You!



Generosity, Goodwill & Gifts

Collection for February 18 & 19, 2023

Adult Envelopes/Donations	\$ 10,899.00
Youth Envelopes	\$ 0.00
Plate	\$ 929.00
Abiding Love Envelopes	\$ 1,821.00

Total Given Year-to-date \$ 342,629.00 Envelope Forecast-to-date \$ 354,400.00



Donations

Contribute Online

Thank you parishioners of St. Albert for your generous financial support of our local parish.





The Catholic Service Appeal is asking that each household makes a pledge towards the many ministries CSAF provides for. **Have you received your pledge envelope in the mail?** If not, there are extra envelopes available in the narthex. You are welcome to mail your contribution directly or place it in the collection basket.

A Season for Slowing Down

During this sacred season, we will intentionally slow down so that we can pay closer attention to our relationship with God, our neighbors and our planet. How can the pillars of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving guide your journey for a more enriching Lenten experience. How can practicing these pillars help you to live in solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the world? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

Stations of the Cross at St. Albert's

Each Friday during Lent at 7:00pm in the church Deacon Paul Ravnikar will be leading the Stations of the Cross. All are invited this **Friday, March 3**. All are welcome to this Lenten devotion.

Parish Pastoral Council Elections

This weekend, after each Mass, parishioners have the opportunity to vote for two new parish council members. If you did not have the opportunity to vote, but would like to, stop by the parish office before 12:00pm on Monday, February 27 to vote.



Thank you Mark Anderson with Grand Design Floors and his sons who recently donated and replaced the carpet in the narthex. We are grateful for this upgrade

until our expansion project is ready to go. Thank you Mark for your generous donation to St. Albert's!

The Week at a Glance

Sunday, February 26—First Week of Lent

Parish Pastoral Council Elections

Catholic Services Appeal Foundation Commitment Weekend 6:30am Men's Group (rectory)

8:00am Mass

10:00am Mass with Liturgy of the Hours of Children 11:00am New Member Welcome Tour (church/rectory) 6:30pm Youth Return from Winter Faith Camp (in parking lot) 7:00pm Hour of Encounter (church)

Monday, February 27

6:00pm TLC Preparation (parish center) 6:30pm Middle School Bible Study (youth room) 7:00pm TLC Catechist Workshop (parish center)

Tuesday, February 28

8:00am Mass

9:30am Alpha Winter Course (parish center) 7:00pm Synod Meeting (St. Francis Xavier, Buffalo)

Wednesday, March 1

8:00am Mass

8:30-9:00am Reconciliation

6:00pm TLC March Session (parish center)

Thursday, March 2

8:00am Mass

6:30pm Alpha Winter Course (parish center)

6:30pm Lenten Study (parish center)

6:30pm Finance Committee Meeting (parish center)

Friday, March 3

12:00pm Mass Ad Orientem

12:30-1:00pm Reconciliation

10:00am Lenten Study (parish center)

7:00pm Stations of the Cross (church)

Saturday, March 4

7:30-8:15am Reconciliation

8:30am 1st Saturday Latin Mass

2:30-3:45pm Reconciliation

4:00pm Mass

5:00pm St. Michael Foundation Dinner/Dance (parish center)

Sunday, March 5—Second Week of Lent

8:00am Mass

10:00am Mass with Liturgy of the Hours of Children

Stations of the Cross Help Needed at Engel Haus

Are you looking to bring joy to Seniors this Lenten Season? We are looking for volunteers to lead the Stations of the Cross at the **Engel Haus** on Tuesdays at 5:45pm from **February 28 to April 4**. Contact Joe Perrault at 763-213-4980 (evenings) to sign-up or to inquire about it.

St. Albert Faith Formation



Everybody Needs a Little TLC!

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2022-2023

Faith Formation

Family and Youth (Pre K-Gr 6) Upcoming Dates:

Monday, February 27: Religious Education Board Meeting

at 9:00am

Monday, February 27: TLC Preparation Night

from 6:00-7:30pm

Monday, February 27: TLC Catechist Workshop

from 7:00-8:00pm

Wednesday, March 1: March TLC Session, 6:00-7:45pm Sunday, March 5: TLC Mass (5th Graders helping) 10:00am

Sunday, March 5: Children's Liturgy of the Word

during the 10am Mass

Questions? Contact Jean at jwold@churchofstalbert.org

Lenten Study Starts this Week



Dates - Times - Location

St. Albert's Parish Center

AM Study: Friday mornings from 10:00-11:30am (March 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31)

PM Study: Thursday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm (March 2, 9,16, 23, & 30)

Cost - Registration

\$30 for the book!
Register at
https://churchofstalbert.org/lent-study

For More Information

A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion is a five-week video series!

For more information contact: Jean Wold at jwold@churchofstalbert.org or 763-497-3782



TODAY at St. Albert's



Are you a New Member of St. Albert's or interested in joining as a member?

Whether you joined within the last year or you would like to join our parish now. All are welcome to join us for a Welcome Tour with Fr. Joe and St. Albert's Welcome Committee on **Sunday, February 26** following the 10:00am Mass. Meet by the Chapel.

Refreshments Included

To RSVP or if you have questions, contact Jacci Wacker at 763-238-9996 or jacciw16@hotmail.com



Hour of Encounter

Encounter Jesus!

Sunday, February 26 from 7:00-8:00pm Church of St. Albert

> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Praise & Worship Music

Confession & Prayer Ministry will be available

All are Welcome

Invite a Friend

Questions? Contact Jean Wold at 763-497-3782 or jwold@churchofstalbert.org

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Opportunities and Events God is Great! Let's Celebrate! St. Albert's CCW Saturday, March 11, 2023, 12:00 Noon St. Albert's Parish Center

CCW Members: At this time we are asking for donations of raffle items. If you would like to donate an item, please contact Mary Daluge at 763-295-2818.

Also, please pick up your envelope in the narthex by **February 26** which includes the salad and work list. Those envelopes that do not get picked up will be mailed. Thank you for helping to make this fundraiser a success!



Fr. Joe was invited to the St. Michael Catholic Pre-School on February 14 to Celebrate his 1/2 Birthday. Looks like it was a very blessed day! Those summer birthdays have twice the celebrations! Happy 1/2 Birthday Fr. Joe!

40 Days For Life

Join us from now through April 2 in this international movement of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil and community outreach to end abortion. Daily prayer for the end of abortion is needed outside the abortion facility in St. Paul is from 6:00am to 6:00pm. Contact Brian at brian.walker@plam.org or 651-797-6363 for more Information or if you have questions.

Demontreville Retreat

Are you looking for a perfect getaway? Let God meet you at a beautiful retreat location in Lake Elmo. Join us for a men's silent retreat at the Demontreville Jesuit Retreat House. The retreat begins on **Thursday evening, March 2 & ends Sunday evening March 5**. Free-will donations accepted. For more details, call 651-777-1311 or go to: www.demontrevilleretreat.com.

Opportunities and Events

Cor Jesu—Eucharistic adoration, confession, prayer ministry, praise & worship music and fellowship with young adults, college-age and older on **Friday, March 3** at 8:00pm at St. Mary's Chapel at The St. Paul Seminary in St. Paul. Parking is waived on the S. Campus surface lots at the University of St. Thomas. For more information, call the Office of Vocations at 651-962-6890 or see https://www.10000vocations.org/cor-jesu.html

Attention all Dads!

The Knights of Columbus, Father-Son Event is **Saturday, March 4** from 11:00am to 3:00pm at the Monticello Community Center. All fathers and sons are welcome. Event includes the Pool, Gym, Climbing Wall, Pizza, Beverage, and Foosball in the "Warehouse Party Room".

Jodi Thorp to Speak at Next Meeting The Serra Club of Wright County will meet at the Kings House in Buffalo on Thursday, **March 9**. Our meeting will start with a rosary in the Chapel at 5:10pm followed by Mass at 5:30pm. Please bring your own light meal to enjoy during our social time. At 7:00pm Jodi Thorp will speak. She is married to Jim for 26 years. They have 5 children and have lived in Albertville for the last 20 years. They belong to St. Michael Catholic Church. They currently have a son at St. John Vianney College Seminary and another son who is discerning religious life with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal (CFRs). We welcome you to join us and learn more about the Serra Club of Wright and our ministry. Please call Marian Meyer at 763-497-2371 or Kate Theisen at 952-955-1544 for more information. We usually meet each month at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo. Also please visit Serra's website www.serraus.org

CCW Collecting Disposable Baby Diapers

St. Albert CCW is conducting our 4th Annual Diaper Drive to supplement our upcoming March Baby Layette Collection. We invite all parishioners to donate disposable diapers—all sizes—to our collection. Donations will be given to Cornerstone Options for



Women in St. Michael and Elevier Women's Center in Elk River. Diapers can be dropped into the designated box in the narthex **through March 13**. Thank you for your generosity. If you have any questions please call Mary Daluge at 763-295-2818.



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STMA Catholic Youth

Registration for Extreme Faith Camp is Open! June 20-24 | For all 5th-8th Graders

Extreme Faith Camp is a premier high adventure camp packed with incredible activities — high ropes, zip lines, river tubing, and more! Extreme Faith Camp is integrated closely with other parishes from the Archdiocese, it is not just a mountaintop faith experience, but one that builds lifelong foundations of faith. Our faith programming is founded in the sacramental life of the Catholic Church. And our mission and work is anything but boring. Campers in grades 5th-8th grades (2022-23 school year) are invited to join us from Tuesday, June 20th to Saturday, June 24th at Camp Victory in Zumbro Falls. Register at: stmacatholicyouth.org/extreme-faith-camp-2023

Middle School Bible Study

The Letters of St. Paul is a course that journey's through St. Paul's letters using the Y-Disciple video series. Our next Bible Study will be hosted at St. Albert Youth Room on **Monday, February 27** from 6:30-8:00pm. The study continues through May 1st. Register online.

Middle School Open Youth Room

Middle School Open Youth Room for 5th & 6th Graders and 7th & 8th Graders will both be hosted at St. Michael's Youth Room. Two Wednesday's a month for 7th & 8th Graders and one Thursday a month for 5th & 6th Graders (see dates below). Join us for Open Youth Room, do homework, buy snacks and pop from our snack bar, meet new people, and join in on various activities including dodge-ball, football & ultimate Frisbee (weather permitting), board games, video games and more! Please note that we have a detailed code of conduct that we ask parents to review with their child online and submit the agreement online prior to becoming regularly involved in Middle School Open Youth Room.

Our next 7th & 8th Grade Open Youth Room will be Wednesday, March 8 from 2:15-5:00pm.
Our next 5th & 6th Grade Open Youth Room will be held on Thursday, March 9 from 6:00-8:00pm.

Friday Night Live (FNL)

All 5th-7th graders are invited to join us on **Friday**, **March 17** from 7:00-9:30pm at St. Albert Parish Center for our FNL led by our high school Core Team. FNL's include fun games, snacks, small groups, and prayer. This night is an awesome fun filled opportunity to grow closer to God and friends. Please note a code of conduct is needed prior to becoming regularly involved and reviewed online with parent/child online. A one-time registration for Friday Night Lives is available now!

4th Grade Fun Night!

Join us for our monthly 4th grade FUN night on **Monday, March 20** from 6:30-8:00pm! Hosted at St. Albert Parish Center. The night will be filled with awesome games, small groups, snacks, fun, and a chance to learn about the faith.

For more information, please contact:

Gabby Ilkka—gilkka@stmacatholicyouth.org. John O'Sullivan—josullivan@stmacatholicyouth.org Hollie Danis—hdanis@stmacatholicyouth.org

Website: stmacatholicyouth.org Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/STMACatholic

Opportunities to Pray

Prayer Requests

If you want to place someone on the prayer list, please send an email: jwelter@churchofstalbert.org or call the Parish Office at 763-497-2474. Their name will remain in the bulletin for 4 weeks. If additional prayers are needed, please request that their name remain on the list.

Please Pray For:

Family of Mary Ellen Bobendrier Susan Kowalczyk
Cecelia Chapp Elaine Czech
LuAnn Greninger Paul Greninger
Lori Hassing Greg & Teresa Roden
Steve DeMars Sheryl Eull-SIL of Jacques

Nancy Jacobs Mitzi Praught

Patrick Ryan-grandfather of Ashley Raymond

Billy Dwinnell Roger Zabinski

Doug Blood-brother of Larry

Greg Armstrong-brother of Cyndie Winkelman Suzanne Swenson-friend of parishioner Karen Dehmer-daughter of Betty Barthel

Barb Berning Joe Scherber
Kristina McKenzie Jim Current
Darlene Donais Kurt Roden
Beatrice Praught Charles Hoskins
Charlotte Gabler-daughter of Richard & Nancy Bistodeau

Kris Aikens-daughter of Margaret Oakden

Charles Anderson Blaise Ptak
Tony Barthel Paul Schumacher
Russell Lindenfelser Marlene Zachman
Ben Carroll Dennis & Leona Vetsch

Florence Bosire Wayne Kolles

Mara Norton-friend of Jacques & Debra Eull Adam Roden-son of Bill & Lois Roden

Nicholas Wiltscheck-great-grandson of Joanne Kerkaert

Please Pray for the Safety of our Service Men and Women:

Lindsey Brotkowski-grandaughter of Donais' Nicole Cavanaugh-daughter of Mike & Polly Michael & Steven Bistodeau

Tyler & Nicholas Franzen-sons of Scott & Dawn

Henry Kirscht-grandson of Ruth

Catrena Schumacher-daughter of Paul & Molly Lance, Blake & Calvin Meyer-sons of Neil & Lisa Mitch Greninger-grandson of Phyllis Greninger Jack Helget-grandson of Phyllis Greninger

Flame of Love Rosary—Please join us at St. Albert's on Mondays at 7:00pm to pray the Flame of Love Rosary. We pray for the souls in purgatory & for the whole world.

Mass Intentions for Deceased

Due to the extra number of Masses we have at St. Albert's, there are several openings for a Mass Intention to be said for your deceased loved ones. Please call the parish office for scheduling. The Mass stipend is \$7. Mass cards are also available if you wish to send a Mass greeting.

Lenten Prayer

Holy God, now is the acceptable time to return to you. As we walk the path of these forty days, may we turn away from sin and embrace a life of goodness and truth. Strengthen us on our Lenten journey and keep us focused on the cross and resurrection of your Son, our Savior and Redeemer. He is Lord forever and ever. Amen.

LORD,	
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OUR TRUST IN YOU.	Contract of the last

Littingical Willistry Schedule				
Mass	Saturday, March 4	Sunday, March 5	Sunday, March 5	
Times	4:00pm	8:00am	10:00am	
Altar Servers CB Sam Peterson C Evelyn Sweson C Cecelia Smith		CB Thomas Zachman C Ben Zachman C Volunteer Needed	CB Charles Dufner C Davin Dufner C Philip Dufner	
Reader	Lisa Peterson	Jeannine Backstrom	Amy Dinkel/TLC Students	
Sacristan	Marie Vetsch	Joanne Wacker	Karen Barthel	
МС	Judy Vetsch	Joanne Wacker	Lois Roden	
		C Deacon Paul Ravnikar W & E Gregg Backstrom		
Greeters	Chris Heuring Volunteer Needed	Tom Ginter Volunteer Needed	TLC Students	
Ushers	Jim Vetsch Mark Peterson Ron Kolles Mike Valerius	Jacques Eull Doug Hiltner Jim Daluge Hugh O'Donnell	Donny Praught Chad Dinkel David Dufner Maven Dufner	

Parish Contact Information

Clergy and Parish Staff

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jwelter@churchofstalbert.org | 763-497-2474, Ext 1 or 9

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Faith Formation Coordinator — Jean Wold

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STMA Catholic Youth Ministry

Youth Minister — Gabby Ilkka — 612-418-9596 gswift@stmacatholicyouth.org | 763-497-2474, Ext 5 Director of Youth & Discipleship — John O'Sullivan josullivan@stmacatholicyouth.org | 612-470-0539

Assist. Dir. of Youth Ministry — Hollie Danis hdanis@stmacatholicyouth.org | 937-760-5562

Youth Ministry Interns — Gabe Thorp & Micah Olsen

Parish Leadership

Trustees — Denise Beaudry and Bill Roden **Parish Council** — Blake Beaudry, Tom Berning, Amy
Dinkel, Scott Franzen, Joanne Wacker, and Chris Yerxa **Finance Council** — George Lahr, Betty Matras, Dave
Plude, and Heidi Van De Berg

Stewardship Committee — Amy Dinkel, Charles Foster, Mary Haehn, Lisa Haines, and Jacci Wacker

Stations of the Cross

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Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Friday, March 3 7:00pm	
Leader: Deacon Paul Ravnikar	Servers: Thomas Zachman Ben Zachman

Outreach

Homebound Ministry

For those who are homebound due to surgery or illness (NOT contagious) and cannot make it to Mass but would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact Joanne Wacker, Homebound Coordinator, at 612-214-4795 or call the Parish Office at 763-497-2474 to receive weekly visits.

Holy Communion for Gluten Intolerant

Please speak to the Mass Coordinator or Sacristan at least 10 minutes before Mass.

St. Albert Email Prayer Chain

Email your request to: triciaandfarmerken@q.com or call the Parish Office at 763-497-2474.

Prayer Blanket Ministry

If you or someone you know would like the comfort of a prayer blanket along with the extra prayers for support, please call Marlene Lindenfelser 763-497-2265 or the Parish Office at 763-497-2474.

St. Peregrine Relic

If you or someone you know would like to host the St. Peregrine Relic in your home to pray for healing from cancer, contact the Parish Office at 763-497-2474.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

If you or someone you know is in need of assistance or would like to offer your assistance, call 763-634-1167.

Thank you, Business of the Week!



Traveling Chalice for Vocations

St. Albert's Vocation Chalice

St. Albert's has a Traveling Chalice Program to promote family prayer and awareness of vocations. The Chalice is circulated among families for a week and then transferred to another family. A folder containing prayers and contact information for the next family is included with the Chalice. If you would like to sign up



to get the Chalice for a week, there is a display and a sign up sheet in the narthex. Add the contact name and number here. You can also call Marlene at 763 497-2265 with questions or to sign up. Thank you.

Opportunities and Events

Father/Son Event

Attention all Dads! You're Invited! The Knights of Columbus, Father-Son Event is Saturday, March 4 from 11:00am to 3:00pm at the Monticello Community Center. All fathers and sons are welcome. Event includes the Pool, Gym, Climbing Wall, Pizza, Beverage, and Foosball in the "Warehouse Party Room". The



event costs \$10 per family. RSVP is appreciated. Text Brad Altepeter at 763-477-1431 or Email: baltepeter@yahoo.com with questions or to RSVP. See you there!

Young Adult Event at St. Albert Parish Center

All Young Adults are invited to the next young adult evening held at St. Albert's **Tuesday, March 7.** The evening will include a Holy Hour from 7:30-8:30pm in the Church and a Social Hour from 8:30-9:30pm at Parish Center. If you have questions, please contact: northwestcatholicyoungadults@gmail.com

NW Deanery Lenten Day of Prayer

All women of the Parish are invited to a Northwest Deanery Lenten Day of Prayer at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, MN on **Thursday, March 9**. The day begins with registration at 9:00am, followed by conferences, lunch, confessions & Mass closing at 3:00pm. The topic for the day will be "Shepherd Me, O God". The cost for the retreat is \$50 payable at the door. The image of the



Shepherd is central to our scriptural understanding of God. Psalm 23 is the Shepherd's Psalm. Jesus embraces this image when He proclaims that He is the Good Shepherd. It is the Lord Jesus who leads us and guides us through the dark places of life into the promised peace of the Kingdom. The gift shop will be open for your convenience in finding spiritual reading materials and an abundance of religious articles. Wheelchairs and elevators are available. To RSVP please call NW Deanery President, Betty Thomes, at 763-443-9452 or email her at thomesbetty@gmail.com. Reservations are due by Monday, March 6.

Opportunities and Events

United For Life

Important Day at the Capital

Please join us at the Minnesota State Capitol on **Tuesday, February 28** from 10:00am to 2:00pm. We must be present to encourage our elected officials to vote on the "repealer". The day will consist of a rally in the Capitol Rotunda, educational opportunities, and meetings with your state representatives. You will get to hear from a variety of inspiring speakers, and get a chance to connect with many of the leading pro-life organizations from around the state. It is now more important than ever to UNITE and make the pro-life message heard in Minnesota. Register at: https://unitedforlifemn.org/ It is necessary but FREE!

The Essence of Unity

Moms of young children: come be renewed this Lent on **Saturday, March 4** from 8:00am-Noon at the Church of St. Raphael in Crystal with this morning of reflection! Join us for inspiring talks, community and prayer. Register at canafamilyinstitute.com/events. Cost is \$35.

Awaken the Heart

All are invited to Church of St. Peter, North St. Paul on **Saturday, March 4** from 6:00-9:00pm. Encounter the healing love of Christ who breaks down barriers, meets desires, fulfills promises and restores hearts. Come enjoy dynamic speaker and president of Dry Bones Ministry Fr. Joe Freedy on "From Fear to Freedom." The evening will include Eucharistic Adoration, praise and worship with transcendent folk artist Aly Aleigha, confession, and healing prayer teams. RSVP for this free event at darknesslit.com.

Men's Retreat with Pat Millea

All men are invited to the Church of St. Paul in Ham Lake on **Saturday, March 11** from 9:00am to 5:00pm for a one-day men's retreat with dynamic Catholic speaker, gifted musician, and faith-filled leader Pat Millea speaking on St. Joseph: Model for Manhood. Through St. Joseph, you'll better understand how a faithful man approaches prayer, marriage, parenting, work, recreation, evangelization, and even death and resurrection. This is not a retreat for perfect men; it's a retreat for men who have a desire for greater joy, peace, passion, and fulfillment in their lives! Cost is \$45 and includes breakfast and lunch. Register at churchofsaintpaul.com/mens-retreat.

St. Patrick's Day Dispensation

A general dispensation has been granted by Archbishop Hebda from the obligation of abstinence from meat on **Friday, March 17**, the Memorial of Saint Patrick. Those taking advantage of the dispensation, however, are exhorted to undertake a work of charity, an exercise of piety, or an act of comparable penance on some other occasion during the Third Week of Lent.

Sidewalk Counseling Training

If you can hand someone a brochure, you can save a life! Attend this free seminar on **Tuesday, March 21** at Holy Family Church in St. Louis Park and learn how to save these babies by peacefully reaching out in love to those entering abortion facilities. Prayer supporters are also needed and are welcome to attend. Open to Christians of all denominations. To register, contact thomas.wilkin@plam.org or call 651-797-6366.

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