

ST. ALBERT PARISH LAND O' LAKES

ST. MARY PARISH PHELPS

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD – JANUARY 13, 2019

LITURGIES TO BE CELEBRATED THIS WEEK

- Sun. Jan. 13 7:30 AM Mass (St. Mary) For the people of our parish cluster
9:15 AM Mass (St. Albert) Intentions of Valerie Elli (Jerry & Elaine)
Tues. Jan. 15 4:30 PM Mass (St. Mary) Jeanette Zielesch (Jim & Debbie Ware)
Wed. Jan. 16 11:00 AM Funeral Mass for Dorothy Grems (St. Albert)
Thurs. Jan. 17 8:30 AM Mass (St. Albert) Dorothy Grems (Larry & Sue McPartlin)
Sun. Jan. 20 7:30 AM Mass (St. Mary) Peter Molter (Phyllis Molter)
9:15 AM Mass (St. Albert) Intentions of Dennette Derezotes (Jerry & Elaine)



Confessions will be heard at St. Albert's after the 8:30 am Mass on the third Thursday of the month and on Saturdays from 3:00 to 3:30 pm at St. Peter's in Eagle River. You may also call Fr. Patrick to set up an appointment for confession.

HAPPENINGS AT ST. ALBERT

- * Liturgical Ministers turn in availability slips by Jan. 13
- * Good News Sunday – January 20

HAPPENINGS AT ST. MARY

- * Donut Sunday – January 13
- * Bible Study – Jan. 13, 20, 27
- * Wednesday with Jesus – Jan. 23 from 3:30 – 4:30 pm

JOINT HAPPENINGS

- * GIFT – Wed. Jan. 16th at St. Albert, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

THE FUNERAL FOR DOROTHY GREMS will be on Wednesday, Jan. 16 at St. Albert. Visitation is at 10 am. Mass is at 11 am. There will be a meal to follow.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Betty Asbury, Margaret Bacon, Jim Behling, Matthew C., Maya Christ, Connie Coccia, George Conrad, Phil DeLong, Dennette Derezotes, Karen DeVoll, Maxine Drager, Valerie Elli, Sharon Franz, Humphrey Fraser, Carol Gehrke, Liz Grit, Deb Grunfelder, George Holland, Stephanie Jack, Frederick Janick, Jenna Kanitz, Ken Kasuboski, Frank & Kathy Kuchevar, Erika Kleebach, Chris Landis, Cheryl Palmer, Nick Parins, Cara Chantal Parrillo, Ray Pawlak, Christine Peterson, Bob & Bob S. Porter, Tom Rohloff, Kyle Rosner, Joan Saari, Art Schmidt, Gladys Schmidt, George Schofield, Clyde Scott, Sean Sepstead, Ray Shebesta, Mabel Slane, Bill & Michael Spence, Mary Stefan, Rod Sternhagen, Helen Stokes, Joan Walters, Tom Walters, Ken Wendt, Robert Whiteside, Shauna Whiteside, Bill Whitney, Patty Whyte, Chuck Zaugg

DIOCESAN RETREAT FOR WOMEN

The Superior Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (SDCCW) is hosting a Lenten Retreat, Feb. 2, 2019 at Holy Family Parish in Woodruff. Sr. Anita Beskar, FSPA and Sr. Marla Lang, FSPA are the facilitators for the day's program. The program is entitled, "MARY'S WITNESS TO WOMEN of TODAY". All women in the Diocese of Superior are invited to attend this program.

More information and registration forms can be found in the gathering area of our churches.

A VOLUNTEER OR TWO is needed to set up for donuts on January 20 and also February 3rd at St. Albert. Talk to Prudy or Michele if you can help.



Join us for
Being Good Stewards!

Our next GIFT session is
Wednesday, January 16th
at St. Albert

Food, Fun, and Faith!

- ✓ 5:30 Meal, 6:00-7:30 program
- ✓ Kids, Parents, Grandparents, Single Adults
- ✓ EVERYONE is encouraged to attend!

"O bless the Lord, my soul."

Healing Your Marriage – Retrouvaille (*pronounced Retro- vi*) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages, some even after separation or divorce. *“I owed him one last try. Retrouvaille fundamentally changed the way we communicate.”* Read more at www.HelpOurMarriage.org . The next program in Central Wisconsin begins **February 8-10, 2019!** Call **(Confidential) 1-877-922-HOPE (4673)**.

SEXUAL ABUSE

The Catholic Church is working diligently to prevent sexual abuse by parish employees, volunteers, deacons, and priests. If you have been sexually abused by someone associated with the Church and would like to report or discuss the experience, we urge you to contact: **Kathy Drinkwine** at 715-718-1110.

The Diocese of Superior welcomes your call and understands how difficult it may be to reach out in this situation. The phone number provided is confidential and dedicated solely to these calls. Know that your call will be treated with respect, dignity, and compassion.

The Diocese of Superior is bound by civil and canon law to report sexual abuse of a minor to civil authorities. Anyone who believes that they have been sexually abused is strongly encouraged to report as well.

MIGRATION FACTS - Immigration Reform

Position: The Catholic Bishops and the Catholic Church support humane immigration reform. We must reform our broken system that separates families and denies due process.

Facts:

- During the last decade, more than 7.4 million immigrants have been welcomed into the United States as naturalized citizens.
- Undocumented immigrants also pay a wide range of taxes, including sales taxes where applicable and property taxes – directly if they own and indirectly if they rent. Estimates are that undocumented migrants pay \$11.74 billion every year in state and local taxes, and the 1.3 million young undocumented immigrants eligible for DACA alone contribute an estimated \$1.7 billion per year.
- Our current immigration system is broken and creates long periods of forced family separation. For example, it can take over a decade for legal permanent residents to reunify with immediate family members from Mexico, the Philippines, and other countries (See Congressional Research Service).

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

Do you know who you are? And whose you are? Throughout my life, I have been told that I am almost all German in my heritage. Imagine my great surprise when my brother Jim had his DNA analyzed and learned that he is 50% British! It turns out that Germanic Europe is only 45% of his DNA. The other 5% comes from France, Ireland, Scotland and Wales.

I was stunned by this information. I have only known of ancestors that we as a family thought were all of Germanic origins. My parents and grandparents are all still the same people, but strangely enough, in some ways this information has altered my understanding of my family and myself. Perhaps the fact that my favorite beverage is black tea with milk is no accident!

I got to thinking about this in relation to my Christian origins, and I found myself considering the idea that while I know somethings about my faith family tree, I still have so much more to discover.

Let me give you one example – about a dozen years ago, I attended the Community Shabbat at Mount Sinai Synagogue in Wausau. The rabbi and congregation there offer a “come and see” service from time to time, so that non-Jews can experience and better understand Jewish faith and worship. I found it so very moving to get a glimpse of how Jesus and other Jewish ancestors might have worshipped and prayed. A primary role of the rabbi is that of teacher, and Rabbi Dan at Mt. Sinai was a masterful teacher. I can only imagine how much more our Lord, Master, and Rabbi Jesus has to teach us.

Another thing that I remember about that Sabbath service was the reverence given to the Sacred Scrolls (Sacred Scripture); it was similar to our reverence for the Eucharist. There was sanctuary light where the scrolls were kept and during the liturgy after the Word of God was proclaimed from one of the Scrolls, that Sacred Scroll was then processed around the congregation, giving the Jewish congregants an opportunity to touch it with either their prayer book or prayer shawl. This was done so reverently; it reminded me of our Catholic belief that Christ is truly present when the Sacred Scripture is proclaimed and as we encounter Christ in the Eucharist.

Our Catholic faith, has such a rich heritage that has been passed down from all those generations that have gone before us. Many of us have only scratched the surface, and perhaps some of what we thought we knew, may actually include some misinformation.

In this year of 2019, how might the Lord be calling us as individuals and as communities of faith to come to a greater understanding of our spiritual roots, of who we are and whose we are? How might we deepen our appreciation for all that the Lord has done from generation to generation?

Reading our story of faith in the Pentateuch, that is the first five books of the Bible, or of Jesus’ life in one of the Gospels, or praying with the Psalms, might be good ways to deepen our connection with the DNA of our faith. And along the way, we too may be surprised at what we find!

~ Michele

Sacrificial Offerings for January 6, 2019		
	St. Albert	St. Mary
Parishioners	\$551.00	\$1,050.00
Visitors	\$227.00	\$132.00
	\$778.00	\$1,182.00

Our sincere thanks for supporting our parishes!