



St. Anne Catholic Church

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**4th Sunday of
Advent
Dec. 22, 2019**

Entrance Antiphon for the Fourth Sunday of Advent

Drop down dew from above, you heavens, and let the clouds rain down the Just One;
let the earth be opened and bring forth a Savior. *cf. Is 45:8*

Mass

Readings

Monday DEC. 23

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24
Lk 1:57-66

Tuesday DEC. 24

Sir 35:1-12
Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday DEC. 25

Is 52:7-10
Heb 1:1-6
Jn 1:1-18

Thursday DEC. 26

Acts 6:8-10;
7:54-59
Mt 10:17-22

Friday DEC. 27

1 Jn 1:1-4
Jn 20:1a and 2-8

Saturday DEC. 28

1 Jn 1:5-2:2
Mt 2:13-18

Sunday DEC. 29

The Holy Family
of Jesus, Mary,
and Joseph
Sir 3:2-6, 12-14
Col 3:12-21 Mt 2:13-
15, 19-23

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Permanent Deacon: Deacon Tom Corrigan **St. Vincent de Paul Society** (906) 523-4904

Mass Times: Saturday, 4 pm // Sunday, 9 am // Tuesday 5:30 pm // Thursday 9 am

Confessions: Saturday 3 pm // Sunday 8 am // 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. Al's Masses, Houghton:
Christmas Break Schedule
Sunday: 11 am
Wed. & Fri. 5:30 pm

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 22nd, 2019

Sat.	Dec. 21	4:00 pm	† Clem Dragovich	By Janet Dragovich	Masses
Sun.	Dec. 22	9:00 am	Living & Deceased Members of St. Anne's Altar Society	By St. Anne's Altar Society	
Tues.	Dec. 24	7:00 pm	For the People of St. Anne's & St. Al's	By the Parishes	
Wed.	Dec. 25	9:00 am	For all Those in Need	St. Anne Conf. SVDP Society	
Thurs.	Dec. 26	9:00 am	† Mary Anne Battersby	By Jim & Deb Kurtti	
Sat.	Dec. 28	4:00 pm	† William Chopp	By Robert Soumis	
Sun.	Dec. 29	9:00 am	† Hubert-Domenica Normand	By Janet Dragovich	

FAITH FORMATION

Christmas Pageant Please talk to Monica Aho to have your children or grandchildren in this year's Christmas Pageant, even if they will only be here for Christmas Eve!
906-370-1488 or monicaaho@gmail.com

Steubenville North 2020 We're recruiting all those currently in 8th grade up to high school seniors to go to the Steubenville North Youth Conference in St. Paul, MN. The conference this year is the last weekend of July, the 24th - 26th. Talk to Sr. Jacqueline to sign up, and invite your friends!

Faith Formation (PreK-12th grade) Class resumes Sunday, January 5: 10:15-11:30 am

Little Flowers Catholic Girls Club is for elementary-aged Catholic girls, to learn about their faith, grow in virtue, and make friendships! Please join us! Contact Monica Aho: 906-370-1488 or monicaaho@gmail.com for details!

PARISH EVENTS

2020 Parish Calendars Please pick them up after Mass.

2020 Parish Envelopes Please pick them up after Mass! It's a big help to the counters if you use your envelopes!

St. Al's Christmas Break Schedule St. Al's 5:30 pm Saturday Mass, and the 7 pm Sunday Mass are suspended Dec. 21/22, Dec. 28/29, Jan. 4/5, and Jan. 11. The Sunday 7 pm resumes on Jan. 12, the Saturday 5:30 pm resumes on Jan. 19.

Boots/Jackets for Youth \$50 coupons for Walmart are given for toddlers thru seniors (18), enrolled in the "free/reduced lunch program" at the Chassell Township School (even if not a Chassell resident). Also eligible are Chassell children who attend another school and are enrolled in the "free/reduced lunch program" and homeschooled children who are eligible for any other agency assistance. Coupons are numbered and redeemable, 1 per child, up to 8 coupons per family. **Please call St. Anne's St. Vincent de Paul 906-523-4904.** Leave your name and phone number so a volunteer can call you back for your mailing address and age(s) of your child(ren). The program runs through Dec. 31, 2019. **If you know of a family with an eligible child, please pass this information to them.**

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Little Brothers Please bring store-bought jams and jellies again for their Christmas outreach, as in years past. The box is in the side entrance. Thank you!

Little Brothers is in need of volunteers and homemade desserts for their Christmas dinners (desserts can be bars, fruit pies, brownies). Please call 906-482-6944 to sign up or register online at register.littlebrothers.org

Life Outreach Center December Diaper Drive Dec. 1 to 31. 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.

Volunteers Needed for Houghton/Keweenaw Communities that Care (H/KCTC) This local group brings together community members to create a safer, healthier environment for youth. Anyone can join. Contact Heather at 906-482-870 or houghtonkeweenawctc@gmail.com

Saturday, Dec. 28, 4 pm Mass

Altar Servers	Gabby B. & Terrence N.
Lector	Steve Spahn
EMHC	Kurt Huffmaster

Sunday, Dec. 29, 9 am Mass

Altar Servers	Colby A., Quinn A. & Reagan A.
Lector	Julie Filpus
EMHC	Ellen Lutz

Ministry Schedule

Local Nursing Home Mass Schedule

Ho. Cty. Med. Care Thurs., 2 pm	Lighthouse Wed., 10:30 am	Portage Pointe Thurs., 11:00 am
Jan. 9, Fr. William	Jan. 8, Fr. Dustin	Jan. 23, Fr. John

Married and Miserable? Are you frustrated with your spouse? Feel like you are always fighting? Tired of talking, because trying to talk just makes things worse? Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of struggling marriages, and this program can help you, too! For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend March 6-8, 2020, in De Pere, please call (920) 288-2043 or email: Lakeshore@Retrouvaille.org or visit HelpOurMarriage.org
Pilgrimage to the Holy Land with Fr. Robb Jurkovich The trip takes place May 3 to 14 and includes transportation, two meals daily, hotel, guide, taxes, and tips. Highlights include Nazareth, Cana, Basilica of the Annunciation, Boat ride on the Sea of Galilee, Jerusalem, Capernaum, and more. Cost is \$4,295. For more information, call Therese Gretzinger-Herally, 920-676-5683 or 920-682-5683.

Eucharistic Adoration

Solemn Exposition

& Benediction:

Thursday, 7-8 pm

First Fridays:

4 pm Friday -

5 pm Saturday

Come pray with us before our Eucharistic Lord!



Creighton Model System training is available at St. Anne'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, and infertility
Contact Kylie Hoehn, kylie@mtucatholic.org to learn more.



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December 25

Kristoph and the First Christmas Tree
The Story of the Nativity
The Story of Christmas
The Blessings of Christmas



Joseph, no less than Mary, is in a tight spot. How is he to navigate such a situation in charity, in justice?! Then the angel speaks to him in his sleep:

“Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her. She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins.”

How did Joseph respond?

We are told simply that he obeyed, that he acted on God’s command! May we be given the grace and wisdom to respond to the coming of Jesus in just this way!

With the coming of our God as a baby child, we are particularly called to recognize the full dignity of the human person as God created us: the dignity given to us from conception to natural death, and the dignity given to us as men and women. That dignity comes God, and is rooted in our humanity, not in our size or age or wealth or race or nationality. In Mary and Joseph we also see the dignity of marriage, between one man and one woman.

These beautiful truths have been difficult to live in different ways in each generation, but they are under particular attack in our own time. We receive our existence from God as a gift, and it’s not something we can simply define or adapt or manipulate in any way we want. **We ask God to draw us into the beauty and joy of this mystery so that we can live, proclaim, and defend the truth about the human person!**

We have just one more Penance Service... and it will be hosted at St. Anne’s at 6 pm this Monday. If you haven’t made a good confession during Advent, now is your chance!!!

We have our **Christmas Mass times** in the bulletin. I hope you will consider coming a little early on Christmas Eve to experience the Christmas Pageant as well!

Please note that starting this weekend (Dec. 21/22), St. Al’s will shifting into their curtailed Christmas Break schedule. I have included **the liturgical schedule following Christmas to the right.** It is meant to be a time of solemn joy and festive prayer, and there are many beautiful feasts that follow Christ’s Birth.

During Advent, we have been called to prepare spiritually and prayerfully... now we enter into that for which we prepared! Don’t allow Christmas to be curtailed in your family and in your home... we should be celebrating and rejoicing well into January! It is a beautiful way to begin the new year!

Please pick up a **2020 parish calendar** in the entrances, as well as your **2020 Offering Envelopes.** It is a big help to our counters if you use those envelopes! *God Bless, Fr. Ben*



Words of Wisdom from Bishop Frederic Baraga

About four o’clock in the morning, Baraga could be found kneeling on the cold, frozen ground, deeply engrossed in prayer. To talk thus to his Master rekindled his ever-burning missionary Zeal into a lambent flame.

Upcoming Advent Penance Services

Holy Name of Jesus Vicariate

- 6 pm, Monday, Dec. 23 St. Anne, Chassell

Christmas Liturgy Schedule 2019

- Christmas Eve: 4 pm Mass, St. Al’s, Houghton
- (Tues, Dec. 24): 6:15 pm Christmas Concert & Pageant at St. Anne’s, Chassell
- 7 pm Mass, St. Anne’s, Chassell
- Christmas Day: 9 am Mass, St. Anne’s, Chassell
- (Wed, Dec. 25) 11 am Mass, Portage Pointe Facility

Join us for our Christmas Pageant!



The youth of our parish along with our choir will be presenting a combined Concert and Christmas Pageant starting at **6:15 pm on Christmas Eve!**

Christmas Pageant

Come early for a good seat!



Christmas Season Schedule

- Mass, 9 am Thursday, Dec. 26, St. Anne’s
- Mass, 5:30 pm Friday, Dec. 27, St. Al’s
- Feast of the Holy Family Dec. 28/29**
- 4 pm Mass, Saturday, St. Anne’s
- 9 am Sunday, St. Anne’s
- 11 am Sunday, St. Al’s

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God Holy Day of Obligation

7 pm Tuesday, Dec. 31: New Year’s Eve, St. Anne’s

Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, Jan 4/5

- 4 pm Mass, Saturday, St. Anne’s
- 9 am Sunday St. Anne’s
- 11 am Sunday St. Al’s

NOTE: No Masses on Dec. 30, Jan. 1-3

Holiday Office Schedule at St. Al’s: Office will be closed Dec. 24 –26, and Dec. 31 and Jan 1. The office will be open as usual Dec. 23 & 27, Dec. 30 and Jan. 2-3.

St. Anne’s CONTRIBUTIONS

Message from our faithful collection counters:
Please use your envelopes,
it makes the counting process much smoother!

Dec. 14 th & Dec. 15 th , 2019		Year to Date
Envelopes	\$3,593.00	\$54,762.00
Loose	\$117.00	\$6,293.97
Children	\$.00	\$.00
Holy Days	\$35.00	\$781.00
Initial Offering	\$.00	\$5.00
Heating/Cooling	\$197.00	\$1,035.00
Total	\$3,942.00	\$62,876.97
Budgeted	\$2,379.00	\$59,475.00
Overage/(Shortfall)	+\$1,563.00	+\$3,401.97



10% of our parish income is tithed to ministries that directly assist those in need.

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 pm at St. Al's, after the 11 am Mass. **To get involved, contact Sister Jacqueline: cell 906-231-6862, sisterj@mtucatholic.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 couragerc.net for more information.

St. Anne Parish Finance Council 2019/2020



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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
300B Quincy St. Hancock, MI 49930

Hours of Operation: (or by appointment)
Monday 11 am - 5 pm /Tuesday Closed
Wednesday-Friday noon - 5 pm

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.

SEXUAL ABUSE OF A MINOR BY CHURCH OFFICIALS OR VOLUNTEERS

If you know of an incident of the sexual abuse of a minor by anyone in Church service, including a member of the clergy, a religious, a lay employee or volunteer, we encourage you to come forward so that the Diocese of Marquette can take action to protect others and help those who have been harmed to find healing.

We are open to and respect your complaint. You are important. We want to make this process as safe as possible.

Victim's Assistance Coordinators are there to help those who have been harmed through the difficult and sometimes painful process of healing and hope. How to begin the process:

Call one of the Diocesan Victim's Assistance Coordinators:
Stephen Lynott at 844-495-4330 (toll-free) or
Diane Tryan at 844-694-4362 (toll-free) or

Write: Victim's Assistance Coordinator, c/o Catholic Social Services of the U.P., 1100 Ludington Street, Suite 401, Escanaba, MI 49829. Please mark the letter "Personal and Confidential" and indicate in your letter how you wish to be contacted (by phone or by letter).

We always encourage you to report the incident to local civil authorities. To contact the Michigan Attorney General's office, call: (844) 324-3374 or send an email to:
aginvestigations@michigan.gov

The Diocese of Marquette reports all allegations to the appropriate civil authorities..

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