



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The Lord shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

Second Reading — The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (Matthew 2:1-12).



January 4th thru January 10th

Tuesday	8:00 A.M.	†Deceased Members of the Hubert Berning Family
Wednesday	8:00 A.M.	†Patricia King
Saturday	4:00 P.M.	†Alfred Barthel
Sunday	8:00 A.M.	††Ryan and Randall May
	10:00 A.M.	All Parishioners

St. Albert's New Vision

Parish Mission-Mary, Model of Faith, Hope, and Love
 Come join us on Sunday, January 10th and Monday, January 11th evenings, as we hear **Father Michael Therese** of the Community of St. John (Laredo, TX) share with us how *Mary can be a model* to grow in faith, hope and love of Jesus. Watch for more details in the bulletin.

Adoration Opportunities

Adorers needed immediately for these two hours:

Tuesdays	11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
Thursdays	Midnight—1:00 a.m.

Please prayerfully consider taking these two hours

Prayer Partners needed for these hours:

Mondays	8:00—9:00 a.m.
Tuesdays	9:00—10:00 a.m.
Saturdays	6:00—7:00 a.m.

Call Brenda O'Donnell @ 497-2718 or Mary Vandal @ 497-2856 to reserve your preferred hour.



Another Way



"That changed my life inside out"

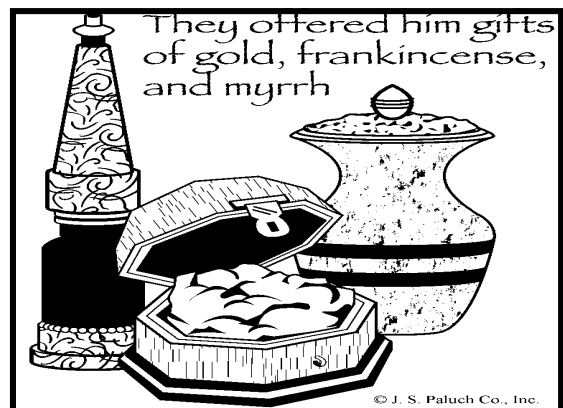
she said. Becky was talking about the trip she undertook for last Christmas. Her friends agreed that her lifestyle was different now. For Christmas she had decided to go to a village in Guatemala rather than celebrate it here with family and friends. The family tried to *dissuade* her, but she was determined. It was a hard choice. Thus she spent the entire week of Christmas in a small village there in the midst of *poverty and hunger*, at the same time in great joy and peace. She returned as a joy-filled person. "It was different, a more authentic Christmas." She had become **more giving** and more **reaching out** to others than before. "That was a turning point in my life's **pilgrimage**" she said. Indeed, she was right. Christian life is a pilgrimage. And a true Christ experience, a genuine encounter with the baby Jesus, can alter that pilgrimage totally.

The magi's experience was not different (Matthew 2:1-12). These wise men's journey took them through rugged lands and *difficult people*, like *Herod*, to the newborn king. Their encounter with the **baby of Bethlehem** was life changing. No more were they the same. The direction of their pilgrimage was changed and the route was altered as well. "They departed . . . by *another way*" (Matthew 2:12).

The Epiphany of the Lord

Isaiah: 60:1-6; Ephesians: 3:2-3, 5-6; Matthew: 2:1-12

Father Xavier Thelakkatt



Weekly Collections

December 19th and December 20th

Adult	3,735.00
Youth	6.50
Plate (Hanover Food Shelf)	1,766.91

Weekly Stewardship Update

Weekly Need	5,915.00
Last Week	3,741.00
Need To Date	147,875.00
Year To Date (Adult Envelopes/Plate)	110,729.00

The Christmas Collection and December 26th-27th collections will be counted after our bulletin deadline. These totals will be reported in the January 10th bulletin.

Food Shelf Reminder: (Please—No Clothing)

Please bring your nonperishable food items to Church next Sunday for the Hanover Food Shelf.

Get Ride of Those Negative Feelings!

Have you been hurt or angered by the Church? There are others who may share many of your feelings. Please give yourself and the Church another chance by joining the six week sessions beginning on Thursday, January 7th. Meet at the Parish Hall of St. Francis Xavier-Buffalo @ 7:00-8:30 p.m. Former non-practicing Catholics will share their stories and listen to your feelings and concerns. If you know someone who has left the Church, invite them to **“Catholics Returning Home” Program**. *It is not the intention of St. Francis that you need to become of a member of their parish to take part in this series.* For more details, contact Kathy Kuzma @ 612-851-2030.

The Lord Welcomes You Back!

We remember **Edmund L. DeMars** who passed away on December 22nd. Ed was a committed lifelong member of St. Albert’s. He was a talented musician. He had the ability to live his life even when his illness created challenges. We pray for his wife Marilyn and children: Dennis, Michael, LuAnn Benton, Steven and Scott.



May the fullness of eternal life be granted to him.

—Awaken To Prayer—

Come pray with us as we pray the Rosary for America and the conversion of hearts to our Lord Jesus Christ. Sunday’s at the Church of St. Albert at 7:45 p.m.



RESPECT FOR LIFE

A new year brings thoughts of new life.” What better place to start than at the beginning—with the human embryo? “Embryonic human beings, no less than human beings at other developmental stages, should be treated as subjects of moral respect and human rights, not as objects that may be damaged or destroyed for the benefit of others.”



Presidential Council on Bioethics—2002

Choose Life, Always.

We pray to Our Lord

Minnesota Immigration Sunday, January 3rd

Take a moment and read the insert from the Minnesota Catholic Conference on today’s theme of welcoming our immigrant brothers and sisters. For more details visit their website @www.mncc.org.

Theology on Tap

Enjoy a Night of Food, Fellowship and Faith



If you are twenty or thirty something?? St. Albert’s, invites you to join other young adults for **Theology on Tap @ 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 16th**. Meet at Huikko’s Bowl in Buffalo. Come for an awesome night of food, bowling and faith! Cost is **\$10**, which includes bowling shoes, and bowling for two hours. **Fr. Michael Rudolph** has an *awesome* speech prepared. Please RSVP by calling Jim @ 763-647-9779 or Email: james.f.lang@gmail.com.

Deadline is Tuesday, January 12th.

Come and “Get your Faith out of the Gutter!”

Serra Club of Wright County



Meet Father Gari Ruthenberg—OMI

Father Ruthenberg is the newest member of the King’s House Preaching Team. Father will share his vocation story on Thursday, January 14th.

- 5:10 p.m.** Recitation of Rosary—Chapel
- 5:30 p.m.** Mass—Chapel
- 6:15 p.m.** Light Supper—Coffee Room (free will offering accepted)
- 7:00 p.m.** Father Ruthenberg’s Presentation

For more details, call Pat @ 684-1751

“The light of Christ shines upon you. Share that light with others. Consider the gift of a church vocation .”



Total Lifelong Catechesis (TLC) 2009-2010



Reconciliation

At the December TLC sessions, the ending of the skit reminded us that Jesus died for our sins. He died for each and everyone one of us. When we recognize this, it is then we can come to Christ in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and can sorrowfully admit our sins and receive Jesus' gift of His mercy and forgiveness.

TLC Overview Week 2

Lesson: How did Christ establish Confession?

Saint of the Week: St. John of Kanty

Gospel Reading: Matthew 2:1-12

Special Note: This is Week 2 of the December TLC Home Kit. I hope everyone is enjoying the Christmas Season. As we start a new year, remember to **Put God First**. We do this by knowing, loving and serving God. Make a family resolution to be faithful in completing your TLC Home Kit materials. By knowing and understanding the faith your family will be blessed and brought *closer to Christ*.

Thank You

Thank you to all the volunteers who donated bars and cookies for our December TLC. They were very much appreciated and enjoyed!

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, January 3rd

- No Sunday School

Wednesday, January 6th

- **TLC Catechist Workshop** at 6:30 p.m. at the Parish Center

Saturday, January 9th

- **Reconciliation Learning Centers** from 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. at the Parish Center.
- **9th Grade Retreat** from 10:00 a.m. -11:00 p.m. at St. Michael Church

Sunday, January 10th

- **Sunday School** during the 10:00 a.m. Mass

Tuesday, January 12th (change from Monday due to conflict with Parish Mission)

- **TLC Home Kit Preparation** at 6:30 p.m. at the Parish Center

Wednesday, January 13th

- **First Communion Class** from 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- **9th and 10th Grade Confirmation Classes** 7:00-8:30 p.m.

Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, January 17th, 18th, 20th

- **TLC Week**
- No Sunday School

Natural Family Planning Classes

The Couple to Couple League will be offering a series of classes, for engaged and married couples, on the *Sympto-Thermal Method* of Natural Family Planning at St. Albert's. New streamlined methodology and new materials integrate Pope John Paul II's Theology of the Body. Classes begin on Thursday, January 14th @ 7:00 p.m. To register or receive more information call 612-721-3791 or visit their website @ www.twincities.ccli.org. Instruction will be held at St. Albert's Parish Center.

St. Albert's Annual Garage Sale

St. Albert's is planning a 2nd Annual Garage Sale this year. All proceeds going for back to school supplies for families in need. Now might be the perfect time to "*Declutter*" your lives. If you would like to donate items to our garage sale please call Pam Lindenfelser @ 295-2756 with any questions or for pick up information. Thank you.

The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord (Live)

Watch on EWTN on Wednesday, January 6th
3:00—4:30 a.m. (CST)



Prayer List... If you want to place someone on the prayer list, please call the parish office at 497-2474 or E-mail: stalbertmnbulletin@embarqmail.com.



Their name will remain on the list for **4 weeks**. If additional prayers are required, please request that their name remain on the list.

Edmund DeMars Family, Father Frank Ryan OMI, The Family of Anita Roden, The Family of Beatrice Bobendrier, The Family of Ashlee Praught, Kenneth Scribner (brother of Sue Kowalczyk) **LuAnn Holcombe** (daughter of Gordon and Darlene Donais) **Phyllis Kirscht, Bernice Vetsch, Florian Piehowski, Jim Walsh Dorothy Carlson** (Mother of Roxane Scherber), **Millie Bechtold** (Sister to Joe and Francis Beaudry) **Donald Barthel, Drew Anderson and Family Matt Scherber, Donald Praught, Jim and Arlene Bouley, Joanne Brant, Elaine Pankratz, Marge Mason Christian Herzog, Bill Keyes** (Son-in-Law of Hank and Nancy Lehn), **Lorraine Keske, Dennis Beaudry, Steve Louricas Helen Daluge and Ginger Pentz**

For the Safety of our Service Men and Women:

Michael Bistodeau (Son of John and Marijane Bistodeau)
Steven Daleiden (Son of Paul and Jane Daleiden)
Grant Bouley (Grandson of Jim and Arlene Bouley)
Shane Weber (Son of Janelle and Larry Mills)
Mark Ebeling (Son in-law of Jim and Jean Current)
Vanessa Zachman (Daughter of Mike and Dawn Zachman)
Tyler Franzen (Son of Scott and Dawn Franzen)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<p>January 9th 4:00PM <u>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</u> *Liz Robeck</p> <p>Lector Marie Vetsch</p> <p>Servers Matthew Eiynek Christian Eiynek <i>No one available</i></p> <p>Greeters Dave and Joyce Plude</p> <p>Usher Doug Lindenfelser Ray Lindenfelser Jerry Lindenfelser Jim Vetsch</p> <p>Sacristan Marie Vetsch</p>	<p>January 10th 8:00AM <u>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</u> *Mary Vandal Bill Roden Nick Welter</p> <p>Lector Karen Frase</p> <p>Servers Garrett Watters Taylor Watters Cole Hiltner</p> <p>Greeters Sue Wacker Mary Holland</p> <p>Ushers Jim Daluge Tim Barthel Hugh O'Donnell Donnie Weidenbach</p> <p>Homebound Bea Praught Mike and Janet Welter</p>	<p>January 10th 10:00AM <u>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</u> *Hank Lehn Nancy Lehn Denise Beaudry</p> <p>Lector Francis Beaudry</p> <p>Servers Donny Praught Brendan Cassidy Aiden Cassidy</p> <p>Greeters Norm and Rose Freske</p> <p>Ushers Norm Freske Bill Braun Gary Lenz Terry Harrington</p>
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Attention: Greeters, EME's, Lectors, Servers, Sacristans & Homebound Participants. Please indicate to Lois your available dates for February through March. **Ash Wednesday** is February 17th. Call Lois @ [497-3862](tel:497-3862) or Email: billloisroden@yahoo.com. by Friday, January 22nd.

Annual Community Breakfast



The Albertville Lions are hosting their annual breakfast at St. Albert's Parish Center on Sunday, January 10th serving @ 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. This tasty breakfast will include: homemade smoked sausage, scrambled eggs, pancakes; traditional and blueberry, fresh fruit and beverages. A *free will offering* will be taken at the door. Dollars raised from this event will be applied to our many community giving projects. Hope to see you there!

Albertville Golden Age Club

The club will meet on Wednesday, January 6th @ 1:00 p.m. Meet at the Lake Community Bank in Albertville. The 2010 dues are due. Jim and Adeline B. will serve the lunch. 500 will be played following the meal.

PARISH MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Good Grief Support Group will meet on: Tuesday, January 12th @ 6:30-8:00 p.m. at St. Albert's Parish Center
TLC Begins: Sunday, January 17th, Monday, January 18th and Wednesday, January 20st
Building and Grounds will meet on: Monday, January 25th @ 6:30 p.m. at St. Albert's Parish Center

Children's Program Seeks Host Families

Open your heart and home for five weeks this summer to a **10** or **11** year old child from Northern Ireland. Over *4000 Catholic* and Protestant boys and girls from Belfast and surrounding communities have experienced the hospitality of families like yours. Children selected to participate will arrive in the Twin Cities on June 29th and depart with a lifetime of memories and friendships on August 3rd. Call [651-405-1108](tel:651-405-1108) or visit their website @ www.cpmi.org to receive more information on how **your family** could participate.

Christ Renews His Parish

(CRHP) Retreat

St. Albert's will be hosting it's **first** CRHP retreat on Saturday, January 23rd and Sunday, January 24th for **women**, and Saturday, January 30th and Sunday, January 31st for **men**. Consider joining us as we take time to encounter Jesus in a *new and deeper way*. More information and signing up, watch the bulletin.

St. Albert's Catholic Aid Society



A meeting is scheduled for Sunday, January 10th at 9:00 a.m. in the Parish Center. All members are invited to attend.

We are highlighting *Carbone's Pizzeria* this week as our bulletin sponsor. Please support our sponsors who help make this bulletin possible. *(A \$2.00 redeemable coupon is on the back of last week's bulletin.)*



The new outdoor urn decorated with greens was donated in memory of **Helen & Lorenz Duerr**.

The Bible is more up-to-date than

tomorrows newspaper.

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