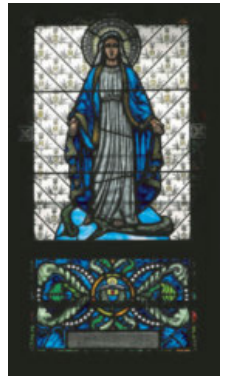




# NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS PARISH

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## St Albert Church W Stewartstown

Masses—Friday: 8AM, Sat: 4:30PM  
Sun: 8AM (Columbus Day to Memorial Day)

## St Brendan Church Colebrook

Masses—Thur: 8AM,  
Sun: 10AM

## St Pius X Church Errol

Masses—Sun: 8AM (Chapel open  
Memorial Day to Columbus Day)



*Easter Sunday —April 17th, 2022*

### PARISH STAFF

**Pastor:** Rev. Craig I. Cheney 603-538-9892

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**Organist:** Odette Crawford, Therese Wright

**CCD Coordinator:** Christine Gilbert

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### SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** Please call the Parish Office for an appointment.

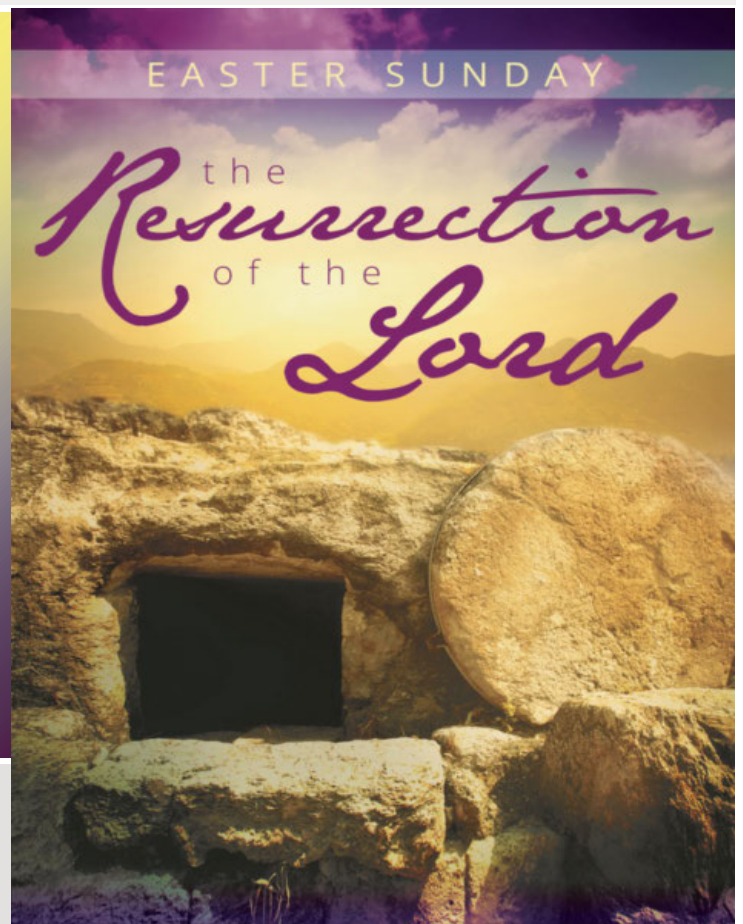
**Marriage:** Please contact the Parish Office 6 months prior to your tentative date.

**Confessions:** Saturday 3:30 - 4:00 PM at St. Albert Church or by appointment.

**WELCOME**

### New Parishioners:

If you attend North American Martyrs Parish regularly & consider us your parish, please take a moment to register with us by calling the Parish Office as soon as possible.



**ST. ALBERT**



Sun., Apr. 17th 8:00AM *Easter Sunday*  
**Huguette Mathieu** Req by Real, Rollande, Judy & Joanne Mathieu (32nd Ann)

Fri., Apr. 22nd 8:00AM  
**Pauline Rodrigue** Req by Gaston Rodrigue

Sat., Apr. 23rd 4:30PM  
**All Souls remembered on All Souls Day**  
**A special intention for Peace in this world**  
Req by a Parishioner

Sun., Apr. 24th 8:00AM  
**Iola Boire** Req bu Josh Boire & Family  
**Steve Frye** Req by Suzanne Madore & Family

**ST. BRENDAN**

Sun., Apr. 17th 10:00AM *Easter Sunday*  
**Raymond & Fernande Champagne**  
Req bu the Family

Thu., Apr. 21st 8:00AM  
**All Souls remembered on All Souls Day**

Sun., Apr. 24th 10:00AM  
**Garry Parkhurst** Req by Mom & Dad

**COOS NURSING HOME**

Wed., Apr. 20th 9:30AM  
**All Souls remembered on All Souls Day**

<u>Financial Report</u>	4/10/2022
Offertory	\$2132.00
60/40 Fundraiser	36.00
Membership Club	250.00

*Thank you for your support of our parish!*

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(St. Albert's Church) Congratulations to  
*Ivan Giroux \$14.40*

*Please consider participating in our weekly Parish 60/40 Booster Club. Envelopes are available at the Church entrances. Put a DOLLAR in the envelope, fill out the front with your name & address and drop it in the weekly collection. Weekly winner will be mailed a check for their 40% winnings.*

**Sanctuary Lamp**

**St. Albert Church**

*For the Intentions of the Parishioners*

**St. Brendan Church**

*For the Intentions of the Parishioners*

*If you are interested or considering including your Church as part of your estate planning please contact the Parish Office or Father Craig for more assistance.*

**The Annual Membership Club (\$100 yr) - pick up & fill out an envelope in the back of the Church & drop in the collection. Payable as one lump sum or 10 monthly payments of \$10. Drawing in Dec..**

**Start yours today!**

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Monthly, 8:30AM First Friday at St Albert Parish



*The Rosary is prayed a 1/2 hour before each weekend Mass at St. Albert (SA) &*

*St. Brendan (SB) Churches. All are welcome to join.*

**Catholic Women's Club**

For information about the Women's Club please call Diane Little (603-237-8062).

**Pope Francis asks for prayers for a special monthly intention. April is for: **Health Care Workers****

*"We pray for all Health Care Workers; may they continue to persevere each and every day to care for our family, friends and neighbors" AMEN*



**This year let's invite all the children and grandchildren to join us at Church to celebrate the Love of God and the love of our Mothers & Grandmothers!**



## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mo:** Acts 2:14, 22-33/Mt 28:8-15  
**Tu:** Acts 2:36-41/Jn 20:11-18  
**We:** Acts 3:1-10/Lk 24:13-35  
**Th:** Acts 3:11-26/Lk 24:35-48  
**Fr:** Acts 4:1-12/Jn 21:1-14  
**Sa:** Acts 4:13-21/Mk 16:9-15

**Observances for this week:** **Su:** Easter Sunday

**Mo—We:** Monday—Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

**Th:** Thursday within the Octave of Easter; St. Anselm, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

**Fr:** Friday within the Octave of Easter; Earth Day

**Sa:** Saturday within the Octave of Easter; St. George, Martyr; St. Adalbert, Bishop & Martyr

**Next Su:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy); St. Fidelis of Sigmaringen, Priest & Martyr

Link for reading information as well as other pertinent Universal Church resources: <http://usccb.org/bible/readings>.

## REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

**First Reading:** (Acts 10:40-41) We hear in the reading from Acts some of the earliest proclamations from Peter about his witness to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. To whom in your life should you bear witness to the resurrected Christ?

**Second Reading:** (Col 3:2-3) Using the image of unleavened bread, Paul urges the believers in Corinth to see the resurrection of Jesus as an opportunity to start anew. What needs renewal in your life?

**Gospel:** (Jn 20:9) The apostles did not initially believe the witness of Mary Magdalene and the other women to news of the resurrection of Jesus. Why do you think so many people today still doubt this good news?

**LIVE THE LITURGY - OUR WEEKLY INSPIRATION** Alleluia, Christ is risen! What a glorious and holy day. The resurrection of Christ speaks of freedom, new life, restored faith and enduring, unconditional love. The huge stone, separating death and life, has been moved, allowing God's radiant power to usher in eternal life. When we see the truth of Christ's resurrection through eyes of love, we see the fullness of timeless beauty, truth, and wonder revealed. The emptiness of the tomb is filled with the eternity of love. We have many stones and boulders blocking the path to freedom, love, and joy. They are often too big for us to move, and they cripple us. We can take a leap of faith today and believe with all our heart, mind, and soul that there is much more than can be seen by the naked eye. There is something very holy, sacred, and eternal stirring within us. We want to live forever! Christ's resurrection brings us joy and allows us to see ourselves as we are meant to be seen, as God's children destined for glory!

## Sharing Your Faith— Divine Mercy Sunday

**Question:** Where did the feast of Divine Mercy come from?

**Answer:** If you were born well before the year 2000, you know the feast of Divine Mercy has not always been celebrated in the Church. In the early 1900s, a young Polish nun began receiving private revelations. Jesus appeared to her during her times of prayer, speaking a message of mercy and love for the world. She received a set of prayers — the Divine Mercy Chaplet — and the request to have a feast day established to remind the Church of the mercy of God. St. Faustina died in 1938, on the cusp of war and in the midst of one of the most violent centuries in the history of the world.

Her story and her diaries began circulating in Poland and beyond. It quickly became apparent that this was a holy young woman, and the cause for her canonization opened. In the year 2000, she was canonized by the first-ever Polish pope, St. John Paul II. On her canonization day, he established the second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday, “a perennial invitation to the Christian world to

face, with confidence in divine benevolence, the difficulties and trials that mankind with experience in the years to come.”



**Leave It in the Tomb** Today, on the most important day of the liturgical year, the Apostle Paul is calling us out.

“I see you hiding in that tomb,” he says. “I see you baking with that old, stale yeast, thinking no one will notice.”

He says it a little more elegantly, I'll grant you. But the message is this: If you want to be raised with Christ, you'd better be ready to step out of the shadows. Seek what is above — not what is on earth.

I can feel myself responding almost reflexively, “Great idea, Paul — but I'm pretty comfy here.” Because sometimes, it's just easier to stay in the tomb. It's easier to crouch in the shadows and look outward at everyone else, thinking of the changes they could make or the sins they could overcome.

Today we are called to embrace newness. New hearts, new lives, new futures, new chances. If there's anything keeping you from that, you need to leave it in the tomb. It's a little scary, sure — maybe Jesus thought so before he stepped into the light of that first Easter morning. But no loaf of bread worth eating was ever baked using stale yeast that wouldn't rise. No new life worth having was ever lived through the broken sins of yesterday. No Easter morning ever dawned without the tomb sitting empty.

Step into the light. He is waiting for you. — Tracy Earl Wel-liver, MTS

**Men of St Joseph**—any man from North American Martyrs is welcome to join our Men of St Joseph group. If you are interested please see Father Craig and / or call the Parish Office.

St. Anselm | April 21 — St. Anselm of Canterbury left his home in Italy to travel as a young man and ended up at the monastery in Bec, France, which was known for the teachings of its leader, Lanfranc. Anselm rose quickly to become abbot of the community and his writings are now compared in importance to those of St. Augustine.



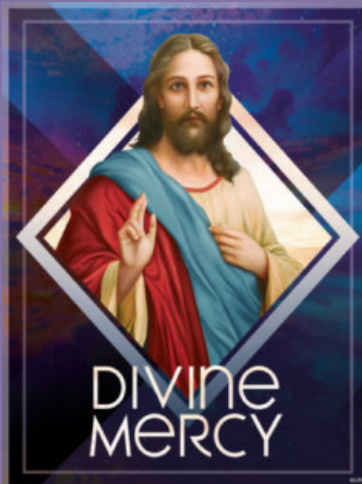
In 1093 Anselm was appointed Archbishop of Canterbury by William II Rufus, the son and successor of William the Conqueror. However, at the time there was a controversy in Europe over whether kings or the pope had the power to invest bishops. Anselm, who believed only the pope should have the right to invest an ecclesiastical authority, spent much of his time as Archbishop exiled in Rome.

St. Anselm's teaching and works of theology are his most important contribution to the Catholic faith. He is considered of the fathers of scholastic theology and his chief achievement in philosophy was the ontological argument for the existence of God. His work *Cur Deus homo?* taught that atonement for sins could only be achieved through Christ. He was canonized in 1494 and named a Doctor of the Church in 1720.



**Please mark your calendars: North American Martyrs Parish is reciting the Divine Mercy Novena and hope that you will join us .**

**We started April 15th and continue April 16th through April 23 (St Albert Church at 3pm daily). We will then recite the Divine Mercy Chaplet on Divine Mercy Sunday at 3pm at St Albert Church.**



The Baby Bottle Campaign has ended please return all bottles to the back of the Church.

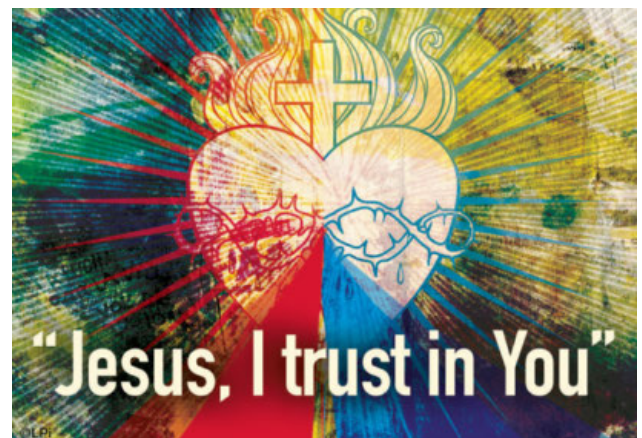
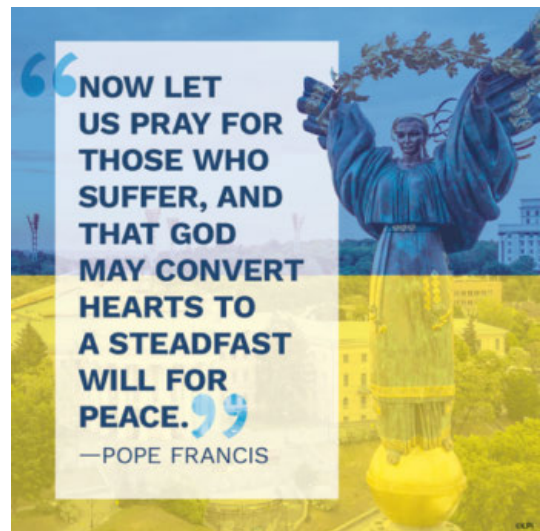
**When you return your bottle please consider donating a package or two of diapers. The Center has stated that they regularly run out. North American Martyrs can assist the Center tremendously by consider donating. There are boxes wrapped in baby shower paper in the back of each Church. Let's consider 'showering' them with our generosity.**

Pathways provides many support services for women and families facing emotional and physical crisis and ministers God's grace to hurting people.

Please accept our THANKS for participating.



\*Saint Albert Indoor Yard Sale on May 14<sup>th</sup> 7am – 3pm. Along with local advertising we ask that you help spread the date to family & friends. On that day we will also have a Pancake Breakfast (7-10am) and a Beans & Hot Dog Lunch (11-2). We're adding a Bake Sale as well!!! So volunteers for baking be on the look out for more details!!!





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