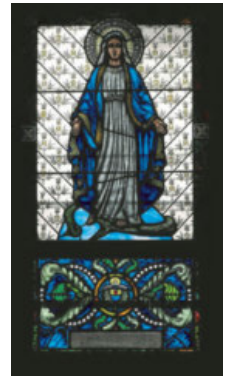




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St Albert Church W Stewartstown

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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)



Fifth Sunday of Easter — May 15th, 2022

PARISH STAFF

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Rousseau & Pat Dupuis

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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.



5th SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have
loved you, so you also should love one another." - Jn 13:34

ST. ALBERT



Sat., May 14th 4:30PM
Henry Guay & Mildred Mailhot
Req by Don & Jean Gilbert

Sun., May 15th 8:00AM
Francine Devost Req by Ronnie Devost

Fri., May 20th 8:00AM
All Souls remembered on All Souls Day

Sat., May 21st 4:30PM
Pauline Rodrigue Req by Gaston Rodrigue

Sun., May 22nd 8:00AM
Gilbert Marchesseault Req by Dolores Grondin

ST. BRENDAN

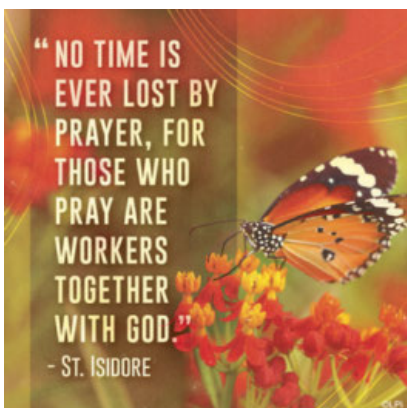
Sun., May 15th 10:00AM
Albert R. Maurais Req by the Family

Thu., May 19th 8:00AM
All Souls remembered on All Souls Day

Sun., May 22nd 10:00AM
Albert E. Maurais Req by Lucille Maurais
Craig Boire Req by John Corriveau

COOS NURSING HOME

Wed., May. 18th 9:30AM
All Souls remembered on All Souls Day



The Ascension of the Lord, Thursday, May 26th. Our Masses are Wednesday May 25 Vigil at St Albert 7pm & Thursday May 26 at St Brendan 8am.

<u>Financial Report</u>	5/8/2022
Offertory	\$1782.00
60/40 Fundraiser	27.00
Membership Club	410.00
Food Pantry	50.00

Thank you for your support of our parish!

60/40 WINNER:

(St. Albert's Church) Congratulations to
Michelle Rodrigue \$10.80

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

Paul & Roger DeBlois

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

The Catholic Women's Club will be receiving Communion in a Body on **May 15th** at the 10 o'clock Mass. After Mass we will hold a meeting downstairs.

Pope Francis asks for prayers for a special monthly intention. Mays for: Faith Filled Young People

"We pray for all children & young adults who find strength today to follow Jesus and who willing accept the direction given to them by the Holy Spirit" AMEN

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mo: Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26
Tu: Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a
We: Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8
Th: Acts 15:7-21/Jn 15:9-11
Fr: Acts 15:22-31/Jn 15:12-17
Sa: Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21

Observances for this week:

Mo: Personal
Tu: Personal
We: St. John I, Pope and Martyr
Th: Personal
Fr: St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest
Sa: St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs
Next Su: 6th Sunday of Easter; St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

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

REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading: ([Acts 14:27](#)) We hear in Acts how Paul and Barnabas formed Gentile-believing churches in cities of the eastern Roman Empire. What do you think is needed today to build a strong faith community?

Second Reading: ([Rev 21:4](#)) In John's final visions, he sees "a new Jerusalem" coming down from heaven. God is fully present with humanity and there is no more suffering and death. How often do you think about the end-times?

Gospel: ([Jn 13:34](#)) As Jesus discussed his impending death with the disciples, he presents them with "a new commandment: love one another." In what ways are you challenged by this commandment?

LIVE THE LITURGY - OUR WEEKLY INSPIRATION The resurrected Christ gives us the strength to do things we can never have imagined. Life will often give us mountains to climb, and we wonder how we will find the energy, ability, and determination to forge ahead. But, with a good dosage of faith and a fervent life of prayer we find ourselves succeeding and ascending to heights that once frightened us. What we realize after we have reached the other side is that this hardship we once saw as an obstacle has become a vehicle for something better and greater. We are stronger. The same is true with the Gospel. The prospect of loving one another may seem idealistic or unobtainable. Yet, when we risk moving beyond just looking out for or helping each other to actually **LOVING** each other, miracles happen. There is something wonderful that occurs with love. We see people in ways we never saw before, understanding and appreciating each other's journey. Love leads to reverence. Faith is strengthened and we move on to try again.



Please join us for Lectio Divina

Every Wed. 6-7pm. We pray, read & discuss the upcoming readings for the next Sunday.
Link: us02web.zoom.us
Select—'JOIN A MEETING' -
Meeting ID: 865 5109 7328
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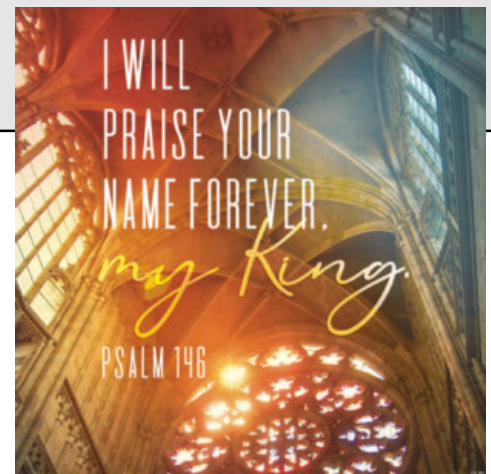
You will be surprised how Sunday's readings come alive!
If you would like to be added to the reminder emails—please share your email with the parish office.

Riddle Me This

- 1) At what time of day was Adam created?
- 2) Why did Noah have to punish the chickens on the Ark?
- 3) Where was Solomon's temple located?
- 4) Who was the biggest sinner in the Old Testament?
- 5) How do you make holy water

(See answers in yellow square)

Please join us for a Novena to the Holy Spirit starting Friday May 27 and concluding Saturday night June 4th for Pentecost Sunday on June 5th. Join us on Facebook live each night at 7pm



RECEIVE COMMUNION
by making a throne:
ONE HAND UNDER THE OTHER,
READY TO RECEIVE
our great King.

- ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM

St. Margaret of Cortona | May 16

Though St. Margaret of Cortona (1247 – 1297) is today known as being an incredibly pious Catholic, she didn't start out that way. Born into a farming family in Laviano, Tuscany, her mother died when St. Margaret was seven. Her father remarried, but life with her stepmother was so difficult that St. Margaret moved out of the home and instead chose to live with a man named Arsenio, though they weren't married. They had been living together for nine years when she gave birth to a son. Knowing in her heart that this wasn't the life that God intended for her to have, she prayed for purity.



One day while waiting for Arsenio, his dog led her into the forest where she found Arsenio murdered. So shocked was St. Margaret that she fell into a life of penance. She and her son returned to Laviano, but still found her stepmother to be as unwelcoming as ever. They then went to Cortona, and eventually her son became a friar.

Three years after her conversion, St. Margaret followed in her son's footsteps and became a Franciscan tertiary. During her life, St. Margaret established a hospital and founded a congregation of tertiary sisters. She was canonized in 1728.

Our Lady of Fatima



CATHOLIC TRIVIA – JUST FOR FUN

Question: Who is the first native-born United States citizen to be canonized?

Answer: Saint Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton (1774-1821)

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.

Please consider joining!

- 1) A little before Eve.
- 2) Because they were using fowl language.
- 3) On the side of his head.
- 4) Moses. He broke all Ten Commandments at the same time.
- 5) Get regular water and boil the hell out of it.

Sharing Your Faith— Baptismal Bib

Question: At my grandson's Baptism, the priest put a bib on the baby. I do not remember seeing this before. Why is this done? Is it something new?

Answer: When an adult is baptized, there is a part in the ceremony when the newly baptized is vested in a white garment. It is symbolic of the changes that baptism brings in the life of the baptized as they are freed from the bonds of sin and brought into the saving grace of Christ. Realities that are so profound are symbolically presented so that we might better grasp and understand them.

Infants are often dressed in a baptismal dress, which is the baptismal garment. In some places, the bib is used as a kind of baptismal garment. At the place in the ceremony where the investiture takes place, the bib is used. Some are poncho-like and fit over the baby's head. Others are simply placed on the baby's chest. If the baby is dressed in a white garment, nothing else is needed. The prayer says it all: "See in your white garment the outward sign of your Christian dignity ... bring that dignity unstained into the everlasting life of heaven." In baptism, we are given our purpose and goal in life as believers and this is symbolized by the white garment.

Everyday Stewardship— Loving as New Creations

"There's something different about you."

Think about the times in your life when this has been said to you. Maybe it was after someone complimented you on a job well done, and you realized that you were walking through life with a little more confidence. Maybe it was after meeting someone special, as you carried the glow of that relationship wherever you went. Chances are, if someone has noticed something different about you, it's because, inwardly, you've been changed by the loving or respectful actions of another person.

Love, you see, can make us into new creations. From the love of God flows the grace to tackle any challenge, including the biggest challenge of all: loving each other well. Christ knows what a big request this is. He was human, too. He came and lived among us. He knew intimately what it was to love people in the chaos of their own flaws. He knew what he was asking of us when he said, "As I have loved you, so you should also love one another."


In essence, this is the call to stewardship: loving as Christ loves, amidst the messiness of everyday reality. Loving with accountability, challenging ourselves and our brothers and sisters to be faithful even when it is hard. Loving with an unflinching sense of hospitality that welcomes even those we do not agree with or understand. Loving with gratitude, giving thanks for the great variety of ways that Christ can make himself known to us through others.

It isn't easy — we all know that. But if we ask God for the grace to remain steadfast in this greatest commandment, we will be given what we need to live as new creations. —

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