

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

stown Colebrook
M, Sat: 4:30PM Masses—Thur: 8AM,

Sun: 10AM

St Brendan Church

St Pius X Church Errol

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







Sixth Sunday of Easter — May 22nd, 2022

PARISH STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Craig I. Cheney 603-538-9892 Administrative Assistant: Linda Dennis Sacristans: Rick Clogston, Gary Jobes, Pierre

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.



ST.ALBERT



Sat., May 21st 4:30PM

Pauline Rodrigue Req by Gaston Rodrigue

Sun., May 22nd 8:00AM

Gilbert Marchesseault Req by Dolores Grondin

Fri., May 27th 8:00AM

Pauline Rodrigue Req by Gaston Rodrigue

Sat., May 28th 4:30PM

Eusebe Madore Req by the Family

ST. BRENDAN

Sun., May 22nd 10:00AM

Albert E. Maurais
Craig Boire
Req by Lucille Maurais
Req by John Corriveau

Thu., May 26th 8:00AM

Lillian Clancy Req by Philip Gage

Sun., May 29th 10:00AM

Garry Parkhurst Reg by Mom & Dad

ST. PIUS X

Sun., May 29th 8:00AM

All Souls remembered on All Souls Day

COOS NURSING HOME

Wed., May. 18th 9:30AM

All Souls remembered on All Souls Day



Pope Francis asks for prayers for a special monthly intention. Mayis 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

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.

Financial Report	5/15/2022
Offertory	\$1752.80
60/40 Fundraiser	27.00
Membership Club	100.00

Thank you for your support of our parish!

<u>60/40 WINNER:</u>

(St. Albert's Church) Congratulations to

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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.

Upcoming Rosary Schedule

June 6th 7PM St Albert
The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
Please consider joining fellow parishioners in reciting a Rosary
together

Catholic Women's Club

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

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Mo: Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26—16:4a Tu: Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11 We: Acts 17:15, 22—18:1/Jn 16:12-15 Th: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb

9:24-28; 10:19-23/Lk 24:46-53 **Fr**: Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23 **Sa**: Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28

Observances for this week:

Su: 6th Sunday of Easter; St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

Mo: Personal Tu: Personal

We: St. Bede the Venerable, Priest & Doctor of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin

Th: St. Philip Neri, Priest
Fr: St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop
Sa: Personal

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

REFLECT & RESPOND TO SCRIPTURE

First Reading: (Acts 15:28) Today's reading offers an excerpt from the "dissension and debate" taking place at the first Church council in Jerusalem over the question of male circumcision. How often do you experience conflict within your faith community?

Second Reading: (Rev 21:10) One of John's final visions depicts the heavenly Jerusalem where God's presence is fully known in all its splendor. Why do you think this vision of heaven was revealed to John?

Gospel: (Jn 14:26) During his farewell discourse, Jesus reassured the disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit and the promise of divine peace. When do you experience God's presence this way in your life?

<u>LIVE THE LITURGY - OUR WEEKLY INSPIRATION</u> Everyone wants to experience peace. When we look to the world to provide this for us, we can easily get disappointed. We associate peace with an absence of war and conflict, good relationships between neighbors and coworkers, the achievement of success and even the absence of noise! While all of these are worthy endeavors, pursuing them exclusively as a path to experiencing peace sets us up for failure. When we look for peace outside of ourselves, it will never be found. True and lasting peace is

something that comes from within and not something we can produce on our own or receive from others. Peace is discovered when we experience an inner wholeness and harmony. It is born of a sense of connectedness with a God who is larger and greater than ourselves, gifting us with His presence. It is the only the peace offered by the Risen Christ that can settle our hearts and calm our fears. Regardless of the degree of turmoil around us, this sense of completeness that Jesus gives anchors our boats and prevents us from sinking.



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

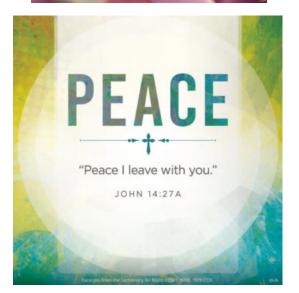
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You will be surprised how Sunday's readings come alive!

If you would like to be added to the reminder emails—please share you email with the parish office.

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



St. Rita of Cascia | May 22

St. Rita of Cascia (1381 – 1457) had the opportunity to live her life as a wife, mother, widow, and eventually, member of a religious community. Born in central Italy, St. Rita felt the calling to become a nun, but was pressured at a young age into marriage. During her 18-year marriage to a cruel man, she raised two sons. When her husband was killed in a brawl and her sons died, St. Rita decided to go back to her first love and attempted to join the Augustinian nuns in Cascia. Her status as a widow caused some complications to her entering, but she eventually succeeded in professing vows.



Throughout her lifetime, St. Rita of Cascia was known for her prayerfulness and charity. She also experienced stigmata on her forehead, meditated frequently on Christ's passion, and cared for the nuns of her religious community and those in the lay community who came to her for counsel.

Sharing Your Faith— Responding to God

Question: I can't explain it. I feel a nudge from God to something out of the ordinary. How do I respond?

Answer: You're in good company! Abraham was asked to leave all he knew and loved



for a strange land, with only abstract divine assurance that such a sacrifice would be worth it. Plenty of prophets protested against God's call, whether it was claiming they were too young (Jeremiah) or running away entirely, only to end up in a whale's belly (Jonah). St. Joseph was asked to do something very strange. He was asked to believe — on the word of an angelic appearance in a dream — that his betrothed was pregnant not from another man, but by a miraculous intervention of God. Then he was called to marry her.

Author Flannery O'Connor once wrote, "You shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you odd." Sometimes God's invitation might seem strange or challenging. It might require sacrifices we never expected to make. Our life might look different than we had always imagined. But as we all know, life throws its own curveballs, regardless of whether or not we're listening for God's will. Better, one would think, to be open to the promptings of God and to follow along the strange trails that they lead. We have the assurance that, eventually, we will find green pastures.

Our Lady of Fatima



CATHOLIC TRIVIA - JUST FOR FUN

Question: What are the three Sacraments of Initiation? **Answer**: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist

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!

Everyday Stewardship— Management According to the Apostles

If you've ever worked in any kind of organization, for-profit or not-for-profit, I'm sure you have attended a conference or two. Whatever our expectations going in, I usually find these conferences expose me to communication and problem-solving styles that are different from my own, nudging me into a little unexpected self-discovery. And it's a great opportunity to meet new people and do something different.

Here's my idea for a leadership conference: The Management Style of the Apostles. Think about it, the only thing the Apostles had more abundantly than holiness was problems. Lots and lots of problems ... most of them of the human resources variety. It's no small feat, starting Christ's Church on earth. I wouldn't want to be project manager of that endeavor.

The Acts of the Apostles is, in some ways, a big book full of problems and ways to solve them. It's a blueprint for tackling interpersonal issues in the manner of a true steward, who encounters every problem starting from the same place: What would my Master want?

It's a question we should be asking ourselves every time we, too, encounter a problem — especially problems relating to other people. What is the truth in this situation, and how would God have me communicate it? How could I handle this in a way that is worthy of the name of my Master?

In Acts, we see a lot of characteristics of everyday stewardship. We see the Apostles mindfully acknowledge the lack of peace that is posed by problems like false teachings, this Gospel's problem du jour. They prayerfully confront the obstacles to salvation posed by these issues. Always, always, always, their main objective is to reveal the will of God, remaining



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