

We are All Saints in the Making



CASE FOR SUPPORT



After Jesus had ascended to the Father,

the followers of Jesus were left on earth to continue the mission – “Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations...” (Matthew 28:19). In our parish community we have been continuing that mission of Jesus Christ since Venerable Bishop Baraga came and established the first Catholic community in the 1860s. For more than 160 years Catholics have been working to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to all our brothers and sisters in the Alpena area. We have a vibrant history of evangelization, Catholic education, worship, and charity. Many priestly and religious vocations have come from our community. Our ancestors in the faith have left us a firm foundation for us to continue to grow and bring others to the faith for many years to come.



In the Acts of the Apostles we are told that “the community of believers were of one heart and mind” (Acts 4:32) It’s in this communion that we bring our entire community to Christ. This is a mission worth living for! I cannot help but believe we are entering into a new springtime in our Church, first because we are coming out of a difficult few years with a renewed desire to be together. Also, the world is realizing its need for God, and we are seeing the fruit of that in the burst of young families and people of all ages seeking out our parish.

We are proud to present our All Saints Ten-Year Strategic plan that addresses our goals in the three areas of our mission: Evangelization, Worship, and Charity. To achieve this vision, we are considering a major capital campaign. First, we need to hear from you. The *We Are All Saints In The Making Campaign* is the initiative to expand and enhance the effectiveness of our ministry in Alpena.

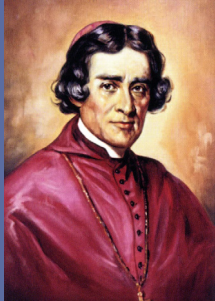
Thank you for helping bring us to this important point in our journey. Please keep All Saints Parish in your heart and prayers.

Sincerely in Christ,

Handwritten signature of Fr. Tyler Bischoff in blue ink.

Fr. Tyler Bischoff
Parochial Administrator

Our History



Venerable Bishop Baraga came and established the first Catholic community in the 1860s. For more than 160 years, our Catholic faith community has been working to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to all our brothers and sisters in the Alpena area.

1860s

The first Catholic mass was held in Alpena.

1870s

The first parochial school in Northern Michigan was opened in Alpena.

1880s

Due to the large number of Catholic immigrants coming to the area, the parish expanded.

1950s

The community of Catholics in Alpena was thriving! There were four Catholic churches, four schools, and a high school.

2010s

A diocesan task force recommended the merger of the four Alpena parishes by 2014. In 2010, the parishes were clustered together under the leadership of one pastor. In 2015, Bishop Raica canonically merged the four parishes into a new parish named All Saints.

2020s

2020 marked 150 years of Catholic education in Alpena!

Our Home



All Saints is where we come together to learn, to worship, to honor and promote family, to bury our dead, and to carry our faith and the Good News of Jesus Christ out into the world, both by the way we live our lives and by the good works that we do for our neighbors in need. We recognize the dignity of each human person and strive together to be the hands and feet of Christ in our community.



Today, All Saints Parish gathers over 1,000 people at Mass every Sunday. All Saints Catholic School has an enrollment of over 100 children in grades Pre-K through 8th grade. Our Faith Formation program serves over 70 youth of our community in all grades. Our Friendship Room serves thousands of meals each month to those who are in need of not only a meal, but friendship. Our cemetery is a place of peace where grieving loved ones can remember, honor, and pray for those they've lost.

Our parish, school, cemetery, and soup kitchen make up one community of believers. *This is our home.*



Our Heart. Our S



CENTER OF EVANGELIZATION

The former St. John Campus is to become the Center of Catholic Evangelization, including All Saints Catholic School and St. John Church.

Encounter the Risen Lord

We will develop and maintain programs aimed at Evangelization in the heart of the Gospel for all the people of God, but especially young people. This will include:

- Relocating the school from its current location to the Center for Evangelization.
- Making significant investment to upgrade classrooms and create better learning and recreational spaces, such as new gym flooring and playground equipment, so that children can receive the best care and education in faith.
- Investing in resources to create more opportunities for faith formation and evangelization for the community.



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The former St. Bernard Campus is to become the Center of Catholic Charity, including programs and the church building.

Responding

We will create a community of disciples by... Charity will help... Alcoholics Anonymous... St. Bernard Church...

- Making significant investment in the Center, such as...
- Starting an outreach program...
- Forming a community outreach.

Soul. Our Home.



CENTER OF WORSHIP

The former St. Anne Campus is to become the center of Catholic worship, including the parish offices and community center.

Being Transformed by God's Grace

We will bring all generations together around the altar of the Lord. This will include:

- Increasing participation in the sacred liturgy, especially in music ministry with a new director of sacred music.
- Continuing to encourage participation in Perpetual Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
- Repairing the bell at St. Anne Church.
- Emphasizing evangelization by calling all to worship through marketing communications.

CENTER OF CATHOLIC CHARITY

As Disciples of Christ

a space where all are welcome to respond to serving Christ in each other. The Center of Charity will house the Friendship Room, Children's Closet, Emergency Warming Center, Anonymous, Madonna House, Baby Pantry, and St. Anne Church. This will include:

• Significant investment in capital improvements to the building, such as a new roof and kitchen.
• Completion of the Emergency Warming Center by winter 2023.
• Formation of a Charity Council to coordinate all charitable



Our Vision

We are embarking on a capital campaign to secure the future of our Catholic community in Alpena. A successful capital campaign will provide a dynamic faith home for Alpena Catholics that will draw us into the future. Renewed physical spaces will enable us to better serve our mission at All Saints Catholic Parish.

Individually, each of us make a significant impact on the spiritual quality of life at All Saints. By working together, we have the privilege and opportunity to make an even greater impact in the world.

Will you join us?



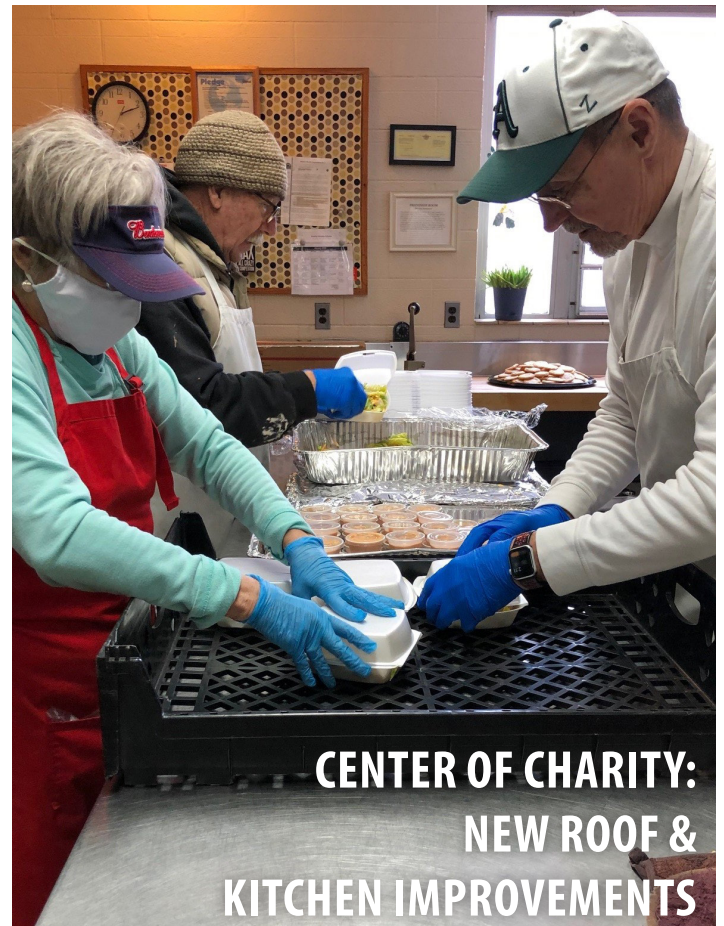
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**EMPHASIS ON WORSHIP:
NEW MUSIC MINISTER
FOCUS ON SACRED LITURGY**



**CENTER OF CHARITY:
NEW ROOF &
KITCHEN IMPROVEMENTS**

Campaign Expenses

CENTER OF EVANGELIZATION

\$2,080,000

- Classroom improvements - bathroom upgrades, pre-school room updates, intercom/sound system, repurpose garage and offices into three classrooms
- New playground equipment
- Sacred art, Cornerstone wall, Saints-in-Action mural
- New roofing system
- Outdoor - repair/reseal parking lot, new signage, outdoor lighting, landscaping improvements

CENTER OF CHARITY

\$534,000

- New roof
- Kitchen and hall renovations
- Improved bathroom facilities

CENTER OF WORSHIP

\$30,000

- Bell repair at St. Anne

NEW INITIATIVES

\$250,000

- Director of Music Ministry for the parish and school
- Marketing & Development Director
- Project manager
- New signage
- Campaign expenses

DEBT FREE BY 2023

\$436,000

CAMPAIGN TOTAL EXPENSE

\$3,330,000



ALL SIZES AND TYPES OF GIFTS

are meaningful and important for All Saints to successfully complete the \$3.33 million campaign goal. Structured and well-planned gifts from total wealth can dramatically elevate the ability to make a more generous gift.

The most common and simplest method of funding is a cash gift from your income stream. To achieve our goal, we encourage financial commitments over a one year or multiple years, up to a five year pledge. Pledges can be paid through monthly, quarterly, semi-annual, or annual gifts.

There are also other methods of giving that allow donors to contribute larger gifts at lower costs. These include transfer of stock or securities or a qualified charitable distribution through your IRA.

You can share your intentions to give through a “Commitment to Give” pledge form. Thank you for your generosity for the future of our faith community!

As with all legal and financial matters, we recommend you consult with your personal legal, tax, and /or financial advisors before funding your gift.

CASH GIFTS/PLEDGES

Complete the pledge form. Please indicate the length of your pledge and your preferred form of payment. Checks should be made out to All Saints with “Capital Campaign” in the memo line and mailed to 817 Sable Street, Alpena, MI 49707. To give by credit card, set up your one-time or recurring gift online at alpenacatholics.org.

STOCK OR SECURITIES

To transfer stock or securities, contact Angie King (aking@alpenaallsaints.org) with questions and for the information you need to give your stock broker.

IRA MANDATORY DISTRIBUTION

You will need to contact your IRA to make this gift and give them All Saint’s FEIN (#81-2077276). Contact the parish office for more information. Please also let us know when your gift is on the way - not all IRAs include the donors name when mailing the gift.

Heavenly Father,

for many years you have blessed
our community with countless graces
and a deep faith.

We thank you for the faith
we've received from our ancestors
who came to Thunder Bay seeking a
harbor of refuge
from the storms of life.

Bestow on us, we pray,
an abundance of your peace
through the prayers
of so many intercessors
of all the Saints in Heaven.

Give us the courage to continue
the work of evangelization,
worship and charity so that
through the merits
of your Son's death and resurrection
we, too, may be
all saints in the making.
Through Christ our Lord, Amen.



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