

Dear \_\_\_\_\_

Help us save Mt. Albion's Chapel!



As you pass under the sandstone arch and enter the main entrance to Mt. Albion Cemetery, your eyes are immediately drawn to the focal point - the chapel. Built in 1875 of locally-sourced Medina Sandstone, this historic structure stands as a sentinel to our community. For over a century, it has opened its doors to family funerals, memorial services, events, and programs.

Unfortunately, its 150-year-old Vermont slate roof has succumbed to the test of time. Due to the roof's inevitable wear and leakage, the chapel is in disrepair and unusable.

The good news, however, is that the building is structurally sound, and **with your help, it can be saved and reopened**. Therefore, a plan has been developed to duplicate the original slate roof design and restore the building so it can once again be used for its intended purpose.

Mt. Albion Cemetery, with its rolling hills and picturesque landscape, is the jewel of our community. It is only the second cemetery to be named to the National Register of Historic Places; a notable national distinction.

We feel a great sense of pride knowing that this cemetery, and the lives and legacies it represents, are part of the fabric of our community. The chapel, in particular, stands as a reminder of this community's past, present and future. **To lose it would be devastating.**

More project specifics on this important endeavor can be found in the pages of this flier. Likewise, committee members are happy to discuss additional chapel restoration information with any interested individuals, businesses, and community organizations.

All tax-deductible donations can be made to the Orleans County Historical Association, a 501(c)3 organization.

***Please partner with us in this worthy endeavor to Save Our Chapel!***

Sincerely,

*Mt. Albion's "Save Our Chapel" Committee:*

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## What is needed to restore Mt. Albion's Chapel:

- Roof (total slate removal, new Vermont slate with original design detail)
- Asbestos abatement on roof
- Medina Sandstone repointing of entire building
- Interior replastering of north wall
- Electrical upgrade (wiring, outlets, lighting internal/external)
- Heating unit (seasonal use)
- Ceiling tile removal and repair of plaster, vaulted ceiling
- Floor (remove old floor, repair subfloor, install new floor)
- Refurbish exterior doors and window trim

**TOTAL: \$225,000**

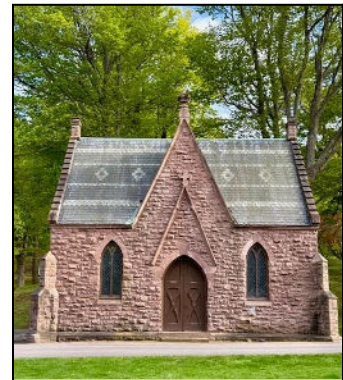
## Your opportunity to help:

*Donors of \$1,000 or more will have their names added to a plaque, by donation level. The plaque will be displayed in the chapel.*

*Some giving levels are named for stained glass window symbols in the chapel.*

### LEVELS OF GIVING

|                                |                       |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>Sandstone Level</i>         | \$100,000 - \$200,000 |
| <i>Cross &amp; Crown Level</i> | \$ 50,000 - \$ 99,999 |
| <i>Anchor Level</i>            | \$ 25,000 - \$ 49,999 |
| <i>Lamb of God Level</i>       | \$ 10,000 - \$ 24,999 |
| <i>Holy Spirit Level</i>       | \$ 5,000 - \$ 9,999   |
| <i>Ivy Level</i>               | \$ 1,000 - \$ 4,999   |
| <i>Chapel Level</i>            | \$ 10 - \$ 999        |



**To help Save Our Chapel, checks can be made payable to:**

**ORLEANS COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION**

***\*Your donation is tax deductible.***

The Orleans County Historical Association (OCHA), founded in 1977 to preserve, restore and maintain what is significant to the history of Orleans County, has agreed to be our 501(c)3 partner in our endeavor to Save The Chapel.

**If you would like to help Save Our Chapel, please tear off  
and return this page and payment in the provided envelope:**

Orleans County Historical Association  
3286 Gaines Basin Road  
Albion, NY 14411



Yes, my donation is enclosed to help save Mt. Albion Cemetery's Chapel.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**MY DONOR LEVEL:**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 100,000 - \$ 200,000 (Sandstone Level)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 50,000 - \$ 99,000 (Cross & Crown Level)

\_\_\_\_\_ \$ 25,000 - \$ 49,000 (Anchor Level)

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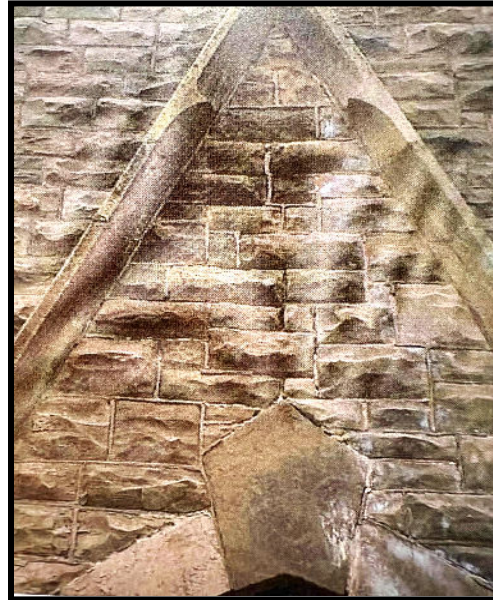
Donors that contribute \$1,000 or more will have their names listed on a plaque in the chapel, by donation level, once it is restored. How would you like your name to appear?  
Is this in memory of someone?

Name as it will appear on plaque: \_\_\_\_\_

Whichever donor level you choose, please know we truly appreciate your support!

**THANK YOU!**

## Current photos of the Chapel:



*Missing slate shingles on the roof and deteriorated flashing caused leaking and interior damage. Joints are deteriorated at the entry gable and doorway. The exterior stonework needs to be repointed and repaired.*



*Water damage deteriorated the plaster and window frames on the north facing walls, ceiling and floor.*