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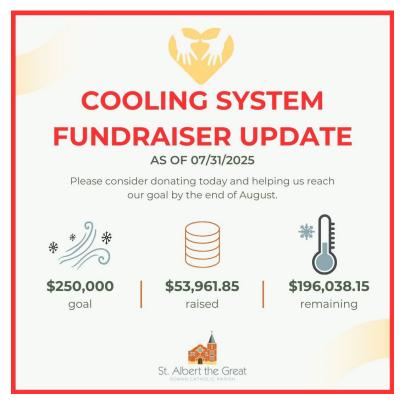
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TODAY'S READINGS

Jeremiah 38: 4-6, 8-10 | Responsorial Psalm 40: 1-3, 17

Hebrews 12: 1-4 | Luke 12: 49-53



COOLING SYSTEM FUNDRAISER:

Help us reach our goal of \$250,000.00 – If you would like to contribute to our cooling system fundraiser, please indicate "Cooling System" in the memo of your e-transfer, or on the envelope.

Please call the office at 403-257-6054 with any questions. For special contributions please email accounting@stalbertthegreat.ca

Charitable Registration Number/BN 107909939 RR0084



20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aug 17, 2025

Mass Schedule

Monday: No Mass

Tuesday: 9:00 AM & 6:30 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM & 6:30 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM & 6:30 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM & 6:30 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM

5:00 PM (Anticipatory)

Sunday: 9:00 AM

11:30 AM

5:00 PM

Adoration

Friday: 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM

Confession

Tuesday: 9:30 AM & 7:00 PM

Wednesday: 9:30 AM & 7:00 PM

Thursday: 9:30 AM & 7:00 PM

Friday: 9:30 AM & 7:00 PM

Saturday: 3:30 PM

Summer Office Hours

Mon, Wed, Fri: 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM Tues & Thurs 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM*

*Closed for lunch from 12:30 to 1:00 PM

Closed Weekends & all Statutory Holidays

MASS INTENTIONS

UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

Tues,	Aug	19	at	9:00 AM	Donna Gratton (RIP)
Tues,	Aug	19	at	11:00 AM	Ulrich Hart (INT)
Tues,	Aug	19	at	6:30 PM	Miguel Jayme (RIP)
Wed,	Aug	20	at	9:00 AM	Stephen Benoit (RIP)
Wed,	Aug	20	at	6:30 PM	Lourdes Doucut (RIP)
Thur,	Aug	21	at	9:00 AM	Elena V. Hernandez (INT)
Thur,	Aug	21	at	6:30 PM	Donald Cockerill (RIP)
Fri,	Aug	22	at	9:00 AM	Edgard Obligacion (RIP)
Fri,	Aug	22	at	6:30 PM	Ibrahim Almasarweh (RIP)
Sat,	Aug	23	at	9:00 AM	Sharon van der Sloot (INT)
Sat,	Aug	23	at	5:00 PM	Brown Family (RIP)
Sun,	Aug	24	at	9:00 AM	Sal & Gianna Tedesco (INT)
Sun,	Aug	24	at	11:30 AM	St. Albert the Great Parish Community
Sun,	Aug	24	at	5:00 PM	Brunet Family (RIP)

MASS INTENTION AVAILABILITY

October & the first three weeks of November are open for booking.

To request a Mass intention please visit the parish office downstairs during office hours, call 403.257.6054 or email secretary@stalbertthegreat.ca

Our parish serves over 9000 families; intentions

are limited to two per family within the threemonth period.

Thank you for honoring this system. Please contact the office with questions.

"Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need." –

Hebrews 4:16

PRAYER BOARD

Al Eberle	Edith Tyndall	Kathryn Boyer	Nunufekede Bekele
Al Johnson	Elaine Hopfner	Katrina G. Hamedani	Obroh Family
Alfred Cust	Ernesto Valbuena	Kevin Brill	Owen Dorfman
Amelia Aureo	Gerry Selinger	Kristin Bell	Patricia Atkinson
Anna Becker	Gertrude Hosemann	Landon Miller	Peter Elder
Anna Langley-Butt	Gustavo Gil	Len Grose	Peter Hammel
Arton Berisha	Haenok F. Bekele	Lennon Casebeer	Raymond Soriano
Bert Dormendo	Hammond Family	Leo Elder	Robert Schimpf
Bill Yont	Harold Freeman	Linda Foo	Robert Visockas
Bob Tetriak	Henry Retzlaff	Linda Shaw	Roberto Bencivenga
Brad Orr	Ifeoma Sogwu	Lori Cadrin	Rose Panglinan
Camilla Kosariyeganeh	Isabel Maclean	Luz Estela Gallego	Ryan Alexander
Carnduff Family	Isnardo Forero	Marcus McCallum	Sam Secreti
Carol Meredith	Ivan D'Souza	Margaret Diaze	Sandra Rorbak
Charlotte Stapleton	Iwona Pisko	Maria Elder	Sara Teklemariam
Chris G	Jane Grant	Maria Luis	Sharon B. Wong
Claire Doyle	Janyce Anderson	Merly V.	Shawn Freeman
Clara Kosariyeganeh	John Millar	Michael Dudey	Shawn McCormick
Claude Durocher	John Posluszny	Michelle Fiorillo	Susanne Smith
Claudia Gomez	Jonathan Ramoutar	Mike Watson	Taylor (Boswell) Ramoutar
Dcn. Tony Klein	Jordan Gibson	Myrna Rolfes	Tony Marasco
Divy Dormendo	Kamran P. Mosavari	Neil Atwater	Ulrich Hart
Don Gelfund	Kathleen Megran	Norman Bieker	Victoria McEachern

PRAYER BOARD: The Prayer Board is intended for any living person requiring prayers. Due to the size of the Parish and our prayer board requests, we now require follow-ups within three months of a request. Please contact the office to have someone added or removed from the board at secretary@stalbertthegreat.ca

PARISH EVENT SCHEDULE

Wednesday, August 20th, 5:00 PM: Couples for Christ Teaching Night, Main Hall, St. Albert Room & Small Hall

Friday, August 22nd, 7:00 PM: Endow Women's Study Group, Main Hall

Saturday, August 23rd, 8:00 AM: Couples for Christ Family Ministry Coordinator Meeting, Main Hall

10:30 AM: Group Baptisms, Church

Tuesday, August 26th, 10:00 AM: Arts & Crafts Group Summer Meet Up, St. Albert Room

7:00 PM: CWL Executive Meeting, St. Albert Room

Wednesday, August 27th, 7:00 PM: Endow Women's Study Group, Main Hall

Thursday, August 28th, 1:00 PM: Calgary Catholic School District Opening Mass for SATG Schools, Church

7:00 PM: 9AM Music Ministry Choir Practice

Sunday, August 31st, 1:00 PM: Private Baptism, Church



PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS



 $Thank\ you\$ for helping us fill our hampers through our SVP Basket collection last week.

July 2025 Summary:

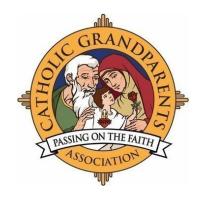
Hampers delivered: **52**Adults served: **96**Children served: **57**

Cost of the hampers \$10,987.00

+ Gift Cards given \$ 1,580.00 for a Total of \$12,567.00

"I will always welcome joyfully any opportunity that comes my way to be of service to you."

— St. Vincent de Paul



Catholic Grandparents Support Group.

We are a faith-filled community of grandparent who come together to support one another and our grandchildren in their faith journey with Christ Rooted in Catholic values, we strive to nurture the faith of the next generation through prayer, encouragement and shared wisdom.

We welcome all Grandparent-grandmothers, grandfathers, step-grandparents and those who serve as spiritual grandparents.

Our next meeting will take place Thursday, October 9th @10am.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We thank all of our wonderful volunteers for everything they do here at our parish. As you might recall in a previous bulletin big changes are happening here at St. Albert the Great Parish and many of our volunteers have taken on new opportunities within the church or they have decided to peruse other endeavors. As such we are currently seeking positive, faith driven volunteers to fill our most needed positions below.

11:30 AM SUNDAY SOCIAL – has been temporarily suspended until we can fulfil the following roles.

- 1) Team 1 Lead Coordinator
- 2) Team 3 Lead Coordinator
- 3) Team 4 Lead Coordinator
- 4) Along with the lead coordinators we are also seeking support volunteers to serve food & drinks, bake goodies, set up tables, and clean.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

There is no Children's Liturgy for Sunday 11:30 am and 5pm masses at this time due to not enough volunteers

- Coordinators (Adult)
- Teachers (Adult)
- Assistant Teachers (Adult)
- Student Helpers (8-17 years old)

FUNERAL RECEPTION

This ministry is looking for volunteers to help set up the main hall for receptions, including lifting and moving tables, serving food, clean-up, and other general duties.

9:00 AM WEEKDAY LECTORS

This ministry is looking for volunteers to support our weekly masses in reading the word of God.

GENERAL VOLUNTEERS to help with events, such as table & chair setup/takedown, parking coordination, etc.

At times, determining how we can play a more active role in our parish can be a difficult exercise. We each have gifts that sometimes lay undiscovered. During our time of discernment, we turn to the Holy Spirit to motivate, direct, and inspire us so that we can harmoniously join together to do the Church's work effectively. If you feel that you have a gift to offer please complete our <u>volunteer form</u>. You can email any questions to <u>volunteers@stalbertthegreat.ca</u> and one of our Volunteer Coordinators will connect with you.

COLOURING SUPPLIES NEEDED

Do you have any gently used school supplies laying around? We can use them!

The parish is currently requesting donations of gently used or new: Markers, highlighters, Crayons or Pencil Crayons for use with our Sunday Social kid's tables. We are also accepting new or gently used children's colouring books.

Donations can be dropped off at the office or the basket at the welcome desk in the Narthex until August 30th.

We will not be accepting permanent markers, paint or craft items at this time.



PARISH DONATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Financial support from our parishioners, visitors and guests is always appreciated.

Our parish relies on regular offertory giving for maintenance and growth. By making an offertory gift, you are providing crucial support to our parish.

*TAX RECEIPT NOTE: anyone seeking a tax receipt for their donation must ensure A) that you provide your full name, address and email (On the physical envelope, or by forwarding your first e-transfer confirmation email to donations@stalbertthegreat.ca and providing us your information) or B) that you are registered with the parish.

<u>Donations</u> can be made a variety of ways, cash, cheque, e-transfer, tip tap pay and more.

Please visit our website for more details: Donations - St Albert The Great | https://stalbertthegreat.ca/donations

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

Mission Recap! Many of you might remember when Sabina Spath (not to be confused by Sabina M our office admin) spoke from the pulpit and told us about her mission trip to Rome. Many of you donated in support of her efforts and after only just returning she has sent us a warm thank you and recap of her mission.

You can read more about it here: Mission Recap





"If you want to grow in perfection, you cannot advance by yourselves - you need a guide. Hence, when you go to God, go through Mary and with Mary!"

-St. Maximilian Kolbe

Following the transformative "*Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary*" by St. Louis de Montfort, this consecration consists of 12 days of preparation followed by three consecutive weeks guiding you through the consecration.

However, you won't need to keep track of the prayers, count the days, or rely on yourself for daily reminders—Rosary.com created a free Marian Consecration that brings the entire consecration practice to your email each day. With daily emails containing helpful reminders, prayers, and support, we have created this consecration to be as accessible as possible so that we may all journey towards unity with Mary and her son.

Beginning on September 4th, you'll spend time each day learning more about the Blessed Mother, uncovering Mary's hidden virtues which are so needed in our world today. You'll grow closer to her, learning to give her greater freedom to move in your life each day, and allowing her be your spiritual mother.

At the end of these 33 days, you'll formally consecrate yourself to Mary on one of her greatest feast days: **October 7th, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.** Register for free now: **Marian Consecration**

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

Young Adult Franciscan Festival of Tents – Aug. 29-Sept. 1 Our Lady of Victory Camp, 41203 Range Road 11, AB Fellowship, fraternity and Franciscan Spirit. Mass, reconciliation, prayers, talks, small group faith discussions, icebreaker games, improv, Karaoke, relay races, + more... Cost \$125. It includes food, water, and showers. Bunk beds are available or bring your own tent. Learn more here: https://caedm.ca/event/young-adult-franciscan-festival-of-tents-aug-29-sept-1/

Mary's Festival Returns – September 13, 2025!

All are welcome to join us for the second annual Mary's Festival — a celebration of faith, family, and community! Enjoy live entertainment, local vendors, carnival games, food trucks and more on the beautiful St. Mary's campus. What to Expect: This year's festival brings back fan favourites and introduces exciting new features, including:

- **Full Marketplace** featuring local artisans and vendors
- Catholic Connect a faith-based marketplace experience
- A Carnival Zone with bouncy castles, a dunk tank, and classic games
- **%** Face Painting for kids (and kids at heart!)
- □♀ Magical Mermaid Meet & Greet
- 1 Live Music performances throughout the day
- Reer Garden for the 18+ crowd
- Food Trucks serving up delicious eats
- And so much more!

Purchase your tickets here: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/marys-festival-2025-tickets-1368847382369



The Story of New Beginnings with the Calgary Catholic Immigration Society

In the heart of Canada, the Land of Dreams is emerging as a beacon of hope and transformation in Calgary.

Inspired by the wisdom of the Blackfoot community, this project aims to create a healing and restorative community space where newcomers to Canada can grow, learn, and thrive together.

The Land of Dreams is an urban farming initiative on Treaty 7 territory in Southeast Calgary. Their Mission is to create a welcoming and healing place, where newcomers to Canada, guided by the wisdom of the Blackfoot community, can learn, grow and succeed together.

To learn more about this initiative please visit: https://ccisab.ca/lod-campaign/

Catholic Book Recommendation: <u>Unshakeable</u>: <u>Building a Life of Virtue in a World of Chaos by Fr. Mike Schmitz</u>

The key to transforming your life is within your reach. In a world filled with noise, confusion, and constant change, it's easy to feel overwhelmed or off balance. But what if the answer to lasting peace, purpose, and joy is in the virtues you practice every day? In *Unshakeable: Building a Life of Virtue in a World of Chaos*, Fr. Mike Schmitz—beloved host of *The Bible in a Year* and *The Catechism in a Year* podcasts—reveals how cultivating virtue can help you become the joyful and peaceful person God made you to be.

For the complete list of Diocesan News & Events click:

News & Events - ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CALGARY (catholicyyc.ca)
Formed | On-Demand Catholic Movies, Audio Books, Podcasts & More
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Sunday Resources for children

<u>Catholic Mom Gospel Coloring Pages</u> <u>Sunday Connection (Gr. 1-8)</u> <u>Children's Liturgy of the Word July & August</u>