

ST. ALBERT THE GREAT CATHOLIC PARISH

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TODAY'S READINGS

Isaiah 66: 18-21 | Responsorial Psalm 117: 1-2

Hebrews 12: 5-7, 11-13 | Luke 13: 22-30



St. Thomas Aquinas Pray For Us

A prayer for the new school year

As the school year begins, we ask you to guide students, teachers, and caregivers to bless those who learn that they may grow in the knowledge of their Maker, Redeemer, and Life-giver.

Bless those who teach that they may share the wisdom they have received from above and that they may do their work with patience, grace, and a love that reflects your mercy.

May God's light shine upon all, and may those who have lost their way come home. We pray for all those involved in education!

Amen

For all those returning to school, be it teacher, student, support staff – May God bless you and keep you safe during this upcoming school year. We look forward to welcoming you when you visit for school masses.

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St. Albert the Great
ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aug 24, 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
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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 26	at 9:00 AM	Deacon Greg Lafave (RIP)
Tues, Aug 26	at 6:30 PM	Alex Tooës (RIP)
Wed, Aug 27	at 9:00 AM	Norman & Lucille Bieker (INT)
Wed, Aug 27	at 6:30 PM	Francisco Cabucos (RIP)
Thur, Aug 28	at 9:00 AM	John Millar (INT)
Thur, Aug 28	at 6:30 PM	Em-j Pavia (RIP)
Fri, Aug 29	at 9:00 AM	Nydia Jimenez (INT)
Fri, Aug 29	at 6:30 PM	Ibrahim Almasarweh (RIP)
Sat, Aug 30	at 9:00 AM	Frank & Carla Jane Romeo (INT)
Sat, Aug 30	at 5:00 PM	Joe Murphy (RIP)
Sun, Aug 31	at 9:00 AM	John & Heather Millar (INT)
Sun, Aug 31	at 11:30 AM	St. Albert the Great Parish Community
Sun, Aug 31	at 5:00 PM	Catherine Ofojebe (RIP)

MASS INTENTION AVAILABILITY

October & November are open for booking.

To request a Mass intention please visit the parish office downstairs during office hours, call

[403.257.6054](tel:403.257.6054) or email

secretary@stalbertthegreat.ca

Our parish serves over 9000 families; intentions are limited to two per family within the three-month 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	Elaine Hopfner	Kellyanne Banks	Patricia Atkinson
Al Johnson	Ernesto Valbuena	Kevin Brill	Peter Elder
Alfred Cust	Gerry Selinger	Kristin Bell	Peter Hammel
Amelia Aureo	Gertrude Hosemann	Landon Miller	Rachel Torbella
Ane Zabala	Gin Udtohan	Len Grose	Raymond Soriano
Anna Becker	Gustavo Gil	Lennon Casebeer	Restituto Jacobe
Anna Langley-Butt	Haenok F. Bekele	Leo Elder	Robert Schimpf
Arton Berisha	Hammond Family	Linda Foo	Robert Visockas
Bert Dormendo	Harold Freeman	Linda Shaw	Roberto Bencivenga
Bill Yont	Henry Retzlaff	Lori Cadrin	Roque Jacobe
Bob Tetriak	Ifeoma Sogwu	Luz Estela Gallego	Rose Panglinan
Brad Orr	Isabel Maclean	Marc Maceren	Ryan Alexander
Camilla Kosariyeganeh	Isnardo Forero	Marcus McCallum	Sam Secreti
Carnduff Family	Ivan D'Souza	Margaret Diaze	Sandra Rorbak
Carol Meredith	Iwona Pisko	Maria Elder	Sara Teklemariam
Charlotte Stapleton	Jane Grant	Maria Luis	Saturnino Jacobe
Chris G	Janyce Anderson	Michael Dudey	Sharon B. Wong
Claire Doyle	John Millar	Michelle Fiorillo	Shawn Freeman
Clara Kosariyeganeh	John Posluszny	Mike Watson	Shawn McCormick
Claude Durocher	Jonathan Ramoutar	Myrna Rolfes	Susanne Smith
Claudia Gomez	Jordan Gibson	Neil Atwater	Taylor (Boswell) Ramoutar
Dcn. Tony Klein	Kamran P. Mosavari	Norman Bieker	Taylor Rohrer
Divy Dormendo	Kathleen Megrn	Nunufekede Bekele	Ulrich Hart
Don Gelfund	Kathryn Boyer	Obroh Family	Victoria McEachern
Edith Tyndall	Katrina G. Hamedani	Owen Dorfman	

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



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
Monday, September 1st: OFFICE CLOSED – Labour Day
Tuesday, September 2nd , 10:00 AM: Mass at Rivera Care Centre
7:00 PM: CWL General Monthly Meeting, St. Albert Room
7:00 PM: Knights of Columbus Monthly Executive Council Meeting, St. Francis Room
Wednesday, September 3rd , 10:45 AM: Mass at Age Care Seton
7:15 PM: Wedding Rehearsal, Church
Thursday, September 4th , 1:30 PM: Mass at The Journey Club (Westman Village)
7:00 PM: Pastoral Care Meeting, St. Albert Room
Friday, September 5th , 1:00 PM: Wedding Celebration, Church
Saturday, September 6th , 10:30 AM: Private Baptism, Church
2:00 PM: Private Baptism, Church

PARISH SACRAMENT REGISTRATION

September 1st, 2025 Registration for the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation for 2025-2026 will open. The links will be updated on the website and will be in the upcoming bulletin. Registration will close on September 30th. Baptisms are on-going throughout the year.

Please contact Dan D'Agostino with any questions you might have: sacraments@stalbertthegreat.ca

PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS



Society of
Saint Vincent de Paul

St. Albert the Great parishioners we sincerely thank you and value all the support to offer us to help those in need. May God bless you with His choicest blessings chosen especially for you.

Monetary donations can be made through e transfers to email svdp.satg.donations@gmail.com

Matthew 25:40 - 'I assure you, as often as you did it for one of my least brothers, you did it for me.'

PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

Arts & Crafts Group invites you to join them for their summer meet up on **Tuesday, Aug 26th at 10 AM** in the parish basement, St. Albert Room. No experience required, bring your own crafts, knitting etc. All are welcome.

Our parish-sponsored new Canadian family is still in need of adequate employment to support themselves. Thanks be to God, Camilla is now working the night shift at Sobeys and studying English during the day. Though she is very tired, she is doing excellent work—please keep her in your prayers!

The family urgently needs an additional job for Clara. Despite submitting countless résumés, making in-person visits to employers, and using all available resources and contacts from our ministry team, there have been no job offers yet—although some interviews have taken place. We believe that AI screening systems may be rejecting applications due to the lack of Canadian work experience. Resumes have been reviewed by employment specialists and tailored for each position.

Clara has English Level 6 and is seeking full-time work in general employment including cleaning, retail, food service or childcare etc. She would love to work in healthcare field as she is trained in medical research and hopes to one day work again in this field. They do not have a car.

If you know of opportunities or can help in any way, please contact satgrefugee@gmail.com

Above all, please pray for employment for this family.

Thank you and God bless

St. Alberts Men's Group's next meet up is **Saturday, September 13th after the 9:00 AM Mass**. Meetings are in the Parish basement, St. Johns Hall. Everyone is welcome. Learn more here: [St. Albert's Men's Group - St Albert The Great](#)

Couples for Christ - Fall Christian Life Program: this is an 8- week program which is an integrated course intended to lead the program participants into a renewed understanding of God's call to them as Christian couples or individuals. Starting September 13 until November 1, every Saturday in the St. Albert the Great Parish, Basement. Our community is excited to invite our fellow beloved SATG parishioners to join this Christian activity, sign up will be in the **Narthex Aug 30/31, Sept 6/7 & 13/14**. Learn more here: [Couples for Christ - St Albert The Great](#)

ECYD Catholic Youth Ministry: Who is ECYD? They are an international Catholic association of adolescents. What does ECYD stand for? Encounters; ECYD offers adolescents **encounters** with themselves, Jesus Christ and with others that can transform their lives. **Convictions;** From these encounters, the adolescent then form **convictions** that become pillars in their lives. **Your Decisions;** These convictions impel them to make decisions in their lives.

St. Albert the Great Parish is excited for the new Youth Ministry Program which includes **Challenge** and **Conquest** two Official ECYD Programs. Their Catholic Curriculum fosters a deep relationship with Jesus Christ and forms adolescents as Christian leaders to transform culture. The Challenge Program here at St. Albert the Great Parish is for girls in grades 5-12 and Our Conquest Program is for boys in grades 5-12.

The first part of our program this year is training our Team Leaders – Youth in grades 9-12 in September to December who will then lead the younger youth in grades 5-8 from January, 2026 to May. With special events planned for all our youth in October & December.

Registration for the first part of our program will kick off Sept 6/7th with a presentation after each mass | Registration is \$20

Registration for the second part of our program will kick off Oct 18/19th | Registration is \$30

For questions please contact: youth@stalbertthegreat.ca

ENDOW: EMPOWERING WOMEN'S FAITH

A Diocese Feature: "Not one, but four groups of women came together to study and reflect on the teachings of St. Teresa of Avila and how they apply in their lives. They arrived with beaming smiles that lit up every corner of the parish basement, eager to learn. These women are part of ENDOW (Educating on the Nature and Dignity of a Woman) at St. Albert the Great parish.

Endow was founded in 2003 in Denver, Colorado, by Betsy Considine, Marilyn Coors, and Terry Polakovic. It is a Catholic apostolate that calls women together to deepen their faith by exploring the timeless wisdom of the Church. Drawing from the writings of Pope St. John Paul II on the "new feminism," the founders emphasized that every woman should recognize her God-given dignity and the unique gifts she brings to the world. Today, Endow reaches more than 40,000 women in over 130 dioceses worldwide through study and community."

To read the complete article please visit: <https://www.catholiccy.ca/blog/endow-empowering-womens-faith>

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 [volunteer form](#). You can email any questions to volunteers@stalbertthegreat.ca and one of our Volunteer Coordinators will connect with you.

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.

Donations 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>

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

June 2025 Collections	Budget	Actual	Shortfall/Over
Operations (Monthly)	\$77,144	\$63,830.15	\$(13,313.85)
Donations through Diocese (not regular income)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Mortgage (Monthly)	\$18,000	\$15,611.00	\$(2,389.00)
Cooling System	\$250,000	\$40,641.05	\$(209,358.95)
Together In Action (January - June)	\$78,445	\$61,065.42	\$(17,379.58)

July 2025 Collections	Budget	Actual	Shortfall/Over
Operations (Monthly)	\$77,144	\$59,364.68	\$(17,779.32)
Donations through Diocese (not regular income)	\$0	\$4,041.42	\$4,041.42
Mortgage (Monthly)	\$18,000	\$12,646.00	\$(5,354.00)
Cooling System	\$250,000	\$53,961.85	\$(196,038.15)
Together In Action (January – July)	\$78,445	\$67,093.19	\$(11,351.81)

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

NEW Is Religious Life for YOU? By Sisters of Providence | **Weekend Live-in Experience Sept 5th to 7th, 5:00PM**

Come for a personalized weekend live-in to experience how it is to live, pray, and work with the Sisters of Providence in Edmonton or Calgary. Open to single women between 22 and 40 years of age who are seriously exploring Religious Life in an active/apostolic community. Grab a pamphlet from the Narthex today!

Connect with Sr. Mae Valdez, SP at mvaldez@sistersofprovidence.ca or by phone (780) 237-8001 www.sistersofprovidence.ca

NEW Grief Share Program By St. Michael Catholic Community: St. Michael's Grief Support Ministry invites individuals who have experienced the loss of a loved one to participate in a Grief Share Program. Every Tuesday evening at St. Michael's Catholic Community, from 7 - 9 pm for a period of 8 weeks, **beginning Tuesday, Sept. 9th**. The program consists of a video seminar, group support discussion with facilitators, and a personal workbook.

To register, email peggy.tan@shaw.ca

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

NEW Annual Used Book Sale at Holy Spirit: Find your next great read at Holy Spirit CWL's Used Book Sale on **Sat, Sept 20, 2025**, from 9 am to 3 pm at Holy Spirit Parish, 10827 24 St SW, Calgary. **All books are just \$1**, with proceeds funding CWL scholarships and educational programs. Donations of gently used books are welcome from Aug 17 to Sept 17.

NEW Come and See - Secular Franciscan Order: For those seeking a deeper relationship with God through prayer, service, and love for creation, St. Mary's Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order invites you to an Introduction Session to learn more about this lay expression of Franciscan spirituality. **When: Sun, Sep 21, from 1 to 1:45 pm | St. Luke's Church** (upper meeting room). Stay after for 2 pm Mass and Celebration of Profession, followed by the fraternity gathering until 4 pm. For more information, contact Erika at bancila@telus.net | 403-835-8505.

NEW BIBLE STUDY "Please join us for a 10-part study with Dr. Edward Sri, who will lead us through the Gospel of St. John - Follow Me, to experience the joy of a renewed friendship with Christ. Classes will be over Zoom on Wednesday evenings, from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., beginning on **September 24, 2025**. Cost of the workbook is \$35.

For more information, please contact Lucille Paplawski at: paplawski@hotmail.com or (403) 479-1211."

NEW The **Archdiocese of Edmonton** invites you to this presentation where they dig deeper into the texts contained in the Nicæan Creed. **"I BELIEVE..."** is a 7-part catechesis series on the Nicæan Creed, marking the 1700th Anniversary of the First Council of Nicæa. It is presented by the Archdiocese of Edmonton, in partnership with *Newman Theological College* and *St. Joseph's College University of Alberta*. **Presenter:** Fr. Matthew Hysell. There is no cost to register, and no registration is required. **When: September 25th, 7pm** Where: in Parish (Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Sherwood Park) or watch live online at: <http://www.youtube.com/@ArchEdmonton>

NEW FIAT Retreat; A day of prayer, reflection, and discovery for young women discerning God's call to Religious or Consecrated Life. Includes Mass, Adoration, talks on discernment, and fellowship. Lunch provided. Free to attend (donations welcome). **When: Sat, Sep 27, from 8:30 am to 4 pm at St. Luke's Parish, Calgary** Please register by Sep 25 with Sr. Dianne Turner at sisterdianne.turner@calgarydiocese.ca.

Bazaar "Junk & Treasure Sale" at Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish. Everyone is invited to their "Junk and Treasure" Bazaar Sale on **September 20-21 and September 27-28 from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm**. Enjoy the meals, pastries, and goodies that will be served at the parish hall. 2111 Uxbridge Drive Northwest Calgary, AB.

2025 Worship Conference: SAVE THE DATE for the Diocesan 2025 Worship Conference: THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP - Renewing the heart of Liturgical Ministry

- Keynote talks will explore the liturgy as a living encounter with the Paschal Mystery, principles of liturgical renewal, and leadership in service of the Body of Christ.
- Participants can choose workshops tailored to their current liturgical ministry.
- Workshops will cover theological and historical foundations, diocesan guidelines, and best practices.
- Emphasis on deepening a spirituality of holiness through active ministry.

More details to follow.

For the complete list of Diocesan News & Events click:

[News & Events - ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CALGARY \(catholicyc.ca\)](https://www.catholicyc.ca)

[Formed | On-Demand Catholic Movies, Audio Books, Podcasts & More](#)

[Faithfully - ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CALGARY](#)

Sunday Resources for children

[Catholic Mom Gospel Coloring Pages](#)

[Sunday Connection \(Gr. 1-8\)](#)

[Children's Liturgy of the Word July & August](#)

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