

ST. ALBERT THE GREAT CATHOLIC PARISH

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TODAY'S READINGS

Sirach 3: 17-20, 28-29 | Responsorial Psalm 68: 3-6, 9-10

Hebrews 12: 18-19, 22-24 | Luke 14: 1, 7-14



St. Albert the Great
ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Aug 31, 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

Charitable Registration Number/BN 107909939 RR0084

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MASS INTENTIONS

UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

Tues, Sept 2	at 9:00 AM	Elaine Hopfner (INT)
Tues, Sept 2	at 10:00 AM	Ann Thomas (INT)
Tues, Sept 2	at 6:30 PM	Marcelo & Corazon Orense (RIP)
Wed, Sept 3	at 9:00 AM	Bill Yont (INT)
Wed, Sept 3	at 10:30 AM	Alain Ortanez & Family (INT)
Wed, Sept 3	at 6:30 PM	Teresita & Jacquie Santos (INT)
Thur, Sept 4	at 9:00 AM	Joshua Eway (INT)
Thur, Sept 4	at 1:30 PM	Wincenty Kloskowski (RIP)
Thur, Sept 4	at 6:30 PM	Georgette Nowicki (RIP)
Fri, Sept 5	at 9:00 AM	Gil - Gomez Family (INT)
Fri, Sept 5	at 6:30 PM	Donna & Jim (INT)
Sat, Sept 6	at 9:00 AM	Fabriciono Reyes (RIP)
Sat, Sept 6	at 5:00 PM	Sequeira Family (INT)
Sun, Sept 7	at 9:00 AM	Rosita Sobrepena (RIP)
Sun, Sept 7	at 11:00 AM	St. Albert the Great Parish Community
Sun, Sept 7	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 Megran	Nunufekede Bekele	Ulrich Hart
Don Gelfund	Kathryn Boyer	Obroh Family	Victoria McEachern
Edith Tyndall	Katrina G. Hamedani	Owen Dorfman	

PARISH EVENT SCHEDULE



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
7:00 PM: First Friday Holy Hour/Sacred Heart of Jesus, 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

"Put your trust in Him and following His example, always act humbly, graciously, and in good faith."

— St. Vincent de Paul

We welcome your support always. Thank you.

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

Dr. Donna Beegle has been speaking at various SSVF conferences for many years to help us better understand the situation of some people we serve. "Hope is the wings for grabbing an opportunity." She offers her personal experience of poverty and I invite you to listen to this pod cast (Ctrl+Click): <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=biWaRqXYrp8>

WHAT'S NEW AT THE PARISH

NEW! STARTING IN SEPTEMBER!

MONTHLY "FIRST FRIDAY" EVENING HOLY HOUR 7-8PM

Beginning Friday, September 5th @7-8PM

and occurring monthly after each FIRST FRIDAY evening Mass, we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Confession, and Prayer Ministry!

First Friday is a devotional way of honoring the Sacred Heart of Jesus by spending an hour in Eucharistic adoration on the first Friday of every month. During this time we offer reparation for sin and seek special graces. Common practices during Adoration include worship (silently expressing your love for Jesus), prayer, reading Scripture or other spiritual reading, intercession (pray for others), and examination of conscience.

Come, sit at the feet of Jesus!

First Friday

*Immediately following the
6:30pm evening Mass*

**Eucharistic Adoration
Confessions
Prayer Ministry
Litany to the Sacred Heart**

**7-8pm
St Albert the Great Parish**

*Unum est necessarium
Only one thing is necessary*



Why is this devotion so powerful? Well, Jesus revealed to St Margaret Mary Alacoque the immense love and mercy flowing from His Sacred Heart. He promised special graces to those who sincerely draw near to His Heart, such as peace in your family, help in your trials and sufferings, and assistance at the hour of your death. Learn more about the promises here:

<https://fatima.org/first-friday-devotion/>

Your fervent Holy Communion, as a special act of reparation and love to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, will greatly console Our Lord for the ingratitude and outrages that He endures for our sake in the Blessed Sacrament!



**AN INTRODUCTION TO
PRO-LIFE
DIALOGUE**

DATE & TIME
Monday, October 6th
8:00-9:30pm

LOCATION
St. Albert the Great
Catholic Church
Parish Hall
10 Prestwick Dr. SE

THE WORKSHOP
*Do you want to learn how to
have **compassionate and
compelling conversations about
abortion** with your friends, co-
workers, family members, and
members of our community?*

*Join for this interactive workshop
and learn how you can be a part
of building a Culture of Life!*

QUESTIONS? CONTACT: Cam Côté, CCBP speaker - ccote@endthekilling.ca

***THIS WORKSHOP WILL NOT INCLUDE ANY
ABORTION VICTIM IMAGES**
Make abortion unthinkable | www.endthekilling.ca

MONDAY OCTOBER 6th Pro-Life Conversation Skills Workshop

For many, conversation about abortion can be intimidating and awkward, but they don't need to be.

Join Cam Côté, St. Albert the Great parishioner and host of the world's largest pro-life apologetics podcast, on *Monday, October 6th* from 8:00-9:30pm in the parish hall for an interactive workshop focused on how to have compelling and compassionate conversations about abortion.

With these tools, you will be equipped to have productive conversations with friends, family members, and members of our community, together building a Culture of Life.

Visit for more information: <https://www.endthekilling.ca/>

Contact Cam with questions at ccote@endthekilling.ca.

PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) Registration

This year at St Albert the Great, CGS will only be held **Wednesday afternoons from 1:15 – 3:15 pm** in the Children's Liturgy room. There will be no Saturday morning classes at this time. Because there has been a lot of interest in CGS and a maximum of 12 children are allowed in the class, registration will fill up quickly.

This program at St Albert the Great is for children ages 3 to 6 years old

- Children must be 3 years old by June 30, 2025 and be independent in the washroom
- Children must be no older than 6 years old by September 1, 2025

Dates: for 2025 – 2026 school year

- October 1, 8, 15 & 22 (staggered entry the first 3 weeks)
- November 20, 27, December 3, 10 & 17
- January 14, 21, 28 and February 4
- March 4, 11, 18 & 15
- April 22, 29 May 6 & 11



Cost for full year * DO NOT PAY until YOUR CHILD'S REGISTRATION has been CONFIRMED *

- 1 child \$180 / year (\$80 due October 15, 2025 & \$100 due January 31, 2026)
- 2 or more children \$250 / year (\$100 due October 15, 2025 & \$150 due January 31, 2026)

CONTACT: Sheila at cgscalesouth@gmail.com or 403-617-9530 More information on CGS www.cgsac.ca or www.cgsusa.org

REGISTRATION:

- Registration opens online on September 1, 2025 at noon and closes on September 7, 2025 at noon
- Confirmation of your child's registration will be sent to you by September 14, 2025
- DO NOT PAY until YOUR CHILD'S REGISTRATION has been CONFIRMED

Knights of Columbus invite you to join them for their Monthly General Council meeting **Tuesday, September 9th 7:00PM.**

The Knights of Columbus is a Catholic Fraternal Organization, founded in 1882 by Father Michael J. McGivney in New Haven, Connecticut as a men's fraternal benefit society to render financial aid to members and their families. Mutual aid and assistance are offered to sick, disabled and needy members and their families. Social and intellectual fellowship is promoted among members and their families through educational, charitable, religious, social welfare, war relief and public relief works.

The first Knights of Columbus council in Alberta and Northwest Territories was formed in Edmonton on January 5, 1907 with 30 Charter members. Since then, the Knights have grown to more than 175 councils and more than 18000.

You can join today!

St. Albert the Great Parish meetings are the second Tuesday of the month after the evening Mass.

CONTACT: For more information please email: gk12446@kofc.ab.ca or to sign up online visit: <https://www.kofc.ab.ca/onlinemembership>

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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](#)

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](#)

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 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.

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

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

For questions please contact: youth@stalbertthegreat.ca

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

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) | <https://stalbertthegreat.ca/donations>

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

Healing Service September 6, 2025 All are welcome to **Encounter School of Ministry Healing Service** on **Saturday, September 6th** at **St. Peter's Church** in Calgary, following the 5:00 PM Mass. 541 Silvergrove Dr. NW, Calgary. AB

6:30 PM | Opening Praise & Worship

7:00 PM | Gospel Healing Presentation

7:30 PM | Corporate Prayer for Healing & Testimonies

8:30 PM | Individual Prayer Ministry

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

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.**

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.

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.

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.

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>

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.

For the complete list of Diocesan News & Events click:

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