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TODAY'S READINGS

Amos 6: 4-9 | Responsorial Psalm 146: 6-10 1 Timothy 6: 11-16 | Luke 16: 19-31

29 SEPTEMBER: ARCHANGELS MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL



Proclaimers of God's mysteries

The three Archangels, whom we celebrate on 29 September, were contemplatives of the Glory of God and messengers of the Good News. Their names express their mission, not their nature. They are messengers of the Lord who proclaim his will and "along with the Saints, constitute the immense multitude of worshippers of the living God".

Their names refer to God: Michael, (Mikha-el) means "Who is like God?", is Patron Saint of the Gendarmerie Corps of Vatican City State. Gabriel, which means "God is my strength", is the messenger par excellence, while Raphael, which means "God heals", represents Divine Providence.

Excerpt taken from Vatican State website: <u>29 SEPTEMBER: ARCHANGELS</u> MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL

There will be NO MASSES or CONFESSIONS

October 7th, 8th & 9th while the priests are away for their study days.

Charitable Registration Number/BN 107909939 RR0084



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept 28, 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

Office Hours

Mon to Fri: 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,	Sept	30	at	9:00 AM	Keith Gosling (RIP)
Tues,	Sept	30	at	6:30 PM	Letitia D'Almeida (RIP)
Wed,	Oct	1	at	9:00 AM	Peter & Pauline Chimko (RIP)
Wed,	Oct	1	at	10:30 AM	Souls of the Gutierrez Family (RIP)
Wed,	Oct	1		6:30 PM	Ed Hellingwerf (RIP)
Thur,	Oct	2	at	9:00 AM	Richard Joseph (RIP)
Thur,	Oct	2	at	1:30 PM	Alain Ortanez & Family (INT)
Thur,	Oct	2	at	6:30 PM	Fr. Andrew & Fr. Chris (INT)
Fri,	Oct	3	at	9:00 AM	Roseller Jr. Arieta (RIP)
Fri,	Oct	3	at	6:30 PM	Erica Gordon (INT)
Sat,	Oct	4	at	9:00 AM	John & Ethel Chimko (RIP)
Sat,	Oct	4	at	5:00 PM	Michael Schmidt (INT)
Sun,	Oct	5	at	9:00 AM	Frank Romeo (INT)
Sun,	Oct	5	at	11:00 AM	St. Albert the Great Parish Community
Sun,	Oct	5	at	5:00 PM	Norman McAllister (RIP)

MASS INTENTION AVAILABILITY

November & December are open for booking.

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

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.

NATIONAL TRUTH & RECONCILIATION



Justice, Healing & Reconciliation

On 8 February 2023, the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops issued the following four pastoral letters on reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples. Intended as a framework for local engagement with Indigenous Peoples, the letters are the fruit of many months of listening, encounter, and dialogue with them, including through <u>Listening Circles</u>, the <u>Indigenous Delegation to the Vatican</u> in April 2022, and <u>Pope Francis' Apostolic Voyage to Canada</u> in July of the same year.

Pope Francis made a pastoral visit to Canada from July 24 to 29, 2022. The Pope's visit provided a unique opportunity for him, once again, to listen and dialogue with Indigenous Peoples, to express his heartfelt closeness and to address the impact of colonization and the participation of the Catholic Church in the operation of residential schools throughout Canada. The papal visit also provided an opportunity for the shepherd of the world's 1.2 billion Catholics to connect with the Catholic community in Canada.

Together as the Diocese of Calgary, we unite our efforts in working with the Indigenous Peoples in the pursuit of truth, justice, healing, and reconciliation.

Learn more about the **Indigenous Reconciliation Fund (IRF) here**

The parishioners in the Diocese of Calgary can contribute to the IRF through our diocesan Together In Action campaign.

PRAYER BOARD

"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**

Al Eberle	Don Gelfund	Karen Wong	Owen Dorfman	
Al Johnson	Edith Tyndall	Kathryn Boyer	Patricia Atkinson	
Alfred Cust	Elaine Hopfner	Katrina G. Hamedani	Paul Schneider	
Amelia Aureo	Elizabeth Emefiene	Kellyanne Banks	Peter Hammel	
Ane Zabala	Felicia Nduaguba	Kristin Bell	Rachel Torbella	
Anna Becker	Francise Nduaguba	Landon Miller	Raymond Soriano	
Anna Langley-Butt	Francoise Lefebvre	Lawrence McNally	Restituto Jacobe	
Augustus Nduaguba	Gertrude Hosemann	Len Grose	Richard Roldan	
Bert Dormendo	Gin Udtohan	Lennon Casebeer	Robert Schimpf	
Bill Yont	Gustavo Gil	Leo Elder	Robert Visockas	
Bob Tetriak	Hammond Family	Leticia Okanknwo	Rod P.	
Camilla Kosariyeganeh	Harold Freeman	Linda Foo	Roque Jacobe	
Carnduff Family	Henry Retzlaff	Linda Shaw	Rose Panglinan	
Carol Meredith	Ifeoma Sogwu	Lori Cadrin	Ryan Alexander	
Casmas Nduaguba	Isabel Maclean	Lucia Nduaguba	Ryan Riddell	
Charlotte Stapleton	Isnardo Forero	Luz Estela Gallego	Sam Secreti	
Chioma Odili	Ivan D'Souza	Marc Maceren	Sandra Rorbak	
Chris G.	Iwona Pisko	Margaret Diaze	Saturnino Jacobe	
Christine Roldan	Jane Eduaputa	Maria Elder	Shawn Freeman	
Claire Doyle	Jane Grant	Maria Martinelli	Shawn McCormick	
Clara Kosariyeganeh	Janyce Anderson	Michael Dudey	Sogwu family	
Claude Durocher	Jared Heath Roldan	Mike Watson	Susanne Smith	
Clement Okanknwo	John Millar	Myrna Rolfes	Taylor Rohrer	
Dcn. Tony Klein	John Posluszny	Neil Atwater	Tiara Ricci Roldan	
Divy Dormendo	Jordan Gibson	Norman Bieker	Ulrich Hart	
Dlaysush Nduaguba	Kamran P. Mosavari	Obroh Family	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

Loving God, we pray that you will comfort those who are suffering,

lend skill to the hands of my healers, and bless the means used for their cure.

Give us such confidence in the power of your grace, that even when we are afraid,

We may put our whole trust in you; through our Savior, Jesus Christ.

PARISH EVENT SCHEDULE

Saturday & Sunday, September 27/28, Knights of Columbus Bottle Drive Weekend	
Monday, September 29, 6:30 PM: Sacrament of First Reconciliation Parent Session, Church	
7:30 PM: Sunday 5pm Choir Practice, Church	
Tuesday, September 30, Office Closed for National Truth & Reconciliation Day	
Wednesday, October 1, Office Closed for Diocesan Training	
10:30 AM: Mass at Age Care Seton	
7:00 PM: CWL Executive Meeting, St. Francis Room	
7:00 PM: RCIA, Parish Basement	
Thursday, October 2, 1:30 PM: Mass at The Journey Club (Westman Village)	
4:30 PM: Wedding Rehearsal, Church	
6:30 PM: ECYD Catholic Youth Ministry, Main Hall (Registration Required)	
7:00 PM: CAYA Faith Studies, Various Rooms (Registration Required)	
7:30 PM: Wedding Rehearsal, Church	
Friday, October 3, 6:30 PM: Reconciliation Preparation Session 1, Main Hall (Registration Required)	
7:00 PM: First Friday Holy Hour, Church	
Saturday, October 4, 11:30 PM: Wedding Celebration, Church	
2:00 PM: Wedding Celebration, Church	
5:00 PM: Christian Life Program Session #3, Various Rooms (Registration Required)	
6:00 PM: Parish Renewal Celebration, Narthex	
Sunday, October 5, Parish Renewal Celebration After All Masses	



From Symptoms to Solutions Information Session – Saturday September 27th at 7pm At St. Albert the Great

Parish. Do you have symptoms of a hormone imbalance? For many women who suffer from painful periods, infertility, PCOS, PMS, fatigue, brain fog and burn out it can feel like there is no solution. Join Heather Patel, Certified FertilityCare Practitioner & Hormone Coach for an information night. You'll walk away with how to track your cycle with Creighton, hormone balancing tips, understanding what's normal in your cycle and how to spot signs of hormone imbalance.

\$5 at the door. Registration required. https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/from-symptoms-to-solutions-tickets-1553227107089?aff=oddtdtcreator

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.

Contact Cam with questions at ccote@endthekilling.ca.



PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

Connect Night Presents: Into the Deep, Finding Peace Through Prayer Want greater peace in your life? Want to go deeper in the topic of prayer? Join us for a monthly series for anyone desiring to begin or deepen their prayer life. What sets authentic Christian prayer apart from the many "spiritual" practices being promoted today? How does one pray? Journey with us the fourth Thursday of each month through a video formation series - INTO THE DEEP - with small group discussions and fellowship. Based on the book "Into the Deep: Finding Peace Through Prayer" by Dan Burke, founder of the Avila Foundation and former president of EWTN. October 23rd at 7pm

CALLING ALL ARTISIANS – VENDORS WANTED for our first Arts & Crafts Fair taking place **November 15**th & **16**th. \$20 Table Fee, includes 1 table and 2 chairs. Hosted by our Arts & Crafts Group – To book a table or for more information please email <u>secretary@stalbertthegreat.ca</u> Registration closes October 31st.



"I will always welcome joyfully any opportunity that comes my way to be of service to you." — <u>St. Vincent de Paul</u>

St. Vincent de Paul (April 24, 1581 – September 27 1660)

September 27 is the feast day of St. Vincent de Paul. His life exemplifies the transformation from a wealthy priest to a servant of the poor; he was later canonized in 1737 by Pope Clement XII. He founded the Congregation of the Mission and the Daughters of Charity, and many years later became the inspiration for Frederic Ozanam who founded the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. St. Vincent de Paul was declared the patron saint of all works of charity by Pope Leo XIII.

Email: svdp.satg.donations@gmail.com

PARISH SACRAMENT REGISTRATION

Registration Closes Sept. 30th for the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation for 2025-2026. Click here to register: <u>Sacraments - St Albert The Great</u>

Baptisms are on-going throughout the year.

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

40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN

40 Days for Life Campaign: St. Albert the Great Parish is excited to invite parishioners to participate in this autumn's 40 Days for Life peaceful prayer vigil at the Kensington Clinic (2431 5 Ave NW) on **Friday, October 17**th **between 9am and 4pm**.

Parishioner and long-time pro-life leader Cam Côté will be on location at all times during this vigil day, and you are invited to contact him at ccote@endthekilling.ca if you plan to join or have any questions whatsoever!

For resources about Pro-Life please visit: Pro-Life Resources | Respect Life

FIRST FRIDAY HOLY HOUR

JOIN US OCTOBER 3rd for First Friday Devotion

What is Prayer Ministry?

You may have noticed we are offering prayer ministry at First Friday evening Holy Hours, as well as at Come As You Are Adoration nights. Prayer ministry is a form of spiritual care where you come before the Lord together with trained prayer ministers.

Jesus promised, "Wherever two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them." You will be welcomed to share any specific needs, struggles or prayer intentions, in confidentiality and without judgement. The prayer minister will lead a prayer of intercession, then invite the Holy Spirit to speak and move. At its heart, prayer ministry is coming together with another, presenting your needs to the Lord, and allowing space to encounter God's healing love.



CELEBRATING 140 YEARS OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Celebrating 140 Years of Catholic Education

This year we mark 140 years of Catholic education in Calgary. Our schools have been places where faith and learning come together—helping students grow in wisdom, compassion, and hope. Catholic Education Sunday is a time to give thanks for this gift and to pray for the future of Catholic education.

Together, let us remain anchored in Christ, our beacon of hope. For more information, please visit: https://theccef.ca/fundraisers/catholic-education-sunday/

The Calgary Catholic Education Foundation is a Canadian registered charity that provides enhanced learning opportunities through classroom and school grants. In partnership with our supporters and funders, The CCEF ensures that students will benefit from these gifts in publicly funded Catholic education for generations to come.

The Foundation was established by Catholic community members in 2009 in response to the need for external fundraising that fits within the values of our Catholic faith. We received support from Bishop (Emeritus) Frederick Henry to make an annual appeal in November on Catholic Education Sunday that continues to this day. Since 2009. The CCEF has awarded over \$3.6 million in grants to the Calgary Catholic School District schools and classrooms.

There is no better gift we can leave behind than the gift of education.

School Grant Inquiries

CCEF Grants are open from October 1-31 yearly to all eligible CCSD Schools. If you would like more information, please contact by email grants@theccef.ca_visit https://theccef.ca/grants/#available-grants



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: <u>Donations - St Albert The Great | https://stalbertthegreat.ca/donations</u>

All Tip Tap Pay donations will continue go towards the parish Cooling system Fundraiser.

PARISH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

August 2025 Collections	Budget	Actual	Shortfall/Over
Operations (Monthly)	\$77,144	\$58,294.85	\$(18,849.15)
Donations through Diocese (not regular income)	\$0	\$0	\$0
Mortgage (Monthly)	\$18,000	\$12,721.00	\$(5,279.00)
Cooling System to end of August 2025	\$250,000	\$73,963.79	\$(176,036.21)
Together In Action (January - August)	\$78,445	\$73,035.23	\$(5,409.77)

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

NEW October 11th Public Square Rosary Rally By Canada Needs Our Lady - St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

We want to invite you to join in a Public Square Rosary Rally, at 12:15PM outside of St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church (1423 - 8 Ave SE) on Saturday, October 11, 2025 after the 11:15AM Holy Mass. This Public Square Rosary, sponsored by Canada Needs Our Lady, will be one of hundreds of rallies that will take place all across Canada on that day.

Please join us in offering reparation for the sins and offenses committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary and to fervently pray for the conversion of Canada. The intention for our Rosary Crusade is to beg God and our lady to save Canada from today's immorality and secularism.

Praying the Rosary for Canada. Please join us! As human efforts fail to solve Canada's key problems, we turn to God, through His Holy Mother, asking His urgent help.

NEW Brick by Brick: St. Gabriel's Dinner Fundraiser – October 24th St. Gabriel the Archangel Parish invites you to a special evening in support of the parish building project. Enjoy a delicious dinner by Roma Catering, wine and spirits, dancing, live music, and an auction! When: **Fri, Oct 24, from 5:30 pm at Chestermere Rec Centre (201 West Chestermere Dr, Chestermere).**

Tickets: \$50, available after weekend Masses at the ticket booth at St. Gabriel the Archangel School or by calling the Parish Office at 403-455-0196.

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

NEW Friday October 31st Night Vigil Eucharistic Adoration By St. Luke's Church, Calgary. Would you be willing to spend an hour sitting quietly and just being in the presence of Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. 40 Friday Night Vigil Eucharistic Adoration starts on March 7, 2025, through to November 28, 2025. Log into https://forms.gle/WfHZggVU7bY9Z5Sr5 or call Aann Abraham at 587.968.6939"

NEW Permission: Fr. Bob Bedard's Vision for the Church - A film screening. All are welcome to a 75-minute film on Fr. Bob Bedard, "Permission: Fr. Bob Bedard's Vision for the Church," founder of the Companions of the Cross. Save the date: Sat, Nov 1 at 7 pm at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Cochrane. The screening will be followed by interviews with several people who were close to him. Admission is free.

NEW 11th Annual Fall Dinner & Auction Fundraiser Sat Nov 1st. The Sacred Heart Church Annual Dinner and Auction Fundraiser is so much fun and a great success, and it's all because of you! Enjoy a DELICIOUS dinner, a live and silent auction, and entertainment as part of the evening's festivities. Tickets are \$50 each * Viewing of the Auction Items will start at 5:00 pm * Dinner at 6:00 pm * Live Auction will commence at 7:30 pm. For more information or to purchase a ticket, please contact Gorete or Harry Salm at 403.934.4817 or contact the Parish Office at 403.934.2641. Held at the Strathmore Civic Center - 120 Brent Blvd., Strathmore

NEW Transitions is a 16-week peer-led, God-centred support group that is designed to foster healing in its participants. It is facilitated within a confidential, safe, and respectful environment of community and belonging for individuals working through the pain of separation and divorce. The group meets every **Tuesday, beginning November 18, 2025** (7 to 9 pm). No fee to register – limited spots are available. Register now at catholicyyc.ca/transitions

NEW Advent Retreat December 5th - By Mount St Francis Retreat Centre. Each of us faces uncertainties and trials. Each day we anchor ourselves in the Mystery of the Divine. These retreats are an invitation to our relationships, our living and our responding to how the Divine Mystery meets us. Mixed Retreats are for both Men and Women. All of our retreats are silent. **Check Out** <u>www.mountstfrancis.ca</u> **for more details and registration information.**

2025/2026 Mixed Retreats:

- Advent Retreat December 5-7
- Winter Stillness December 12-14
- St Vincent de Paul Society January 16-18
- Couples Retreat March 20-22
- Anglican Retreat April 17-19
- Living In the Spirit June 12-14

SEEDS OF THE WORD

But if only someone would go to them. Pray for those who are called to 'run the race' as priests, sisters, deacons or brothers. If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Fr. Derek Remus, Associate Director of the Office of Vocations - Early Discernment & Seminary Admissions.

Email: derek.remus@calgarydiocese.ca | https://www.catholicyyc.ca/vocations

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
Faithfully - ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CALGARY

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>