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TODAY'S READINGS

Wisdom 9: 13-18 | Responsorial Psalm 90: 3-6, 12-17

Philemon 9: 10, 112-17 | Luke 14: 25-33



The Catholic Church celebrates the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary on its traditional fixed date of September 8, nine months after the December 8 celebration of her Immaculate Conception as the child of Saints Joachim and Anne.

Saint Augustine described the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary as an event of cosmic and historic significance, and an appropriate prelude to the birth of Jesus Christ. "She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley," he said.

The fourth-century bishop, whose theology profoundly shaped the Western Church's understanding of sin and human nature, affirmed that "through her birth, the nature inherited from our first parents is changed." Excerpt from The Catholic News Agency [The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary](#)

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St. Albert the Great
ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept 7, 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

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	9	at	9:00 AM	Emma Zabala (RIP)
Tues,	Sept	9	at	11:00 AM	Christopher Corpuz & Family (INT)
Tues,	Sept	9	at	6:30 PM	Kate & Family (INT)
Wed,	Sept	10	at	9:00 AM	Bernie Seneviratne (INT)
Wed,	Sept	10	at	6:30 PM	Caitean Rodrigues (RIP)
Thur,	Sept	11	at	9:00 AM	Georgette Nowicki (RIP)
Thur,	Sept	11	at	6:30 PM	Numeriano B. Amihan (RIP)
Fri,	Sept	12	at	9:00 AM	Seneviratne Family (INT)
Fri,	Sept	12	at	6:30 PM	Hermine Dueck (RIP)
Sat,	Sept	13	at	9:00 AM	Sharon van der Sloot (INT)
Sat,	Sept	13	at	5:00 PM	Dennis Czinkota (RIP)
Sun,	Sept	14	at	9:00 AM	Deacon Greg Lafave (RIP)
Sun,	Sept	14	at	11:00 AM	St. Albert the Great Parish Community
Sun,	Sept	14	at	5:00 PM	Mrio Suguitan (INT)

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

OUR LADY OF SORROWS



You can learn more about this dedication here:

[September: Dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows](#)

Why is September Dedicated to Our Lady of Sorrows?

As with all the monthly devotions in the Catholic Church, the development took place over time. Devotion to Our Mother of Sorrows, supported in Sacred Scripture, dates back to the early Church Fathers contemplating Mary's sufferings at the foot of the cross. Throughout Church history, various orders and saints have had a special devotion to Our Lady under this title and as such, have focused their ministries on prayer and penance. September eventually became known as the month of Our Lady of Sorrows because Her feast day of that title had been fittingly appointed for September 15th, the day following The Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

Although The Blessed Virgin endured more interior pain than we can comprehend, the Church has given us seven sorrows on which we can meditate in identification with Our Mother of Sorrows. Our Lady herself has promised graces to those who honor Her in this way.

The Seven Sorrows are:

1. St. Simeon's Prophecy
2. The Flight into Egypt
3. The Loss of Jesus in the Temple
4. The Meeting of Jesus and Mary on the Way of the Cross
5. The Crucifixion
6. Mary Receives the Body of Jesus taken down from the Cross
7. The Burial of Jesus

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	Dlaysush Nduaguba	Kamran P. Mosavari	Neil Atwater
Al Johnson	Don Gelfund	Kathleen Megran	Norman Bieker
Alfred Cust	Edith Tyndall	Kathryn Boyer	Nunufekede Bekele
Amelia Aureo	Elaine Hopfner	Katrina G. Hamedani	Obroh Family
Ane Zabala	Ernesto Valbuena	Kellyanne Banks	Owen Dorfman
Anna Becker	Felicia Nduaguba	Kevin Brill	Patricia Atkinson
Anna Langley-Butt	Francise Nduaguba	Kristin Bell	Peter Hammel
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Augustus Nduaguba	Gertrude Hosemann	Len Grose	Raymond Soriano
Bert Dormendo	Gin Udtohan	Lennon Casebeer	Restituto Jacobe
Bill Yont	Gustavo Gil	Leo Elder	Robert Schimpf
Bob Tetriak	Haenok F. Bekele	Leticia Okanknwo	Robert Visockas
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Camilla Kosariyeganeh	Harold Freeman	Linda Shaw	Rose Panglinan
Carnduff Family	Henry Retzlaff	Lori Cadrin	Ryan Alexander
Carol Meredith	Ifeoma Sogwu	Lucia Nduaguba	Sam Secreti
Casmas Nduaguba	Isabel Maclean	Luz Estela Gallego	Sandra Rorbak
Charlotte Stapleton	Isnardo Forero	Marc Maceren	Sara Teklemariam
Chioma Odili	Ivan D'Souza	Marcus McCallum	Saturnino Jacobe
Chris G	Iwona Pisko	Margaret Diaze	Sharon B. Wong
Claire Doyle	Jane Eduaputa	Maria Elder	Shawn Freeman
Clara Kosariyeganeh	Jane Grant	Maria Luis	Shawn McCormick
Claude Durocher	Janyce Anderson	Maria Martinelli	Susanne Smith
Claudia Gomez	John Millar	Michael Dudey	Taylor (Boswell) Ramoutar
Clement Okanknwo	John Posluszny	Michelle Fiorillo	Taylor Rohrer
Dcn. Tony Klein	Jonathan Ramoutar	Mike Watson	Ulrich Hart
Divy Dormendo	Jordan Gibson	Myrna Rolfes	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 SACRAMENT REGISTRATION

Registration for the sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation for 2025-2026 are now open. Click here to register: [Sacraments - St Albert The Great](#)

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 EVENT SCHEDULE



Saturday, September 6th , 8:00 AM: Couples for Christ Youth Camp Training
10:30 AM: Private Baptism, Church
2:00 PM: Private Baptism, Church
Sunday, September 7th , ECYD Youth Group Sign Up after all Masses
Monday, September 8th , 7:30 PM: Sunday 5pm Choir Practice
Tuesday, September 9th , 10:00 AM: Arts & Crafts Group, St. Albert Room Basement
11:00 AM: Rivera Long Term Care (McKenzie Towne Retirement Home)
7:00 PM: Monthly Knights of Columbus General Council Meeting, St. Albert Room
Wednesday, September 10th , 7:00 PM: RCIA Inquiries, St. Albert Room
Friday, September 12th , 5:00 PM: Couples for Christ Prayer Assembly, Parish Basement Hall
6:00 PM: Canasta Group, St. Albert Room
7:00 PM: Parish Renewal Team Planning Meeting, Parish Office
Saturday, September 13th , 9:30 AM: St. Albert's Men's Group Meet up, St. Johns Hall, Basement
10:30 AM: Group Baptisms, Church
3:00 PM: Altar Server Training, Church
6:00 PM: St. Vincent De Paul Silent Collection, Narthex
4:00 PM: Christian Life Program Session 1 by Couples for Christ, Main Hall
Sunday, September 14th , 10:00 AM: Sunday Social, Main Hall, Parish Basement
St. Vincent De Paul Silent Collection, Narthex – After all Masses

PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS



Society of
Saint Vincent de Paul

Thank you, St. Albert the Great parishioners for your kind generosity.

We welcome and engage in earnest prayer to help us feed those experiencing food insecurity. **Next weekend our members will be present after each mass with collection baskets for St Vincent de Paul.** With every loonie received, we are able to buy a twoonie worth of food. Every dollar is valuable and they add up, one at a time.

We accept e transfers at email svdp.satg.donations@gmail.com

PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

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**
To register please click here: <https://forms.office.com/r/7ibgMty9nN?origin=lpLink>

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

For questions please contact: youth@stalbertthegreat.ca | [ECYD Youth Ministry - St Albert The Great](#)

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 cgsalsouth@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**



PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

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>

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 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](#)



St. Albert the Great

CALLING ALL ARTISANS

Christmas CRAFT FAIR

VENDORS WANTED

15-16 NOV

REGISTRATION CLOSES OCT 31ST 2025

Hosted by St. Albert the Great's Arts & Crafts Group.
Main Parish Hall
10 Prestwick Dr. SE, Calgary AB

\$20 TABLE FEE
Includes 1 table and 2 chairs

TO BOOK A TABLE E-MAIL:
secretary@stalbertthegreat.ca
www.stalbertthegreat.ca

SATG Ministries who book by Oct. 10th Receive \$5 Off



SAVE THE DATES

SATG

HOMECOMING WEEKEND

SEPT | **20 & 21** | 2025

Ministry Fair & Nametag Weekend

Saturday September 27th

Annual Volunteer Appreciation BBQ
1:00pm to 3:00pm

St. Albert the Great

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

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.

NEW 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=oddttdtcreator>

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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