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TODAY'S READINGS

Sirach 35: 15-1 7, 20-22 | Responsorial Psalm 34: 1 - 2, 16-22 2 Timothy 4: 6 - 8, 16-18 | Luke 18: 9 - 14



The "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults" is the process by which faith seekers journey towards becoming full members of the Catholic Church. Our parish is experiencing an outpouring of the Holy Spirit through incredible growth in the RCIA ministry. Currently, we have 14 new seekers who have joined us this fall to learn more about the Catholic faith, and each of them will require a sponsor!

A sponsor is a companion, prayer partner, and Christian witness. You do not need to be a teacher of the faith, just a fully initiated, practicing Catholic who is willing to walk with and support a catechumen or candidate on their spiritual journey through the RCIA process. The time commitment is to attend some of the weekly Wednesday evening catechesis sessions, several liturgical rites, and, ultimately, the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil. It is a truly blessed experience to serve as a sponsor!

If you think that the Holy Spirit may be calling you to accompany one of our seekers, please join us for an **information session for potential sponsors on Wed, Oct. 29 at 7:30pm**. If you are interested or have questions, contact Tanya Schmidt at: rcia sponsors.SATG@shaw.ca

St. Albert the Great

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Oct 26, 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

Charitable Registration Number/BN 107909939 RR0084

UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

"Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up." - Luke 18:1

Tues,	Oct	28	at	9:00 AM	Merlyn Plettell (RIP)
Tues,	Oct	28	at	6:30 PM	Bronislaw Krutewicz (RIP)
Wed,	Oct	29	at	9:00 AM	Jose & Osvalda Ferreira (RIP)
Wed,	Oct	29	at	6:30 PM	Prospero V. Tablizo (RIP)
Thur,	Oct	30	at	9:00 AM	Felicidad Balala & Lourdes Cabalce (RIP)
Thur,	Oct	30	at	6:30 PM	Anna Cherian (INT)
Fri,	Nov	31	at	9:30 AM	Romuald & Edward Lakowski (RIP)
Fri,	Nov	31	at	6:30 PM	Tara Cherian (INT)
Sat,	Nov	1	at	9:00 AM	Jesus Morales (RIP)
Sat,	Nov	1	at	5:00 PM	Bill & Dorothy Werbowski (INT)
Sun,	Nov	2	at	9:00 AM	Evelyn Juvida (RIP)
Sun,	Nov	2	at	11:00 AM	St. Albert the Great Parish Community
Sun,	Nov	2	at	5:00 PM	Patrick Honish (INT)

MASS INTENTION AVAILABILITY

The first three weeks of January are open for booking. Please note October & November & December are full.

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 three-month period.

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

PARISH EVENT SCHEDULE

Monday, October 27, 7:00 PM: Sunday 5pm Choir Practice, Church Choir Pit								
Tuesday, October 28, 9:30 AM: Arts & Crafts Group, St. Albert Room								
7:00 PM: CWL Executive Meeting, St. Albert Room								
7:00 PM: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting, Boardroom								
Wednesday, October 29, 9:30 AM: 50+ Fabulous Group Meet Up, St. Albert Room, Parish Basement								
12:00 PM: Prayer Ministry, Library								
7:00 PM: Welcome Ministry Training, Church								
7:00 PM: RCIA, Main Hall								
Thursday, October 30, 9:30 AM: Kitchen Organization, Hall Kitchen								
6:30 PM: ECYD Youth Ministry, Parish Hall (Previous Registration Required)								
7:00 PM: Faith Studies, St. Francis Room & St. John the Baptist Room (Library)								
Friday, October 31, 10:30 AM: Decorating Group, Church								
Saturday, November 1, Christmas Eve Children's Mass Sign Up, Narthex after all Sunday Masses								
3:00 PM: Welcome Ministry Training, Church								
5:00 PM: CFC, Christian Life Program Session 6, Main Hall								



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**

Agnelo Dias	Divy Dormendo	Katrina G. Hamedani	Rachel Torbella
Al Eberle	Don Gelfund	Kellyanne Banks	Restituto Jacobe
Al Johnson	Edith Tyndall	Kristin Bell	Richard Roldan
Alfred Cust	Elaine Hopfner	Landon Miller	Rob M.
Amelia Aureo	Eleanor Cutshaw	Lawernce McNally	Robert Schimpf
Anna Langley-Butt	Elizabeth Emefiene	Len Grose	Robert Visockas
Anna Marie Kolesar	Frank Parto	Lennon Casebeer	Rod P
Anne Zabala	Gertrude Hosemann	Leo Elder	Roque Jacobe
Arton Rizah Berisha	Gin Udtohan	Linda Foo	Rosanne Pinchin
Bert Dormendo	Gustavo Gil	Linda Shaw	Rose Panglinan
Bill Yont	Harold Freeman	Lori Cadrin	Ryan Alexander
Bob Tetriak	Henry Retzlaff	Luz Estela Gallego	Ryan Riddell
Burke Masse & Surgery Team	Ifeoma Sogwu	Marc Maceren	Sam Secreti
Camilla Kosariyeganeh	Isabel Maclean	Margaret Diaze	Sandra Rorbak
Carnduff Family	Isnardo Forero	Maria Elder	Saturnino Jacobe
Carol Meredith	Ivan D'Souza	Michael Dudey	Sharon Berisha Wong
Charlotte Stapleton	Jane Grant	Mike Watson	Shawn Freeman
Cheryl Mioamico	Janyce Anderson	Myrna Rolfes	Shawn McCormick
Chris G	Jared Heath Roldan	Neil Atwater	Sogwufamily
Chris Lloyd	Jessica Gibson	Norman Bieker	Susanne Smith
Christine Roldan	John Millar	Obroh Family	Taylor Rohrer
Clara Kosariyeganeh	John Posluszny	Owen Dorfman	Tiara Ricci Roldan
Claude Durocher	Kamran P. Mosavari	Patricia Atkinson	Ulrich Hart
Clay Cutshaw	Karen Wong	Paul Schneider	Victoria McEachern
Dcn. Tony Klein	Kathryn Boyer	Peter Hammel	

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

Prayer For Strength And Grace

Lord Jesus, who cured the sick and laid a healing hand upon the lame, the blind, and the disabled; look with compassion upon me in my suffering.

If it is not your will to cure me,
then give me the strength to bear my burden
and offer it up to You.
You suffered so much for me.
Give me the grace to offer my sufferings in union with Your own,
and in reparation for my sins and those of others.
Mary, compassionate Mother, pray for your weary child.

The health of the Sick, Comforter of the Afflicted, pray for me.

Amen

PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

ECYD Youth Ministry registration is NOW OPEN. For youth in grades 5 to 12. Visit our website for more information & to register: <u>ECYD Youth Ministry</u> | **ECYD Youth Ministry invites you** to attend their Youth Adoration night **Wed November** 5th from 7:30pm to 9pm in the Church for Grades 9 to 12.

Children's Christmas Eve Mass Sign Up will be in the Narthex after all Sunday Masses on the weekend of Nov 1 & 2. Be sure to visit their table if you didn't get a chance to participate last year.

Knights of Columbus Chapter Memorial Mass Nov 6th @ 6:30PM. Join the Knights of Columbus for their 2025 Calgary Chapter Memorial Mass on Thursday, November 6th at 6:30pm here at St. Albert the Great Parish.

We are a truly thankful SVP conference here at St. Albert the Great. We are blessed with steady support from Fr. Andrew and Fr. Kris to conduct our efforts here, and for all of the parishioners who continue to keep filling our bas kets. Thank you to everyone who keeps us going!

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

In 1831, Frédéric Ozanam went to Paris to begin his studies in law. He and some fellow students created a debate club focusing on issues of the day. A member challenged him to demonstrate his faith in a way other than words, to prove that the faith Ozanam spoke highly of was alive in him. To meet this challenge, Ozanam and a few of his friends founded a group to assist the poor in Paris. Thus began the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

"Let us do without hesitation whatever lies in our hands." - Frédéric Ozanam

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS - SAVE THE DATES

You are invited to our first ever **Arts & Crafts Fair** hosted by our Arts and Crafts group. Join us starting at **Noon on Saturday Nov 15 until 7pm.** And **Sunday Nov 16 from 10am until 7pm.** Come support many local artisans and crafters and get a Catholic Gift for that special someone on your Christmas list. All vendors will be accepting cash, a select few will be accepting tap & e-transfer.

Festival of Crèches Saturday November 29th Noon to 7pm and Sunday Nov 30th 10am to 3pm. Begin the wonderous season of Advent by brining your family to view hundreds of magnificent Nativity Scenes from around the world. Be sure to visit our Nativity Workshop in St. John's Hall where you can be inspired and learn how to build your own family Crèche! \$20/per Family, \$5/single person. Cash, cheque, e-transfer at the door. All proceeds go to the West Plains Foundation.

From Symptoms to Solutions November 22nd at 7PM with guest speaker Heather Patel, Certified Fertility Care Practitioner & Hormone Coach. Do you have symptoms of a hormone imbalance? Painful periods, PMS, Infertility, Brain Fog, Fatigue or Burn out? Join Heather and learn how to track your cycle, balance your hormones, understand what's normal in your cycle and how to spot the signs of an imbalance. \$5 at the door

St. Albert the Great Parish presents **The Stampede City Mixed Chorus** with SATG Parishioners "The Flight Before Christmas." **Saturday, Dec 6**th at **7:30 pm**. Admission is free, but donations to St. Vincent de Paul are greatly appreciated!

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

REMINDER Join Bishop William T. McGrattan for the Mass for Life, celebrating the gift and dignity of every human life. When: **Tue, Oct 28, at 5 pm at St. Mary's Cathedral.** Let us give thanks to God, the Author of Life, and pray for the protection and dignity of every human person. All are welcome!

REMINDER Women's ENDOW Group at Clear Water Academy. Mothers are invited to join a 6-week ENDOW study group to deepen their faith, build friendships, and support one another. The program runs **Fridays from Oct 31 to Dec 12, 12–2 pm** at Clear Water Academy (3910 Quesnay Wood Dr SW, Calgary). Complimentary childcare is available for children ages 2–5. Fee: \$30. Call 403-240-7908 to register.

NEW Is Religious Life for YOU? Nov 7 -9th **Weekend Live-in Experience.** 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 explorating Religious Life in an active/apostolic community. Connect with Sr. Mae Valdez, SP at mvaldez@sistersofprovidence.ca or by phone (780) 237-8001 | www.sistersofprovidence.ca

St. Gertrude the Great's Purgatory Prayers & Potluck. By St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Nov 15th 11:15am. Imagine Our Lord releasing every soul in Purgatory you knew or were connected to. St. Gertrude the Great, the patron saint of the Holy Souls in Purgatory, was given a beautiful gift: A prayer to petition for the release of 1000 souls from Purgatory, each time it is prayed earnestly. Fathers Bengry and Beahen and the Women's Auxiliary and the Rosary Brigade welcome you to gather in prayer and fellowship on Saturday, November 15th, following the 11:15 AM Mass. A potluck luncheon in Cross Hall will follow for all who wish to celebrate this great saint's feast day as a parish community. You can bring framed photos of your beloved departed family members to honour them. Sign up here: sje@ordinariate.ca

NEW Memorial Liturgy for those grieving miscarriage or infant loss, with Bishop McGrattan presiding. When: **Tue, Nov 18 at 7 pm** at St. Mary's Cathedral. Info & Registration <u>miscarriageliturgy.ca</u> or call Mara at <u>403-218-5521</u>

NEW The Diocese of Calgary invites parishioners and ministry leaders for the ministry of bereavement as part of the Church's call to pastoral renewal. When: Saturday, Nov 1, from 10 am to 1 pm Where: Ascension Parish Cost: nominal fee of \$10/person Register by Oct 26 online here or contact Mara at 403-218-5521 | mara.capili@calgarydiocese.ca

REMINDER Transitions is a 16-week peer-led, God-centered 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 Red Wednesday Mass with Bishop McGrattan - Pray for Persecuted Christians. Join Bishop McGrattan, pray and show our solidarity with persecuted Christians and the millions who face oppression, persecution, and threats for their faith. **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19 AT 5 pm.** St. Mary's Cathedral, 219 18 Ave SW, Calgary.

NEW Altar Servers Recognition Mass. All altar servers are invited to join Bishop McGrattan for this special celebration. Please register with your parish. **When: Sun, Nov 23, at 1 pm** at St. Michael's Catholic Community. For more information, contact Hardy Del Castillo at 587-703-1585.

NEW St. Mary's High School is hosting an Open House in celebration of their 140th Anniversary. All current and former students, families, staff and community supporters are invited. **When: Monday, December 8th Time:** 5 - 7 pm **Where:** St. Mary's High School, 111 18 Ave SW, Calgary. Come see our exciting new Collegiate Design Lab. Wander the halls and soak in the history. See and meet current students practicing / rehearsing / hosting. Enjoy cake and refreshments!

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

NEW As a follow-up to the Worship Conference "The Church at Workshop" - Music Workshop in October, we are offering a Sacred Music Workshop Series to deepen our understanding of liturgical music.

The first session, Introduction to Chants in the Liturgy, is open to all parish choir members and anyone curious about the beauty of chant. The chants in this session will be sung in English, making it accessible to everyone. You do not need prior experience or plans to introduce chant in your parish to join. This is a chance to learn and discover more about the Church's rich musical heritage together.

Session: Introduction to Chants in the Liturgy Saturday, Nov 15, from 9:30 am to 12 pm (Mass at 9 am) at St. Mary's Cathedral, Calgary. Register by Thursday, Nov 13 at catholicyyc.ca/sacredmusic. For any questions re Sacred Music workshops and resources, contact: Lia O'Hara, 403-218-5521 or <a href="mailto:emailto:

NEW It is a pleasure to officially announce the Diocesan Advent Renewal Retreat featuring Archbishop Prendergast: "Advent Listening: How the Word Forms Hearts for Discipleship and Mission". When: Saturday, Dec. 6, 2025, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm - livestreamed to all parishes.

Enter into the holy season of Advent with a renewed spirit of listening. Join Archbishop Terentius Prendergast for a reflective retreat on how the living Word of God shapes our hearts for discipleship and mission. Live-streamed to all parishes.

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

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

SEEDS OF THE WORD WANTED: Humble sinners who know the forgiveness of God. These make good servants of the Gospel. They can be priests, deacons, sisters 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

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Children's Liturgy of the Word July & August