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TODAY'S READINGS

Habakkuk 1: 2-3; 2: 2-4 | Responsorial Psalm 146: 1-2, 6-9
2 Timothy 1: 6-8, 13-14 | Luke 17: 5-10



COME JOIN THE CELEBRATION AT ALL THE WEEKEND MASSES!

Welcome Home! This weekend, we joyfully unveil our Parish Renewal Plan—two years in the making, prayed over, and guided by the Holy Spirit.

At its heart is our mission: *to be a joyful and welcoming parish, a spiritual home where all are embraced, proclaiming Jesus, teaching His truth, and serving with His love.*

Renewal begins with each of us in prayer, and we invite you to join upcoming spiritual initiatives such as First Friday Adoration and monthly “Into the Deep” prayer nights.

After Mass, join us for our Renewal Celebration to learn more about the plan, enjoy refreshments and fellowship, and celebrate the beginning of this new chapter together.

There will be NO MASSES or CONFESSIONS

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



St. Albert the Great
ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Oct 5, 2025

Mass Schedule

Monday:	No Mass
Tuesday:	No Mass: Oct 7
Wednesday:	No Mass: Oct 8
Thursday:	No Mass: Oct 9
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:	No Confession: Oct 7
Wednesday:	No Confession: Oct 8
Thursday:	No Confession: Oct 9
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

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MASS INTENTIONS

UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

Tues,	Oct	7	at	9:00 AM	Edith Tyndall (INT)
Tues,	Oct	7	at	10:00 AM	Georgette Nowicki (RIP)
Tues,	Oct	7	at	6:30 PM	Maria Rosarinha Olga Martins Da Silva (RIP)
Wed,	Oct	8	at	9:00 AM	Joe Murphy (RIP)
Wed,	Oct	8	at	6:30 PM	Jessie Lynn Tale (INT)
Thur,	Oct	9	at	9:00 AM	Sharon van der Sloot (INT)
Thur,	Oct	9	at	6:30 PM	Lucille Bath (INT)
Fri,	Oct	10	at	9:00 AM	Maarten van Beers (INT)
Fri,	Oct	10	at	6:30 PM	Abundio Delim Jr. (RIP)
Sat,	Oct	11	at	9:00 AM	Ray Unabia (RIP)
Sat,	Oct	11	at	5:00 PM	Kevin Hogan (INT)
Sun,	Oct	12	at	9:00 AM	Ray Herrington (RIP)
Sun,	Oct	12	at	11:00 AM	St. Albert the Great Parish Community
Sun,	Oct	12	at	5:00 PM	Roque Soares (RIP)

All Mass Intentions Scheduled on Oct 7, 8 & 9th will be said at the retreat centre where the priests are for their study

MASS INTENTION AVAILABILITY

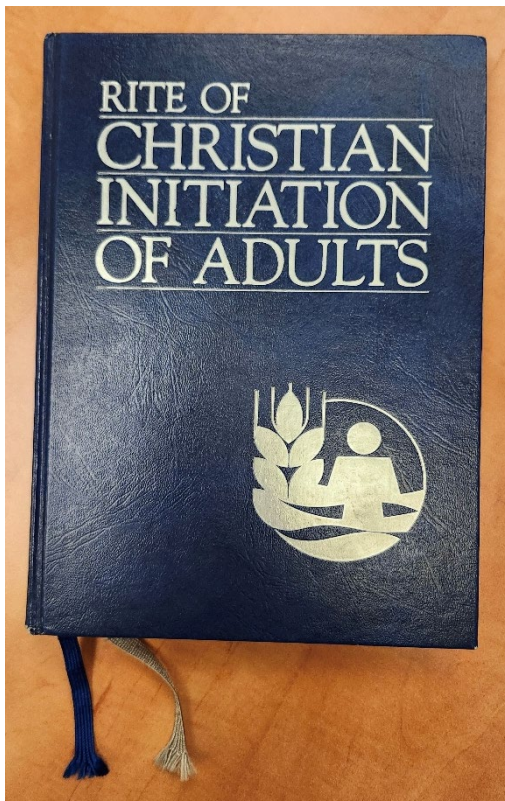
December is open for booking. Please note October & November are full.

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.

RCIA SPONSORS NEEDED ~ S.O.S. (SAVE OUR SEEKERS!)



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

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



Sunday, October 5, Parish Renewal Celebration After All Masses
Monday, October 6, 6:00 PM: CFC Tongues Workshop, Various Rooms (Registration Required)
6:30 PM: Reconciliation Preparation Session 1, Main Hall
7:30 PM: Sunday 5pm Choir Ministry Practice, Church
8:30 PM: Pro-Life Workshop with Guest Speaker Cam Côté, Main Hall
Tuesday, October 7, 10:00 AM: Arts & Crafts Group, St. Albert Room, Basement
6:30 PM: Reconciliation Preparation Session 1, Main Hall
7:00 PM: CWL General Monthly Meeting, St. Albert Room, Basement
7:00 PM: K of C Monthly Executive Council Meeting, St. Francis Room
7:00 PM: Lector Training, Church (Previous Registration Required)
Wednesday, October 8, 9:30 AM: 50+ Fabulous Group, St. Albert Room
6:30 PM: Reconciliation Preparation Session 1, Main Hall
7:00 PM: St. Vincent de Paul Ministry Orientation, St. Francis Room
7:00 PM: RCIA, St. Albert Room
Thursday, October 9, 9:30 AM: Grandparents Ministry Monthly Meeting
9:30 AM: St. Vincent de Paul Food Drive Delivery, Main Hall
1:00 PM: CWL Advent Wreath Prep, St. Francis Room
6:30 PM: ECYD Catholic Youth Ministry (Prior Registration Required)
7:00 PM: Lector Training, Church (Previous Registration Required)
7:00 PM: Faith Studies, Various Rooms (Previous Registration Required)
Friday, October 10, 11:00 AM: Funeral Mass, Church- Reception following, Main Hall
4:00 PM: Wedding Rehearsal
5:00 PM: Couples for Christ – Prayer Assembly, Main Hall
6:00 PM: Canasta Group, St. Albert Room
7:15 PM: Wedding Rehearsal, Church

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY OCTOBER 7

On October 7, the Roman Catholic Church celebrates the yearly feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. Known for several centuries by the alternate title of “Our Lady of Victory,” the feast day takes place in honor of a 16th century naval victory which secured Europe against Turkish invasion. Pope St. Pius V attributed the victory to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who was invoked on the day of the battle through a campaign to pray the Rosary throughout Europe.

The feast always occurs one week after the similar Byzantine celebration of the Protection of the Mother of God, which most Eastern Orthodox Christians and Eastern Catholics celebrate on October 1 in memory of a 10th-century military victory which protected Constantinople against invasion after a reported Marian apparition.

Pope Leo XIII was particularly devoted to Our Lady of the Rosary, producing 11 encyclicals on the subject of this feast and its importance in the course of his long pontificate. In the first of them, 1883’s “Supremi Apostolatus Officio,” he echoed the words of the oldest known Marian prayer (known in the Latin tradition as the “Sub Tuum Praesidium”), when he wrote, “It has always been the habit of Catholics in danger and in troublesome times to fly for refuge to Mary.” *Except taken from The Catholic News Agency Website: [Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary](https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/100000/our-lady-of-the-rosary)

Catholic Faith Formation has wonderful resources on the Rosary and other Catholic devotions:

<https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/saints/saints-stories-for-all-ages/our-lady-of-the-rosary/>

PARISH PRO-LIFE EVENTS

October 5th: Life Chain

Life Chain is a peaceful and prayerful witness to the sanctity of all human life. This annual demonstration brings awareness to the ongoing injustice of abortion and the harm it inflicts on mothers, fathers, and the community at large. It is a simple but powerful reminder to our fellow citizens of our duty to defend the weakest members of our society.

On the day of the event, those participating in Life Chain will stand at various predetermined intersections for one hour in quiet prayer, holding non-graphic signs with slogans like: "Abortion Kills Children," "Abortion Hurts Women," "Adoption: A Loving Option, and "Jesus Forgives & Heals." The signs are distributed and collected by a local organizer. This organizer will direct participants and liaise with any law enforcement, business owners, or media.

Our organizer is Cam Côté – please Contact Cam with questions at ccote@endthekilling.ca.

If you are unable to attend, we encourage you to pray for those who will be on site.

Seeking Protection for Vulnerable Lives

Holy Father, we come before You with hearts full of concern for the vulnerable lives among us.

We ask for Your divine protection to surround them, shielding them from harm and despair.

Grant them strength, hope, and the support they need to thrive.

May Your love be a refuge, guiding them toward safety and peace.

In Your mercy, we trust.

Amen.

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.

Contact Cam with questions at ccote@endthekilling.ca.

October 17th: 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 17th 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](#)

Prayer for Life and Hope

Holy Father, we come before You with heavy hearts, seeking Your divine mercy and wisdom. We pray that every life conceived may be cherished and protected. Illuminate our world with compassion and understanding, guiding hearts to embrace love and hope. Grant strength to those in need of support and healing. Amen.

PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

St. Albert the Great Grandparents Support Group First meeting Thursday, Oct. 9th

We are a faith-filled community of grandparents who come together to support one another and our grandchildren and their parents on their faith journey with Christ rooted in Catholic values. We strive to nurture the faith of the next generation through prayer, encouragement, and shared wisdom.

We recognize that every family is unique, and each of us is at a different point on our faith journey. Our group offers a loving, non-judgmental space where we can grow together in hope, strengthen our trust in God's plan, and uplift one another through life's joys and challenges.

Together, we seek the beauty of our Catholic faith—not by pressure, but through presence, prayer, and love. We welcome all grandparents—grandmothers, grandfathers, step-grandparents, parents, and those who serve as spiritual grandparents.

The group meets the second Thursday of each month in the St. Albert room at 10am. Our next session is Oct 9th, we will be discussing Role of a Grandparent. We look forward to seeing you there.

From Persecution to New Life - One Year in Canada - Our SATG sponsored family update

When we read about persecuted Christians around the world, it is easy to feel helpless. Yet we are not, for here at St. Albert the Great, we have been able to make a real difference!

One year ago, Camilla, Clara, and Catrina arrived in Canada after fleeing Iran because of persecution of their Catholic faith. Since then, thanks to our parish's support and their own dedication, they have learned English, adjusted to a new culture, and found part-time work; all while continuing to heal from trauma and separation from loved ones. The financial help, food from St. Vincent de Paul, friendship of parishioners, and the prayers of our community have made an immense difference in their lives.

The family recently moved to a downtown apartment closer to transit and work. Our parish has also applied to sponsor Camilla and Clara's father and Clara's husband. Financial support will be provided when they arrive, though it will be reduced as the sisters contribute more through their work income.

Camilla shares: "One year ago Clara was in a deportation camp, and my mom and I could not eat from fear. Finding a job has been really hard, but we are happy in Canada—we are safe, God is with us, and we will never forget your kindness and the love you showed our family, you are the light of Christ! Thank you so much, may God bless you always."

Please keep the family in your prayers, for stable employment and the safe arrival of their loved ones and for their continued success making a life in Canada.



Society of
Saint Vincent de Paul

Matthew 25:37 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or see you thirsty and give you drink?'

Next weekend our members will be present after each mass with collection baskets for St Vincent de Paul hampers.

We sincerely appreciate your generous gifting to our SVP conference.

As always, we accept e transfers at email [svdp.satg.donations@gmail.com](mailto:svdpsatg.donations@gmail.com)

Frédéric Ozanam was born on April 23, 1813 in Milan. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul was founded by Frédéric Ozanam on April 23 in 1833, more than 150 years after St. Vincent's death.

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>

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

NEW CCCB PRESIDENT & PERMANENT COUNCIL



The Diocese of Calgary joins the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops in announcing its new President, Bishop Pierre Goudreault, and the new Permanent Council!

We are deeply thankful for the hard work and dedicated service of our own Bishop William McGrattan as he completes his term as CCCB President, and for the entire outgoing Permanent Council. We extend our prayers and support to the new leadership team as they begin their service to the Church in Canada.

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- [Bishop McGrattan's Plenary Assembly Report for 2025](#)
- [Daily video report of Plenary Assembly 2025](#)
- [New Members of CCCB Executive Committee & Permanent Council](#)

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

NEW The Singles for Christ Christian Life Program (CLP) is an entry point into the life of the community. Through a series of talks, group discussions, and fellowship, participants are introduced to a personal relationship with Jesus, the power of the Holy Spirit, and the call to live a life of faith in community.

Open to all single men and women ages 18–40, this is an invitation to encounter God's love and experience His transforming grace.

 Every Saturday from **October 4 to November 22, 2025**

 6:00 PM | St. Luke's Catholic Church (1566 Northmount Dr NW, Calgary)

Register here: <https://forms.gle/PqXNRV3j3FHKmx6i7>

For more information:

Ryu (306) 807-7885 | Guelly (825) 994-1699

Facebook: CFC Singles For Christ Calgary | Instagram: CFCSFCCALGARY

White Mass - Inviting all Health Care Workers. All are invited to the annual White Mass on the Feast of St. Luke, hosted by the Calgary Catholic Medical Association. Join us on **Sat, Oct 18 at 9 am at St. Mary's Cathedral (219 18 Ave SW, Calgary).** Fr. Nathan Siray, CCMA Chaplain, will preside. A social will follow in the parish hall. All are welcome! [More](#)

Prison Ministry Volunteers Needed

Help bring hope behind prison walls. We're looking for compassionate individuals to lead prayer time, including the Sunday Readings and Rosary, at correctional facilities in our Diocese. *"I was in prison and you visited me. (Matt 25:36)"* Email receptionist@calgarydiocese.ca or call **403-218-5500** to learn more.

Career opportunities within Calgary's Catholic community and beyond:

- [Senior Accountant Diocesan Finance \(Full-time\), Catholic Pastoral Centre](#)
- [Accounts Receivable Clerk \(Full-time\), Catholic Pastoral Centre](#)
- [Administrative Assistant \(Full-time\), Holy Name, Calgary](#)
- [Administrative Assistant \(Full-time\), St. Bonaventure, Calgary](#)
- [Family Faith Coordinator \(Part-time\), St. Bonaventure, Calgary](#)
- [Various Positions with St. Mary's University](#) | [Calgary Catholic School District](#) | [Christ the Redeemer Catholic Schools](#) | [Holy Spirit Catholic School Division](#) | [Medicine Hat Catholic Board of Education](#) | [Conseil scolaire FrancoSud](#) | [Clear Water Academy](#) | [Covenant Health](#)

For detailed job descriptions and application process, visit our [Careers page](#)

SEEDS OF THE WORD "Increase our faith." Listen for the voice of God. Are you being called to be a priest or religious? 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.catholiccycc.ca/vocations>

For the complete list of Diocesan News & Events click:

[News & Events - ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CALGARY \(catholiccycc.ca\)](#)

[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](#)

For more information Diocesan News & Events please visit <https://www.catholiccycc.ca/news>