# ST. ALBERT THE GREAT CATHOLIC PARISH

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#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

Malachi 4: 1-2 | Responsorial Psalm 98: 5-6, 7-9 2 Thessalonians 3: 7-12 | Luke 21: 5-19

#### MESSAGE OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR THE 9<sup>th</sup> WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

In this promotion of the common good, our social responsibility is grounded in God's creative act, which gives everyone a share in the goods of the earth. Like those goods, the fruits of human labor should be equally accessible to all. Helping the poor is a matter of justice before a question of charity. As Saint Augustine observed: "You give bread to a hungry person; but it would be better if none were hungry, so that you would have no need to give it away. You clothe the naked, but would that all were clothed and that there be no need for supply this lack" (In I loan., 8:5).

It is my hope, then, that this Jubilee Year will encourage the development of policies aimed at combatting forms of poverty both old and new, as well as implementing new initiatives to support and assist the poorest of the poor. Labor, education, housing and health are the foundations of a security that will never be attained by the use of arms. I express my appreciation for those initiatives that already exist, and for the efforts demonstrated daily on the international level by great numbers of men and women of good will.

Let us entrust ourselves to Mary Most Holy, Comforter of the Afflicted and, with her, let us raise a song of hope as we make our own the words of the Te Deum: "In you, O Lord, is our hope, and we shall never hope in vain."

From the Vatican, 13 June 2025, Memorial of Saint Anthony of Padua,
Patron Saint of the Poor

LEO PP. XIV

To read the full message please visit: Message of the Holy Father for the 9th

St. Albert the Great

33<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY in Ordinary Time

Nov 16, 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,	Nov	18	at	9:00 AM	Mia Altura (INT)	
Tues,	Nov	18	at	11:00 AM	Joicelle Corpuz (INT)	
Tues,	Nov	18	at	6:30 PM	Jerry Donovan (RIP)	
Wed,	Nov	19	at	9:00 AM	Alicia Lopez (RIP)	
Wed,	Nov	19	at	6:30 PM	Richard Sychterz (RIP)	
Thur,	Nov	20	at	9:00 AM	Richard Sychterz (RIP)	
Thur,	Nov	20	at	6:30 PM	Ciro Parra (RIP)	
Fri,	Nov	21	at	9:00 AM	Cosmelita & Abraham Romero (RIP)	
Fri,	Nov	21	at	6:30 PM	James & Jessie LynTale (INT)	
Sat,	Nov	22	at	9:00 AM	Marthon & Cyprian Anthony (RIP)	
Sat,	Nov	22	at	5:00 PM	Veronica Corney (RIP)	
Sun,	Nov	23	at	9:00 AM	Robert Millar & Family (INT)	
Sun,	Nov	23	at	11:30 AM	St. Albert the Great Parish Community	
Sun,	Nov	23	at	5:00 PM	Rev. Fr. Magnus Chukwu (RIP)	

#### MASS INTENTION AVAILABILITY

January & the first three weeks of February are open for booking. Please note 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.

### ARTS & CRAFTS FAIR NOV 15/16



#### **HELP SUPPORT OUR PARISH!**

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**.

Admission is free. We are excited to announce that our CWL will be selling Advent wreaths & Candles, Sunday Social will be selling baked goods, our SATG Arts & Crafts group will be selling hand crafted items and our Youth Ministry will be onsite after all Sunday Masses selling Sunday Missals for \$5, Youth Missals for \$10.

Some of our exciting external vendors are <u>Mary's</u>
<u>Nook, Hearts on Fire, Perpetua Press, The Art of the Icon, Rich Well Studios, Busy Bees, Little Chings, Gift for Friend</u> and many more!

Though out the event our Sunday Social Ministry will have Tea / Coffee for \$1/cup & Knights of Columbus will be selling hotdogs, a bag of chips and a can of pop for \$5

All vendors will be accepting cash, a select few will be accepting debit/credit & e-transfer.

Come support many local artisans and crafters and get a Catholic Gift for that special someone on your Christmas list.

### PRAYER BOARD

"In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans." — **Romans 8:26** 

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

**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 to Saint Peregrine**

O great St. Peregrine, you have been called "The Mighty," "The Wonder-Worker," because of the numerous miracles which you have obtained from God for those who have had recourse to you. For so many years you bore in your own flesh this cancerous disease that destroys the very fiber of our being, and who had recourse to the source of all grace when the power of man could do no more. You were favored with the vision of Jesus coming down from His Cross to heal your affliction. Ask of God and Our Lady, the cure of the sick whom we entrust to you. (Pause here and silently recall the names of the sick for whom you are praying) Aided in this way by your powerful intercession, we shall sing to God, now and for all eternity, a song of gratitude for His great goodness and mercy. Amen

## PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

Into the Deep, Finding Peace Through Prayer Thursday, Nov 27th at 7pm in the parish hall. No registration required, just show up! What sets authentic Christian prayer apart from the many "spiritual" practices being promoted today? How does one pray? How does one find true peace? We continue our monthly series on "INTO THE DEEP - Finding Peace through Prayer. This video series includes small group discussions and fellowship. Based on the book by Dan Burke, founder of the Avila Foundation and former president of EWTN.

**Hello Ladies 50 and Older!** I'd like to invite you to join our parish group called **"50 & Fabulous"** — where our theme is *Faith, Friends, and Fun!* We meet every **Wednesday morning from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.** in the **St. Albert Room**. It's a wonderful opportunity to connect with other women in our parish, grow in faith, and share lots of laughter together. There's **no fee to join** and **no strict rules** — just come as you are! Take the time to visit, see if our group feels like a good fit for you, and decide from there. We'd love to welcome you — **hope to see you on November 19! Dorothy, 50+ Coordinator** 

**Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest:** The **Knights of Columbus** are hosting a poster contest for children is grades K to 8. Students can create a poster that reflects the theme of "Keep Christ in Christmas". 2. Each poster should be the original work (including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images) of a single person. 3. Posters should be 11X17 inches in size. If pastels, chalk or charcoal are used the poster must be laminated or covered with clear plastic. Posters may be in color or in black and white. **Posters are Due December 12<sup>th</sup> at Noon.** Stop by the Knights table this weekend and pick up a entry form. Bring your posters back to the parish office during office hours or the welcome desk on the weekends – be sure to give it to a volunteer please do not leave it on the counter.

## ELIZABETH HOUSE FUNDRAISER

Help make this Christmas special for the moms and babies of Elizabeth House again this year, by donating items from their Christmas Wishlist. Print/Download Christmas Wish List | Print/Download Adopt a Family Wish List in partnership with SATG Knights of Columbus we are accepting donations in the Narthex.

Thanks to the wonderful donations seen here from last years drive, we were able to help many moms and babies with much needed items.

#### Some of the items on this year's wish list include:

Baby Wipes, New baby clothes size newborn to 6, Disposable diapers size newborn to 6, personal care items for mom (feminine hygiene, hair and body products, basic manicure sets, feminine pads & tampons)

They also require items for moms to "move out" with. These items include NEW dishes, pots and pans, cutlery, cooking utensils, dish towels, toaster, kettle, cleaning products, etc. \*Walmart has amazing deals & liquidation stores such as Bianca's in the SE.



Please drop off donations in the clearly labeled boxes in the West side of the Narthex by Nov 30<sup>th</sup>.



## SVDP CHRISTMAS HAMPER PROGRAM

# The 2025 Christmas Hamper Program launch!



Starts When: weekend of November 16 – also World Day of the Poor

Where: Narthex of St. Albert the Great Church

Look for the **Giving Trees** and take a gift tag inviting you to purchase gift cards (specifically Walmart, Superstore or Canadian Tire) for a family with children. These will be included with the Christmas Food Hamper so the parent can purchase that very special gift for their child.

Gift cards must be returned to a Vincentian / St. Vincent de Paul (SVP) member in the Narthex after weekend masses, directly into the regular collection baskets, or to the church office **by Sunday Dec 14th** so we can include them in the hampers. Note: we no longer accept toys.

**SVP Information Table** will have pamphlets describing our program, including a list of the food we pack in the hampers. Signup sheets are there if you can deliver a Christmas Hamper on Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>.

SVP members (Vincentians) will be available to answer questions you may have.

We have been very blessed with support from our parishioners in the past. We need delivery teams to deliver the Christmas Hampers on Saturday Dec. 20th. Parishioners have expressed excitement for this superb opportunity to participate as a family, as a team. We anticipate 250 families in our community will need our support, and the cost of this program will exceed \$75,000.

Donated funds will help purchase fresh fruit, vegetables, and non-perishable food items to fill the Christmas hampers as well as sustain both food hampers and other means of support to our less fortunate neighbours throughout the upcoming year.

Would you like to sponsor a family? Family of 3 Food and Gifts = \$375 Family of 5 Food and Gifts = \$525

You may email questions to <a href="mailto:satg.svp@gmail.com">satg.svp@gmail.com</a> or choose a sponsorship and send your monetary donation as described below\*.

Donations throughout the year can be made by cash, cheque (to SSVP or Society of St. Vincent de Paul), or e-transfer to <a href="mailto:svdp.satg.donations@gmail.com">svdp.satg.donations@gmail.com</a>. \*If you are sponsoring a family, please say that in the message box, and always provide your name and contact information so we can send you a tax receipt.

**Did you know**: We receive <u>all</u> the funds you pay when you <u>donate directly to us</u> rather than through an online charitable donation collection service.

Your gift is greatly needed and is very appreciated! Tax receipts will be issued in February 2026. Thank you from all of us at SATG St. Vincent de Paul!

May YOU be richly blessed for bringing Christmas Joy to our many friends this year

# CATHOLIC EDUCATION NOV 22 & 23





Celebrate Catholic Education Sunday November 22-23, 2025

# ANCHORED IN CHRIST, BEACON OF HOPE

#### Celebrating 140 Years of Catholic Education in Calgary

In this 140th year of Catholic education in Calgary, we give thanks for the gift of Catholic schools—where faith, learning, and community are nurtured.

Grounded in Christ and guided by the Gospel, Catholic education helps our students grow in truth, compassion, and purpose.

With your support, the CCEF continues to enrich learning in our schools, igniting hope for over 64,000 students.

The Calgary Catholic Education Foundation supports students in 120 schools across Calgary, Airdrie, Cochrane, and Chestermere. We fund projects in:

- Social Justice
- Leading-edge learning opportunities such as portable technology
- · Stewardship and leadership development in students
- · Safe and caring faith-based programs
- Playgrounds
- Campus Calgary/Open Minds®

"We have this hope, a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul." - Hebrews 6:18-19

# Show your support today



#### Online

Scan this QR code.

Donate securely and with confidence online at: bit.ly/CCEFCES

#### By cheque

Mail your donation to:

Calgary Catholic Education Foundation 1000 - 5 Avenue SW Calgary, AB T2P 4T9

#### At your local parish

If attending mass on November 22 & 23, 2025 place your donation in the dedicated envelope from your pew.

All donations are 100% tax deductible.





## WEEKLY PARISH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 16, St. Vincent de Paul Society Hamper Program Kick Off Weekend					
10:00 AM: Arts & Crafts Fair, Parish Main Hall					
1:00 PM: Simbang Gabi Choir Practice, Church					
6:15 PM: Children's Christmas Mass rehearsal, Church					
Monday, November 17, 6:30 PM: Reconciliation Preparation Session 3, Main Hall					
7:30 PM: Sunday 5pm Choir Ministry Practice					
Tuesday, November 18, 9:30 AM: Arts & Crafts Group, St. Albert Room					
11:00 AM: Mass @ Auburn Heights Retirement Residence					
6:30 PM: Reconciliation Preparation Session 3, Main Hall					
7:00 PM: KofC General Monthly Meeting, St. Albert Room					
7:00 PM: New Canadian Family Ministry Meeting, St. Francis Room					
Wednesday, November 19, 9:30 AM: 50+ Fabulous Group Meet Up, St. Albert Room, Parish Basement					
6:30 PM: Reconciliation Preparation Session 3, Main Hall					
7:00 PM: RCIA, Main Hall					
Thursday, November 20, 6:30 PM: Youth Ministry, Main Hall					
7:00 PM: SVdP Monthly Meeting, St. Albert Room					
7:00 PM: 9 AM Choir Ministry Practice, Church					
7:00 PM: Faith Studies, St. Francis Room & St. John the Baptist Room (Library)					
Friday, November 21, 10:30 AM: Decorating, Church					
5:00 PM: Couples for Christ Teaching Night, Parish Basement					
6:30 PM: Simbang Gabi Choir Practice, Church					
Saturday, November 22, 9:30 AM: St. Albert's Men's Group, St. Johns Hall					
11:00 AM: Couples for Christ Teaching Night, Parish Basement					
7:00 PM: Fertility Awareness Presentation, Parish Basement					

### UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS - SAVE THE DATES

From Symptoms to Solutions November 22<sup>nd</sup> 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

Showcase your Nativity at the Festival of Crèches. Parishioners are invited to showcase their Nativity sets at the upcoming Festival on November 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>. Do you have a **Crèche** from around the world, one that tells a special story? We would love to showcase it. Interested Parishioners are welcome to **call the office with questions and or to participate please email:** festivalofnativitiesyyc@gmail.com

Join us on December 6 at 7:30 pm for a Christmas Concert featuring the Stampede City Mixed Chorus. Admission is free, but we will gladly accept donations to support the St. Vincent de Paul Society in order to help reach out to those in need. You will be treated to a performance of some of your favorite Christmas Carols woven into a Christmas Eve travel adventure narrated in the style of "The Night Before Christmas". This family friendly performance will leave you with a smile on your face and Christmas cheer in your heart.

## WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

As winter descends on Canada, the Diocese of Calgary and Salvation Army are once again organizing a "Winter Clothing Drive" and St. Albert the Great Parish is participating again this year.

Our donation box is located in the Narthex near the welcome desk and will be out until the end of January. They accept coats & jackets of all sizes, sweaters, hoodies, long sleeve shirts, long-johns, hats, gloves, and scarves along with gently used blankets & cold weather gear. Your donations make a difference.



### 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>

As of Dec 1<sup>st,</sup> our Tip Tap Pay will be leaving the Narthex and regular donation collection will continue. All Tip Tap Pay donations will continue go towards the parish Cooling system Fundraiser until that time.

**SEEDS OF THE WORD:** "By your endurance you will gain your souls." Be patient with yourself and with God as you await the sign of your call. 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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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

Catholic Mom Gospel Coloring Pages

Sunday Connection (Gr. 1-8)

Children's Liturgy of the Word July & August