

ST. ALBERT THE GREAT CATHOLIC PARISH



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TODAY'S READINGS

[Isaiah 58:7-10](#) | Responsorial [Psalm 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9](#)

[1 Corinthians 2:1-5](#) | [Matthew 5:13-16](#)

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Feb 8, 2026

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

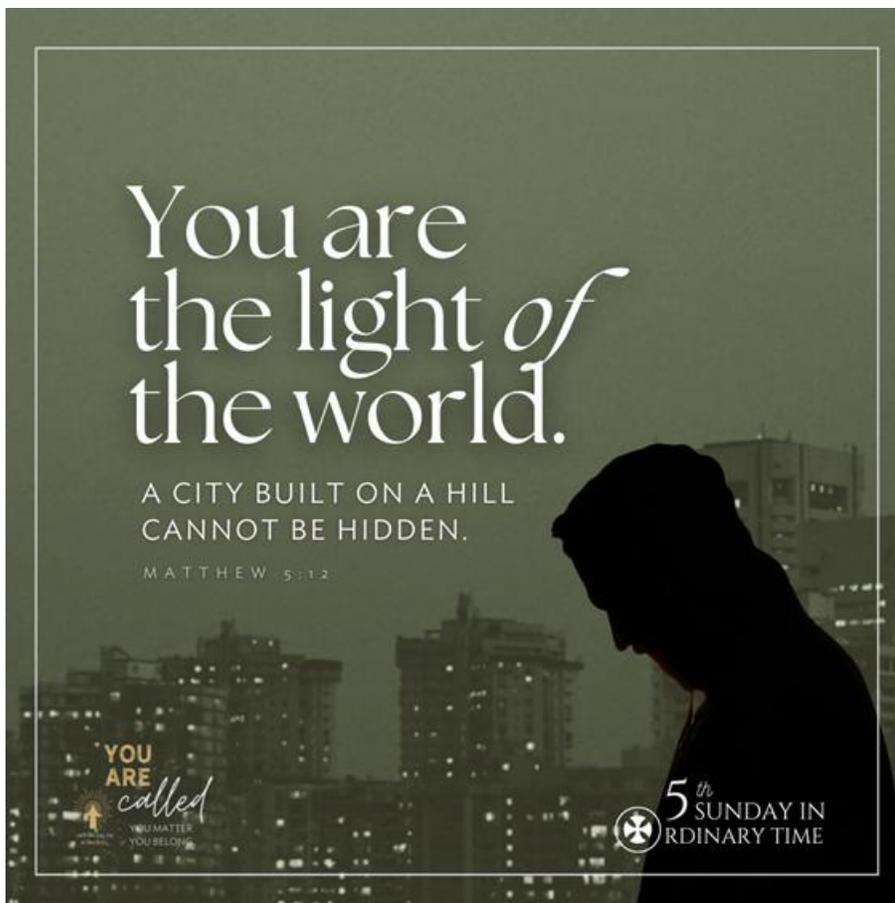
Tuesday:	9:30 AM & 7:00 PM
Wednesday:	9:30 AM & 7:00 PM
Thursday:	9:30 AM & 7:00 PM
Friday:	9:30 AM & 7:00 PM
Saturday:	3:30 PM

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



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PRAYER BOARD

Al Eberle	Consortia Palad	John Posluszny	Margaret Diaze	Ryan Alexander
Albert Joseph Egana	Darren Little	Jonathan Banks	Maria	Ryan Riddell
Alfred Cust	Dcn. Tony Klein	Jose Loya Jr.	Maria Elder	Sam Secreti
Amelia Aureo	Dick Flynn	Julia Dacosta	Maria Luis	Sandra Rorbak
Anna-Marie Kolesar	Dieter Hosemann	Kamran P. Mosavari	Marcel Maillet	Semra Algan
Anna Langley-Butt	Don Gelfund	Kaon	Marnie Helash	Sharon Berisha Wong
Anne Zabala	Elaine Hopfner	Katrina G. Hamedani	Michelle Fiorillo	Shawn Freeman
Annette Lermينياux	Felipe Manalo	Kristin Bell	Mike Watson	Slavica Jovica
Arton Rizah Berisha	Georgia Little	Landon Miller	Myrna Rolfes	Steven Ross
Bill Yont	Gertrude Hosemann	Lawernce McNally	Natalie Little	Susanne Smith
Boris Jovica	Harold Freeman	Len Grose	Neil Atwater	Taylor Rohrer
Bud Montgomery	Henry Retzlaff	Lena Reichert	Owen Dorfman	Theresa Buie
Camilla Kosariyeganeh	Isabel Maclean	Lennon Casebeer	Patricia Atkinson	Therese Wiebald
Carol Meredith	Ivan Jovica	Linda Foo	Peter Hammel	Tiara Ricci Roldan
Charito Balaoing	Iwona Pisko	Linda Shaw	Richard Roldan	Tim Berlando
Cheryl Wiswell	Janyce Anderson	Lori Cadrin	Robert Garagam	Tun Kim Shoute
Chris G	Jared Heath Roldan	Luc Joseph Maillet	Robert Rivard	Ulrich Hart
Christine Roldan	Jasper Bonifacio	Luz Estela Gallego	Robert Schimpf	Victoria McEachern
Clara Kosariyeganeh	Jeannette Simpson	MacKenzie Whitney	Robert Visockas	Vojtek
Coleen McCormick	John Millar	Malcom Little	Rod P	Yolanda Duke

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 .

UPCOMING MASS INTENTIONS

Tues,	Feb	10	at	9:00 AM	Keith Plettell (RIP)
Tues,	Feb	10	at	11:00 AM	Valerie Obligacion (INT)
Tues,	Feb	10	at	6:30 PM	Rene De Troyer (RIP)
Wed,	Feb	11	at	9:00 AM	Monica Zamora (INT)
Wed,	Feb	11	at	6:30 PM	Morrisette Family (INT)
Thur,	Feb	12	at	9:00 AM	Roy Vinke (INT)
Thur,	Feb	12	at	6:30 PM	Epifania & Buenaventura Vivas (RIP)
Fri,	Feb	13	at	9:00 AM	Shawn McCormick (RIP)
Fri,	Feb	13	at	6:30 PM	Maria Pita & Campelias Salinas (RIP)
Sat,	Feb	14	at	9:00 AM	Subramaniam Venkatraman (RIP)
Sat,	Feb	14	at	5:00 PM	Rose Craig (RIP)
Sun,	Feb	15	at	9:00 AM	Mary & Hilton D`Silva (RIP)
Sun,	Feb	15	at	11:30 AM	St. Albert the Great Parish Community
Sun,	Feb	15	at	5:00 PM	Miguel Angel Ordonez (RIP)

MASS INTENTION AVAILABILITY

The fourth week of April is now open for booking.

January, February and March 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 9500 families; intentions are limited to two per family within the three-month period. Thank you for honouring this system. Please contact the office with questions.

"Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."

1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18

WEEKLY PARISH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, February 8, Sunday Social after 9:00 and 11:30 AM Masses
Monday, February 9, 6:30 PM: First Eucharist Preparation Session 1, Main Hall
7:00 PM: Women's Bible Study, St. John's Hall
7:30 PM: Sunday 5pm Choir Ministry Practice, Choir Pit, Church
Tuesday, February 10, 9:30 AM: Arts & Crafts Group, St. Albert Room
11:00 AM: Rivera Long Term Care Centre, McKenzie Towne
6:30 PM: First Eucharist Preparation Session 1, Main Hall
7:00 PM: K of C Monthly General Meeting, St. Albert Room
Wednesday, February 11, 9:30 AM: 50+ Fabulous Group, St. Francis Room
10:00 AM: Catechesis of the Good Shepard, Children's Liturgy Rooms
6:30 PM: First Eucharist Preparation Session 1, Main Hall
7:00 PM: RCIA, Parish Basement
Thursday, February 12, 9:30 AM: Grandparents Ministry Monthly Meeting, St. Albert Room
1:15 PM: SATG Monthly Staff Meeting, Office is Closed
6:30 PM: ECYD Catholic Youth Ministry, Main Hall, St. John's Hall
Friday, February 13, 9:30 AM: Adoration, Church
6:30 PM: Canasta Group 2nd Friday of the Month Meet Up, St. Albert Room
Saturday, February 14, 9:00 AM: KofC Exemplification Ceremony, Main Hall
12:00 PM: Couples for Christ - Youth General Assembly, Main Hall

MULTIPLY THE HOPE



The Diocese of Calgary launched *Multiply the Hope*, a Jubilee matching initiative that invests up to \$12 million in local parish renewal in 2025. This matching opportunity will continue through 2027, giving us additional time to reach our goal.

During this three-year period, every dollar contributed to our parish's Building Fund is matched by the Diocese, up to our parish designated goal of \$366,115.

You can learn more here: <https://www.catholicyc.ca/multiplythehope.html>

Many parishes carry financial burdens that limit their ability to welcome, to meet growing needs, and to evangelize. *Multiply the Hope* gives us a chance to make a difference. Together, we can help ease our parish from financial pressures, allowing us to focus more fully on renewal: forming missionary disciples, being a church of encounter and witness, strengthening our family life, and offering a place of belonging for those who come alone or with family. We need your donations now more than ever!

In this season of Renewal, we are invited to strengthen our parish communities in hope. Together, let us multiply the hope that builds up our parish homes and prepares hearts for the future.

PARISH TAX RECEIPT & DONATION INFORMATION

Thank you for your generous donations in 2025. Tax receipts have been emailed to all donors who provided an email. All other tax receipts can be picked up from the Welcome desk in the Narthex. Tax receipts \$50 and over, not picked up by February 22 will be mailed. Help us to use your donations effectively by providing your email address to save on postage. This year we saved \$1,715.20 in postage by emailing 1,340 tax receipts.

Thank you for your generous support of St. Albert the Great Parish, through your donations.

Collection in our parish is done after Mass at the main doors; our volunteers are there with baskets. Collection that takes place during the offertory song during the Mass goes to the [Holy Childhood association](#) (HCA) part of the Pontifical Mission Societies.

***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) and **B)** that you are [registered](#) with the parish.

Donations can be made a variety of ways, debit or credit, cash, cheque, e-transfer.

Please visit our website for more details: [Donations - St Albert The Great](#) | <https://stalbertthegreat.ca/donations>

We thank everyone who contributes to our parish, without you we could not operate. Our parish relies on regular offertory giving for maintenance and growth. By donating you are providing crucial support to our parish.

PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

St. Vincent de Paul

Next weekend we will be present after each Mass with collection baskets for St Vincent de Paul hampers. Your generous spirit always inspires us. Thank YOU!

January 2026 Summary

Hampers delivered: 62 (an increase of 47% over 2025)

Adults served: 129

Children served: 60

Cost of the hampers \$12,318.00

Gift Cards given \$ 1,860.00

for a Total of \$14,178.00

Donors, if you have requested emailed tax receipts you should have received them by this weekend.

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

"God, grant us the grace to see things with the same eyes as you do." – St. Vincent de Paul

PASTORAL CARE MINISTRY TRAINING

For those who feel called to assist their parish in a healing ministry to the sick, elderly, dying, homebound and bereaved members.

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Register by Feb 17

SATURDAYS, FEBRUARY 21 & 28

9:30 am - 3:30 pm
10 Prestwick Dr SE, Calgary

PHONE: 403-218-5521
EMAIL: mara.capilli@calgarydiocese.ca

Register at: catholicyc.ca/pastoralcare

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The Diocese of Calgary invites individuals who feel called to assist their parish in a healing ministry. This Pastoral Care Training is designed for those who wish to support the sick, elderly, dying, homebound, and bereaved members of their community. Whether you're a new minister or someone with prior training in Pastoral Care Ministry, this workshop warmly welcomes you.

Click on the image to the left for more information.

POPE LEO'S PRAYER TO ST. FRANCIS



The Jubilee Year of Saint Francis

Jan 10, 2026
to Jan 10, 2027

Saint Francis, our brother, you who eight hundred years ago went to meet Sister Death as a man at peace, intercede for us before the Lord.

You recognized true peace in the Crucifix of San Damiano, teach us to seek in Him the source of all reconciliation that breaks down every wall.

You who, unarmed, crossed the lines of war and misunderstanding, give us the courage to build bridges where the world raises up boundaries.

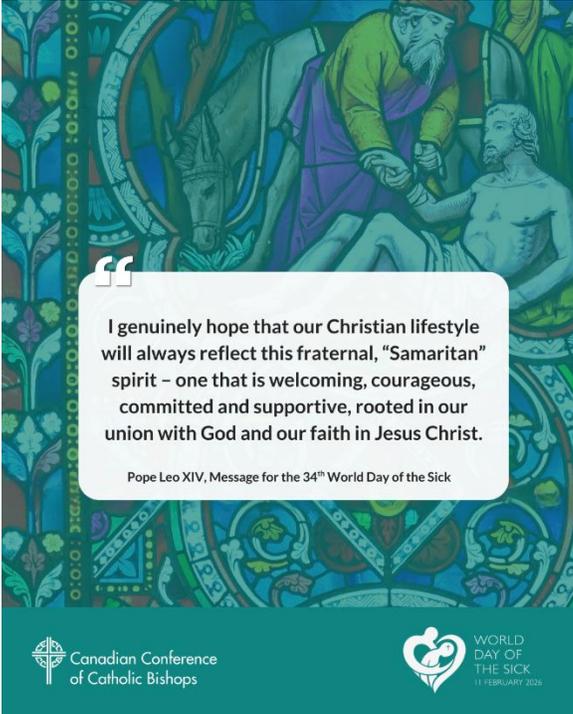
In this time afflicted by conflict and division, intercede for us so that we may become peacemakers: unarmed and disarming witnesses of the peace that comes from Christ. Amen.

POPE LEO XIV



From **Jan 10, 2026 to Jan 10, 2027**, the Church marks a special **Jubilee Year of Saint Francis of Assisi** on the 800th anniversary of his death. This Jubilee invites not only celebration, but a deeper imitation of St. Francis through a Gospel life lived simply, faithfully, and daily. [Read more](#) (Year of St. Francis, Vatican News) | [Info on Plenary Indulgence on the occasion of the Year of St. Francis](#)

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK



On Tuesday, 20 January 2026, [Pope Leo XIV's message](#) for the World Day of the Sick 2026, which will be observed on Tuesday, February 11, 2026 entitled "**The compassion of the Samaritan: loving by bearing another's pain**", was presented at the Holy See Press Office.

In his message, the Holy Father takes up the parable of the Good Samaritan as a central image of Christian charity: to truly love means to stop, to draw near, and to care for those who suffer. Compassion, in fact, is not only a feeling but translates into concrete gestures and shared commitment, particularly towards the sick.

Loving one's neighbor thus becomes a visible proof of love for God and implies a healthy and true way of loving oneself. In this perspective, caring for the sick and the most fragile is not an optional gesture, but one of the clearest signs of fidelity to the Gospel. *

[World Day of the Sick 2026 - Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development](#)

[Message from Pope Leo XIV for the occasion of the 34th World Day of the Sick](#)

OTHER NEWS & EVENTS

CCMA Bishops Breakfast. Healthcare providers and those who support them are invited to join Bishop McGrattan as he continues his reflection on the vocation and profession of healthcare, *Forming One's Character*. **When: Sat, Feb 7, from 10 am to 1 pm at Railway Café, Heritage Park, Calgary.** This gathering offers formation, fellowship, and networking with colleagues. **Cost: \$40 CCMA members, \$50 non-members, \$25 students.** Please RSVP and e-transfer to catholicmedyycc@gmail.com by **Mon, Feb 2**. Cash accepted at the door.

Rosary Brigade Feb 7th. Please join the Public Square Rosary Crusade on the **1st Saturday of each month** after the 11:15 am Mass. Complimentary coffee and tea are available afterwards. Soup is also available for \$3.00. Located at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church, 1423 8th Ave SE in Cross Memorial Hall.

Online Prayer Service with IWIN. IWIN (I'm Worth It Now) invites you to its annual Prayer Service for the International Day of Prayer Against Human Trafficking, a time to pray, reflect, and stand in solidarity with those affected by human trafficking. All are welcome. **When: Sun, Feb 8, 3 pm MST (online).** **Zoom ID: 841 4111 0108 | Passcode: 287004.**



New Heroic 30 Join our Heroic30 Renew Men Challenge on March 1, for a *daily* video. 5 minutes a day, 30 days. Become a heroic man. Click on the image to the left to register.

New Dante & Our Divine Comedy An illustrated lecture by George Ferzoco on Dante's journey through Hell, Purgatory, and Paradise, and why The Divine Comedy continues to inspire faith, imagination, and hope today. **When: Thu, Feb 12, from 7 pm to 9 pm at McGivney Hall, St Mary's University.** [Register here](#)

OTHER NEWS & EVENTS

Through the Desert God Leads Us to Freedom - Pre-Lenten Retreat. As Lent approaches, this retreat invites participants to reflect on God's call to freedom and renewal of heart. Rooted in the Exodus story and the season of grace, the retreat offers prayer, teaching, and reflection to prepare for the journey from bondage to new life in Christ. **When: Fri, Feb 13, from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm and Sat, Feb 14, from 9 am to 3 pm. Cost: \$20 (Friday) or \$60 (Saturday, includes snacks and lunch).** [Register here](#)

NEW Valentine's Dinner & Dance Join St. James' Parish in Okotoks for a Valentine evening of community and celebration with dinner, live music, dancing, a silent auction, and a wine survivor. **When: Fri, Feb 14, from 6:30 pm to 10:30 pm at St. James Parish, Okotoks.** Tickets: \$32.50 for adults, \$65 for couples, \$15 for children. Childcare for ages 4–12. Space is limited. Register online [here](#).

NEW Journeying into Silence Join Br. Guylain Prince, OFM, for an introduction to Christian contemplative prayer. **When: Tue, Feb 17 at 7 pm or Sun, Feb 22 at 3 pm at Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre, Cochrane.** The same presentation is offered on two dates. All are welcome. For any questions, contact [403-932-2012](tel:403-932-2012) or office@mountstfrancis.ca

Film Night: Documentary: Buying Her. **Buying Her** (Buying Her), a one-hour documentary by Exodus Cry Films, examines the injustice of sex trafficking by exploring the lives of sex buyers and what drives demand. **When: Thu, Feb 26, from 7 pm to 9 pm at St. Michael's, Calgary.** Hosted by IWIN and CWL, the evening includes the film and a Q&A with a former human trafficking investigator, highlighting services available to those seeking to transition out of the sex trade. **Viewer discretion advised. No children under age 16.**

NEW Retraite de famille 2026 Sainte Famille Parish invites you to a French-language parish family retreat on **Sat, Feb 28, 2026, from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm, at Sainte Famille, Calgary.** The day includes music, teachings, adoration, and confession, with activities for adults, youth, and children (ages 5+). Register by email: sfamille@shaw.ca.

Retrouvaille Calgary is inviting couples to their Weekend Program on **Friday, Feb 27 – Sunday, Mar 1.** This program is designed for couples who are experiencing challenges in their marriage.

Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that helps couples learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their marriages. We all started, as you have started, looking for answers on how to bring love, understanding, intimacy, forgiveness and deeper communication back into our marriages. This program has helped hundreds of thousands of couples around the world do just that. It only requires the will and perseverance of a committed couple to make the drastic changes you are looking for.

For more information, contact **Brian & Lee Weatherill** at [403.282.9531](tel:403.282.9531) or by email at coordinator@retrouvaillecalgary.com visit [Retrouvaille Calgary](#) for more information on the program.

St. Joseph Chastity Group for Men (Young Adults 18-35)..St. Francis Xavier Church (SFXC) is offering a men's weekly chastity group for young adults, focused on prayer, formation, and small-group discussion. The group meets **Wednesdays at 5:30 pm in Room 120 at the Catholic Pastoral Centre**, providing a supportive and faith-centered space for men seeking to grow in virtue and accountability. For more info, contact **Sergio Plazas** at [403.389.3863](tel:403.389.3863)

29th Annual Calgary Men's Conference by God Squad Canada. Men needed for an incredible mission, **A HEROIC CALL TO ACTION.** No wages, cold shoulders, long hours of thankless work. Life-changing friendships and real brotherhood. **March 13 - March 14, at St. Peter's Church Calgary.** Register today at [God Squad Conference 2026](#) or visit www.heriocmen.ca for more information.

OTHER NEWS & EVENTS

NEW St. Bonaventure Parish invites parishioners to a three-evening Lenten Triduum Retreat centred on Love, Peace, and Harmony. When: **Tue, Mar 24 to Thu, Mar 26, from 7 pm to 8 pm at St. Bonaventure Church, 1600 Acadia Dr SE, Calgary.** Each evening features a guided reflection to support prayerful preparation for Holy Week. All are welcome. Click [here](#) .

- **Tue, Mar 24** – Reflection on Love, by Rev. Troy Nguyen
- **Wed, Mar 25** – Reflection on Peace, by Rev. Colin O'Rourke
- **Thu, Mar 26** – Reflection on Harmony, by Rev. Lawrence Manolache

Calgary Live-In Retreat in Okotoks, AB. By Calgary Live-In Retreat Society. A Live-In is a weekend retreat to grow in faith with Jesus. Starts Friday evening and ends Sunday afternoon. The next retreat is **March 20-22, 2026, in Okotoks.** Please contact us by e-mail: calgarylivein@telus.net or Phone **Don** at [403.510.1208](tel:403.510.1208) for more information or to register.

Gentle Fitness Class. Looking for a gentle way to stay active this winter? St. Mary's Parish offers a welcoming **Gentle Fitness Class** suitable for all ages and fitness levels. Classes run **Wednesdays from 1 pm to 2 pm, runs until Mar 25, at St. Mary's Cathedral Parish Hall, Calgary.** No equipment needed, just comfortable clothing and running shoes. **\$8 per class, with the first class free.** Register with **Antoinette** at [825.449.0080](tel:825.449.0080) or agodbout@gmail.com .

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Parishes in the Diocese of Calgary

Your application package must include a completed Application of Employment Form, a resume and a cover letter describing suitability for the position.

- [Administrative Assistant \(Part-time\) - St. Mary's, Brooks](#)
- [Bookkeeper \(Casual\) - St. Mary's, Brooks](#)
- [Assistant Coordinator \(Casual\) Feed the Hungry Program](#)
- [Executive Director - St. Martha's Retreat Centre, Lethbridge.](#)
- [Presidential Search - St. Mary's University](#)
- [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](#)

Vocation Seeds "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven..." Do not be discouraged by jeers when considering being a priest, deacon, brother or sister. If God is calling you, contact Fr. Derek Remus, Associate Director of the Office of Vocations - Early Discernment and Seminary Admissions.

Email: derek.remus@calgarydiocese.ca | <https://www.catholicyc.ca/vocations>

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[Faithfully - ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CALGARY](#)

Sunday Resources for children

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[Sunday Connection \(Gr. 1-8\)](#)
[Children's Liturgy of the Word](#)

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