

ST. ALBERT THE GREAT CATHOLIC PARISH



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ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH

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TODAY'S READINGS

[Isaiah 56: 1, 6-7](#) | [Psalm 67:2-3,5,6,8](#)
[Romans 11:13-15, 29-32](#) | [Matthew 15:21-38](#)



20th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 16, 2026

Regular 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:	8:30 AM 10:30 AM (Livestreamed) 12:30 PM 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

Monday to Friday: 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Thursday only 1:00 to 4:30 PM

*Closed for lunch from 12:30 to 1:00 PM

Closed Weekends & all Statutory Holidays

Please visit our parish website for the
Mass & Confession schedule for other
Liturgical celebrations.

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PRAYER BOARD

Alan Riddell	Dante Okoro	Iwona Pisko	Lynda McLaughlin	Robert Schimpf
Alfred Cust	David Nolke	Janyce Anderson	Lynne Boyer	Robert Visockas
Amelia Aureo	Dcn. Tony Klein	Jeannette Simpson	MacKenzie Whitney	Rod P
Amy Fisher	Deb M	John Posluszny	Maria	Roger Boyer
Anna Langley-Butt	Dean Schattenkirk	Jose Loya Jr.	Mary Eleonor Borja Sta Ana	Roger Reid
Anna-Marie Kolesar	Dick Flynn	Joselyn Alba Gutierrez	Mario Andres	Roger Viernes
Anne Zabala	Don Gelfund	Kamran P. Mosavari	Mark Wong	Ron Gratton
Annette Lermaniaux	Doug Fernley	Karen Wong	Maurice Lavigne	Rosario Ferrer Gutierrez
Art Carbo	Drahomira Drapalova	Katie Leslie	Maurice Vignal	Rodolfo Crespo, Jr
Arton Rizah Berisha	Edith Repatacodo	Kathryn Boyer	Mehrdad Sohrabi Rad	Ryan Alexander
Audrey Schimpf	Eduardo Barrenechea	Kathy Hammel	Mike Fears	Sam Secreti
Bill Yont	Elaine Hopfner	Katrina G. Hamedani	Mike Watson	Sandra Rorbak
Bob Robison	Elizabeth De Morante	Kristin Bell	Myrna Rolfes	Shannon Ross
Caitlin & Baby Anna	Elssa Liliana Gil	Landon Miller	Neil Atwater	Sharon Berisha Wong
Camilla Kosariyeganeh	Erlinda Cuilao	Len Grose	Nestor Eduardo Valbuena	Shawn Freeman
Carol Meredith	Erwin Leong	Lennon Casebeer	Nila Remigio	Shirely Chavez
Chris G	Estrella Andres	Leonardo Andres Jr	Norma Andres	SK Yeong + family
Chris M family	Francesca Mancuso	Leslie family	Odette Lavoie	Taylor Rohrer
Clara Kosariyeganeh	Frantiska Drapalova	Liliana Santos	Owen Dorfman	Victoria McEachern
Cody family	Grace Khan	Linda Shaw	Patricia Atkinson	Vojtek
Cohen Finkbiner	Graham Austin	Lori Cadrin	Peter Hammel	
Colleen Boyer	Harold Freeman	Luc Joseph Maillet	Prince Albert Dy	
Cristina Andres	Irene Zuzulak	Luca Lalonde	Robert Garagam	

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

Tue,	Aug	18	at	9:00 AM	Byrne Family (INT)
Tue,	Aug	18	at	11:00 AM	Auburn Heights Retirement Residence
Tue,	Aug	18	at	6:30 PM	Soriano Family (Brothers & Sisters RIP)
Wed,	Aug	19	at	9:00 AM	Michael Hill (RIP)
Wed,	Aug	19	at	6:30 PM	Aldo Mezzano (RIP)
Thu,	Aug	20	at	9:00 PM	Ron and Adelle Kaczmar (INT)
Thu,	Aug	20	at	6:30 PM	Lourdes Ducut (RIP)
Fri,	Aug	21	at	9:00 AM	Nelson Medinski (RIP)
Fri,	Aug	21	at	6:30 PM	Maria Tulia Rueda (RIP)
Sat,	Aug	22	at	9:00 AM	Catherine (INT)
Sat,	Aug	22	at	5:00 PM	Ryan Fahey (RIP)
Sun,	Aug	23	at	8:30 AM	Evelyn Juvida (RIP)
Sun,	Aug	23	at	10:30 AM	Martin and Betty Cunningham (RIP)
Sun,	Aug	23	at	12:30 AM	St. Albert the Great Parish Community
Sun,	Aug	23	at	5:00 PM	Fernando, Jemina and Diago Hafalla (RIP)

MASS INTENTION AVAILABILITY

The second week of November is now open for booking. August and most of September 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 10,000 families. Intentions are limited to two per family within a 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

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS: Starting July 2nd, the parish office hours will change to our summer hours, Monday to Friday 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM. On Thursdays, the parish office will also be open from 1:00 PM – 4:30 PM. Have a blessed summer.

Emergency Relief for Columbia: Following the devastating earthquake in Columbia, parishioners are invited to support emergency relief efforts through **Development and Peace – Caritas Canada & Caritas Colombiana** [Read More](#) . [Give](#)

Parking for a Mass: We are hearing more and more feedback from our neighbours questioning why so many people attending a Mass at our church park on the street rather than in our parking lot. This is an issue for those attending both weekday and weekend Masses.

While street parking is a public resource, residents use it for themselves and their guests along with community members who use it to attend the community park across the street from the church. There is no reason for our Parishioners to park on the street when we have a large parking lot with over 270 parking stalls, which is rarely full.

We ask that everyone please help us be good neighbours and leave the street parking for the residents. Our parking lot is for the use of our Parishioners and it should be your first choice when attending Mass both on the weekend and during the week.

When attending a weekend Mass, please also respect the drop-off and pick-up zone in front of the church. It is designed to accommodate two vehicles so as to allow for the free flow of traffic. When one of the orange pylons is moved to allow for a car to park, it defeats the intended purpose of the zone.

[As the hymn goes: “.....and they’ll know that we are Christians by our love.”](#)

The Need for Estate Planning:

Cherie Baruss of Baruss Legal brings nearly 25 years of experience and success in the legal sector to this Will and Estate Planning Session. Cherie believes proper planning will make a difference, and she feels blessed to help people craft their plans to leave a legacy for those left behind. When dealing with all the legality and paper of estate planning, it's good to have scissors.

All Are Welcome to join **Saturday August 29, 2026, 10am – Noon at St. Albert the Great Parish**

Foundations of Faith Classes:

Please join us for a 20-part study (10 in the fall/10 in the spring) from an assortment of presenters, who will examine the **Foundations of Faith – A Journey Through the Catechism of the Catholic Church**.

Classes will be over Zoom on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. beginning on September 23, 2026, and continuing into the New Year. Cost for the workbook is \$62.

For more information, please contact Lucille Paplawski at: paplawski@hotmail.com or [\(403\) 479-1211](tel:4034791211) .

Volunteer Opportunity in the Neighbourhood:

Our friends with The McKenzie Towne Council are in need of volunteers to assist with **RibFest**, August 21-23. Their greatest need is particularly Friday evening, all of Saturday, and Sunday late afternoon, helping to supervise the bouncy castles, as well as help selling tickets at the front gates. Volunteers receive a voucher for a rib sandwich and a T-shirt.

For more information, please contact communityco@mtcouncil.com

WEEKLY PARISH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, Aug 16, No Sunday Social after 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Masses

Monday, Aug 17, Nothing scheduled for this day

Tuesday, Aug 18, 9:30 AM: Arts & Crafts Group; St Albert Room

Wednesday, Aug 19, Nothing scheduled for this day

Thursday, Aug 20, Nothing scheduled for this day

Friday, Aug 21, 9:30 AM: Adoration; Church

Saturday, Aug 22, 10:30 AM: Group Baptism; Church

12:00 PM: CFC- Youth Collective Household; Main Hall, Kitchen

4:00 PM: Couples for Christ – Teaching Night; Kitchen, St Albert Room, St John's Hall

HOW TO REGISTER AS A PARISHIONER

We need your information on file for various reasons; the main one being issuing tax receipts. The other is for volunteering. To register please fill out this form: [SATG Registration](#)

For those unsure if you have previously registered, please call [403 257 6054](tel:4032576054) to verify with the office. It's important that your information is kept up to date, if you have a new cell number, address or email let us know by email at secretary@stalbertthegreat.ca

WHEN TO BOOK AN APPOINTMENT WITH A PRIEST

Private appointments are required with a Priest for the following requests:

- House/Vehicle Blessings
- Confessions
- Spiritual Discussions & Conversations
- Weddings
- Funeral Planning
- Document Completion, such as referrals
- Annulments
- Special Requests

UPCOMING DIOCESE SUMMER RETREATS

Summer Retreats in the Diocese & Beyond

- **August 15-22** - [Marian Week in the Rockies](#), St. Mary's, Banff & Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Rockies, Canmore, AB
- **August 25-28** - [Vacation Bible School](#), FCJ Centre, Calgary, AB
- **September 4-6** - [Young Adult Franciscan Festival of Tents](#), Our Lady of Victory Camp, Lacombe County, AB

PARISH MINISTRIES & GROUPS

St. Albert the Great is participating in the Feed the Hungry program as part of our Parish Renewal goals. We hope the experience and knowledge we gain through this program will inspire and prepare us to launch future initiatives that continue to share Christ's love by serving others.

St. Albert the Great is committed to serving our community, and on Sunday, August 30, 2026, we will be hosting the Feed the Hungry program at St. Mary's downtown.

Feed the Hungry is a powerful example of dignified community care. In 2025, the program served 16,700 guests, and with our help, we give hope as we serve this growing number in the Diocese. This is more than providing a meal - it is about offering dignity, kindness, and the love of Christ to those who need it most.

To make this day possible, we need 46 volunteers who can give 2 to 4 hours of their time. We also urgently need to raise \$6,000 to help cover the cost of this important outreach.

Time is of the essence, and we are asking our community to leap in faith with us and give generously. Donations can be sent to donations@stalbertthegreat.ca and put **Feed the Hungry** in the memo line. Parishioners can also write a cheque to: **St. Albert the Great Parish** and put **Feed the Hungry** in the memo line.

We are also hosting a bake sale on **August 15 and 16**, and we would be grateful for donations of baked goods. Please sign up by using this link [Feed the Hungry Bake Sale](#).

Baked good donations can be dropped off on Friday the 14 or the 15th before Mass.

Together, we can serve with faith, generosity, and love.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Your Feed the Hungry Team

You can see more info by clicking on this [link](#)

You can view the poster to the right by clicking on it.



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Thank you so much!

This St. Vincent de Paul conference is so very blessed to be supported by YOU, St. Albert the Great Parishioners. It is likely that you cannot completely understand just how significant your contributions are for so many. It is HUGE. Thank you for continued funding and prayers.

We accept E-transfers at email svdp.satg.donations@gmail.com . Some of you have asked about monthly donations options. Please click the following link for details: [Monthly Donation Option for SSVP](#)

Current Hamper Needs: [Jam and Peanut Butter](#)

Please drop your donations in the St. Vincent de Paul box in the Narthex.

All non-perishable, unopened food is appreciated. Thank you.



Society of
Saint Vincent de Paul

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

YOUR DONATIONS MATTER

Collection in our parish is accepted after Mass in the baskets that are being held by our volunteers at the main doors. 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.

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.

Many parishes carry financial burdens that limit their ability to welcome, 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.

Together in Action Notice: Any 2026 Together In Action Surplus will go towards our building fund. Our goal for 2026 is \$78,445 and as of the end of June 2026 we have collected \$51,667.18 towards our goal. Remember that our **Multiply the Hope** goes towards our building fund and is matched by the Diocese. Thank you for your generous donations.

SPECIAL REQUESTS

We are here to help! Please email secretary@stalbertthegreat.ca or call the office at [403-257-6054](tel:403-257-6054) for the following requests:

- Parish Registration
- Copies of Parish Forms, such as donation forms or volunteer paperwork
- Special Event Requests

OTHER NEWS & EVENTS

Calgary Diocese News and Events page: You can view up to date Calgary Diocese News and Events at this [link](#) .

Pray with the Pope: Pope Leo XIV Prayer Intention for August 2026 is **For evangelization in the city.** Pray so that the unique and unrepeatable value of every human being might be recognized and that our societies be open to protecting life through love, tenderness and responsibility. Click [here](#) for more info.

Our Lady of Victory Camp: We invite youth from our diocese to join the Archdiocese of Edmonton at [Our Lady of Victory Camp](#) in Lacombe County (near Red Deer) this summer for a faith-filled camp of friendship, faith, and lasting memories. Please review the camp dates below:

- **Sun, Aug 16 - Thurs, Aug 20 (Grades 4-9)**

Get more information [here](#)

Marian Week in the Rockies: Join pilgrims of all ages for Marian Week in the Rockies, taking place **Sat, Aug. 15 – Sat, Aug. 22** at [Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Rockies \(Canmore\)](#) and [St. Mary's Church \(Banff\)](#).

- **Aug 15, at 5 PM** - Solemnity of the Assumption Mass with Bishop McGrattan (Banff)
- **Aug 16-21** - Daily Mass, prayers, and devotions
- **Aug 22, at 5 PM** - Queenship of Mary Mass with Bishop McGrattan (Canmore)

As part of our diocesan pilgrimage during the Jubilee Year of St. Francis, this special week offers opportunities for prayer, fellowship, pilgrimage, and celebration in the beauty of the mountains. Whether you can come for a day, a weekend, or the entire week, you are invited to create a pilgrimage experience that fits your schedule. All are welcome.

Vacation Bible School: Children ages 7–11 are invited to join Vacation Bible School with Pristine Laroza, **August 25–28 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the [FCJ Retreat & Conference Centre](#).** Come for a fun and faith-filled week of learning, activities, and friendship!

Catholic Men's Discernment Group: Inviting young unmarried men seeking to discern their vocation. Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month from September to April and include reflections on how to discern God's will for one's life, silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, and the Rosary.

- First meeting is on **Thu, Sep 10 at 7 PM at [St Cecilia's Church](#) , Calgary**

For more info, contact Fr. Derek Remus derek.remus@calgarydiocese.ca .

Bishop McGrattan will celebrate Masses for the souls of the deceased buried at our Catholic cemeteries in Calgary and area as noted below. All are welcome!

- Tue, Aug 25, at 7 pm at [Mountain View Cemetery Chapel](#)
- Wed, Aug 26, at 7 pm at [Edenbrook Cemetery Chapel](#)
- Tue, Sep 1, at 7 pm at [Queen's Park](#) (outdoor)
- Wed, Sep 2, at 7 pm at [St Mary's Cemetery](#) (outdoor)



40 Hours Devotion for Vocations

Upcoming dates for 40 Hours Devotion:

- [St. James Catholic Church, Calgary](#) - Thu, Sep 24 at 4 pm to Sun, Sep 27 at 8 am
- [St. Cecilia's Parish, Calgary](#) - Fri, Nov 20 at 9:30am to Sun, Nov 22 at 8am

Career opportunities in the Diocese of Calgary and Beyond

- [Family Faith Coordinator \(Full-time\) - St. Michael, Calgary](#)
- [Administrative Assistant \(Full-time\) - St. Pius X, Calgary](#)
- [Music Director \(Casual\) - St. James, Calgary](#)
- [Bookkeeper \(Casual\) - St. Mary's, Brooks](#)
- [Administrative Assistant \(Part-time\) - St. Augustine/St. Joseph, Taber](#)
- [Baptism/RCIA Coordinator and Receptionist \(Full-time\) - St. Patrick's 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](#) | [Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College](#)

Volunteer Opportunities | Catholic Pastoral Centre

- [Volunteer Chancery Clerk\(s\) - Catholic Pastoral Centre](#)
- [Volunteer Facilitator - Called & Gifted™ Discernment Process - Catholic Pastoral Centre](#)

You can also view the careers page on the Diocese website [here](#) .

THE LATEST FAITHFULLY



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Some highlights:

- **Is your parish on the road to Renewal?**
- **Marian Week in the Rockies**
- **Transfiguration on the Road**
- **Fifty Years of a Faithful "Yes"**
- **Career Opportunities, upcoming events and more**

Vocation Seeds: World Day of Prayer for Vocations

"Woman, great is your faith!" It takes faith to hear God's call in our lives and sometimes it may not be what we expect. Is God calling you to life as priest, deacon, sister or brother? 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>

For the complete list of Diocesan News & Events click:

[News & Events - ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CALGARY \(catholicyc.ca\)](#)
[Formed | On-Demand Catholic Movies, Audio Books, Podcasts & More](#)
[Faithfully - ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF CALGARY](#)

Sunday Resources for children

[Catholic Mom Gospel Colouring Pages](#)
[Sunday Connection \(Gr. 1-8\)](#)

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