

ST. ALBERT THE GREAT CATHOLIC PARISH



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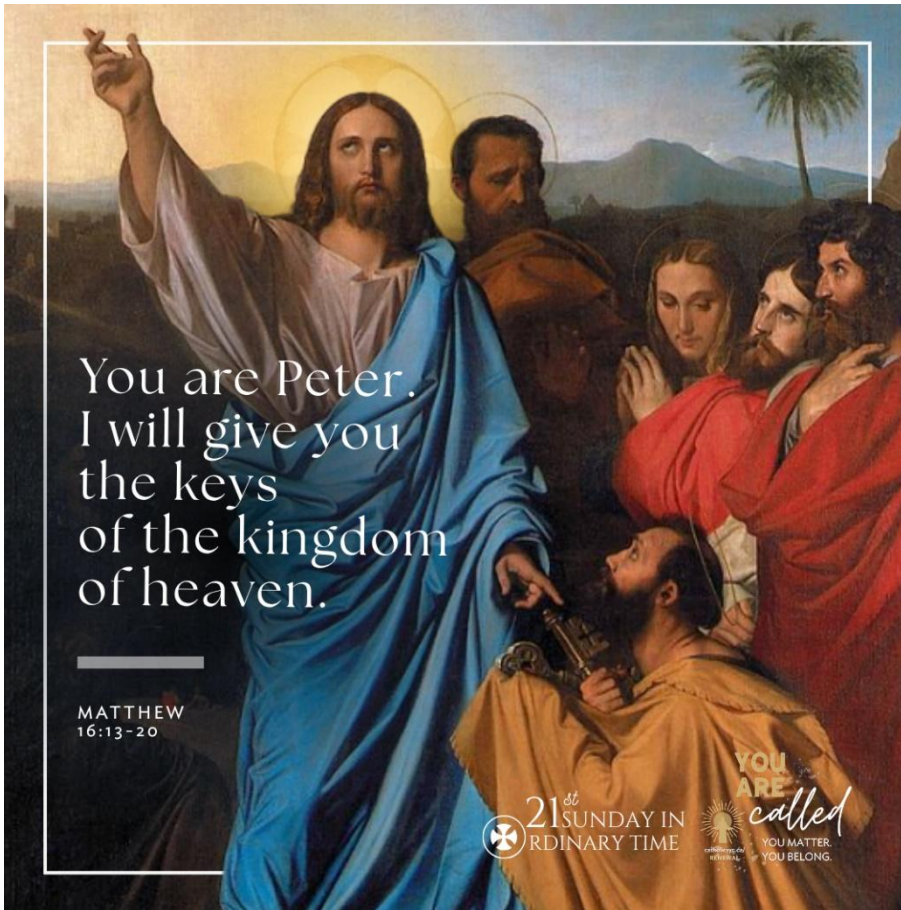
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TODAY'S READINGS

[Isaiah 22: 15,19-23](#) | [Psalm 138:1-2,2-3,6,8](#)

[Romans 11:33-36](#) | [Matthew 16:13-20](#)



21st Sunday in Ordinary Time August 23, 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

Aiza Bartolome	Dante Okoro	Irene Zuzulak	Luca Lalonde	Robert Schimpf
Alan Riddell	David Nolke	Iwona Pisko	Lynda McLaughlin	Robert Visockas
Alfred Cust	Dcn. Tony Klein	Janyce Anderson	Lynne Boyer	Rod P
Amelia Aureo	Deb M	Jeannette Simpson	MacKenzie Whitney	Roger Boyer
Amy Fisher	Dean Schattenkirk	John Posluszny	Maria	Roger Reid
Anna Langley-Butt	Dick Flynn	Jose Loya Jr.	Mario Andres	Roger Viernes
Anna-Marie Kolesar	Don Gelfund	Joselyn Alba Gutierrez	Mark Wong	Ron Gratton
Anne Zabala	Doug Fernley	Kamran P. Mosavari	Maurice Lavigne	Rosario Ferrer Gutierrez
Annette Lermينياux	Drahomira Drapalova	Karen Wong	Maurice Vignal	Rodolfo Crespo, Jr
Art Carbnio	Edith Repatacodo	Katie Leslie	Mercado-Roldan family	Ryan Alexander
Arton Rizah Berisha	Eduardo Barrenechea	Kathryn Boyer	Mehrdad Sohrabi Rad	Sam Secreti
Audrey Schimpf	Elaine Hopfner	Kathy Hammel	Mike Fears	Sandra Rorbak
Bill Yont	Elizabeth De Morante	Katrina G. Hamedani	Mike Watson	Shannon Ross
Caitlin & Baby Anna	Elssa Liliana Gil	Kristin Bell	Myrna Rolfes	Sharon Berisha Wong
Camilla Kosariyeganeh	Erlinda Cuilao	Landon Miller	Neil Atwater	Shawn Freeman
Carol Meredith	Erwin Leong	Len Grose	Nestor Eduardo Valbuena	Shirely Chavez
Chris G	Estrella Andres	Lennon Casebeer	Nila Remigio	SK Yeong + family
Chris M family	Francesca Mancuso	Leonardo Andres Jr	Norma Andres	Taylor Rohrer
Clara Kosariyeganeh	Frantiska Drapalova	Leslie family	Owen Dorfman	Victoria McEachern
Cody family	George Spring	Liliana Santos	Patricia Atkinson	Vojtek
Cohen Finkbiner	Grace Khan	Linda Shaw	Peter Hammel	
Colleen Boyer	Graham Austin	Lori Cadrin	Prince Albert Dy	
Cristina Andres	Harold Freeman	Luc Joseph Maillet	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	25	at	9:00 AM	Stella Lobo (RIP)
Tue,	Aug	25	at	6:30 PM	Erin & David Yont (INT)
Wed,	Aug	26	at	9:00 AM	Father John (INT)
Wed,	Aug	26	at	6:30 PM	Greg Yont (INT)
Thu,	Aug	27	at	9:00 AM	Suhail Issak (INT)
Thu,	Aug	27	at	6:30 PM	Kate & Steve (INT)
Fri,	Aug	28	at	9:00 AM	Al Eberle (RIP)
Fri,	Aug	28	at	6:30 PM	Javier Gil-Torres (INT)
Sat,	Aug	29	at	9:00 AM	Kathryn Bryne (INT)
Sat,	Aug	29	at	5:00 PM	Naida MacDonald (INT)
Sun,	Aug	30	at	8:30 AM	Arthur Dobe (RIP)
Sun,	Aug	30	at	10:30 AM	Ronnie Robichaud (RIP)
Sun,	Aug	30	at	12:30 PM	St. Albert the Great Parish Community
Sun,	Aug	30	at	5:00 PM	Henry Retzlaff (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) .

WEEKLY PARISH SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, Aug 23, 9:30 AM: Celebrate Fr. Chirs' 70th Birthday; Main Hall, Kitchen

No Sunday Social after 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM Masses

Monday, Aug 24, 5:00 PM Couples for Christ - Household Leaders Training; St Francis Room, Fr Pat's Room

Tuesday, Aug 25, 10:00 AM: Arts & Crafts Group; St Albert Room

Wednesday, Aug 26, Nothing scheduled for this day

Thursday, Aug 27, Nothing scheduled for this day

Friday, Aug 28, 9:30 AM: Adoration; Church

Saturday, Aug 29, 10:00 AM: Estate Planning; 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 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

Arts & Crafts Group invites you to join them for their summer meet up on Tuesday, Aug 25th at 10 AM in the parish basement, St. Albert Room. No experience required, bring your own crafts, knitting etc. All are welcome!

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.

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

Our SVP conference is blessed to have the support of our priests and of you, the parishioners. We continue to be sustained by your gifts and your prayers. Thank you!

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: Canola Oil and Canned Fruit

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**

In 1997 on Saturday August 22nd, in the Cathedral of Notre-Dame, and during World Youth Day, Pope John Paul II beatified Frédéric Ozanam. Blessed Frédéric Ozanam is recognized as a founder of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. He is also credited with curing a toddler in Brazil of a severe case of diphtheria in 1936. The Vatican investigated and recognized the healing as a miracle attributed to his intercession on June 22, 1995. Additional alleged miracles attributed to his intercession continue to be studied by the Vatican to advance his path to sainthood.

"In my life I want to become better and do a little good." - 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.

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!

Roses for Elizabeth Concert: Award-winning Calgary-raised violinist Anna Štuba will be joined by collaborative pianist Daiga Štuba for Roses for Elizabeth, a complimentary evening of beautiful music in support of Elizabeth House, which serves pregnant women and mothers experiencing housing instability in Calgary. Anna has appeared twice as a featured soloist with the Calgary Philharmonic Orchestra and performed on many professional stages in Canada and abroad. Anna and Daiga are also both parishioners of St. Joseph's Parish in Calgary. Admission is free, with a freewill offering in support of Elizabeth House. The evening will also include a testimony from an Elizabeth House alumnus. Click [here](#) for more information **Fri, Aug 28 at 7 pm at [Shrine Church of Our Lady of the Rockies, Canmore](#)**



Building a Culture of Life: 40 Days for Life Leadership Training. Join this diocesan Build a Culture of Life formation evening focused on prayer, peaceful witness and compassionate outreach. This session will focus on 40 Days for Life Leadership Training, where parish leaders and parishioners are invited to gain practical tools to support and participate in 40 Days for Life. All are welcome. Click [here](#) for more information **Wed, Sep 9, 7–9 pm at the [Catholic Pastoral Centre, Calgary](#)**

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](#)
- [Sacrament Preparation Coordinator \(Casual\) - St. James, Calgary](#)
- [Rectory Caretaker \(Casual\) - St. Luke'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](#)
- [Bookkeeper \(Full-time\)](#)
- [Assistant Coordinator \(Casual\) - Feed the Hungry](#)

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

THE LATEST FAITHFULLY



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Some highlights:

- The Face of Christ in the Eucharist
- Emergency Relief for Colombia
- Marian Week in the Rockies
- Roses for Elizabeth
- Elizabeth House is 9% short of its goal

Vocation Seeds: World Day of Prayer for Vocations

“For who has known the mind of the Lord?” Sometimes our mind is not necessarily the mind of the Lord. If God is calling you to serve as a 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.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 Colouring Pages](#)
[Sunday Connection \(Gr. 1-8\)](#)

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