

St. Albert the Great Parish

"O taste and see that the Lord is good" Ps 34.8

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3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 23, 2022

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SACRAMENTS:

*Baptisms: A preparation course is required prior to having your child baptized. Please feel free to send an email to Dan D'Agostino at baptism@stalbertthegreat.ca for information.

*Child Sacraments: Parents who wish to have their child participate in First Eucharist, First Reconciliation and / or Confirmation, please email sacraments@stalbertthegreat.ca.

*Marriage: Minimum six to nine months notice required. Couples who are planning a wedding in the parish are expected to regularly worship with a Catholic Community & participate in a Marriage Preparation Program. Please email Fr. Andrew Maruszczak, SDS at pastor@stalbertthegreat.ca for more information.

*Please visit the parish website for more information.

UPDATED OFFICE HOURS:

Monday to Friday: 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays: Closed

MASS TIMES:

Weekend Mass:

Saturday 5:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday to Friday: 9:00 am & 6:30 pm Mass Saturday: 9:00 am Mass

CONFESSION / RECONCILIATION:

Tuesday to Friday: 9:30 – 10:30 am Tuesday to Thursday:

7:00 - 8:00 pm

Saturday:

3:30 pm to 4:30 pm



Monday	Jan 24				
Tuesday	Jan 25	9:00 am	Nicolas Nguyen (RIP)	6:30 pm Samuel Malagon (RIP)	
Wednesday	Jan 26	9:00 am	Fr. Matthew Schneider (INT)	6:30 pm Teresa & Faustina (INT)	
Thursday	Jan 27	9:00 am	Marie & Sid Gould (RIP)	6:30 pm Fr. Placidus Sander, OSB (RIP)	
Friday	Jan 28	9:00 am	Caleb Honish (RIP)	6:30 pm Caleb Honish (RIP)	
Saturday	Jan 29	9:00 am	Herman Liska (RIP)	5:00 pm Earl & Perry Brown (RIP)	
Sunday	Jan 30	9:00 am	Cheyenne, Dakota & Cole Romeo (INT)		
Sunday	Jan 30	11:00 am	St. Albert the Great Community (INT)	5:00 pm Rufino & Gregoria Florendo (RIP)	

Today's Reading:	Next Week's Readings:		
Nehemiah 8.2-4a, 5-6, 8-10++	Jeremiah 1.4-5, 17-19		
1 Corinthians 12.12-30 or 12.12-14, 27	1 Corinthians 12.31 – 13.13 (or shorter)		
Luke 1.1-4; 4.14-21	Luke: 4.21-30		

CALENDAR OF EVENTS*							
CFC Daily Rosary	Sun	23-Jan	8:00 PM				
CWL Rosary Circle	Mon	24-Jan	2:00 PM				
CFC Daily Rosary	Mon	24-Jan	8:00 PM				
CWL Executive	Tues	25-Jan	7:00 PM				
CFC Daily Rosary	Tues	25-Jan	8:00 PM				
CFC Daily Rosary	Wed	26-Jan	8:00 PM				
RCIA	Wed	26-Jan	8:00 PM				
CFC Daily Rosary	Thurs	27-Jan	8:00 PM				
CFC Daily Rosary	Fri	28-Jan	8:00 PM				
CFC Daily Rosary	Sat	29-Jan	8:00 PM				

^{*} All meetings are held virtually using Zoom or other online conferencing tools.

2021 TAX RECEIPTS

Thank you to everyone for your generous donations in 2021. You can request to have your 2021 tax receipts emailed to you, send your request to accounting@stalbertthegreat.ca. Those tax receipts that are not requested by email, will be mailed out before the end of February. Thank you for considering having your tax receipt emailed to you, this will ensure that you receive your tax receipt earlier, and you will be helping the parish to save on the postage costs.

Some etransfers were sent in with only a first name or without an address. Please contact Carla Jane at accounting@stalbertthegreat.ca to update your information so that you can receive your 2021 tax receipt. Thank you again, for your generous support of St. Albert the Great Parish.

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD - JAN 23

Pope Francis has declared that the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of the word of God "that the life of our people be constantly marked by this decisive relationship with the living word that the Lord never tires of speaking to his Bride" (*Aperuit Illis*, 2). In 2022 the Sunday of the Word of God falls on this Sunday, Jan 23. Liturgical suggestions and resources to celebrated Sunday of the Word of God are available here.

CCEF 2022 CASH RAFFLE

Support the Calgary Catholic Education Foundation with its biennial CASH raffle. Win **up to \$30,000** in CASH prizes! Get your ticket today, every dollar raised supports enhanced learning opportunities right here in our Catholic community.

The CCEF provides grants to schools and classrooms in the 117 schools and over 57,000 students in the Calgary Catholic School District. More information or to buy tickets.



Like the <u>St Albert the Great Facebook</u> page for regular updates.

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

In St. Paul's letter to the Corinthians, it states "If they were all one part, where would the body be? But as it is there are many parts, yet one body" (1 COR 12:18-20).

What does this teach us as Christian stewards? It shows us that we all have equal dignity and worth in God's sight, and that if God sees us as equally precious, we should view each other in this same light. It teaches us to humbly recognize our own gifts as well as the giftedness of every member of our parish family. And, while God designed us to be ultimately dependent on Him, it seems He has also designed us to need each other!

This is part of the beauty and richness of a stewardship way of life. No one person can "do it all" in life — whether in family life or parish life. But God does not ask us to do it all. He simply asks us to share the gifts and talents we do have in the season of life we find ourselves right now. It might feel uncomfortable at first. But the good news it you don't have to do it all. Do your part, let your brothers and sisters in the Body of Christ do theirs, and know that the Spirit of the Lord is upon us all as we live out this stewardship way of life.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR CONSECRATED LIFE - FEB 2

World Day for Consecrated Life Mass will be celebrated by Bishop McGrattan at St. Mary's Cathedral on Wednesday, Feb. 2 at 5 pm. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

LAUDATO SI' ACTION PLATFORM LAUNCH

Join us for the Canadian Launch of the <u>Laudato Si` Action Platform</u> in Canada. On Saturday, Feb. 12 at 9 AM (MT) with Norman Lévesque, Bishop Jon Hansen, C.Ss.R. (Diocese of Mackenzie-Fort Smith) and the rest of your Catholic family from across Canada to learn more about how your community can engage in the works of Laudato Si`. There will be some time for discussion and sharing, so bring a friend and join us. <u>Register here</u> to receive the online meeting link

KofC BOTTLE DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus will be holding a bottle drive on the weekend of <u>January 29/30</u>. Please bring all your bottles, aluminum cans, and milk and juice cartons to the church parking lot after all Saturday and Sunday Masses or anytime during the day that weekend. Proceeds will be used to support our seminarian, St Albert the Great Parish and other charities.

A MESSAGE FROM BISHOP MCGRATTAN

Read the latest message from Bishop McGrattan where he speaks about the pressing need for solidarity and fraternity as an opportunity to pray for the unity that God desires for all of creation.

AIRDRIE KNIGHTS DREAM VACATION DRAW

The Airdrie Knights of Columbus invites you to buy ticket(s) for the annual Airdrie Dream Vacation Draw, with monthly draws starting on April 3. There are over \$39k in prizes and all proceeds are going to the charities they support. For more information, visit airdriedreamvacation.ca.

COLDEST NIGHT OF THE YEAR - FEB 26

<u>The Coldest Night of the Year</u> (Feb. 26) is a winterrific family-friendly walk to raise money for local charities serving people experiencing hurt, hunger and homelessness.

- Virtual CNOY Day: This is your own self-organized walk on February 26 (or whatever day in February you decide to walk). Gather with your COVID-safe bubble (or on your own) and figure out a safe 2-5 km route.
- The CNOY Toque: Walkers who raise \$150+ (adults 18 and over) or \$75 (children/youth 17 and under) will receive a CNOY toque as a thank you! Just so you know, it's always a different toque style each year and they're so collectible!

To register or for more information, visit here.

MISSION COUNCIL CHRISTMAS CARDS

Consider putting aside used and unused greeting cards for donation to the Mission Council card-making program which supports overseas missions. Please drop off your cards at your Parish Office, or at the Catholic Pastoral Centre (120 17 Ave SW, Calgary) during the office hours.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION FOR ADULTS

Are you an adult Catholic but never had the opportunity to celebrate the sacrament of Confirmation?

Please register for the sacrament of Confirmation for adults: http://stalbertthegreat.ca/adultconfirmation

We are offering adult candidates guidance through a home-based study that will help you prepare for the sacrament of Confirmation (which will take place in May 2022, dates TBD).

Please be aware: if divorced and remarried, or married outside the Church (in a civil marriage or married in another Christian denomination), the process of annulment or convalidation (sometimes referred to as having a marriage "blessed" in the Church) prior to the reception of Confirmation may be required. In some cases, this could delay the Confirmation for the candidate as necessary.

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

St. Albert the Great St. Vincent de Paul needs **diapers size 1** & 2 and **mayonnaise**. Please drop your donations in the St. Vincent de Paul box in the Narthex. Thank you for your support!

NET CANADA'S YOUTH MINISTRY 101 PODCASTS

NET Canada recently launched a new podcast, *Youth Ministry 101*. This is a podcast where people can learn tips, tricks and hear stories to help reach youth in their life, parish, and youth group to share in the love and joy of Jesus Christ and His Church. Listen to the podcasts.

FAITHFUL LIVING: SPENDING LESS THAN YOU EARN

We must all live within our means. Even with more money, without any clear purpose, we can spend more than we make. Learn simple financial principles that will require some discipline to live faithfully. Read more.

HOLY MOMENTS IN HARD TIMES

Can we turn ordinary encounters into holy moments? Read Brandon Bailey's story from St. Mary's School in Okotoks.

OFFERTORY GIFTS AND REGULAR DONATIONS

Our parish relies on our regular offertory giving for maintenance and growth. By making your pre-authorized offertory gift, you are providing crucial support to care for your parish during this difficult time. Please click the link the appropriate link to donate using the following methods:

- Pre-authorized debit
- Pre-authorized credit card
- One-time donation using credit card
- E-transfer to donations@stalbertthegreat.ca
 Please include your envelope number or address in the
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 to the parish, which will have a lasting impact on the
 lives of the people we serve.

JOIN YOUR PARISH COMMUNITY IN PRAYER

CFC - DAILY ROSARY

Daily Rosary @ 8 PM

Join via **Zoom link** Password: 112233

CWL - WEEKLY ROSARY CIRCLE

Mondays @ 2:00 pm

Join via this **Zoom link** Passcode: SATGRosary

Everyone is welcome!



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Mass Readings | Believing the Word of
God. We are the Body of Christ (Corinthians)
assembling as the graced community of believers
(Nehemiah) each week to give thanks and praise,
to share in Communion, and then sent to serve.
We are part of the great Communion of Saints to
whom is handed down the living Word of God –
both the Scriptures and the Tradition as well as
the very person of Christ who is the spoken

1. How will I set aside a few minutes each day to read/reread Scripture? What is a good time?

Word of God (Luke).

- 2. How will I look for the unfolding mystery of Christ in little and big ways today?
- 3. How will I be "good news" this week by what I say and do? (Source: Diocese of Springfield)

2. Resources for children: The Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

- o Gospel Reflection: Jesus responded to the needs of the world. He shared his message of the Father's love and forgiveness with everyone, especially those who were in need. He sends us the Holy Spirit to help us continue his mission. Every kind thing we do is a way to serve God's kingdom. (Loyola Press)
 - **Kid's challenge this week:** Look for a way to be kind and helpful, and pray: "Jesus, thank you for showing us how to love others. With the help of the Holy Spirit, we will continue your mission." (Sunday Connection)
 - Kid's Bulletin for this Sunday
 - Colouring page this Sunday Invite the children to colour and to draw one of the good news stories they have heard today, or how they will share the good news with people who are poor in the coming week.
 - Sunday Connection 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time (Gr. 1-8 & family)
 - Video: <u>Studio 3:16</u> | Weekly Comedy for kids (anticipating the Sunday Gospel)

Children's Sunday Liturgy for 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

- Children's Liturgy for leaders/parents
 (with intercessions and activities) by
 CAFOD | <u>Illustration</u>
- Children's Liturgy of the Word with Miss Heidi (Catholic TV)

3. St. Francis DeSales, Bishop & Doctor (Feast day: Jan 24)

Francis de Sales took seriously the words of Christ, "Learn of me for I am meek and humble of heart." When you feel your temper start to flare up, turn to a saint who tamed his hot head and mastered the art of gentleness.

4. Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul (Jan 25)

St. Paul's conversion on the road to Damascus is exemplary. This is one of the reasons why it's the only conversion we celebrate with a specific feast day on the liturgical calendar, January 25. Learn how St. Paul's conversion teaches us to become someone new in Christ.

5. St. Timothy & St. Titus, Bishops (Feast Day: Jan 26)

Saints Timothy and Titus were apostles of an Apostle. They shared in, and cooperated with, the ministry of St. Paul, who had a direct connection to Christ through a miraculous occurrence on the road to Damascus, a feast commemorated, not coincidentally, the day prior to their feast day. Read more

6. St. Angela Merici (Feast Day: Jan 27)

Angela Merici has the double distinction of founding the first of what are now called "secular institutes" and the first teaching order of women in the Church. Learn more about <u>St. Angela Merici</u>

St. Thomas Aquinas, Priest, Doctor (Feast Day: Jan 28)

St. Thomas Aquinas is well known for his amazing work in organizing the beliefs of the Catholic Church into his *Summa Theologiae*. He also wrote a powerful prayer that he reportedly prayed every day, usually entitled, "For Ordering a Life Wisely." If you are feeling disorganized, here is the perfect prayer from St. Thomas to bring better order to your life.

8. EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Employment opportunities in parishes and Catholic organizations throughout the Diocese. Highlighted this week:

- NEW Assistant Coordinator (casual) -Feed the Hungry, Calgary
- Human Resources Manager Catholic Pastoral Centre, Calgary
- Pastoral Ministry Coordinator Catholic Pastoral Centre, Calgary
- Admin Assistant (part time) Ste. Famille, Calgary
- Pastoral Assistant (part time) Ste. Famille, Calgary
- o Support Staff (casual relief) Elizabeth House, Calgary
- Please visit <u>catholicyyc.ca/careers</u> for more information and application details.



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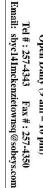


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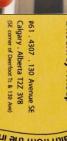


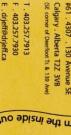














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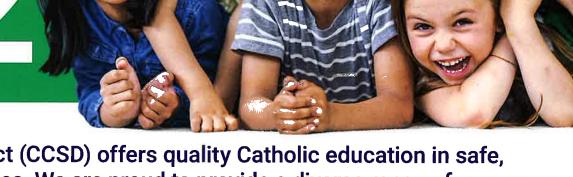






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The Calgary Catholic School District (CCSD) offers quality Catholic education in safe, supportive and inclusive communities. We are proud to provide a diverse range of programs, services and exciting learning opportunities to meet your child's unique needs.

Programs offered are subject to change. Please visit our website at cs.alp.ca/programs for the most up-to-date information.

Kindergarten

All Calgary Catholic elementary schools offer a half-day kindergarten program. A child who turns five years old on or before December 31, 2022, is eligible to register for kindergarten in the fall of that same calendar year. Your child's birth certificate is required at the time of registration.

Grade 1

A child who turns six years old on or before December 31, 2022, is eligible to register for Grade 1 in the fall of that same calendar year. The child's birth certificate is required and one parent's Catholic baptismal certificate is requested at the time of registration. Children do not need to register for Grade 1 if they attended kindergarten at the same school.

Early French Immersion

The French Immersion program enables students to develop functional fluency in French. No background in French is necessary. Entry point into this program is in kindergarten or Grade 1.

Fine Arts

The Fine Arts are comprised of art, drama and music. Students are involved as creators, performers, historians, critics and consumers. This program is offered at the elementary level at St. Augustine School, St. Dominic School and St. Philip School.

Italian Language and Culture

Students in this program will develop Italian language and communication skills and will participate in various cultural activities. Students may enter this program in kindergarten or in Grade 1. This program is offered at the elementary level at St. Alphonsus School and St. Maria Goretti School.

Online Learning

Online learning is available for students in grades 1-9 at St. Isidore School, our first virtual school. Curriculum mandated by Alberta Education will be followed and students will participate in daily classes. At St. Isidore School, Catholic education remains a key focus and appropriate resources are used to support student Faith development.

Spanish Bilingual

This program allows students to gain insight into the Spanish language and the culture of Spanish-speaking countries around the world. Entry point into this program is in kindergarten or Grade 1. This program is offered at the elementary level at St. Benedict School, St. John Paul II School and St. Margaret School.

Diverse Learning Needs

Students with diverse learning needs are asked to register at their local school. Through a referral process, a student's diverse learning needs are identified and discussed in order to help determine how best to support that student.

ALL FAMILIES ARE ENCOURAGED TO INQUIRE.

Visit <u>cssd.ab.ca/district-register</u> or contact 403-500-2000 for more information. Registration is ongoing throughout the school year.

Students born outside of Canada will need to first contact St. John Reception Centre by calling 403-500-2007.

To register, Contact your local Calgary Catholic school.

