



# St. Albert the Great Parish

"What we believe in we glorify & what we glorify we believe in."

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## Feast of the Holy Family December 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2010

<b><u>Today's Readings:</u></b>	<b><u>Next Week's Readings:</u></b>	<b>Pastor:</b> FR. KEVIN TUMBACK pastor@st-albert-parish.com
Sirach 3: 2-6, 12-14	Isaiah 60: 1- 6	<b>Associate Pastor:</b> FR. JOHN KOHLER associate-pastor@st-albert-parish.com
Colossians 3: 12-21	Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6	<b>Deacons:</b> GREG LAFAVE gclafave@gmail.com JOHN WALSH john_walsh@shaw.ca PATRICK WOO deacon.pat@shaw.ca LUKAS DRAPAL seminarian@st-albert-parish.com
Matthew 2: 13-15, 19-23	Matthew 2: 1-12	

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<b><u>OFFICE HOURS:</u></b>	Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday	9:00am - 1:00pm & 1:30pm - 9:00pm
	Thursday	9:00am - 1:00pm & 2:30pm - 9:00pm
	Friday	9:30am - 1:00pm & 1:30pm - 9:00pm
	Saturday	10:00am - 4:00pm
	Sunday	CLOSED
<b><u>MASS TIMES:</u></b>	<b>WEEKENDS:</b> Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am and 11:00 am (and 4:00pm 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month only)	
	<b>WEEKDAYS:</b> Tuesday 7:45am St Albert the Great School, 10am McKenzie Towne Nursing Home Wednesday 8:15am Msgr. Smith School Thursday 7:45am Cardinal Newman School Friday 8:15am Christ the King School, 9:00am St. Albert the Great Church Tues, Wed, Thurs & 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Fri of the month 7:00pm St. Albert the Great Church	
<b><u>SACRAMENTS:</u></b>	<b>CONFESSION:</b> Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday: 6:30 to 6:50 pm (before Mass) Saturday: 3:30pm to 4:30pm Sunday: 8:00am to 8:30am (or by appointment)	
	<b>BAPTISM:</b> Contact Gail at the parish office to receive your Registration Package. Participation at an Information Session and a Preparation Class is mandatory for all families prior to celebrating the Baptism. <b>Please call early to avoid disappointment.</b>	
	<b>MARRIAGE:</b> <b>Six to nine months notice is required.</b> Couples who are planning a wedding in the parish are expected to regularly worship with a Catholic Community and participate in a Marriage Preparation Program. <b>Please see Father Kevin after the weekend Masses to make an appointment.</b>	

**MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK:**

Tuesday Mc Care	Dec 28	AM		
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Wednesday	Dec 29	AM		PM
Thursday	Dec 30	AM		PM
Friday	Dec 31	AM		PM

**CATHOLIC TRIVIA:** Of the four gospels, only one does not say anything about Christ's birth or beginning. Which gospel is that?

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

January 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>

Mary, Mother of God & Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday 12:00PM – Jan. 1, 2011			
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Abby M	Julia K	Michaela K
	Adam C	Tatianna B	Daniel C
<b>Hospitality</b>	Ken H	Frances M	Pam T
	Gord H	Bob Y	Deb W
	Josie P	Kruis Family	
<b>Lectors</b>	Joseph K	Randal L	Deacon
<b>Eucharistic</b>	Deacon L	Marion F	Raquel G
	Ed G	Pam T	
Sunday 9:00 AM – Jan. 2, 2011			
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Cheryl D	Marissa W	Jordan W
<b>Hospitality</b>	Mike T	Deb W	Agnes P
	Jack T		
<b>Lectors</b>	Beth W	Janeen W	Deacon
<b>Eucharistic</b>	Carla Jane R	Blair S	Lil S
	Edith T	Craig B	Rey T
Sunday 11:00 AM – Jan. 2, 2011			
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Olivia N	George N	
<b>Hospitality</b>	Lewis W	Grace D	Ellen F
	Paula J	Ken H	
<b>Lectors</b>	Shelly W	Brenda A	Deacon
<b>Eucharistic</b>	Denise S	Ron S	Sheila R
	Linda W	Donna B	Nicholas A
	Doris A	Rachel H	John T
	Georges L		

**All Ministries, please remember to arrive and sign in 15 minutes prior to Mass**

### UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Office Closed	All day	Mon	Dec 27
Office Closed	All Day	Tues	Dec 28
Office Closed	All Day	Fri	Dec 31

All parishioners are encouraged to attend **7:00 pm Mass** prior to attending meetings at 7:30 pm.

### 2010 DONATIONS

Your 2010 donations need to be received at the parish by December 31<sup>st</sup>, or if sent in the mail, date stamped by the post office "December 31<sup>st</sup>". The office will be open on Friday, December 31<sup>st</sup> until noon for anyone needing to drop off their 2010 donations. Any donations received in the office after that date, or received in the mail stamped by the post office after December 31<sup>st</sup>, will be put toward your **2011** donations.



### *From the cluttered desk of Fr. Kevin*

In the Gospel today we are invited to reflect on the waiting and the here now with us.

During the Advent season we try to focus on the idea of waiting but what are we really waiting for? Are we really waiting for the coming of a baby or are we waiting for that moment in our lives when we will truly see Jesus face to face?

One of my favourite secular Christmas carols is "Christmas Shoes" and I must admit it really pulls on the heart strings, but contained in the song is a very powerful image of a child's love and the grace of what it means to meet Jesus tonight – will we be prepared and dressed our best to meet Jesus, if he comes to greet us tonight?

Every day of our lives we have the opportunity to meet Jesus in the people we meet along the way. Sesame Street had this cute little song about who are the people in your neighbourhood, but we could change it and ask, where do you see Jesus in your neighbourhood and do you see him in your neighbours?

If you can take the time to listen to the song "Christmas Shoes" I ask you to think of just one thing. What have you done to help others prepare to meet Jesus tonight?

*Peace Fr. Kevin*

**Saturday January 1<sup>st</sup> is a HOLY DAY of obligation. That means we are supposed to the best of our ability go to church that day. Mass will be celebrated at 12:00 noon. There is no 5:00 PM mass on January 1<sup>st</sup>.**

### **SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THANK YOU!**



Our Christmas Hamper Program was a success! A big THANK YOU must go to our four schools and the many students for the food drives held, as well as the help involved in getting the food to the church. We also appreciate the many parishioners who were involved in packing and delivering hampers, as well as the donations of funds, food and gifts. We would also like to recognize the Youth Group for their much needed assistance loading vehicles with the food boxes and bags of gifts. A big thank you to those of you that donated food so the busy volunteers could be fed. A big appreciation to all the members who worked tirelessly this past month coordinating this huge undertaking and ensuring many deserving families were able to have a better Christmas. God Bless all of you.

### **PARISH GIFT**

We hope you enjoy the book "Rediscover Catholicism – A Spiritual Guide to Living with Passion and Purpose" by Matthew Kelly. The book has been purchased for all families in the parish to help them on their faith journey. Books were handed out – one per family - after masses on December 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>. If you didn't get one, contact the parish office.

### NEW YEAR'S EVE 2010

Adoration and Thanksgiving of the Most Blessed Sacrament. December 31<sup>st</sup> at **St. Bonaventure Church**, 1600 Acadia Drive SE., with Fr. Raju Nagothu. 8:40pm Christmas Carolling. Blessed Sacrament exposed with Adoration and Prayer 9:00pm-10:00pm. Prayers of Thanksgiving, Praise and Petitions for 2011. Refreshments in the St. Francis Room. Please bring some refreshments, finger foods, or snacks to share with each other. **ALL AGES WELCOME!**

### PRISON MINISTRY

The RC Diocese of Calgary Prison Ministry committee is currently looking for volunteers. We currently require a parish formation coordinator, Bible study facilitator for Calgary Correctional Center on Wednesday nights, a graphic designer for our poster, brochure, logos and website, and aftercare prisoner mentors. For position descriptions or more information, visit our web site at [www.prisonministry-rcdiocese-calgary.com](http://www.prisonministry-rcdiocese-calgary.com) or contact Deacon Gary Haney at 403-923-4279 or email: [gnhaney@telus.net](mailto:gnhaney@telus.net)

### SOCIAL JUSTICE

Social Justice Office is looking for volunteers who have an interest in Social Justice Issues and Catholic Social Teaching. Volunteers are needed to assist in the office with filing, organizing, typing, making phone calls, designing brochures, assisting with workshops and other tasks related to this ministry. Call the Social Justice Office for further details: 403-218-5505 for more information.

### BEING CATHOLIC IN DIFFICULT TIMES

Seven talks designed to equip, encourage, and prepare Catholics to remain firm in faith and knowledgeable in times of trial. Presenters: Dr. Brent Maundy and Peter Thompson. St. James Catholic Church Hall, 5504-20<sup>th</sup> St. SW. Friday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm & Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> Mass at 9am. Sessions 9:45am-4:00pm. Admission Free (Bring your own lunch).

### FAMILY PRAYER FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Let us pray for peace in our families:

Father,

help us to live as the Holy Family,  
united in respect and love.

Bring us to the joy and peace of your eternal  
home.

Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

*New Saint Joseph Sunday Missal*

### CELEBRATE THE SEASON WITH THE CALCARY PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA

Salute to Vienna, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. Celebrate the New Year! Musicians, singers and dancers will delight with popular Strauss waltzes, polkas and operetta excerpts. To order tickets call 403-571-0849

### INTERPRET THE BIBLE IN ITS ORIGINAL SETTING

With Dr. Michael W. Duggan, CWL Chair for Catholic Studies, St. Mary's University College, 14500 Bannister Road SE. Winter Term (January 6-April 12, 2011). Register at 403-531-9130 or [www.stmu.ca](http://www.stmu.ca) for more details.

# YOUTH 4 HIM



JANUARY 7<sup>TH</sup>

Will begin a New Year of  
Youth 4 Him

See you Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

Everyone from Grades 7-12 welcome

### WEEK OF GUIDED PRAYER

Sr. Cecilia FCJ & her team from the FCJ Centre will be leading a special week of Guided Prayer. This is for anyone who wants to draw nearer to God on a personal level. The dates are **January 23-29, 2011**. More information will be provided in the New Year.

### ENDOW

ENDOW helps women discover their God given dignity through small groups studying Catholic teaching. Join us for *Mulieris Dignitatem* (On the Dignity & Vocation of Women) Tuesday evenings 7:30pm - 9pm, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 [www.endowonline.com](http://www.endowonline.com) for more information or call Christina at 403-697-7277. *John Paul II's Letter to Women* intensive is being offered again on Saturday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please call for details.

### STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

*Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must also forgive. (Colossians 3:13)*

The holidays can bring out both the best and the worst in people. St. Paul reminds us that as the body of Christ we are called to let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts. The source of this peace is in our thanksgiving for what we have received from the Lord.

**CATHOLIC TRIVIA ANSWER:** Mark