



St. Albert the Great Parish

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

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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time January 17th, 2010

<u>Today's Readings:</u>	<u>Next Sunday's Readings:</u>	Pastor: FR. KEVIN TUMBACK pastor@st-albert-parish.com
Isaiah 62: 1-5	Nehemiah 8: 2-4a, 5-6, 8-10	Associate Pastor: FR. NELSON ANTAO associate-pastor@st-albert-parish.com
1 Corinthians 12: 4-11	1 Corinthians 12: 12-30	Deacons: GREG LAFAVE gclafave@gmail.com JOHN WALSH john_walsh@shaw.ca PATRICK WOO deacon.pat@shaw.ca
John 2: 1-12	Luke 1: 1-4, 4: 12-21	

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
Friday
Thursday
Saturday
Sunday

9:00 am - 9:00 pm **CLOSED 1pm-1:30 PM**
9:30am-9:00pm **CLOSED 1pm-1:30pm**
9:00 am - 9:00 pm **CLOSED 1pm-2:30 PM**
10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Office Closed

MASS TIMES: WEEKENDS: Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am and 11:00 am

WEEKDAYS: Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
1st Friday

7:45 am St. Albert the Great School
7:45 am Monsignor Smith School
7:45 am Cardinal Newman School
9:00 am St. Albert the Great Church
9:00 am St. Albert the Great Church
followed by Eucharistic Adoration
7:00 pm St. Albert the Great Church

Tues., Wed., Thurs. and 1st Fri. of the Month

SACRAMENTS: CONFESSION: Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Sunday 8:00 - 8:30 am
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 6:30 to 6:50 pm (before Mass)

BAPTISM: 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.
Please call early to avoid disappointment.

MARRIAGE: **Six to nine months notice is required.** 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.
Please see Father Kevin after the weekend Masses to make an appointment.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK:

Tuesday Mc Care	Jan 19	AM	Souls in Purgatory		
Tuesday	Jan 19	AM	Mary Honish (RIP)	PM	Jamie Joseph (RIP)
Wednesday	Jan 20	AM	Vincenza Cusano (RIP)	PM	Levstik Family (RIP)
Thursday	Jan 21	AM	Kevin Curry (RIP)	PM	Ron Dulhanty (Int)
Friday	Jan 22	AM	Peggy & Benny Conolly (RIP)	PM	No mass

CATHOLIC TRIVIA: What is the oldest traditional entrance at a wedding?

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

January 23rd & 24th, 2010
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5:00 PM			
Altar Servers	Rebecca E	Katelyn J	Declan O
	Jenny S	Natasha V	
Hospitality	Doug S	Richard A	Rita B
	Deborah B	Joanne B	Brandon R
	Fay S	Cheryl W	
Lectors	Charlotte W	Marina CM	Rhonda M
Eucharistic	Bruce C	Mary C	Niki C
	Daniel C	Matthew C	Adrian C
Sunday 9:00 AM			
Altar Servers	Helen A	John A	Michelle C
	Monica F	Maureen P	Rosanna T
Hospitality	Barry M	Megan B	Colleen G
	Kyle H	Lesley M	Paul S
	Sheila S	Shanley S	Michele T
Lectors	Cheryl C	Debbie B	Scott E
Eucharistic	Norm M	Darlene D	Rich T
	David R	Cheryl K	Margaret S
Sunday 11:00 AM			
Altar Servers	Brenda A	Kim P	Josie P
	Yvonne T	Edith T	
Hospitality	Bruce P	Grace D	Cecilia N
	Madison P	Macleon P	Michael P
	Sandy S	Liam T	Nora T
	Lewis W		
Lectors	Melinda K	Tim C	Ellen F
Eucharistic	Denise S	Ron S	Linda W
	Donna B	Rachel H	Marc P

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

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Conquest Boys	6:30 pm	Mon	Jan 18
Life of Prayer Seminar	7:00 pm	Mon	Jan 18
Finance Council	7:00 pm	Mon	Jan 18
Rosary	6:30 pm	Tues	Jan 19
Parish Council	7:30 pm	Tues	Jan 20
Mother's Group	9:00 am	Wed	Jan 20
RCIA	7:00 pm	Wed	Jan 20
DVD based Bible Study	9:00 am	Thurs	Jan 21
Cenacles	11:30 am	Thurs	Jan 21
K of C 1 st Degree	6:30 pm	Thurs	Jan 21
St. Vincent de Paul	7:30 pm	Thurs	Jan 21
Challenge Girls	7:00 pm	Thurs	Jan 21
Youth	7:00pm	Fri	Jan 22
All parishioners are encouraged to attend 7:00 pm Mass prior to attending meetings at 7:30 pm.			

HAVE YOU MOVED RECENTLY?

Have you moved in the past year? If so, please contact the parish office with your new address & telephone number. We need your **current** address to prepare your 2009 tax receipts.

From the cluttered Desk of Fr. Kevin,

So a new year has begun, and I am happy to report that no black socks were received this year. Even Grandma missed out this year. Christmas was good, and the New Year has begun where it left off... busy. We already have 30 couples we are preparing for Marriage, silly people, (sorry, inside voice); and only 13 men preparing for the priesthood. Some days a priest just feels like standing at the front of the church and calling out, "give me your children". The Interesting thing is, some might. Oh well, once again marriage will outshine religious life. I guess we need a new marketing plan, something a little catchy. Maybe we should focus on the eternal retirement benefits, or annual holidays. We'll see.

So our readings have us focusing on the wedding and the importance of celebrating the wedding, well. It's interesting how we sometimes lose focus of what the wedding is really about. Even here we see the public celebration and acceptance of the couple and how important that is, but I sometimes wonder, do the guests at the wedding know and understand their responsibility to the couple? And, that if the marriage fails it is particularly the fault of the community? Weddings are public celebrations of a couples love, and the couple gives a gift to the community by sharing their love with the community, the community in turn offers a gift to the couple; the gift of their support forever. Something we might like to think about.

So one month until Lent. Is anybody getting ready? Once again we have a short jump and then the Lenten season is upon us.

Peace Fr. Kevin

HAITI EMERGENCY AID

The Diocese of Calgary is participating in the humanitarian aid relief for the earthquake victims in Haiti. All donations received will be sent directly to Caritas Haiti. Please make cheques payable to St. Albert the Great marked "D and P Emergency Haiti".

The Federal Government has announced that they will match contributions up to \$50 million.

Please help our Haitian brothers and sisters in their hour of need.

HELPING THOSE IN NEED –ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

We are in need of **canned vegetables & sugar. Unopened items only.** Monetary donations can be dropped off at the office or placed in the collection basket marked for St. Vincent de Paul.

A LOOK AT THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Starting January 20th Fr. Kevin will be leading a lecture and discussion group looking at the Catechism and the meaning of the Catechism in our lives today. This will run most Wednesday evenings until the end of May.

PASSION PLAY 2010

Once again we are doing our passion play on Palm Sunday & Good Friday. We need actors (ages 6 to 26), volunteers, singers & musicians. Sign up at the back of the church on 16th & 17th. Contact Deacon John for further information. john_walsh@shaw.ca



STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

The steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from. (John 2:9)

We fill the jars of our lives as best we can with the waters of this world. Only by heeding the mother of Jesus and turning our jars over to Him is the water turned into good wine for the salvation of all gathered at the feast.

CONFIRMATION



For those parents who have children (grade 6 and up) registered to celebrate Confirmation at our parish, the first Parent Preparation Session will be Sunday, January 24 at 2pm OR Monday, January 25 at 7pm. The sessions will be held at the church and one parent is required to attend. If you

have any questions, or have not yet registered your child, please contact Norma at 403-257-6054 ext. 230.

MEN OF INTEGRITY CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE



February 5-6 at Holy Trinity Parish, Spruce Grove, AB. This year's theme is: "**Are you Man Enough?**" Conference begins Friday evening. To register or for more information

contact: Catholic Family Ministries at 780-418-4280 or www.catholicfamilyministries.com

CLEAR WATER ACADEMY – OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, January 28 from 7pm-9pm. Please register by calling 403-240-7916. For More information, check our website at www.clearwateracademy.com

CONSECRATED LIFE MASS



Mass to celebrate CONSECRATED LIFE: will be on Sunday, February 7th at the 10:30am Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral, 219-18 Avenue SW. All are invited to join them.

CONQUEST BOYS

Please help support the Conquest Boys fund their activities by bringing your recyclables to their bottle drive. Taking place before & after the 5pm, 9am & 11am masses in the north end of the parking lot. **Sat., Jan. 23 & Sun. Jan 24.**

Youth 4 Him



Youth 4Him

January 22nd 6:00 –
9:00pm

A NIGHT WITH THE
BISHOP!

www.st-albert-parish.com/youth

Email: youth@st-albert-parish.com

Website: www.st-albert-parish.com/youth

Lecture Series

Professor Joseph Wawrykow, Associate Professor of Theology, University of Notre Dame, IN (PhD Yale University). "Thomas Aquinas Speaks to the Church Today: his Continuing Relevance" **Feb 1, 2010 at 7:30pm:** St. Gerard's Roman Catholic Church, 8944 Elbow Dr. SW.

MOTHER'S GROUP

St. Albert the Great Mother's Group will resume for the New Year on **Wednesdays**, beginning **January 20, 2010, 9:30am-11am.** Babysitting available. Make every Wednesday, Mother's Day! All mummies welcome. For further information, call Heather at 403-203-1442.

ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY COLLEGE PRESIDENT'S DINNER

Join St. Mary's University College for the 15th annual President's Dinner on **Tuesday, February 9.** Enjoy a fascinating talk by Brian Keating of the Calgary Zoo while raising funds for the institution. Tickets available at www.stmu.ab.ca

VALENTINES DANCE



Presented by the Knights of Columbus, St. Albert the Great Council. To be held on **SATURDAY, FEB. 13,** from **8pm to 1am** at the **McKenzie Lake Community Centre.** Tickets are **\$20 per person** & includes supper. There will be door prizes, cash bar & dancing music. Tickets will be available beginning Jan 23 at McKenzie Lake Esso or call Bill at 403-257-1764.

CATHOLIC TRIVIA ANSWER:

The oldest tradition that we have as an entrance into the church is that of the bride and groom entering the church together as a sign and symbol of their free choice. The tradition of the bride being walked in by her father reflects back to the days when women were the property of their fathers or husbands.



Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre for
January 17th, 2010 the 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Social Justice Ministry

Development and Peace

The Diocese of Calgary is participating in the humanitarian aid relief for the earthquake victims in Haiti, launched by the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace (CCODP). All donations received by CCODP will be sent directly to its partners on the ground in Haiti, mainly Caritas Haiti. Please make cheques out to your parish, earmarked "D and P Emergency Haiti".

Diocesan Prison Ministry (DPM) is looking for people interested in helping with the following:

- coordinating in-prison ministry volunteers
- working with parish contacts
- managing/updating the DPM Website.

This help/involvement would be particularly suitable for those who would like to be involved with prison ministry but do not want to minister inside a prison.

Also, the DPM is looking for individuals and/or parish groups, who would like to be involved with Aftercare Ministry: helping the reintegration into society of those leaving prison. If interested, please call: 403-923-4279.

All Roads Lead Home – Diocesan re-start and a city-wide kickoff of the All Roads Lead Home – Adopt a Homeless Family programme. **January 30, 2010**, 10:00 a.m.– 2:30 p.m., at St. Thomas More Parish, in Calgary. Currently more close to a dozen parishes are involved in this Calgary Homeless Foundation sponsored programme. This is an opportunity for other parishes to join. The workshop will provide an opportunity for a city-wide kickoff of the All Roads Lead Home Programme, with participants from other denominations and faith groups. Registration \$10.00, includes lunch. For registration or information call 403-218-5511.

The Oil Sands and the Environment – Engaging in Constructive Dialogue – A public debate for sharing information and generating dialogue with the goal of increasing consensus, organized by the Social Justice Office in collaboration with KAIROS Calgary. Speakers include: Andrew Nikiforuk (speaker, author) and Don Thompson (The Oil Sands Developers Group). **February 6, 2010**, 8:45 a.m. coffee registration, 9:15 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., at Our Lady of Grace Parish (Calgary). Registration: \$20, including lunch. Phone: 403-243-5478, email: pwrdfcalgary@telus.net Together we took action.

Catholic Charities

Thank you for your support of the **2009 Annual Bishop's Appeal**. Together we helped thousands within our own communities and abroad through difficult times by sharing our resources. Together we demonstrated a unified act of compassion through our annual united diocesan appeal. Thank you. As we welcome 2010, the **Annual Bishop's Appeal** will now be known as **Together in Action**. Watch for more information.

Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs

Week of prayer for Christian Unity: You are invited! The *Calgary Council of Churches*, representing Presbyterian, Lutheran, United, Roman Catholic and Anglican (PLURA) churches in the Calgary area, invites you to participate in one or more of the following services celebrating the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. **SERVICES:** Sunday, January 17 at 7:00 p.m., Evening Grace, Grace Presbyterian Church, 1009 - 15 Avenue SW, Theme: "You are Witnesses of these Things", Speaker: Rev. Tom Melvin, Deer Park United Church. Wednesday, January 20 at 7:30 p.m., Sandstone Ecumenical Centre, 1100 Berkshire Blvd NW. Saturday, January 23 at 5:00 p.m., St. Gerard's Roman Catholic Church. Sunday, January 24 at 9 & 11 a.m., 8944 Elbow Drive SW.

For more information please check out our website at www.rcdiocese-calgary.ab.ca/
Or contact Carol Hollywood or Alessia Di Giacomo, Library & Archives, 403-218-5510

Liturgy Office

Chair of Christian Thought Season 2009/2010: Remaining Lectures

February 1, 2010, Professor Joseph Wawrykow, University of Notre Dame. "Thomas Aquinas Speaks to the Church Today: His Continuing Relevance", 7 p.m., St. Gerard's Roman Catholic Church, 8944 Elbow Dr. SW. March 15, 2010, Professor Ron Kuipers, University of Toronto, "What's So Critical about Faith? Exploring a Crucial Feature of Human Life", at 7 p.m., Calgary Chinese Alliance Church, 150 Beddington Blvd. NE.

Life and Family Resource Centre

Billings Ovulation Method: Basic Teacher Training weekend workshop **January 22-24, 2010 at Town and Country Centre, 275 Jensen Drive NE, Airdrie, Alberta.** For those seeking information about a modern method of natural family planning, for registration and information call 1-866-796-3722 toll free.

Catholic Engaged Encounter - January 29 – 31, 2010: The weekend gives couples planning marriage the opportunity to dialogue about their future lives together through private discussions with each other. Registration inquiries for this transforming marriage preparation can be made by calling 403-240-0103, or you can visit the website: www.ceewest.com.

Marriage Encounter Weekend February 19- 22, 2010, for couples who desire a fuller richer life together check the web www.wmcanada.org or call Bart & Maureen McAnally at 403-246-6624

Retrouvaille: A Lifeline for Troubled Marriages So many couples struggle alone and confused with their difficulties. Retrouvaille offers those in troubled and painful marriages the chance to rediscover themselves, their spouse, and a loving relationship in their marriage. You are NOT alone. Please don't wait. Next Programme begins **March 5 – 7, 2010.** Check the web: www.helpourmarriagecalgary.com

Pull Back the Curtain: How Religious and Secular Services Address Abuse of Older Adults. This one-day conference hosted by the Alliance to End Violence will feature Charmaine Spencer, a Canadian expert on the topic, and will take place March 1, 2010. For information contact Eva Chan at echan@endviolence.ca or Alexandra Sears at faithlink@endviolence.ca.

Effective Co-Parenting: Putting Kids First is a parent education programme that will give information about the needs of parents, children & families coping with separation and divorce. This program will be held on six Tuesday evenings from March 16 – April 27, 2010 at the Catholic Pastoral Centre. For more information or registration contact the Life & Family Resource Centre at 403-218-5504.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat (RV) is for women and men suffering from a past abortion experience. The next RV retreat will be held from April 16 – 18, 2010. Please contact the Project Rachel office at 403-218-5506 or toll free at 1-877-597-3223, or via e-mail: projectrachel@rcdiocese.ab.ca

For a complete listing of Life & Family ministries, programmes and events please check our website at www.rcdiocese-calgary.ab.ca. Scroll down to Offices, click - On Diocesan Office page, find and click on - Life and Family Resource Centre (LFRC), or call the LFRC at 403-218-5505

Youth Retreat Team

The Diocesan Youth Retreat Team (DYRT) is available to assist parishes with retreats or activities for sacramental preparation. The only cost is for materials used for the presentations. Phone Mary Ann at 403-218-5516 or e-mail youthdirector@rcdiocese-calgary.ab.ca Alternate e-mail calgary.dyrt@gmail.com

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