

St. Albert the Great Parish

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

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3rd SUNDAY of EASTER May 8th, 2011

Charitable Registration Number/BN 107909939 RR0084

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<p>SACRAMENTS:</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Marriage: 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 see Father Kevin after the weekend masses to make an appointment.</p>	<p>OFFICE HOURS:</p> <p>Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday: 9:00am-1:00pm & 1:30pm-9:00pm</p> <p>Thursday: 9:00am-1:00pm & 2:30pm-9:00pm</p> <p>Friday: 9:30am-1:00pm & 1:30pm-9:00pm</p> <p>Saturday: 10:00am-4:00pm</p> <p>Sunday: Closed</p>	<p>CONFESSION:</p> <p>Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday: 6:30pm to 6:50pm (before Mass)</p> <p>Saturday: 3:30pm to 4:30pm</p> <p>Sunday: 8:00am to 8:30am</p> <p>(or by appointment)</p>



Day	Date	Time	Intention	Time	Intention
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Tuesday	May 10	AM	Ella & Clinton Dias (Int)	PM	Ed & Evelyn Masse (RIP)
Wednesday	May 11	AM		PM	Diosa Guimban (RIP)
Thursday	May 12	AM		PM	Fr. John Pinto (Int)
Friday	May 13	AM		PM	No mass
Friday	May 13	9AM	Audrey Tiberio (RIP)		

Today's Readings:	Next Sunday's Readings:
Acts 2: 14, 22b-28	Acts 2: 14a, 36b-41
1 Peter 1: 17-21	1 Peter 2: 20b-25
Luke 24: 13-35	John 10: 1-10

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Choir Practise	6:30 pm	Mon	May 9
Conquest Boys	7:00 pm	Mon	May 9
Prayer & Sharing	7:00 pm	Mon	May 9
Finance Mtg.	7:00 pm	Mon	May 9
Baptism Team Mtg.	7:00 pm	Mon	May 9
Rosary	6:30 pm	Tues	May 10
Knight of Columbus – General Mtg.	7:30 pm	Tues	May 10
RCIA	7:00 pm	Wed	May 11
Choir meeting	7:00 pm	Wed	May 11
Challenge Girls	7:00 pm	Thurs	May 12
Youth group	7:00 pm	Fri	May 13

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

BAPTISMS IN MAY

Friday, May 20 th	7:00 pm
Saturday, May 21 st	5:00 pm
Sunday, May 29 th	11:00 am

MOTHER'S GROUP SCHEDULE FOR MAY

Babysitting Provided

Wednesday, May 11 th & 18 th	9:30 am
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AWAKENING HOPE FOR LIFE

The Ethics of Euthanasia: *Contemporary Complexities*. Wednesday, **May 11** from 7pm-9pm at St. Anthony's Parish, 5340-4 Street SW. Keynote speaker: **Bishop Henry** followed by a panel of Health Professionals presenting their prospective and a question and answer period. For more information: Contact 403-218-5505 or www.calgarydiocese.ca

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

The Lord had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread. (Luke 24:35). The word "Eucharist" means thanksgiving. Jesus is made known to us when we recognise how God has blessed us with abundance and we give thanks.

ST. ALBERT THE GREAT LAUNDRY COMMITTEE

Our Church laundry coordinator is in need of volunteers to wash, dry and iron altar linens on the following dates: August 13-14 and December 24-25. If you can help with laundry on any or all of these dates, please contact the Parish office or Louise at lmackint@telus.net

CATHOLIC TRIVIA: Serving those in need, especially the poor, is an integral part of the mission of the Catholic Church. At the parish level, those who participate in this ministry are generally referred to as being involved in what ministry?

From the cluttered desk of Fr. Kevin

Happy Mother's day, to which I would like to share a little story.

Sarah, (named changed to protect her identity) was a lovely young lady who in her late teens decided God could not possibly exist. Look at all the evil in the world, look at all the people in church who slander and hurt each other all week and on Sunday claim they love God. So in her teenage wisdom she concluded God did not exist; it was a lovely story for those who needed a crutch in life.

To this end she decided to set her own rules and right and wrongs. She did not do anything really wrong, maybe drank too much, swore a lot and disrespected many people, but hey they did not respect her so why did she have to respect them.

One day Sarah discovered she was pregnant. She had a boyfriend that she "hung out with". And she was a bit "free and easy" in her sexual life. But now she had a problem, what to do? Her boyfriend was not really the husband type, he was fun but could not hold a job, what to do? She thought about an abortion, but that seemed wrong. But how to raise a child on her own, or worse yet, marry her boyfriend and raise a child. What to do?

Each morning she woke up and then threw-up, life sucked. So she started looking into an abortion but the more she looked into it the sicker she seemed to be each morning. Finally the day arrived to go and have her abortion but she was so sick she could not get out of bed. Twice more she tried to go and have an abortion and each time she could not raise her head from the pillow. In the end she gave up on having an abortion.

Some time later Sarah gave birth to a lovely little girl. Life changed. Holding her little girl, Sarah had one of those ah-ha, moments. At that moment Sarah discovered God and God's love. Holding her daughter Sarah discovered Jesus, God revealed himself to her in the child in her arms.

Life has not been easy for Sarah, but Sarah never walks alone, for every day that she looks at her daughter, she sees Jesus who loves her and watches over her.

May God never stop revealing himself to us as we walk along life's journey.

Peace Fr. Kevin

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to all of our young parishioners who celebrated their First Holy Communion this weekend. May the joy and love of knowing Jesus in Communion be with you always.



THE FLYING DOCTORS OF CANADA

The Flying Doctors of Canada (FDOC) work towards alleviation of poverty and suffering around the world. Their missions go to the farthest reaches of Central America in order to supply much needed medical attention to some of the neediest people, many of which rarely see a doctor despite the significant burden of ill-health. This summer they will be going to Nicaragua and El Salvador to continue their work in those two countries.

In combination with a student-delivered health education and community development projects (focusing on the provision of basic needs such as clean drinking water and smoke-free homes), they hope to continue their task. The provision of long-term relief requires a large amount of medicine and supplies, both of which are costly. In order to off-set this high cost, the University of Calgary (FDOC) student team is fundraising in several ways. You can help by attending the June 2nd Auction (EPCOR center, Engineered Air theatre), donating items to the auction, providing us with recycling bottles from your house or buying 50:50 raffle tickets. If you would like to help, please contact Paula patrileo@hotmail.com 403-465-0136 or attend the Sunday socials. For more information: www.flyingdoctors.ca



GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

There will be a second collection next weekend which is Good Shepherd Sunday. All money collected will go to help fund the seminarians as they prepare to take up God's calling.



CATHOLIC CEMETERY MASSES SCHEDULE

St. Mary's Cemetery	Tues. May 17 th	7:30 pm
Holy Family Cemetery	Tues. May 24 th	7:30 pm
St. Joseph's Cemetery	Wed. August 17 th	7:30 pm
Good Shepherd Cemetery	Thurs. Aug. 18	7:30 pm

3rd ANNUAL KNIGHTS CHARITY GOLF CLASSIC

Monday, June 20, at 1pm. Boulder Creek Golf Club, Langdon. Early Bird Registration before April 1 - \$115 **OR** \$125 after April 1st. Hosted by St. Albert the Great Knights of Columbus.



ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

St. Albert the Great St. Vincent de Paul is in need of **peanut butter & jam** this week. Please drop off your donations in the St. Vincent de Paul box in the Narthex.

PUTTIN ON THE RITZ

This year's Puttin' On the Ritz will be on **May 28th** from **7:30pm** to 10:00pm. The fundraiser this year will be for Christ the King School playground.

PUTTIN ON THE RITZ Tickets \$30 per person (includes appetizers & special drink at the door). Wine Tasting Cards \$20, purchased at the door. **Contact the Parish office to purchase tickets.**

ESL PRE-SCHOOL PROGRAM

This program is for children whose first language is not English and they are between the ages of 3 ½ to 4 ½ as of September 1, 2011. There are **no fees**. Program runs Monday to Friday. Catholics and non-Catholics are encouraged to inquire. Call: **St. Catherine's School at 403-500-2061**. (11 Canata Close SW, Calgary).



Calgary Diocesan County Fair - The Palio **The Palio**

Mark your calendars for the Calgary Diocesan County Fair – The Palio. A fun filled family day on **Saturday, June 18**, at the Strathmore Rodeo Grounds. The fair will feature the running of horses & games for the all plus an open air mass with Bishop Henry. Watch for ticket sales at the office or purchase online at www.palio.ca

THE ROSARY IN MAY


For the month of May we will be reciting the rosary 30 minutes before each of the Saturday and Sunday Masses. All are welcome. Families, children & groups especially welcome. For more information, calgarycatholic@shaw.ca

Catholic Trivia Answer: Outreach

YOUTH 4 HIM Love you MOM!

A Mother's Love

A Mother's love is something that no one can explain, it is made of deep devotion and of sacrifice and pain, it is endless and unselfish and enduring come what may



For nothing can destroy it or take that love away . . . it is patient and forgiving And it never fails or falters even though the heart is breaking . . . it believes beyond believing when the world around condemns, And it glows with all the beauty of the rarest, brightest gems . . . it is far beyond defining, it defies all explanation, And it still remains a secret Like the mysteries of creation . . . A many splendored miracle man cannot understand and another wondrous evidence of God's tender guiding hand.

Junior High Youth Group Friday 7:00-9:00
Senior High Youth Group Saturday 7:00-9:30
All ages Grades 7-12 are welcome to attend!

www.st-albert-parish.com/youth
 Email: youth@st-albert-parish.com



Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary

Announcements from the Catholic Pastoral Centre for
May 3rd, 2011, Third Sunday of Easter

Bishop's Office

Cemetery Masses will be held as follows: **May 17** (St Mary's), **May 24** (Holy Family, Edenbrook), **August 17** (St Joseph, Queen's) and **August 18** (Good Shepherd, Mountain View). Time: **7:30 pm**. For further information please contact Fr. Edmund Vargas, Sacred Heart Parish at 403-244-2741.

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Office of Vocations

Sunday May 8, 2011 Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa, O.F.M., Cap. will be the main celebrant and preacher at the **12:00 noon Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral**, Calgary. He will preach on the theme of vocation as it applies to every baptized Christian. Everyone is invited to attend. Fr. Cantalamessa has been the Papal Preacher since 1980. Please see www.cantalamessa.org for further information.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations: You are invited to a holy hour of prayer for vocations to the priesthood and religious life on **Sunday May 15th**, the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Place: St. Anne's Parish, Calgary.

For further information contact Fr. Gaffney at 403-245-2753.

Social Justice Office

Japan Relief – The Catholic Diocese of Calgary is participating in aid relief in Japan by forwarding all donated funds to the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace. Donations will be accepted in two ways:

- Cheques to your Parish, earmarked “D and P Japan Relief” (your parish will issue the tax receipt). This is the preferred way.

- Cheques to the Roman Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of Calgary, earmarked “D and P Japan Relief” (the Diocese will issue the receipt).

For information contact the Social Justice Office: 403-218-5519 or socialjustice@calgarydiocese.ca

Study Group on **Caritas in Veritate**: Learn about Pope Benedict XVI's encyclical **Caritas in Veritate** on Integral Human Development and Charity in Truth. Join us as we come to learn more about this important encyclical using **the Guide for Discussion and Action created by the Jesuit Forum for Justice**. Key themes related to human development, economic development and civil society, development and technology, and development and the environment will be explored. Study Sessions will start weekly in the Pastoral Library from **Wednesday, May 4th to June 15th, 7:00-9:00pm**. To register, please contact Jana Drapal at the Social Justice Office at 403-218-5519 or e-mail socialjustice@calgarydiocese.ca

Life and Family Resource Centre

Calgary Catholic Medical Association (CCMA) presents its 6th annual “Awakening Hope for Life. This year the presentation is on “The Ethics of Euthanasia: Contemporary Complexities” and takes place on **Wednesday May 11, 7:00pm** at St. Anthony's Parish, with Bishop Henry as the keynote

speaker. A panel of 3 medical practitioners will talk about their experiences relating to the subject. For more information please call 403 218-5505.

The **Marriage Preparation** program “For Better and For Ever”, has been adapted for couples in one or more of the following special circumstances: living together (cohabitation), previously married, beginning marriage with children, couples 45+, or those married in a civil ceremony and wish to have their marriage blessed in the Church (convalidation). For information and/or to register call the Life and Family Resource Centre at 403-218-5505 or 403-218-5504 email lifeandfamily@calgarydiocese.ca

Catholic Engaged Encounter- A non-residential, diocesan approved marriage preparation program as an alternate (or in addition) to the parish based marriage preparation programs. Catholic Engaged Encounter will be offered: **May 21& 22, 2011**. For Registration or inquiries call 403-240-0103, or you can visit the website at: www.ceewest.com

Project Rachel offers a journey of healing and reconciliation for people suffering distress from a past abortion experience. For more information call Project Rachel at 218-5506 or toll-free 1-877-597- 3223.

Serena is a method of Natural Family Planning that teaches couples to understand their fertility. If you are interested in learning this, need a refresher in the method, or currently use it and want to teach others the beauty in this way of life please contact Larry and Marcia Lehew at 403-251-0463.

Catholic Family Service Marriage Preparation Course: The dates for the next three courses are **June 3-5, June 24-26 and August 12-14**. Couples who have talked to their priest or deacon are welcome to register. For more information call Catholic Family Service at 403- 233-2360 or visit the website at www.cfs-ab.org

Catholic Family Service Teen Parent Program is actively recruiting volunteer mentors age 26 + to provide support to isolated young parents. Catholic Family Service provides training and support to all of its volunteers. For further information please contact Jan Taylor at 403-205-5220.

St. Patrick's Church, Calgary

Mission Mexico Retreat in Cuernavaca St. Patrick's Parish, Calgary, will be hosting an information evening Thursday, **May 19th at 7:00 pm** in their parish hall (1414 Shawnessy Blvd.SW) on the next Mission Mexico retreat to be held in Cuernavaca Oct. 27th-Nov.3rd. Whether you are on a Mission Mexico committee at your parish, hope to start one, interested in helping the poor, or interested in the retreat, please plan to attend. Fr. Fred Monk, founder of Mission Mexico, will review the work of MMEX over the past 10 years and be available to respond to questions about the projects funded by MMEX. For more information, please contact Fr. Wilbert Chin Jon (frwilbert@gmail.com)

Mount St. Francis Retreat Centre

Third Annual **Franciscan Lecture Series Presents Fr. Ron Rolheiser, O.M.I.**, an internationally published author and columnist in matters of our Christian faith, on **May 19th, 7:30pm**, at St. Francis High School – 877 Northmount Dr, NW, Calgary. **Topic:** Living the Ups and Downs of our Faith: a Failure of Faith or a Failure of Imagination? **Tickets:** \$20 each; purchased by phone 403-932-2012 or online at www.mountstfrancis.ca Free parking at the School. For details see the webpage.