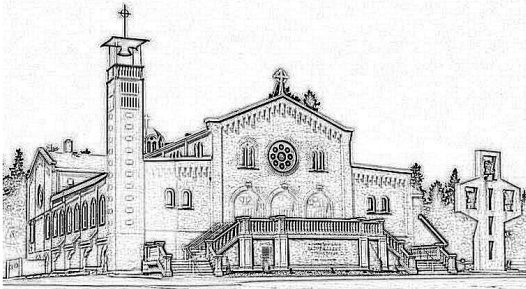


# St. Albert Catholic Parish



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## Office Hours:

Monday to Friday 9 am-12 noon/  
1 pm-4 pm

## Weekend Eucharistic Liturgies

### Saturday

Main Church 5:00 PM  
Sturgeon Hospital Chapel 6:30 PM

### Sunday

Main Church 9 AM & 11 AM  
Chapelle Connelly McKinley 10h (Francais)

## Weekday Eucharistic Liturgies

Tuesday – Friday 8:30 AM (Chapel of Immaculate  
Conception, 11 Mission Ave.)

## Pastoral Staff and Parish Personnel

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## Support Ministry:

Fr. Rene Belanger, OMI Fr. John Doetzel, OMI  
Fr. Al Roy, OMI Fr. Jacques Joly, OMI  
Fr. Maynard Boomars, OMI

March 7, 2010  
Third Sunday of Lent  
(Year C)

## Mission Statement

*Daring to walk in the footsteps of those who came  
before us to this mission hill, we,  
St. Albert Catholic Parish,  
strive to become the living presence of Christ by  
being a sacramental and socially active community  
of faith.*

*We gather on a prayerful journey  
to nurture one another and  
together with our youth we further enrich our  
tradition.*

*United as God's people,  
we care for the sacred universe created for the  
benefit of all.*

## This week in the parish: March 8-14, 2010

### Monday

7 PM – Ski Trip Mtg.

### Tuesday

8:30 AM – Eucharist (Chapel)  
7 PM – World Youth Day Mtg. (Library)  
7:15 PM – French Choir (Chapel)

### Wednesday

4:45 PM – Joyful Joyful Practice  
8:30 AM – Eucharist (Chapel)  
6:30 PM – Alive Practice  
7 PM – RCIA (Lacombe Rm.)

### Thursday

8:30 AM – Eucharist (Chapel)  
7 PM – Lenten Penitential Celebration

### Friday

8:30 AM – Eucharist (Chapel)

### Saturday: Vigil 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

10AM-2PM – Hands & Feet (Hall)  
5 PM – Eucharist  
6 PM – Oblate/Guatemala Potluck (Hall)

### Sunday: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

#### Daylight Saving Time Begins

9 AM – Eucharist  
11 AM – Eucharist (RCIA 2<sup>nd</sup> Scrutiny)



**Scripture Readings Next Sunday**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Joshua 5.9, 10-12

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 2 Corinthians 5.17-21

Gospel: Luke 15.1-3, 11-32

**Readings - 2<sup>nd</sup> Scrutiny (11am Mass)**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: 1 Samuel 16.1 6-7, 10-13

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: Ephesians 5.8-14

Gospel: John 9. 1-41

**Luke 13:1-9**

**A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT - 3rd Sunday of Lent**  
God heard the cry of His people in Egypt and responded generously by bringing them out of captivity. But in the desert the Israelites began complaining to Moses. They were not grateful for the gift of their freedom – a grateful heart silences a complaining voice! We good stewards pray that we will always be grateful for the gifts and opportunities that we are given. When we are at times not grateful, when we are overcome with an unhealthy lust for material things, power, or prestige, we are called to repent, and we are grateful for the Lord’s mercy.

Stewardship Office, The Archdiocese of Winnipeg,  
[www.archwinnipeg.ca](http://www.archwinnipeg.ca)

**DEVELOPMENT AND PEACE SHARE LENT**



Have you read the Development and Peace bulletin insert about the African communities in the Chocó region of Columbia, South America? Do you not agree that what they have suffered and still suffer has gone on long enough? Development and Peace and its partner, The Interchurch Justice and Peace Commission, will continue to help them defend their land, improve food sovereignty, and protect those who are persecuted. To do this, though, they need Share Lent donations from us! Please give generously on Solidarity Sunday, March 25.

**FIRST COMMUNION MEETINGS**

**TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2010 @ 6:30 PM** for parents and children of Albert Lacombe, Father Jan and students from other schools

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2010 @ 6:30 PM** for parents and children of Bertha Kennedy, J.J Nearing and Sturgeon Heights

Young Adults (18-38) interested in going to **World Youth Day** Madrid Spain in 2011? Next meeting is March 9 at 7pm in the Library. For information contact Pierre Ducharme, OFM at 780-459-6691 or [mrpducharme@hotmail.com](mailto:mrpducharme@hotmail.com)

**Lenten Penitential Celebration**  
Thursday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.  
Refreshments to follow in the parish hall.

**HOLY WEEK & EASTER SCHEDULE**

March 27/28 – **Palm Sunday**  
Saturday:  
9:30-12Noon - **Individual Reconciliation**  
(last scheduled reconciliation before Easter)  
5pm - **Celebration of the Lord’s Passion**  
Sunday:  
9am & 11 am - **Celebration of the Lord’s Passion**

April 1 – **Holy Thursday**  
7 pm: **Celebration of the Lord’s Supper**  
11pm – Holy Hour

April 2 – **Good Friday**  
12Noon & 3pm - **Celebration of the Lord’s Passion**

April 3 – **Holy Saturday**  
9am – RCIA Retreat  
2pm – Blessing of Easter Baskets  
**(5pm Mass Cancelled)**  
8:30pm – **Easter Vigil Celebration**

April 4 – **Easter Sunday**  
6am – **Easter Sunrise Celebration**  
9am – **Easter Sunday Celebration**  
11 am – **Easter Sunday Celebration**

**Célébrations liturgiques du Triduum Pascal 2010**  
**Communauté Catholique Francophone**

1 avril à 20h JEUDI SAINT. Messe en mémoire du dernier repas de Jésus.

2 avril à 15h VENDREDI SAINT. La Passion de Jésus.

3 avril à 20h VEILLÉE PASCALE. L’histoire de notre salut.

4 avril à 10h PÂQUES. La Résurrection du Seigneur Jésus.

News from St. Albert Food Bank - 28 pounds of food was delivered from the church to the Food Bank this past week. Thank you for your continuous donations and support.

**The CWL March 16<sup>th</sup> General Meeting** – This meeting’s guest speaker will be Sister Eveline Gagnon who will be speaking to us on a Lenten reflection with a theme of Reconciliation. Please join us and bring a friend. Everyone is welcome.

Dear Parishioners

**Re: BLUE SUNDAY, May 2, 2010**

Once again the Knights of Columbus is hosting a special "Blue Sunday" celebration at the 11am mass. This special Mass honours the many men and women who risk their lives on a daily basis for the betterment of our community. We recognize; the police force, EMS workers, prison guards, the military, peace officers and the list goes on and on. We are asking your support in "advertising" this event to any special person that may fall under one of these categories. This person does not have to be active today. All retired personnel are invited and are equally deserving of our recognition. If a person wishes to attend we hope they would could "in uniform" but this is not necessary. Following the mass we will provide a special "Pancake Breakfast" for them, hopefully allowing them to meet many of our parishioners and giving us another opportunity to "thank" them. Our guests do NOT have to be of the Catholic faith. Please, if you know someone, a neighbour, a friend or a family member, pass this information on as soon as possible so their calendars can be marked. If you are successful in attaining an acceptance for attendance at this Mass, please call Gerry (780 459-7384) or Eric (780 460-8474) so their names can be recorded. Thanks for your cooperation as we hope to make this special Mass the best one yet.

Council 4742, Knights of Columbus

**Cornerstone of Faith Campaign** (construction of the new St. Joseph Seminary and Newman Theological College): The call of the Gospel is clear: our sacrificial gift given in a spirit of joy proves our willingness to care – because we are prepared to share. The assessed financial goal for our parish is \$72,000 (\$18,000 per year over 4 years). Your participation and support are critical. We would like to see a participation rate of 100 per cent. Your participation counts – and all gifts matter!

*"...for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." (Luke 12:34) Cornerstone of Faith offers the opportunity to recognize the call of the Gospel and respond in a positive manner – thus ensuring that the new seminary and college can be built. Please respond in faith and generosity. If you have not received Cornerstone information, please pick up a brochure and a pledge form.*

École Father Jan would like to invite you and your kindergarten age child to our **Discovery Day** on **March 17**. There is a morning session, an afternoon session and an evening session. Call Lise at 780-458-3300 to book your spot to see how your child can learn a second language in our single track French Immersion school. Your child will test out our kindergarten classroom, a music class, a gym class and a library time. Call the above number for more information.

**Share Lent and Haiti Benefit Concert:** The Edmonton Archdiocesan Council for Development and Peace invites you to enjoy a Share Lent and Haiti Benefit Concert Fundraiser on **Friday, March 19**, 7 p.m. at McMahon Auditorium, Campus Saint Jean, 8406 rue Marie-Anne-Gaboury (91 Street), Edmonton. The concert will feature local artists performing poetry, music and dance from a wide variety of cultural backgrounds sure to get you in the social justice groove. The concert will also feature a special presentation by Pedro Landa, this year's Solidarity Visitor from Honduras. Mr. Landa is the Executive Director of Caritas Tegucigalpa in Honduras, a Development and Peace partner organization. All proceeds will go to the Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace, of which 10 per cent will go to continued disaster relief and reconstruction projects in Haiti. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased at the Development and Peace office, Catholic Pastoral Centre 8421 - 101 Avenue. Please call Marie-Claude or Angus at 780-424-1557 for more information.

**CELEBRATING LENT at 'the STAR of the North'**  
**Call 780-459-5511 to register.**

**Partnering With People: 'Meeting Christ in the Margins' with Inner City Pastoral Ministry**

If Jesus walked the streets of Edmonton today, one of the places he would frequent would be Edmonton's Inner City. Why? Because that's where we find some of the most marginalized and vulnerable people in our community and those are precisely the folks with whom Jesus kept company. Inner City Pastoral Ministry (ICMP) is an ecumenical ministry that has provided a ministry of presence in the inner city for over 30 years. We invite you to come to Star of the North to meet members of the Ministry Team and the Board and to learn more about how Inner City Pastoral Ministry provides a way for folks from the 'burbs' to come to the inner city and **meet** Christ in the margins and **be** Christ in the margins. Join us for a simple dinner followed by a gathering to celebrate the blessings of this special ministry. **Wed. Mar. 10, 6 pm dinner followed by program / \$15.00**

**Individual Reconciliation:**

**Saturdays, 9:30 – 11am ~ Main Church**  
or by appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick:** If you have a family member who is seriously ill in the home or at the hospital and is in need of the sacrament of the sick, please call the parish office and we will arrange for a visit to receive the sacraments.

**Baptism: For Infants:** Parents are invited to contact the parish office to register for baptism preparation. Our next preparation sessions will take place April 6 & 13, 2010. Parents attend both evenings and are welcome to prepare during the time of pregnancy. Baptisms take place the last weekend of each month during all masses. (No baptisms throughout the Lenten Season)

**Marriage: All couples:** ...wishing to be married in our parish are asked to contact the parish office at least 6 months before the proposed wedding date. An initial interview with the parish priest will be set up at which time the preparatory steps for celebrating the sacrament of marriage will be explained. Because of the importance of the sacrament and of the couple, the church requires that proper preparation take place. You may contact our office for information regarding a Marriage Preparation Course.

**Christian Initiation:**

**For older children:** ...6 years old and up, the church calls for a more extensive program of preparation called “Christian Initiation of Children”(C.I.C.). For further information, contact the parish office.

**For Adults:** ...who wish to seek membership into our faith community, we have the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.). Contact the parish office.

**Sacramental Preparation for Children:**

Parents are the primary educators of the faith of their children. To support you in this role, our parish offers meetings for parents and children beginning in September to prepare for **First Reconciliation First Eucharist, and Confirmation.** Celebrations for the sacrament of First Eucharist take place the **2nd and 3rd weekends of each month during all masses (with the exception of the Lenten season).**

**Parish Ministry Contacts/Coordinators**

- Council Chairperson.....Rita McGregor
- Liturgy Committee.....Anna Vollmer
- Finance Committee....Debra McLennan/Ken Bokenfohr
- Building & Maintenance Committee.....TBA
- Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)  
Coordinator.....Fr. Andrzej Stendzina, OMI
- Christian Initiation of Children (CIC)  
Coordinator.....Fr. Andrzej Stendzina, OMI
- Music Ministry Team.....Carole Kube,  
Laurianne Douville, Scott Venne, Jacqueline Harlton
- Children’s Liturgy.....Colleen Mahon
- Altar Server Coordinator.....Fr. Andrzej Stendzina, OMI
- Liturgy of the Word.....Jerry Moran
- Community Life Action Committee.....TBA
- Usher & Greeter Coordinator.....Joan Thom
- Arts and Environment.....Anna Vollmer
- Prayer Laudators.....Leona Plamondon
- Hospital Ministry.....Joan Brunner
- Social Justice/Development&Peace...Leslie Vandersteen
- Society of St. Vincent de Paul.....Margaret Gregson
- Oblate/ Guatemala Mission Committee...Deanne Riopel
- Pastoral Care.....Laurel Lutes
- Library.....Geneva Lander
- Catholic Women’s League.....Huguette van Halst
- Knights of Columbus.....Gerry Woodlock
- Webmaster .....Ray Schmidt

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<b>New to the Parish / Change of address or marital status:</b>	
Please fill in the form below and drop it in the offering basket or submit it to the parish office.	
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