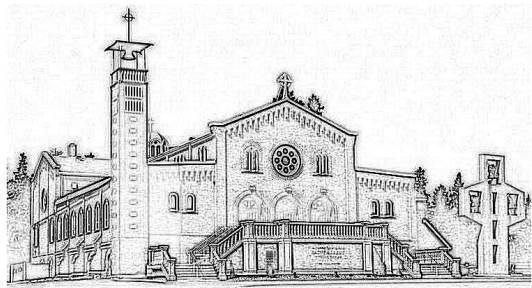


# St. Albert Catholic Parish



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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  
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Fr. Maynard Boomars, OMI

*January 10, 2010  
The Baptism of the Lord  
(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: January 11-17, 2010**

### **Monday**

8 AM- 3PM – VJM School Retreat  
6:30 PM – 150<sup>th</sup> Jubilee Core Committee Mtg.  
(Boardroom)

### **Tuesday**

8 AM-3PM – VJM School Retreat  
8:30 AM – Eucharist (Chapel)  
6:30 PM – 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Mtg. (Hall)  
7 PM – Baptism Prep. (Star of North)

### **Wednesday**

8 AM- 3PM – VJM School Retreat  
8:30 AM – Eucharist (Chapel)  
6:30 PM – Alive Choir Practice  
– 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Mtg. (Hall)  
7 PM – RCIA (Lacombe Rm.)  
7:30 PM – Holy Hour for Vocations

### **Thursday**

8:30 AM – Eucharist (Chapel)  
6:30 PM – Liturgy Mtg. (Boardroom)  
7:30 PM – Celebration Singers

### **Friday**

8:30 AM – Eucharist (Chapel)

### **Saturday: Vigil: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

5 PM – Eucharist (Mass with AL School)  
6 PM – Volunteer Appreciation (Hall)

### **Sunday: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9 AM – Eucharist  
11 AM – Eucharist



*Baptism of the Lord*

**Scripture Readings for Next Sunday**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Isaiah 62.1-5

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Corinthians 12.4-11

Gospel: John 2.1-12

**A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT**

**January 10 – Baptism of the Lord**

Baptism is the Sacrament of Faith. We are called to continue to grow in our faith in the midst of a community of believers. Stewardship is a way of living out what we say we believe. This means that we are willing to share a generous portion of our lives and our possessions with God, with our faith community, and with the world. Vatican II points out that all the baptized are “bound to show forth, by the example of their lives and by the witness of their speech” that **new life** they receive in baptism.

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

Special thanks to the individuals of our parish ministries who participated in the Christmas & New Year’s day celebrations. A big thank you to all those who helped decorate the church for the Advent and Christmas season. Much appreciated!

**VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION**

Thank you,

for sharing so generously  
your time and talent within the  
parish community.

In appreciation of your giftedness,  
please join us for a *wine & cheese*  
(as well as other beverages & finger foods)

**Saturday, January 16th** at 6pm  
(following the 5pm Mass) in the parish hall.

**Notice:** Our parish now has gluten free Eucharistic hosts available to those who are wheat intolerable. If you wish to receive a non-gluten host during Eucharist, please advise the priest prior to Mass.

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

**ECUADOR MEDICAL / DENTAL MISSION**

The Social Justice committee would like to say **THANK YOU!!** to everyone for the huge support given to the Ecuador medical/dental mission in December. Through the raffle, David Fraser's CD sales as well as donations given by the K of C and individual parishioners, \$2,750 was raised to assist the families! This money will be greatly appreciated since the cost of one hip replacement is \$2,000.

Emir Poelzer, Lindsay Poelzer and Rebecca Krauskopp, as members of the mission team, leave for Ecuador on Jan 14th and will return to Edmonton Jan 28th. We ask that you keep them all in your prayers - asking God to protect the team so that they will have a safe, peaceful and successful trip.

**Society of St Vincent de Paul**

**The Work of Christmas**

When the song of the angel is still,  
When the star in the sky is gone,  
When the wise women and men are home,  
When the shepherds are back  
with their flocks,  
The work of Christmas begins:  
To feed the lost,  
To heal the broken,  
To feed the hungry,  
To release the prisoner,  
To rebuild the nations,  
To bring peace among people,  
To make music in the heart.

Author - Unknown

To join us in doing “*the work of Christmas*”,  
or to donate furniture and household items,  
please call 780 471 5577.

**FFF...the first Friday in February** is fast approaching.

It will be the time for another special parish activity hosted by the Knights of Columbus...the annual Mardi Gras Dance. Once again this year the Saint City Jazz Band (an affiliate of the community band) will perform its “Big Band Sound” of the 40’s and 50’s. Dance to the music of Glenn Miller, Duke Ellington and the Dorsey Brothers and enjoy the company of family and friends. Tickets are now available for \$20/person. The evening includes door prizes, a late night meal, and a 50/50 draw. All proceeds from this special event will go to the many Knights’ projects in and around our parish. Mark your calendars for the “FFF” and get your tickets early. Contact Gerry 780-459-7384 or Moe 780-459-9487 and we will arrange for tickets to be delivered. Thank you in advance for your continued support of all your Knights’ activities.

Knights of Columbus Council 4742



### CONNECT TO C.W.L.

On Tuesday, January 19/10, 6:30 p.m. join us for mass and the installation of our new executive, which will then be followed by our "Pot Luck Supper". We invite you to bring your favorite dish, a friend, and/or a spouse to share our friendship and hospitality. Hot dishes may be brought downstairs before mass to be kept warm. We look forward to seeing you there!

**2010 C.W.L. Membership:** Our membership gives us the opportunity to be of service in many ways, in our parish and community. Membership also gives us the opportunity for spiritual development and growth in our faith, and gifts of friendship with other members are formed through our Catholic faith dedication. Memberships are due February 15/10. We appreciate your assistance in completing the form below to update our information. Enclose either \$20 cash or a cheque payable to the "Catholic Women's League St. Albert Council" in an envelope clearly marked "CWL" and drop it in the Sunday collection basket or mail to P.O. Box 74, St. Albert, T8N 1N2.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Birthdate: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Renewal: \_\_\_\_\_ New to CWL: \_\_\_\_\_  
New to St. Albert Council: \_\_\_\_\_  
Transferred from: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cheque: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Recent Food Bank donations received from our parishioners totaled 235 pounds of food. Thank you to the St. Albert Parish Community for your continued support to the Food Bank.

### PROVIDENCE RENEWAL CENTRE

**January Justice Day with Jesus / Bob McKeon, Ph.D.**  
**Saturday, January 30, 2010 from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm**

*The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor....Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing" (Luke 4:16-21)* In using the words of the prophet Isaiah, Jesus announces the mission statement for his public ministry. Come for a day away and reflect on Jesus' words as proclaimed in the 1<sup>st</sup> century and how these words come alive today in our justice-making ministries today.

**Before January 9: \$25.00 After January 9: \$30.00 (Fee includes lunch)**

**For more information about these programs, please see our website [www.providencerenewal.ca](http://www.providencerenewal.ca)**

**To register please call 780-701-1854 or email [retreats@providencerenewal.ca](mailto:retreats@providencerenewal.ca)**

### The Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton Office of Vocations

Pope Benedict XVI has declared this year as the Jubilee Year of the Priest. In celebration of this, Fr. Patrick Baska as Director of Vocations will be leading a **Monthly Holy Hour for Vocations at St. Albert Parish**. The format will be simple with a combination of song, scripture, reflection, intercessory prayer and benediction. The first holy hour will be Jan. 13, 2010 @ 7:30pm. All are welcome.

### Winter Programs at Star of the North

[www.starofthenorth.ca](http://www.starofthenorth.ca)

Call 780-459-5511 to register

**Yoga At the Star: Making Mind-Body-Spirit Connections.** Come stretch your body, mind and spirit! These Purna Yoga classes include physical postures and meditation. Purna means 'complete', and the classes are intended to nourish your body, mind, and spirit. Emphasis is placed on precision and alignment of the body in the physical postures. The classes are open to all levels; no yoga experience is required. Come experience all of the benefits that yoga has to offer! Teacher: Cassie McColl. *Wear comfortable clothing; bring a yoga mat and a blanket.* Classes are Mon. or Wed. mornings and Tues. or Thurs. evenings. Call for times and dates: 780-459-5511

### Away Days' with Sandy Prather

Sometimes it is good to get away. When we get away, we step back from the ordinary routine. We rest and relax; we allow ourselves to be renewed. Come enjoy an Away Days Retreat at Star of the North. Each 'Away' Day will focus on a different contemporary spiritual book. Through a combination of presentations and reflective time, we will explore the themes and ideas of the authors, and apply their insights to our lives. *It is not necessary to have read the books.*

January 28: *Why Go To Church? The Drama of the Eucharist*, 2008. Author: Timothy Radcliffe, OP.

February 25: *Disciplines for Christian Living: Interfaith Perspectives*, 1993. Author: Thomas Ryan, C.S.P.

9:30 am - 3:00 pm Advance Registration: \$25.00 (\$30.00 at the door)

**Nurturing Body, Mind and Spirit:** A Purna Yoga Retreat. Come stretch your body, mind and spirit with a weekend of Purna Yoga! Purna means 'complete', and the retreat consists of yoga and meditation, providing a wonderful opportunity to take care of your body, quiet your mind and go deep within. Teacher: Cassie McColl. *Some yoga experience recommended. Wear comfortable clothing. Bring a yoga mat and a blanket.*

9 am Sat. Jan. 30 to 1 pm Sun. Jan. 31 Cost: \$149.00

**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 January 12 & 19, 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.....Bernie McCracken
- Liturgy Committee.....Anna Vollmer
- Finance Committee....Debra McLennan/Ken Bokenfohr
- Building & Maintenance Committee.....Ron Bokenfohr
- 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.....Susan Coates
- Altar Server Coordinator.....Brigitte Fletcher
- Liturgy of the Word.....Jerry Moran
- Community Life Action Committee.....Rita McGregor
- 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
- Pastoral Care.....Laurel Lutes
- Library.....Geneva Lander
- Catholic Women’s League.....May Carline
- Knights of Columbus.....Gerry Woodlock
- Webmaster .....Ray Schmidt  
webmaster.stalbertparish@gmail.com

<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.	
___ Please include my /our name as a member of the parish community ___ Change of Address ___ Newcomer	
(Family Surname)	
(First)	(Spouse)
Children:	
(Name)	(Date of Birth)
Address:	
(Postal Code)	(Telephone)
<input type="checkbox"/> Please provide me with offering envelopes	