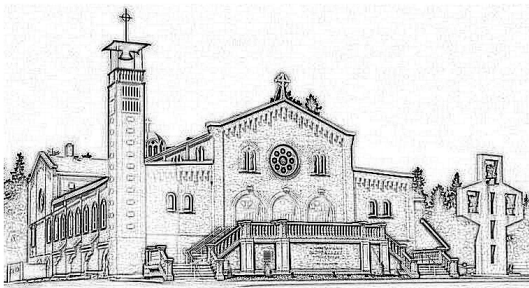


St. Albert Catholic Parish



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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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Fr. Maynard Boomars, OMI

January 24, 2010
3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time
(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 25-31, 2010

Monday

7 PM – Flower Decorating Workshop
– K.C. Mtg. (Library)

Tuesday

8:30 AM – Eucharist (Chapel)
6 PM – Building/Grounds Mtg.
7 PM – WYD Mtg. (Lacombe Rm.)
– World Marriage Day Mtg. (Library)

Wednesday

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

Thursday

8:30 AM – Eucharist (Chapel)
6 PM – Wedding Rehearsal
7 PM – Parish Pastoral Council Mtg.
7:30 PM – Celebration Singers

Friday

8:30 AM – Eucharist (Chapel)

Saturday: Vigil 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 PM - Wedding
5 PM – Eucharist (Baptisms)

Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9 AM – Eucharist (Baptisms)
11 AM – Eucharist (Baptisms)



Luke 1.1-4; 4.14-21

Scripture Readings for Next Sunday

1st Reading: Jeremiah 1.4-5, 17-19
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12.31-13.13
Gospel: Luke 4.21-30

A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

January 24 – 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

There exists in our Parish community a diversity of unique gifts. God has provided us with these gifts in order to advance His Kingdom. Our sisters and brothers in other Christian denominations have also been blessed with unique gifts that are being used for the same purpose. This week, the *Annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity* comes to a close. We pray that throughout the year all Christians would be good stewards of their relationships, seeking to understand each other, being always patient and humble, and listening to one another, so that the Body of Christ may be truly united.

Stewardship Office, The Archdiocese of Archdiocese of Winnipeg,
www.archwinnipeg.ca



The Office of Marriage and Family Life in partnership with World Wide Marriage Encounter is issuing a cordial invitation to all married couples to World Marriage Day 2010 on **February 14** at St. Albert Parish. This is an opportunity to celebrate the gifts of marriage, hear presentations from couples at different stages of marriage, and enjoy prayer, food and fellowship.

World Marriage Day: Marriage ... with a Vision of Greatness.

Prayer for Couples: *May the God of compassion be with you. Because ... in loving and serving, you show that you have been created in the likeness of God. For God is Love and when you love, you are like God. May the blessing of COMPASSION and LOVE be upon you.*

Date: Sunday, February 14, 1:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
Place: St. Albert Parish, 7 St. Vital Ave, St. Albert, AB

Youth & Young Adult Ski-Trips

February 12-14, 2010 ~ A Lake Louise Ski-Trip for Young-Adults (18+) . Accommodation (Canmore), meals, and lift-ticket for \$100. Participants need carpool.

March 12 -14, 2010 ~ A Lake Louise Ski-Trip for Youth (Junior and Senior High). Accommodation (Canmore), transportation, meals, and lift-ticket for \$75. Contact: Pierre Ducharme, ofm, 780-459-6691 mrpducharme@hotmail.com ; for sign-up waiver.

Young Adults (18-38) interested in going to **World Youth Day** Madrid Spain in 2011? Upcoming meeting, January 26 at 7pm in the Lacombe Room. For information contact Pierre Ducharme, OFM at 780-459-6691 or mrpducharme@hotmail.com

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



In your prayers please remember those members of our parish community and/or any extended family members who passed away recently especially...

Marc Arnault, John Huberdeau, Esther Kraychy

Also, remember in your prayers those in our parish who are not feeling well. These names will also be included in the prayers of our Prayer Laudators.

Re: Appeals to the Parish ~ As with all households and organizations, the parish receives many worthy appeals for funds and other types of assistance. Parish Council has passed the following motion: **“Any appeals by parishioners must obtain prior approval from parish council.”** We thank you for your cooperation.

**Nurturing Children's Spirituality
How Children Experience God by:**

Dr. Nancy Reeves ~ Friday, February 26, 2010
Registration: 6:30 p.m. Workshop: 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Location: Good Shepherd Parish, 18407-60 Avenue.
Workshop free of charge for leaders in your parish or community as someone who is involved with the Faith formation of young people are welcome to attend.
Offered by the Office of Evangelization and Catechesis, Archdiocese of Edmonton.



Office of Evangelization and Catechesis ...

Nothing More Beautiful: All parishioners are warmly invited to attend the third encounter of this year's Nothing More Beautiful journey at 7 p.m. **Thursday, February 4**, at St. Joseph's Basilica. "Jesus Christ: Lamb of God and Bread of Life" is the theme for the evening, which features presentations by Bishop Gary Gordon of Whitehorse and our own Sister Annata Brockman, set in the liturgical context of Evening Vespers. This is an opportunity to experience a beautiful aspect of prayer, learn more about our precious faith and gain inspiration from the witness of an ordinary Catholic who lives her faith in an extraordinary way. See the posters and pamphlets for more information, or visit

<http://www.caedm.ca/beautiful>

Register Today! The 2010 Catholic Conference, "Stand in the Light: Washed, Anointed, Sent," is happening on March 12-13 at the Mayfield Inn and Suites Conference Centre in west Edmonton. The conference, hosted by the Alberta Bishops and Alberta Catholic School Trustees Association, is an excellent, faith-filled opportunity to gather with others and celebrate. It will feature local, national and internationally known speakers, included keynote speaker David Wells. For more information and to register visit www.catholicconference2010.ca or call the ACSTA at 780-484-6209.

Sign of Hope surpasses goal: Catholic Social Services is grateful for the generous response to this year's Sign of Hope campaign. Despite the impact of the economic recession on donors, the campaign raised \$2,454,512 – just over its goal of \$2.4 million. Christopher Leung, CEO of Catholic Charities/Catholic Social Services, said: "*We do not take our donors for granted. But we are so grateful for them, especially in these challenging economic times. It speaks to their confidence in the work we do. Sign of Hope dollars are crucial dollars for us. Community support has been vital to our ability to fulfill our mission.*" CSS provides professional services to people of all faiths and cultures through more than 100 community-based programs, including services to abused children, persons addicted to alcohol and/or drugs, and individuals with physical and mental disabilities. More than 60,000 people received help from the agency in 2009. Thank you!

Training in Natural Family Planning: NFP

Association (Alberta) teaches the Billings Ovulation Method and we are offering a Basic Teacher Training Workshop for anyone/couples interested in training to become an instructor. This first phase of training in our accreditation process will take place at the Misericordia Hospital in Edmonton **February 26-28**. The Friday evening only of this weekend is also open to anyone/couples interested in learning the Billings Ovulation Method for their own personal use. For more information contact Natural Family Planning Association (Alberta) toll free at 1-866-796-3722 or email info@billingsnaturalfamilyplanning.org

Annual Special Collection for SJS-NTC: We all benefit from the ministries of those who receive education and formation at St. Joseph Seminary and Newman Theological College. The annual special collection for these important institutions provides much of the funding for their day-to-day operations. This year the special collection for St. Joseph Seminary and Newman Theological College will be taken on the weekend of February 13 and 14. Over the next two weekends (Jan. 30-31, Feb. 6-7), students, staff and seminarians will be visiting as many parishes as possible to share the good news from the seminary and college.

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.....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.....Colleen Mahon
- Altar Server Coordinator.....Fr. Andrzej Stendzina, OMI
- 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
- Oblate/ Guatemala Mission Committee...Deanne Riopel
- Pastoral Care.....Laurel Lutes
- Library.....Geneva Lander
- Catholic Women’s League.....May Carline
- Knights of Columbus.....Gerry Woodlock
- WebmasterRay Schmidt
webmaster.stalbertparish@gmail.com

New to the Parish / Change of address or marital status:	
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	



Development & Peace, Haiti Emergency Fund

Blessings and Thanks to all who responded last week to help those experiencing the tragic consequences of the terrible earthquake in Haiti. \$965.00 was collected in this parish last week end and the last report from Development and Peace states that it has raised over \$400,000 from individuals across the country since the news of the earthquake was first received. This does not include the \$250,000 recently received from the Quebec Government.

The Government of Canada will be matching grants to recognized NGO's for Haiti humanitarian relief to a total maximum of \$50 million. Development and Peace will qualify for these matching funds, which must meet certain conditions.

1. Contributions must be made between January 12 and Feb. 12 2010.

2. Names of individual donors must be identifiable by the parish.

Note: For those using the special envelopes at the entrance of the church, please make your cheque payable to "St. Albert Parish". Envelopes can be placed in the collection plates or turned in at the Parish office. All money will be sent on to D&P. The parish will issue a receipt for your donation.

3. Corporate donations are not eligible for matching grants.

4. Donations being mailed directly to D&P must be stamped by Canada Post no later than Feb. 12, 2010.

Note: Cheques are to be made out to Development and Peace and sent to the Montreal Office.

1425 Boul. Rene- Levesque Quest
3rd Floor
Montreal, QC
H3G 1T7

Donations can also be made online by following the links on the website
www.devp.org

As the Canadian member of Caritas Internationalis, Development and Peace is part of one of the largest humanitarian networks in the world. It recently sent two of its staff members to Haiti to work with the Caritas team on the ground, which includes CRS (Catholic Relief Services)USA and Caritas Haiti, to distribute food, water, shelter and other emergency needs.

Eight 20 ton trucks organized by Partners of D&P have already delivered rations of hope to Haiti and others are on the way.

“ We are extremely touched by this outpouring of generosity. Especially, since our experience in emergencies is to be present in the long term when the road to reconstruction begins. For example, we are still involved in the Tsunami reconstruction five years later, and anticipate that our involvement in Haiti will continue for many more years,” said Michael Casey, Executive Director of Development and Peace.

“ SPECIAL ENVELOPES AT CHURCH ENTRANCE ”

Thank you!

Jubilee 150th Celebration - Logo



St. Albert
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About the Logo:

This traditional design uses stained glass elements to depict three major groups that contributed to the historical establishment and growth of St. Albert Parish during the last 150 years. The face represents the Grey Nuns, the feather symbolizes the Aboriginal people, and the cross represents the Oblates. Roots at the bottom of the cross depict the growth of the Parish through dedication and commitment of those who settled here and worked to make the Parish a viable faith community. The uplifted face of the Grey Nun symbolizes the devotion to God and the spread of the Word that were an integral part of the Parish's faith development. The rays coming from the cross represent the spread of God's word in the community through the Oblate Fathers and the Grey Nuns. The stained glass style connects to the historic use of stained glass in the church.

Congratulations to the three winners of the "Logo Contest" who helped in the creation of the logo:
Ryley Fetter, Leanna Wright and Caitlin Kres