Church of St. Albert

The Catholic Church in the Heart of Albertville

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Nativity of the Lord December 25, 2021 | The Holy Family December 26, 2021

The Holy Family

OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

After three days Jesus' parents found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions.
Luke 2:46

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Welcome!

Are you new to our community? We are glad you are here and we hope you find the Church of St. Albert parish community a place to call home!

To register as a parish member, please contact the Parish Office at 763-497-2474. Registration Forms are available in the narthex or on our parish website: churchofstalbert.org/new-parishioner. We welcome you!

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass	4:00pm
Sunday Mass	9:00am

Daily Mass

Tuesday & Wednesday	7:30am
1st Friday	12:00pm

Sacraments

Reconciliation Schedule

Saturday	2:30-3:45pm
Sunday	8:00-8:45am
Wednesday	8:00-8:30am
1st Friday	12:30-1:00pm

Marriage: Call the Parish Office at 763-497-2474 one year prior to your proposed marriage date.

Baptism: Available on the 1st Saturday of the month after the 4:00pm Mass and on the 3rd Sunday of the month after the 9:00am Mass. Call the Parish Office at 763-497-2474 to register for Baptism and Preparation information.

RCIA: Classes are available October to April. To learn about becoming Catholic, contact Jean Wold at 763-497-3782.

Readings | Mass Intentions

Today's Readings

First Reading — Hannah gives her son Samuel back to the Lord, leaving him in the temple at Shiloh: "As long as he lives, he shall be dedicated to the Lord" (1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28) *or Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14.*
Psalm — Blessed are they who dwell in your house, O Lord (Psalm 84) *or Psalm 128.*
Second Reading — We are children of God when we believe in the name of God's Son, Jesus Christ, and love one another just as he commanded us (1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24) *or Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17].*
Gospel — Joseph and Mary find the lost Jesus in the temple in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking questions (Luke 2:41-52).

Mass Intentions for the Week of December 27-January 2

Day of Week	Mass Time	Mass Intention
Tue, Dec 28	7:30am	† Veronica Lindenfelser
Wed, Dec 29	7:30am	† Dolores Chounard
Mary, Mother of God Fri, Dec 31	5:00pm	All Parishioners
Sat, Jan 1	4:00pm	† Mike and Zita Kuss
Sun, Jan 2	9:00am	All Parishioners

Chapel of Divine Mercy

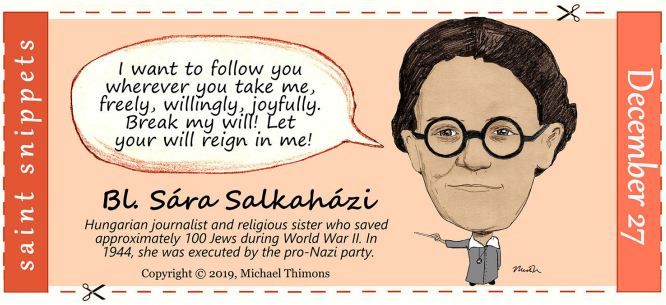
Chapel Hours for New Years Weekend

The Chapel will close on Friday, December 31 at 12Noon and reopen on Sunday, January 2 at 6:00pm.

Immediate Need
2:00-3:00am—Thursday
Noon-1:00pm—Thursday
7:00-8:00am—Friday
6:00-7:00pm—Friday
10:00-11:00pm—Friday

Prayer Partner Needed
3:00-4:00pm—Monday
2:00-3:00am—Thursday
11:00am-Noon—Friday

If you would like to have a weekly hour or have questions, contact Brenda at 763-286-8570.



From the Desk of Fr. Joe Zabinski

Merry Christmas Parishioners of St. Albert!

Christmas is a time when we can experience God's love and mercy in a particular way. Our God came to us in such a way that we can approach Him in the easiest and least threatening way. The God of the universe came in the form of an infant human being! Oh, the wonders of God's love for us! I invite you to ponder this reality in this Christmas season.

I can still remember the day that I became an uncle for the first time. 18 years ago, I held my little baby nephew who was only a few weeks old. I could not believe that I was holding him and able to call him my nephew with me being his uncle! I was an uncle! It was a surreal experience!

In the same way, God becoming an infant human being can be a surreal experience for us. The God who made you and me in His image and likeness and who was there in the beginning of creation, the 2nd person of the Blessed Trinity, came on earth in the form of an infant. He became an infant human being who ate, slept, cried, needed a diaper changed and was taken care of by His human parents. That is a surreal reality to think and pray about! That is how much God wants to be a part of our lives!

How He wants us to take Him into our own way of life! I love seeing infants at Mass. They are so lovable, approachable, adorable, and innocent! Even when they cry during Mass, it is a great thing to experience! This is the way God became so that we could approach Him. He became like this so that we can approach Him with confidence and love in our hearts for Him - knowing that He loves us and is merciful.

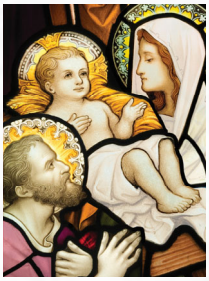
This is what this Christmas is all about. It is about God becoming this little infant human being for us. He did not do it for His sake - He is perfect as He is! No, He did this for us and for our sake. Enjoy this Christmas season! Celebrate this fact of our faith - that God became a human being to dwell amongst us.

The beautiful thing about the Catholic Church is that we get to experience this reality of God becoming an infant human being every time we come to Mass. At the Mass, the God of the universe becomes a little, tiny piece of bread for us to consume and take into our body. He then will transform us into His own Body and make us more of who we truly are meant to be. We get to consume Him, so that He can come and make a home within us. Let's make it a practice to think about Who we get to receive during the Mass. The Mass is such a beautiful gift for us! We get to receive the God of the universe in the form of bread at the Mass! He comes to dwell in our hearts at the Mass. What a gift! Let's celebrate this fact about the Church and about our faith this Christmas - the gift of the Eucharist.

I hope you have a wonderful Christmas Season!
Fr. Joe Zabinski

A Vocation View:

Jesus grew in wisdom, age, and grace in the midst of his family. How is your family growing in the midst of these challenging times? Seek out God's grace. (Luke 2:41-52) If you want to talk about your vocation discernment, call Fr. Joe Zabinski at 763-497-2474 or send him an email at frjoe@churchofstalbert.org.



Today we honor the Holy Family, helping us to see that God is active in daily family life. God is near at hand, amidst the tensions, joys, and uncertainties of family life. As our Gospel passage describes, even with family miscommunications and with limited understanding of Jesus' mission, the Holy Family persevered in their life together. Like many family conflicts, there was no immediate or clear resolution of the issues raised by Jesus and by Mary. God's intentions for the family, and for Jesus, were still unfolding. They continued to stay connected with each other and with God. Within the turbulence of family life, they trusted God to actively sustain and guide them into an uncertain future. We are invited to follow their example.

Generosity, Goodwill & Gifts

The Collection for December 11 & 12, 2021

Adult Envelopes/Donations	$	7,643.00
Youth Envelopes	$	4.00
Plate	$	758.00
Abiding Love Envelopes	$	401.00
Immaculate Conception	$	1,757.00
Total Given Year-to-date	$	189,475.00
Envelope Need-to-date	$	185,000.00
Religious Retirement Fund	$	920.00

Due to an early bulletin deadline, the Collection for December 18 & 19, 2021 will be posted in the January 2 Bulletin. Thank you parishioners of St. Albert for your generous financial support of our local parish.

Holy Family
No 4:00pm Mass on Saturday, December 25
Sunday, December 26
9:00am and 5:00pm

Mary, Mother of God
Friday, December 31 | 5:00pm

Epiphany
Saturday, January 1 | 4:00pm
Sunday, January 2 | 9:00am

Merry Christmas and God's blessings of Faith, Hope & Love for 2022! Fr. Joe and Parish Staff

Pictured—Fr. Joe Zabinski, Jean Wold, Greg Gacioch, Janet Welter, Pam Lindenfelser, Joyce Valerius, and Rita Fay. Not Pictured—Gabby Ilkka, Dave Plude, Deacon Steve Dupay, and Deacon Paul Ravnikar.

The Week at a Glance

Sunday, December 26
8:00-8:45am Reconciliation
9:00am Mass
5:00pm Mass
6:00pm Adoration Chapel Reopens
6:00-8:00pm Live Outdoor Nativity (parish center)

Monday, December 27
Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, December 28
7:30am Mass

Wednesday, December 29
7:30am Mass
8:00-8:30am Reconciliation

Thursday, December 30

Friday, December 31
Parish Office Closed
12Noon Adoration Chapel Closed
5:00pm Mass/Mary, Mother of God

Saturday, January 1
Adoration Chapel Closed
2:30-3:45pm Reconciliation
4:00pm Mass

Sunday, January 2
7:00-8:00am Men's Group (parish center)
8:00-8:45am Reconciliation
9:00am Mass
10:00am Prayer Ministry (parish library)
6:00pm Adoration Chapel Reopens
6:00-7:30pm Bible Study (parish center)

Live Outdoor Nativity Volunteers Needed!
Many Volunteers (adults and children) are needed for our Live Outdoor Nativity! Come and be a part of this wonderful family event! Help is needed with handing out costumes, to the "set up and take down" of the manger and, of course, persons (both children and adults) to portray the nativity characters. Questions? Contact Jean Wold at 763-497-3782 or jwold@churchofstalbert.org

Prayer Ministry
For anyone who would like to be prayed with for any specific needs, a prayer ministry team will be available in the parish library on **Sunday, January 2** after the 9:00am Mass. *"For where two or three gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20).* Any questions or to schedule another time, please contact the Parish Office.

St. Albert Faith Formation

Total Lifelong Catechesis

2021-2022 TLC Faith Formation

Upcoming Dates

December 26 – Live Outdoor Nativity from 6:00-8:00pm
January 3 – TLC Preparation Night at 6:00pm
January 3 – TLC Catechist Workshop at 7:00pm
January 5 – Wednesday TLC Session from 6:15-8:15pm
January 7 – Reconciliation Learning Centers from 4:00-7:00pm
January 8 – Reconciliation Learning Centers from 10:00am-12:00pm
January 9 – TLC Mass at 9:00am (4th Grade Class helping with Mass)
January 9 – Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 9:00am Mass
January 9 – Sunday TLC Session form 10:15am-12:15pm

For more information or questions,
contact Jean Wold at 763-497-3782 or jwold@churchofstalbert.org.

We Remember

Sharon C. Berning
March 11, 1941 - December 7, 2021

Sharon was a longtime, faithful member of St. Albert's, active in the Serra Club for Vocations and the CCW. Her funeral Mass was held on Tuesday, December 14. Please keep her and her family in your prayers. Eternal Rest, grant unto her O Lord and let the perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen. We extend our condolences to her family and friends. She is survived by Mark (Julie), William (Selina) and Paul (Stacy); eight grandchildren: three great grandchildren; other relatives and friends. See Peterson Chapel for complete obituary.

Young Adults

Iron to Iron

Iron to Iron is a group of young adults (ages 18-39) in the Wright County area who seek to forge themselves in prayer and community. Whether you are single, married, or a parent, you are welcome! Join Iron to Iron for an Adoration hour at the Church of St. Henry in Monticello at 7:00pm on the 1st Thursday of every month, followed by hanging out at a nearby restaurant. On **Thursday, January 6**, the restaurant after Adoration will be Chatters in Monticello. For more information or to be added to the Iron to Iron GroupMe to stay updated with events, contact irontoironcatholic@gmail.com with your phone number.

Come and See!

St. Albert's 17th Annual
Live Outdoor Nativity
Come and See!
Sunday, December 26 from 6:00 to 8:00pm
St. Albert Parish Center

Come and celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, Our Savior.

Outside enjoy seeing volunteers portraying Jesus, Mary, Joseph, Shepherds, Angels and Wise Men.

Inside enjoy hotdogs and chips, cookies and hot beverages to keep you warm. There will also be Christmas crafts for children, a Christmas photo booth, and a Christmas movie playing.

Fun for the whole family!

All are Welcome!

Let's keep Christ in Christmas!

Try Alpha

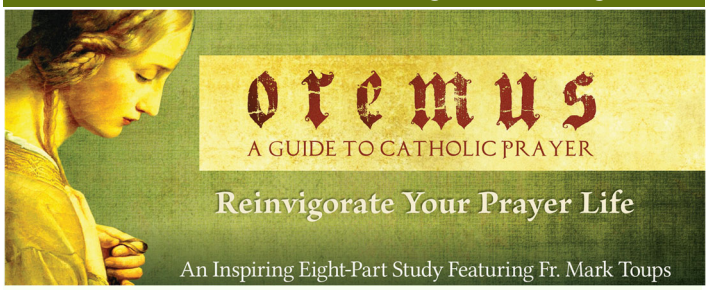
Thursday's Starting January 20, 2022
AM Session: 9:30-11:00am | PM Session: 6:30-8:00pm

Alpha is for everyone – no question is out of bounds and you are free to discuss as much or as little as you wish. We don't assume any background knowledge or belief in Christianity and everyone is welcome! **~ 11-Weeks ~**

This merits repeating – Alpha is for EVERYONE!

Register Today: Churchofstalbert.org/ALPHA

8-Week Adult Study on Prayer



All are Invited to an 8-week Adult Study on Prayer: Oremus: A Guide to Catholic Prayer

Mark Your Calendar—Plan to Attend—Invite a Friend!

AM Session: Friday's from 9:30-11:00am
Feb 4, 11, 18 & 25 and Mar 4, 11, 18 & 25

PM Session: Dates/Times TBD — Are you interested?

Please contact Jean Wold at 763-497-3782 or jwold@churchofstlalbert.org

FEAST OF FAITH | Processional

"The Mass is ended, go in peace." At the beginning of Mass, the ministers entered in solemn procession, an emblem of the diverse community that comes together around the altar each week to celebrate the Eucharist. As Mass ends, another procession forms, and the ministers go forth from the church. This concluding procession also acts as an emblem of the entire assembly, who, nourished by the Eucharist, will now go forth to our scattered homes and places of work to be a transforming leaven of the gospel in the world. At the beginning of Mass, the priest kissed the altar as a sign of greeting, a gesture of reverence for Christ. Now, the priest reverences the altar again, this time in a gesture of farewell. We gather our things and go forth as we entered—but not quite. Through our celebration of the Eucharist, we have renewed our commitment to service of Christ our King, and we go forth nourished, strengthened, renewed—changed. — Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

STMA Youth Ministry

Winter Faith Camp—Register Early!

Winter Faith Camp 2022 is open for registration on your families online account! All 8th-12th graders are invited to join us for an amazing retreat experience **January 14-16**. We are collaborating with St. Francis in Buffalo to bring you an awesome Winter Faith Camp experience that is full of dynamic talks, games, activities, prayer, Mass, Adoration, and more! This retreat will be hosted at Camp Victory in Zumbro Falls, MN. The cost per teen is $200, and **registration closes on January 10**. We encourage D-groups to come together with their leader for a powerful group bonding experience but this retreat is open to any high schooler!

ADULTS - We will need you to be around to chaperone, if you'd like to help please reach out to any of the STMA Catholic Youth Ministry Staff.

High School Open Youth Room

8th-12th Graders are invite to St. Michael's Youth Room on **Sunday, January 2** from 7:00-9:00pm. Come play games, buy candy/pop, and just hang out. We would love to see you!

Middle School Open Youth Room

Our next open youth room for 5th-8th graders is on **Wednesday, January 5 & 19** from 2:30-5:00pm at St. Michael's Youth Room! Come play games, buy candy/pop, and just hang out. We would love to see you!

FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE (FNL)

Join us for our next FNL on **Friday, January 7** from 7:00-10:00pm at St. Albert Parish Center. Teens in grades 5-8 are welcome! Please register to attend FNLs this year via your UltraCamp account. Contact Gabby or Zach with questions. No cost but a suggested $5 dollar donation. Grab a friend and sign up today! Sign-up is required! One sign-up needed for 2021-22 if you haven't already.

4th Grade Fun Night

Join us for our next Fun Night on **Monday, January 10** from 6:30-8:00pm! Since 5th grade is welcomed to come to FNL's this year, we are just focusing on just the 4th graders! Each night will be filled with awesome games, small groups, snacks, fun, and chances to learn about their faith! Every FUN night will be hosted at St. Albert Parish Center from 6:30-8:00pm. We also suggest a $3 donation that you can bring the night of!

High School Night

Teens in 8th-12th Grade: Come and experience a larger Community for D Groups, a place to invite friends, games, food, teaching, and worship. Once a Month on Sunday unless there is a REVIVE. Our next evening is not until **Sunday, February 20** from 7:00-9:00pm at St. Albert Parish Center due to Winter Faith Camp!

For more information, please contact:

Gabby Ilkka at 612-418-9596 or by email at gswift@stmacatholicyouth.org.
Zach Zaldivar at 763-439-9438 or by email at zzaldivar@stmacatholicyouth.org
John O'Sullivan at 612-470-0539 or by email at josullivan@stmacatholicyouth.org
Hollie Danis at 937-760-5562 or by email at hdanis@stmacatholicyouth.org

Youth Ministry Website: www.stmacatholicyouth.org

Vocation Discernment

Operation Andrew Dinner

Archbishop Bernard A. Hebda and Father David Blume, Director of Vocations, invite men, ages 16 and older, who are discerning their vocations, to join them for dinner and conversation about priesthood and religious life on **Monday, January 17** from 6:00-8:00pm at the Archdiocesan Catholic Center in St. Paul. Typically, guests invite their pastor, youth minister or a religious brother to meet them at the Archdiocesan Catholic Center for the Operation Andrew Dinner. Online registration is required. For more info and to register, see 10000vocations.org.

Miriam Dinner

Archbishop Bernard Hebda invites women, ages 16-35, who are discerning consecrated life to join him for dinner and conversation on **Monday, January 17** from 6:00-8:00pm at the Archdiocesan Catholic Center in St. Paul. Sister Mary Joseph, a Handmaid of the Heart of Jesus Sister, will help lead the dinner program that will include consecrated women sharing their vocation testimonies, stories of consecrated life and discerning tips. Online registration is required. For more info or to and to register, see 10000vocations.org.

Seminary Application Process Begins

If you are discerning Catholic priesthood and would like help with next steps, please contact Fr. David Blume, Director of Vocations. Fr. Blume is currently meeting with men applying to be considered for acceptance as archdiocesan seminarians for Fall 2022. Fr. Blume can be reached at frblume@stthomas.edu or 651-962-6890. You may also call Fr. Joe at St. Albert's at 763-497-2474.

Opportunities to Pray

The Wright County Serrans invite you to join us in praying for our local seminarians and those in religious formation:

Br. Morgan Backstrom, Dan Berning, Sr. Ann Magdalene and Sr. Seraphine of the Heart of Jesus, St. Albert, Albertville; Morgan Fournier, Church of St. Ignatius, Annandale; Alexander Rasset, St. Francis Xavier, Buffalo; Sister Gianna Agnes Popp, St. Luke, Clearwater; Ryan Sustacek, St. Michael, St. Michael; Samuel Gilbertson and Jonathon Hank, St. Thomas the Apostle, Corcoran; Chris Yanta, Alexander Marquette, Elias Budke and Sr. Mary Pieta, ACJ of the Handmaids of the Heart of Jesus, St. Timothy, Maple Lake; Deacon Dain Scherber and John Sester, Mary Queen of Peace, Rogers; Cullen Gallagher, St. Timothy, Maple Lake is an aspirant in the Propaedeutic Formation Program at St. Paul Seminary. Gabe Thorp, Sarah Koshiol, Leah Weber, St. Michael, St. Michael and Susie Rieber, St. Timothy, Maple Lake who are in NET Ministries; Zachary Sandquist, St. Boniface, St. Bonifacius, Krista Steele and Luke Eicher, St. Michael, St. Michael who are serving with FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students). Yanta Vizenor, and Jack Gebert, St. Michael, St. Michael who are missionaries with Damascus Catholic Mission.

Opportunities to Pray

Prayer Requests

If you want to place someone on the prayer list, please send an email: jwelter@churchofstalbert.org or call the Parish Office at 763-497-2474. Their name will remain in the bulletin for 4 weeks. If additional prayers are needed, please request that their name remain on the list.

Please Pray For:

Steven DeMars
Family of Joe Friendshuh
Steve Zachman-brother of Dale
Darlene Donais
Charles Hoskins
Charlotte Gabler-daughter of Richard & Nancy Bistodeau
Mark Hassing-son of Lori
Donny Weidenbach
Kris Aikens-daughter of Margaret Oakden
Marlene Zenz
Tony Barthel
Russell Lindenfelser
Manny Apostol
Ben Carroll
Dennis Vetsch
Wayne & Mary Lou Kolles
Family of Sharon Berning
Kristina McKenzie
Jim Current
Kurt Roden
Beatrice Praught
Valerie Pierce
Charles Anderson
Blaise Ptak
Paul Schumacher
Marlene Zachman
Brenda Klinkner
Florence Bosire
Leona Vetsch
Kaprina Watters
Annabelle Backstrom-granddaughter of Gregg & Jeannine,
Mara Norton-friend of Jacques & Debra Eull
Adam Roden-son of Bill & Lois Roden
Nicholas Wiltscheck-great-grandson of Joanne Kerkaert

Please Pray for the Safety of our Service Men and Women:

Brady Berning-son of Paul & Stacy
Nicole Cavanaugh-daughter of Mike & Polly
Tyson Erdmann-grandson of Gary & LuAnn Greninger
Michael & Steven Bistodeau
Tyler & Nicholas Franzen-sons of Scott & Dawn
Henry Kirscht-grandson of Ruth
Catrena Schumacher-daughter of Paul & Molly
Lance, Blake & Calvin Meyer-sons of Neil & Lisa
Mitch Greninger-grandson of Phyllis Greninger
Jack Helget-grandson of Phyllis Greninger

"Walk With Me" Vocation Prayer

for those on their journey to ordination/final vows:

Loving God, we ask you to guide the men and women of this Archdiocese who are considering religious life and those already on their journey towards ordination or final vows. Bless them in their decisions. Strengthen them in their love for you and their desire to serve you in this special way. Hold them close to your heart, especially during difficult or troubled times. Shower them with your love and fill them with courage and joy as they study and prepare themselves for your work. We pray for all on their journey to religious life. May they feel our loving and prayerful support. We ask this in the name of Jesus, your Son. Amen.

A Prayer for Relief, Hope & Healing for those Suffering from Tornados

Dear Lord, rest your hands on those suffering from the effects of the tornadoes and those helping with the recovery efforts, that they may find relief, hope and healing in you during this difficult time. Amen.

Liturgical Ministry Schedule

Mass Times	Mary, Mother of God Friday, December 31 5:00pm	Epiphany Saturday, January 1 4:00pm	Epiphany Sunday, January 2 9:00am
EMHE	C Dcn Paul Ravnikar W Roxane Scherber E Chris Heuring	C Peter Klinkner W Sherri Dzuik E Roxane Scherber	C Dcn Paul Ravnikar W Bill Roden E Denise Beaudry
Reader	Heidi Van De Berg	Lisa Peterson	Lori Valerius
Altar Server	CB Michael Perrault C Robert Anderson C Volunteer Needed	CB Sam Peterson C Davin Dufner C Philip Dufner	CB Jonathan Cavanaugh C Thomas Zachman C Ben Zachman
Greeters	Brian & Roxane Scherber	Chris Heuring Volunteer Needed	Hank & Nancy Lehn
Sacristan	Karen Barthel	John Vetsch	Joanne Wacker
Mass Coord	Betty Van De Berg	Judy Vetsch	Lois Roden
Ushers	Brian Scherber Joel Lindenfelser Volunteer Needed Volunteer Needed	Jim Vetsch Brian Scherber Doug Lindenfelser Ron Kolless	Garry Greninger Jim Valerius Shane Haines Lisa Haines

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josullivan@stmacatholicyouth.org | 612-470-0539
Assist. Dir. of Youth & Discipleship — Hollie Danis
hdanis@stmacatholicyouth.org | 937-760-5562

Parish Leadership

Trustees — Denise Beaudry and Bill Roden
Parish Council
Blake Beaudry, Tom Berning, Scott Franzen, Rick Kosey, Judy Stukey, and Joanne Wacker

Parish Leadership

Finance Council
George Lahr, Dave Plude, and Heidi Van De Berg
Stewardship Committee
Amy Dinkel, Charles Foster, and Lisa Haines

Outreach

Homebound Ministry
For those who are homebound due to surgery, serious illness (NOT contagious), or just cannot make it to Mass but would like to receive Holy Communion each week, please contact our Homebound Coordinator, Joanne Wacker at 612-214-4795 or call the Parish Office at 763-497-2474 to be sure you are included in receiving a weekly visit.

St. Albert Email Prayer Chain
Email your request to: triciaandfarmerken@q.com or call the Parish Office at 763-497-2474.

Prayer Blanket Ministry
If you or someone you know would like the comfort of a prayer blanket along with the extra prayers for support, please call Marlene Lindenfelser 763-497-2265 or the Parish Office at 763-497-2474.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul
If you or someone you know is in need of assistance and support or you would like to offer your support and assistance, please call 763-634-1167.

Reflection Question

How can I imitate the Holy Family this week?

Thank you, Business of the Week!

St. Michael Dental
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763-497-2040
399 E. Central • St. Michael, MN
www.stmichaeldental.com

Hour of Encounter

Come & Encounter Jesus!

Sunday, January 16
from 3:00-4:00pm
Church of St. Albert

Praise & Worship Music
with Alex Schindler

Confession &
Prayer Ministry
will be available

All are Welcome
Invite a Friend

Questions? Contact Jean Wold
at 763-497-3782 or
jwold@churchofstalbert.org

11400 57th St NE | Albertville, MN 55301

You're Invited!

Alpha

Bring your own questions.

CONNECT.
BELONG.
DISCOVER.

Alpha on Thursdays
begins January 20, 2022

AM Session: 9:30-11:00 am
PM Session: 6:30-8:00 pm

St. Albert Parish Center
Ages 18-118

What others are saying about Alpha:

~ "I felt heard for the first time."
~ "Alpha was a safe place to ask hard questions."
~ "My life before Alpha was complete chaos. Now I have purpose."

Information and Registration
www.churchofstalbert.org/alpha

Got questions about life?

#AskatAlpha

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Alpha deepens the faith of faithful Catholics. Alpha is [a] tool, creating the place for us to invite others to 'come and see.' - *Alpha-Catholic*

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--Fr. James Mallon, St. Benedict's, Halifax, Nova Scotia

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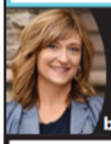
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