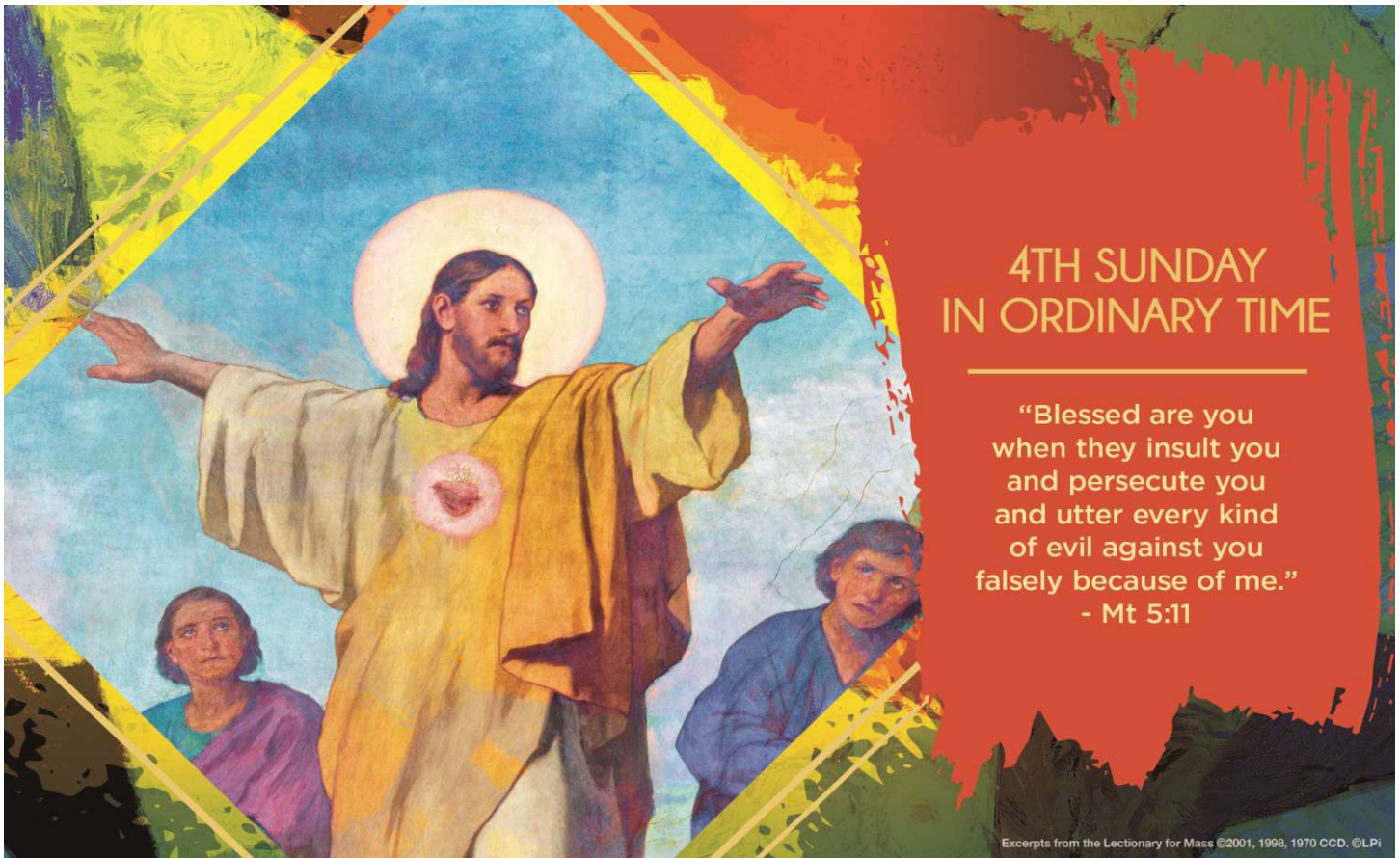


February 1, 2026

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**4TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

“Blessed are you
when they insult you
and persecute you
and utter every kind
of evil against you
falsely because of me.”
- Mt 5:11

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Welcome to St. Albert's!

Whether you are a longtime parishioner, a first-time visitor, or simply flipping through our bulletin—we are so glad you are here and hope that you find our parish a place to call home!

At St. Albert's, we strive to be a welcoming and Spirit-filled community where **faith is lived, hope is shared, and love is given freely**. Whether you are seeking a church home, looking to grow in your relationship with Christ, or just curious to learn more, know that you are always welcome among us.



Fr. Joseph Zabinski
Pastor

frjoe@churchofstalbert.org
763-497-2474, Ext 0

Mass Intentions

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

8:00am † LeRoy Scherr

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

8:00am † Maria Tilbury

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

8:00am † Don Fournier

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

12:00pm † Remedios Apostol

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7

8:30am † Deceased Members of Al & Winnie
Friendshuh Family

4:00pm † Jerome & Marion Smelter

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8

8:00am † Edwin Specht

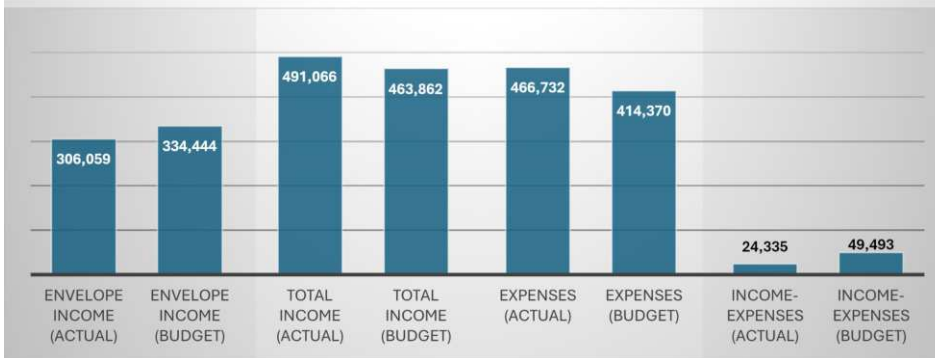
10:00am All Parishioners

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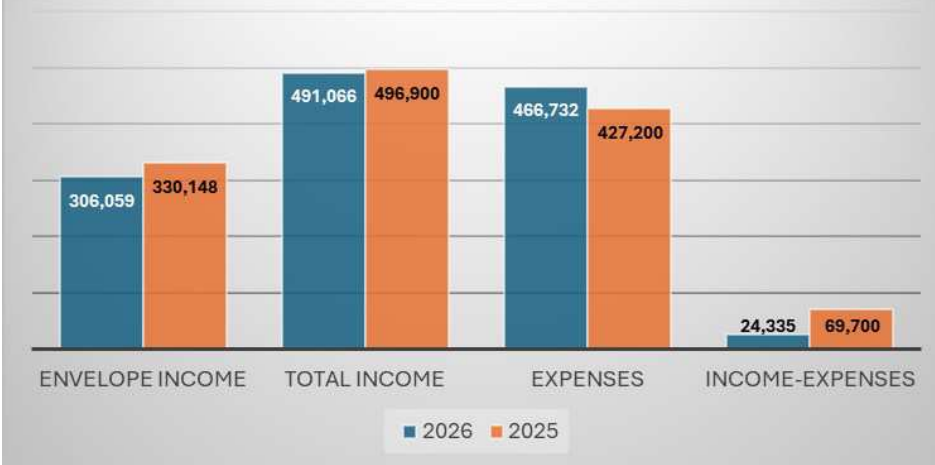
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Year To Date



Year to Date vs Last Year



We are now halfway through our current fiscal year. As a reminder, the parish collects money in two different ways: envelope and fees/fundraisers. When we set the budget for the current fiscal year, we used last year's actual envelope giving to set our target. Last year's actual envelope giving through December was \$330,148 and our budget for the same period this fiscal year is \$334,444. At the halfway point, we are currently \$28,385 behind for our budgeted giving and \$24,089 behind our actual giving at the same time last year.

St. Albert has 3 "entities" that we keep books for, and funds cannot be co-mingled between these entities: Parish Operations, Cemetery, Capital Campaign. The numbers shown in these charts represent only the Parish Operations.

What does this all mean? If the trend continues through the end of the fiscal year, we anticipate having a financial loss/deficit that would be filled by drawing from our cash reserves. The leadership of the parish along with the finance council continue to make prudent spending decisions based on the actual donations received. Ultimately, higher donation levels = more ministry/mission opportunities and lower donations = less ministry/mission opportunities.

Thank you for all you do to support the Church of St. Albert

Keith Klein
Business Administrator
kklein@churchofstalbert.org

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tinyurl.com/churchofstalbert



And God is able to bless you abundantly,
 so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.
 - 2 Corinthians 9:8





CHURCH of ST. ALBERT

BLESSING OF THROATS

on the Feast Day of St Blaise

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

During 8:00am MASS

Confessions are available after Mass.

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ASH WEDNESDAY

"You are dust and to dust, you will return."
— Genesis 3:19

FEBRUARY 18, 2026
— MASS TIMES —
12:00PM & 5:30PM
No 8:00AM Mass

CONFESSION TIME
4:30-5:15pm
*instead of 5:00-5:30PM
due to 5:30pm Ash Wednesday Mass*

CCW ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS: CCW will resume saying prayers after the 8:00am Mass on the 2nd Sunday of the month. This will start on **February 8, 2026**.

MEETING MINUTES: CCW meeting minutes will no longer be mailed. Email delivery will continue for those already receiving them. To receive the minutes by email, contact Judy Vetsch at judyv0210@hotmail.com. Printed copies of January 20th are available in the narthex.

STATIONS of the CROSS at ENGEL HAUS

Volunteers are needed to assist with the Stations of the Cross at Engel Haus, serving our senior community on **Monday evenings during Lent**. Please prayerfully consider how you can give generously of your time, talent, or treasure this Lenten season. If you are willing to volunteer or would like more information, please contact **Joe Perrault at 763-213-4980** (*kindly call in the evening*). Thank you—your presence will be a blessing to the seniors.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS



BUILDING PROJECT PARISH WIDE MEETING

The building team will provide updates and seek input on our project.

Tuesday, February 3, 2026
6:30pm-7:30pm
St Albert Parish Center

**We recognize that the meeting is scheduled during caucuses. The meeting will be recorded and shared next week.*



FATHER & DAUGHTER DANCE

Enjoy an evening filled with music, dancing, refreshments, snacks and cupcakes, photos, and activities!

Saturday, February 7, 2026
6:00pm-8:00pm
St Albert Parish Center
Cost: Suggested Donation \$10/family

Send RSVP to pjfitz927@msn.com or text **507-251-1845**



ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated here at the Church of St Albert.

Saturday, February 7
during 4:00pm Mass
Sunday, February 8
during 8:00am Mass

Designated seating will be reserved for those receiving the sacrament: the two front center pews and the back pews by the window.

4 FAITH FORMATION

CHURCH of  ST. ALBERT
Women's MINISTRY

**Ladies, Don't Miss Our
GAL-ENTINE'S NIGHT!**
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2026
6:30PM—8:30PM • St Albert Parish Center

Heavenly Bites, Blessed Delights

*Cupcake Making
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Lots of Fun!*



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| FEB 2, 2026 | ALPHA WINTER COURSE 6:00-8:00PM Parish Center #109 & #111 www.churchofstalbert.org/alpha |
| FEB 4, 2026 | TLC FAMILY FORMATION 5:30PM-7:30PM Parish Center Dining Hall www.churchofstalbert.org/tlc |
| FEB 5, 2026 | WOMEN'S MINISTRY: GALENTINE'S NIGHT 6:30PM-8:30PM Parish Center Dining Hall www.churchofstalbert.org/womensministry |
| FEB 5, 2026 | OCIA CLASS 7:00-8:30PM Parish Center #109 www.churchofstalbert.org/ocia |
| FEB 8, 2026 | TLC SUNDAY FUNDAY 9:00AM-9:45AM Parish Center Dining Hall www.churchofstalbert.org/tlc |
| FEB 8, 2026 | CHILDREN'S LITURGY of the WORD 10:00AM-11:00AM Church www.churchofstalbert.org/childrensliturgy |



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Sign up under our parish: **St Michael and St Albert** and start exploring your faith today!

Here are the steps to sign up for a Formed.org account:

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2. Fill out your email address, confirm email, first and last name. Make sure you click the checkbox to agree to the terms of use and privacy policy and click the Sign Up button
3. On the Find your Parish or Organization search box, type "**St Michael & St Albert**" and click "Submit" button
4. There is a pop-up screen and just click "Accept" then "Setup Password"
5. Now you're all set to use all the resources of Formed.org!

FOR MORE INFORMATION

JEAN WOLD

Faith Formation Coordinator

jwold@churchofstalbert.org

763-497-2474, Ext 2

www.churchofstalbert.org/faithformation

Friday Night Live

Join us monthly for Friday Night Lives for grades 5th/6th & 7th/8th. FNL's will include fun games, small group, and prayer.

This is an awesome fun filled opportunity to grow closer to God and friends.

The February FNL's will be for all grades together, but split by boys and girls on separate nights.

5TH-8TH GRADE BOYS ONLY
February 6, 2026
St Albert's from 7:00–9:30PM

\$5 Free Will
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- FEB 2, 2026** **Theology 101**
 9th-12th Grade
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www.stmacatholicyouth.org/theology-101
- FEB 3, 2026** **Daily & Dessert**
 9th-12th Grade
 6:30-8:30pm at St. Michael
www.stmacatholicyouth.org/daily-dessert
- FEB 5, 2026** **Open Youth Room**
 7th-8th Grade
 5:00-7:00pm at St. Michael
www.stmacatholicyouth.org/oyr
- FEB 6, 2026** **Friday Night Live for Boys Only**
 5th-8th Grade
 7:00-9:30pm at St. Albert Parish Center
www.stmacatholicyouth.org/fnl

High School Men & Women's Retreat Day 2026

Join us for Fiat Agape, a men and women's retreat day for 8th-12th graders! This retreat includes lunch and dinner, talks, small groups, games, Mass, Adoration, prayer, and time to build community. Mass will fulfill your Sunday obligation.

FEBRUARY 14, 2026

Hosted at St Michael / 10:00am—10:00pm
 Cost per Teen is \$40 / Register by February 9

Scan here to register/for more info:



Staff contact:
 Gabby Ilkka



YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

NORTHWEST CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS

HOLY HAPPY HOUR

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5

HOLY HOUR (MERCY NIGHT): 7PM-8PM @ ST. MICHAEL CATHOLIC CHURCH - INCLUDES ADORATION, CONFESSION, PRAYER TEAMS, PRAISE AND WORSHIP

HAPPY HOUR: 8:15PM-9:30PM @ WILLY MCCOY'S

MEET IN THE GATHERING SPACE AFTER CLOSING PRAYER

HWCYA EVENTS ARE OPEN TO ALL POST HIGH SCHOOL 18-35 YEAR OLDS

STMA CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY STAFF

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6 IN CASE YOU MISSED IT!



ENCOUNTER NIGHT

The Church of St. Albert hosted a powerful Encounter Night featuring Jack Gebert last January 22, 2026. It was a grace-filled evening that invited hearts to deepen their encounter with Christ and receive special blessings from Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament through a moving personal benediction.

Adoration Sign Up Reminder



This is a friendly reminder to sign up for an Adoration Hour in the Adoration Chapel at St. Albert's. Spending quiet time with Jesus in prayer is a beautiful way to deepen your faith, and your commitment helps sustain continuous Eucharistic Adoration for both your personal spiritual life and our parish community. During your hour, you are also welcome to lift up prayer intentions for your family and for others who are in need.

Please consider choosing a time that works best for you.

SIGN UP FOR YOUR ADORATION HOUR:

www.churchofstalbert.org/adorationchapel



Congratulations, Samuel & Noelle Krcma!



Married on January 24, 2026

"O God, who in creating the human race willed that man and wife should be one, keep, we pray, in a bond of inseparable love those who are united in the covenant of Marriage, so that, as you make their love fruitful, they may become, by your grace, witnesses to charity itself. Through Christ our Lord, Amen."

Baptism

Available on the **2nd Saturday after the 4:00pm Mass** and on the **3rd Sunday after the 10:00am Mass**. Contact **Janet Welter** at **763-497-2474 ext 1** or email jwelter@churchofstalbert.org for scheduling and preparation details.

Matrimony

Contact **Janet Welter** at **763-497-2474 ext 1** or email jwelter@churchofstalbert.org one year prior to your proposed marriage date for scheduling and preparation details.

Anointing of the Sick

Contact **Janet Welter** at **763-497-2474 ext 1** or email jwelter@churchofstalbert.org.
*For emergency anointing, contact Fr Joe at 763-497-2474 ext **

OCIA

To learn more about becoming a Catholic, contact **Jean Wold** at **763-497-2474 ext 2** or email jwold@churchofstalbert.org.

Homebound Ministry

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

Holy Communion for Gluten Intolerant

Please speak to the Mass Coordinator or Sacristan at least 10 minutes before Mass.

MASS & CONFESSION TIMES

SUNDAY MASS

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00pm
 Sunday Mass 8:00am • 10:00am

DAILY MASS

Tuesday 8:00am
 Wednesday 8:00am
 Thursday 8:00am
 Friday *Ad Orientem* 12:00pm
 1st Saturday *Latin* 8:30am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 2:30-3:45pm
 Tuesday 8:30-9:00am
 Wednesday 5:00-5:30pm
 Friday 12:30-1:00pm
 1st Saturday 7:30-8:15am

**subject to change with Holidays*

OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday

8:30am-4:00pm

Wednesday

8:30am-6:30pm

Friday

8:30am-1:00pm

Closed for Lunch

12:00pm-1:00pm (Monday-Thursday)

PARISH PRAYER LIST

We have made some changes to the way we publish the parish prayer list. Prayer intentions may include requests related to health concerns, family matters, or any situation for which prayer is needed. The complete list of prayer intentions will be published once a month in the bulletin and will also be available online in a format that can be printed. New prayer requests will be included in the bulletin the weekend they are received and will remain on the full list for eight weeks. If you would like a prayer intention to continue beyond eight weeks, **please call the parish office at 763-497-2474, Ext. 1** or notify us by email at mforcier@churchofstalbert.org.



Please keep the following members of our parish family in your prayers:

Don & Sylvia Wurst
Marlene Lindenfelser



For full parish prayer list, please check it online:
www.churchofstalbert.org/parishprayerlist



No Serra Club of Wright County general meetings will be held at Christ the King Retreat Center in February of 2026. Regular meetings will be resumed in March. May your heart be strengthened in prayer, your hands eager to serve, and your voice ready to encourage those discerning God's call. **Please contact DeAnne Jarvis @ 612-239-8764** if interested in additional information.



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