

SAINT ALBERT THE GREAT CHURCH

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Congratulations

June 27, 2019

on the completion of another school year! I pray that your family has a restful and relaxing summer.

It is always a privilege and a joy for me to connect with the families in our schools and I look forward to the chance to interact with many of you in the upcoming school year!

We will be opening registration for the sacraments at St. Albert the Great Church in the next couple weeks. Registration will be available through the summer until September 30. If you have a child ready to receive one or more of the sacraments in the upcoming school year, you would be most welcome to sign up to be notified when registration opens: <http://stalbertthegreat.ca/update>
I am also including a list of preparation and celebration dates for the sacraments for the upcoming year. If you are uncertain about your child's celebration of sacraments, or have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

If a child is not yet baptized (especially if they are finishing Grade 1), please get in touch with me!

In some places (including Calgary many years ago), sacrament preparation would take place primarily in the classrooms of our Catholic schools. In our diocese, we have the benefit of welcoming our families into the parishes for sacrament sessions. One of my favourite things about this format is that we have an opportunity to connect with the parents of the children preparing for the sacraments in a way that we did not have before.

While this means a little more commitment from our families, it opens greater possibilities for parents and children alike to use this time to deepen their faith together.

In addition, the preparation for the sacraments is always supported by what the children are already learning in the classrooms of the Catholic schools, so all of it allows the children to have a deeper understanding of these meaningful, spiritual moments.

Lastly, I am *always* in need of catechists and volunteers to help out with the sacraments, so if you are passionate about sharing your Catholic faith, please send me an email!

Have a blessed summer!

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SACRAMENT DATES 2019-2020

First Reconciliation / First Eucharist

For baptized children Grade 2 and up

First Reconciliation / First Eucharist

Parent Information Session: Mon. Sept. 30 (6:30pm)

First Reconciliation:

Parish Welcome for First Reconciliation:

Sat. Oct. 19 or Sun. Oct. 20, any Mass time
(Saturday 5pm, Sunday 9am/11am/5pm)

Sessions:

- 1: Mon. Oct. 21 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Oct. 22 (4:30pm)
- 2: Mon. Nov. 4 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Nov. 5 (4:30pm)
- 3: Mon. Nov. 18 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Nov. 19 (4:30pm)
- 4: Mon. Dec. 2 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Dec. 3 (4:30pm)

Reconciliation Retreat:

Thur. Dec. 5 (7:30pm) OR

Thur. Dec. 12 (7:30pm)

Celebration:

Fri. Dec. 6 (7:30pm) OR

Fri. Dec. 13 (7:30pm)

First Eucharist:

Parish Welcome for First Eucharist:

Sat. Jan. 25 or Sun. Jan. 26, any Mass time
(Saturday 5pm, Sunday 9am/11am/5pm)

Sessions:

- 1: Mon. Jan. 27 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Jan. 28 (4:30pm)
- 2: Mon. Feb. 24 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Feb. 25 (4:30pm)
- 3: Mon. Mar. 23 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Mar. 24 (4:30pm)
- 4: Mon. Apr. 20 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Apr. 21 (4:30pm)

First Eucharist Retreat:

Sat. May 2 (7:00pm) OR

Sat. May 9 (7:00pm) OR

Sat. May 23 (7:00pm)

Celebration:

Sun. May 3 (2:00pm) OR

Sun. May 10 (2:00pm) OR

Sun. May 24 (2:00pm)

Confirmation

For youth Grade 6 and up

Confirmation Parent Information Session:

Mon. Jan. 13 (6:30pm)

Parish Welcome for Confirmation:

Sat. Jan. 18 or Sun. Jan. 19, any Mass time
(Saturday 5pm, Sunday 9am/11am/5pm)

- 1: Mon. Jan. 20 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Jan. 21 (4:30pm)
- 2: Mon. Feb. 10 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Feb. 11 (4:30pm)
- 3: Mon. Mar. 9 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Mar. 10 (4:30pm)
- 4: Mon. Mar. 30 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Mar. 31 (4:30pm)

Confirmation Retreat & Rehearsal:

TBD

Celebration of Confirmation:

TBD

School-Age Baptism

For unbaptized children Grade 2 and up

Session 1: Mon. Oct. 28 (6:30pm)

Rite of Acceptance:

Tue. Oct. 29 (during 6:30pm Mass)

Session 2: Mon. Nov. 25 (6:30pm)

Session 3: Mon. Jan. 6 (6:30pm)

Penitential Rite:

Tue. Jan. 7 (during 6:30pm Mass)

*Candidates for School-Age Baptism then join the
preparation sessions for First Eucharist:*

- 1: Mon. Jan. 27 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Jan. 28 (4:30pm)
- 2: Mon. Feb. 24 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Feb. 25 (4:30pm)
- 3: Mon. Mar. 23 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Mar. 24 (4:30pm)
- 4: Mon. Apr. 20 (6:30pm) OR Tue. Apr. 21 (4:30pm)

Rehearsal:

TBD

Celebration:

TBD



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