



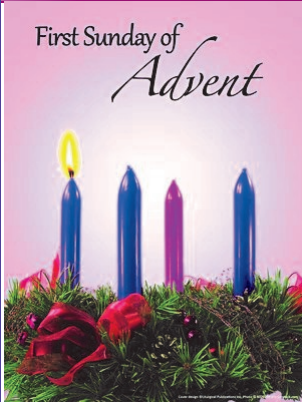
# ST. ALBERT THE GREAT

Catholic Parish



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

November 27, 2011



First Sunday of  
*Advent*

## 1st Sunday of Advent

Although these reflections usually focus on the Gospels, during the Advent/Christmas season this year, we'll turn to the first reading, which generally comes from the prophet Isaiah. Biblical scholars have long recognized that the Book of the Prophet Isaiah comes out of three different historical periods of the people of Israel. The first part (chapters 1-39) was written in the years before the Exile in Babylon. The inhabitants of Jerusalem were well off, confident, and self-reliant. Worship of God was an afterthought. Chapters 40

-55 were written during the Exile, which lasted from 587 BC to 538 BC. This section of Isaiah is filled with words of comfort and consolation. The final part of Isaiah (chapters 56-66) was composed after the return to Jerusalem and includes some of the most hopeful writing in the Old Testament, with promises of a new heaven and a new earth.

It's little wonder that the church turns to the latter part of Isaiah during the Advent/Christmas season, when we celebrate the birth of the Savior who is the fulfillment of all our longing.

Much was made earlier this year of the prognostications of radio preacher Harold Camping who suggested that the world would end on May 21. Some people were so caught up in his prediction that they stopped working and spent their time spreading the message of judgment day. Camping's message resonated with those who were looking for certainty in a very uncertain world.

The writer of the third part of Isaiah had to contend with the same thing. The Jewish people had just returned to Jerusalem after fifty years of captivity. Their city was in ruins, and their future was unsure. Isaiah proclaimed that they should focus on the Lord, and at the same time rebuild their city. It is that balance of the heavenly and the worldly that we must especially strive for at this time of year in our own culture.

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## Parish events:

### UPCOMING....

- Caring Tree Gifts
- PTO Christmas Tree Sale
- Breakfast with Santa, Dec 18  
following 8, 9:30 and 11 am  
Masses in café 1 & 2, free event  
sponsored by the K of C.



Walling Photography

**Advent  
Penance  
Service**

It has been the custom these past few years, to have combined Penance Services hosted by St. Albert, St. Charles, St. Francis of Assisi and Incarnation parishes.

The Regional Advent Penance schedule will be as follows:

**SAINT CHARLES BORROMEIO  
WILL HOST THE FIRST PENANCE SERVICE  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 5th, 7:00 PM**

**SAINT ALBERT THE GREAT  
WILL HOST THE SECOND PENANCE SERVICE  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 12th, 7:00 PM.**

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# Caring Tree 2011

1. Select an ornament from one of the Caring Trees located in Church and the Chapel. There will be a hint about what to buy for a special person.
2. Add the special person to your Christmas list.
3. Place the wrapped gift under the tree by **December 1th!**
4. Enjoy the fact that you made someone's Christmas a little brighter!

The Christmas season is quickly approaching, and it's time for the annual Caring Trees to appear at St. Albert the Great! If you would like to participate in the Caring Tree program, just follow the above easy instructions.

This year the Caring Tree will sponsor families from our parish St. Vincent de Paul, FLOC (For Love of Children), Seniors from the Senior resource connection, and Elizabeth's New Life Center. This has been a difficult year for many and the need is even greater than last year. Our St. Vincent de Paul society has lost some of their funding so they are needing more help than ever before. FLOC has sponsored 1,400 youth in past years and this year has been asked to sponsor 4,100 youth! Many local organizations that held Christmas drives have cut back. I know these are hard times for all, and I'm not asking you to give if you are unable, but if you are please be as generous as possible this year. These gifts are the only gifts these people will receive this Christmas! Thanks in advance for your generosity!

For questions or to volunteer, please call Caryle Mattie at 294-2742, 776-4453 or [camattie@yahoo.com](mailto:camattie@yahoo.com). Your help is always welcome. Thank you all in advance for your generosity!

PLEASE NOTE: The Gift ideas suggested on the FLOC tags are ONLY suggestions, they are not requested by the children or their parents. Since these may be the only gifts these children receive, this group is suggesting items to help make their wishes come true. Many times groups go together to purchase an item. Thanks for your consideration and

## ALL SENIOR CITIZENS

Christmas is just around the corner....

Come and celebrate

### SENIOR DAY OUT

**THURSDAY, December 8th**

**Feast of the Immaculate Conception**

**BEGIN WITH MASS AT 12 NOON  
FOLLOWED BY A LUNCHEON  
IN THE PARISH CENTER**

## SPECIAL CHRISTMAS ENTERTAINMENT BY THE KETTERING SENIOR SHOW CHOIR

Questions or RSVP to Ann & Denny Hart, 299-8157  
Or Angie & Ernie Ruffolo, 294-4357

### ALTAR FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS...

Consider dedicating altar flowers for Christmas in the name of a deceased loved one....or to honor a friend...

Envelopes will be available on the windowsills of church. Place in the collection basket and that person will be remembered in the bulletin....Thank you...



### IN MEMORY OF.....

Teddy O'Neil.....from his family  
Jim Corbett.....from his family  
Casey Connell.....from the O'Neil family  
Esther, Paul & Bill Horn...from the O'Neil family  
Judy Kuhre.....from the O'Neil family  
Fr. Chuck Mentrup...from the O'Neil family



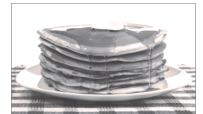
## MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OUR NATIONAL PATRONESS

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7th**  
4:30 PM

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8th**  
7:00 AM      10:00 AM  
12:00 NOON      6:00 PM

### Pancake Breakfast

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus  
Maria-Joseph Council 4022



**Sunday, December 18, 2011**  
**After the 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00am Masses**  
**School Cafeteria**

*In the spirit of the Christmas season come and  
celebrate with your family and friends.*  
Share a day of fellowship, breakfast, and a **visit from Santa!**  
**No charge - a gift from our K of C chapter**



**Also On December 18.....**

**In the school cafeteria**  
Donations of wrapped baby gifts  
will be collected for the  
Elizabeth New Life Center.

**Thank you for your support!**

## Readings For The Week Of November 27

**Sunday:** Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37  
**Monday:** Is 2:1-5/Mt 8:5-11  
**Tuesday:** Is 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24  
**Wednesday:** Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22  
**Thursday:** Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27  
**Friday:** Is 29:17-24/Mt 9:27-31  
**Saturday:** Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Mt 9:35--10:1, 5a, 6-8  
**Next Sunday:** Is 40:1-5, 9-11/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8



**MAY THEY REST  
IN THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

**DELPHINE ROSE SCHMITZ**

**GERTRUDE FLOHRE**

**JACK FLOHR**

### Welcoming the New Translation of the Roman Missal

Eternal God,  
whose Spirit wove the many voices of  
Humankind into one tongue of  
proclamation at Pentecost,  
bless our community of faith  
as we begin the use  
of this new translation of the Roman Missal.

Help us faithfully to praise your majesty  
And give thanks for your goodness  
to your people.

May the words we use, as inadequate as they  
are to express your greatness and your love,  
help us to draw closer to you,  
the source of life.

May this new translation foster true  
Devotion among your people,  
and bind us together in one  
community of faith, always ready to seek  
your will and prepared to serve  
our brothers and sisters  
in charity and love.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen.

## From the Pastor

### PARISH NEWS



I ask you to keep in your prayers parishioner-Jake Schlangen, a 9 year old student in our school. Jake is in Children's Medical Center in the Intensive Care Unit. The doctors don't have a diagnosis yet. Pray for Jake and for his family.

This week we begin the Advent season and the updated New Roman Missal readings and responses. It will be an adjustment for all of us - but it might be a blessing to help us reflect more closely on the Mass during this holy season of preparation for the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ. During Advent it gets very hectic and sometimes we can get caught up in the busyness of preparing for Christmas. Take time to take care of your spiritual life. I know it's easier said than done, but the reward is well worth it. You will be living the Gospel...

Please note on the front cover of today's bulletin that the Regional Advent Penance Service is coming up. It is scheduled at St. Charles on December 5th and here, at St. Albert, on December 12th. Both services are scheduled for 7:00 pm. Priests from the four parishes will be present on these dates. We will also maintain our regular parish confession schedule of Fridays from 11:15 to 11:45 am, if there is not have a funeral, and on Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:15 pm. We sent all registered parishioners information about Advent occurrences as well as the Mass schedule for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8th and the Christmas Mass Schedule. Additional copies are on the windowsills in church and the chapel

### THE GOOD NEWS

Time seems to rule everyone's lives, doesn't it? None of us can live for one day without clocks keeping us in line! We wear wrist watches. Our computers and our cars, our iPads and our iPhones all tell us the time—constantly! A person who does not obey clocks is called unprofessional or unreliable.

But the readings for First Sunday of Advent today look at time in a different way. From the long-ago past, long before Jesus was born, Isaiah reminds us that the people of God have been waiting. "God, why have you let us wander away from you—you're always catching us doing something wrong, and we feel guilty and tired. Why are you leaving us in this mess!?"

This is the basic Advent theme: we are waiting for God's patient love to come again in its fullness, so that all that is broken in this world can be made whole again. But this isn't useless waiting, as if we're at the doctor's office or in the check-out line. This is expectant, eager waiting, the way a woman waits for childbirth.

*Peace.... Fr. Tom*

S.A.Y.M.

ST. ALBERT YOUTH MINISTRY



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Teens in  
Jr Hi thru  
High School  
welcome!!

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Visit our website [www.stalbertthegreat.net](http://www.stalbertthegreat.net)

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- SAYM Youth Ministry

### Second Sunday Study@ Seven

FOOD, service, bonding with your faith, discussion of "hot" topic issues teens face - i.e.- peer pressure, bullying, self -esteem (grades 8-10), difficult situations that affect faith

Next Meeting - December 11

### Monthly Missionary

December 4 – Sunday – Noon - Christmas Spirit (2 hours Service) Youth will delivery Advent Gift Baskets to the Homebound in our parish. Can you help? We will be collecting donations. **Please put them in the orange container in the Gathering Space.**

### Here is our wish list

*Gift Cards: for Kroger, Meijers, DLM, Walmart, Target, Movie theaters*

*Religious items: rosaries, prayer books, statues Scarves and Mittens*

*Shampoo & conditioner, bars of soap*

*Toothbrushes & toothpaste, dental floss*

*Hand/body lotion, chapstick, cough drops*

*Laundry detergent & Softener sheets*

*Sheets & pillow cases*

*Throw pillows & afghans*

*Calendars 2012*

*Boxes of cards for all occasions*

**AND BASKETS OF ANY SIZE.....**

December 11- Sunday –

**Coffee, Donuts @ Fellowship** 7:30 am – 11:30 am (2 to 5 Service Hours) Volunteers needed for Sunday morning set up before 8am Mass. Pour Juice & milk, restock donuts and wipe down tables. Clean up begins at 11 am.

Contact Karen Fitzharris - St. Albert Youth Coordinator for more information call 416-4385 or [kfitzharris@live.com](mailto:kfitzharris@live.com)

## Religious Education News

Office Hours:  
9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

### SERVER SCHEDULE

#### Immaculate Conception Mass (Holy Day):

Dec. 7, Wed., 4:30p.m. - Eric Krebs, need one more server

Dec. 8, Thurs., 6:00p.m. - Molly & Sheelagh Jackson

#### Christmas Eve

Dec. 24, Saturday

3:00p.m. - Noelle Kipp, Anne & Andrew Rose

5:00p.m. Jack Seubert, need one more

7:00p.m. - Van & Gabe Hopkins

11:00p.m. - Connor Simon, Holden & Aimee Fowler

#### Christmas Day

Dec. 25, Sunday

9:30a.m. - need 2 servers

11:00a.m. - Joey Murphy and Eric Krebs

#### New year's Eve

Dec. 31, Saturday

8:30a.m. - need 2 servers

4:30p.m. - Molly & Sheelagh Jackson, Jack Seubert

#### Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God

Jan. 1, Sunday

8:00a.m. - need 2 servers

9:30a.m. - need 2 servers

11:00a.m. - Joey Murphy and need one more server

Please call the RE Office, 298-2402, if you can help at any of the masses. Thank you for your dedication to this ministry.

## SACRAMENT & REL ED CALENDAR

### November

27 - No Class today - Thanksgiving Break -  
**HAVE A BLESSED AND HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!**

### December

4 - class

11 - class

18 - class

25 - No Class - *Have a Blessed Christmas*

### January

1 - No Class - *Happy New Year*

8 - class

15 - class

21 - Confirmation Retreat, 8th grade, 9am-3pm,  
at Bergamo - **MANDATORY**

22 - class (no class for 8th gr.)

29 - class

### February

(\*denotes changes from original schedule)

\*5 - class (including 7th & 8th gr)

\*9 - Confirmation practice, 7:30 - 8:45p.m.

12 - class

\*15 - Confirmation Mass & Reception, 7p.m.

19 - No class, President's Day

26 - class

28 - First Communion Parent Meeting, 7-8p.m., Chapel



## St. Albert the Great School PTO Annual Christmas Tree Sale

Let our family tradition be a part of yours.  
The perfect Christmas Tree is waiting for you!!

**Began Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**Until they're all gone!**

### HOURS:

**Monday – Friday: 6 to 8:30 p.m.**  
**Saturdays: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.**  
**Sundays: Noon to 6 p.m.**

Sponsored by the St. Albert PTO  
All proceeds benefit the students of  
St. Albert the Great School

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### We Need Your Help To make the Christmas Tree Sale a Success

Please consider joining us for a 3 hour shift to help sell trees.  
We promise a festive atmosphere, good friends  
and plenty of holiday spirit!!

To volunteer, please contact Janine Schlangen  
at 937-901-8704 or at [ja9@woh.rr.com](mailto:ja9@woh.rr.com)

### BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

St. Albert the Great School is collecting Box Tops for Education.  
Each Box Top is worth 10 cents. The money collected from this  
project enable our school to provide great programs for our  
students. You will see the Box Tops on many popular grocery  
products.

If you would like to participate, please cut them out and bring  
your box tops to the school or rectory offices - or place them in  
the collection basket on Sunday.

Thanks for your help!

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### ST. CHARLES LIVE NATIVITY - DEC 4 - 5 TO 7 pm

Bring the whole family for our 4th Annual Live Nativity at St. Charles Borromeo on December 4th, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. Hot chocolate and cookies will be served in church. Christmas carols will be sung throughout the evening, and there will be a variety of live animals around the manger scene.

Please join us - your parish neighbors!

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### St. Albert the Great Athletic Association Annual Fish Fry - January 20, 2012.

This event is the primary Fundraiser for our Student Athletic Programs. The funds generated are used to maintain and improve fields/facilities and provide equipment and uniforms for all sports including: soccer, golf, cheerleading, volleyball, basketball, baseball and track.

Each year the **Silent Auction** at the Fish Fry plays a major part in our fundraising success. **WE NEED BASKETS for our SILENT AUCTION ITEMS.** If you have any baskets you could donate, please bring the **RECTORY OFFICE**. We would also appreciate any **donated items (gift certificates, product samples, tickets, vacation homes/rentals, services, or any creative idea that you may have) which could be auctioned for this cause.**

Please contact Helene Conrath at 293-0901 or email at [theconraths@hotmail.com](mailto:theconraths@hotmail.com) for any further information or questions.

Thank you, in advance, for your generosity and your support of St. Albert the Great Athletics.

## School News

### From the Principal:

We ask you to keep one of our students, Jack Schlangen, in your prayers. Jake is a 4th grader. He has been in Children's Medical Ctr in the ICU since November 14. The doctors aren't sure of a diagnosis as yet. Pray for Jake and for his family.



The students, faculty and staff of St. Albert the Great School wish you a peaceful and happy Thanksgiving.

God Bless You....

*Mike Kirry, Principal*

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### CJ High School Application, Scholarship and Tuition Assistance Deadline: Thursday, December 1

There is no cost to apply to CJ! Last year, CJ parents received \$1.8 million to help them access an excellent Catholic educational experience for their children. Families mailing a PSAS form and applying to CJ by December 1 will know the amount of their tuition assistance upon a letter of acceptance in early January. (Registration takes place Feb. 16.) It takes about five minutes to apply online at [www.cjeagles.org](http://www.cjeagles.org). If you have questions or would like a form mailed to you, call Brett Chmiel at 461.3704 x210.

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### CJ Christmas Concert: Sounds of the Season Wednesday, December 21, 7 p.m., free admission

CJ Performing Arts Department invites you to immerse yourself in the "Sounds of the Season" as the concert band, concert choir, liturgical choir and a cappella choirs perform songs filled with the Spirit of Christmas.

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### Carroll High School Christmas Concert and Dinner 7:00 pm - Thursday, December 15 - Carroll Gym

Carroll's Concert & Jazz Band, Concert Choir and musicians from various parishes will perform  
Dinner catered by Fazoli's from 5:30 to 6:30; \$10 adults & \$6 children under 12. Tickets available at the door, at the Carroll school office or by contacting Myrna Gazzo at 427-3743 or email [gazzo@gmail.com](mailto:gazzo@gmail.com)

## REBORN IN BAPTISM

### DANIEL RUDOLPH KASH

Child of Jeffrey & Molly (Schauer) Kash

### DOMINIC RYAN NELSON

Child of  
Ryan & Alison (Sipiorski) Nelson

## PRE BAPTISM CLASS INFORMATION

### PLEASE NOTE....

There will **NOT** be a Pre Baptism Class in December. The next class is scheduled for January 9th, 7:00 pm in the Spirit Center.

For questions or information call KAREN GOULD at 299-9897

## RCIA

### Rite of Christian Initiation Adults

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP OUR RCIA PARTICIPANTS  
IN YOUR PRAYERS AS THEY CONTINUE  
ON THEIR JOURNEY OF FAITH!**

## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

## A Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving To everyone from the RCIA Team

### Digging Deeper into the Word

New series began Sunday, November 13

Sundays, 9:30am—10:30am

Location: Meeting space adjacent to cafeteria 2

You can join us any time....

The Church invites adult Catholics to consciously grow in the life of Christ through experience, reflection, and study.

### CONTACT INFO FOR RCIA/ADULT FAITH

Parishioner Jim Schoen has agreed to coordinate this weekly session. Our thanks to Jim for sharing his time and talent. You can call Jim at 294-1195 if you have questions.

## AREA EVENTS

### “PREPARING THE WAY”

A retreat day for single women seeking an Advent experience based in Scripture.

**December 3, 2011, at the Pincroft House of Peace (Mt. Airy) Cincinnati. Registration deadline November 21** For more information contact Mary-Cabrini Durkin at 513-961-0667 or [csu@fuse.net](mailto:csu@fuse.net)

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3 - 9 AM TO 4 PM Bake & Craft Sale

*Donations accepted Tues, Nov 28 thru Fri, Dec 1  
And Sat, Dec 2 between 19 am to 6 pm*

**FAIR TRADE SALE  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3 - 9 AM TO 4 PM  
BERGAMO CENTER, 4400 Shakertown Rd, Beavercreek**  
Unique gifts and also the gift of a better life for artisans and their families around the globe.. For more information call 224-3026 or visit [www.catholiccincinnati.org/socialaction](http://www.catholiccincinnati.org/socialaction)

An evening of Celebration and Song at Calvary Cemetery  
**Hark, the Herald Angels Sing**  
performed by local musicians including Holy Angels Choir  
**December 8 - 6 to 9 pm**  
performed in the St. Henry's Chapel  
For more information contact Rick Meade at 293-1221 or [rlickm@ccadayton.org](mailto:rlickm@ccadayton.org)

**“You Shall Name Him Jesus”:  
Presenter Fr. Satish Joseph  
Weds., Dec 14 7 to 8 pm**  
**Immaculate Conception Church, Sherman Hall.**  
Continuing the study of the Gospel of Luke, focusing on the Infancy Narrative in the gospel of Luke.  
All welcome!

**INTO THE SILENCE:  
Nativity Displays at Transfiguration Center**  
Ponder the great mystery of Christmas with these beautiful, sacred crèches from around the world, Nov 27 thru Jan 6  
Weekdays: 9 am to 4 pm - Special Weekend Hours: 1 to 4 pm on the following dates: Nov 27; Dec 3, 4, 10, 11, 17, 18.; Jan 1, 2, Closed Dec 24 thru Jan 2.  
Transfiguration Center is located Ludlow Falls.  
For more information call 698-7180 or on line go to [www.transfigurationcenter.com](http://www.transfigurationcenter.com)

## Pray For Our Ill and Homebound



**Children's Med Ctr:** Jake Schlangen

**Kettering Med Ctr:** Christopher Henn

**Bethany:** Mary Kay Gibbons, Bettie Gilles, Marilyn Brockman

**Brookdale Place, Oakwood:** Jane Tynan

**Elmcroft, Washington Township:** Marie Thyne

**Liberty Nursing Center:** Bill Kissell

**Lincoln Park Manor:** Howard Gerritzen, Richard Roll

**Heartland of Kettering:** John Leen

**Heartland of Miamisburg:** Tom Gillig

**Drake Center:** Bob Shortal

**Lamplight of Dayton:** Rose Palazzo

**St. Leonard:** Mary Andrew, Dorothy Smallwood, Ethel Braunlin, Eugene Miller, Rita Kennard, Mary Margaret Yahle, John Bigger, Louise Newman, Sara Warda, Tony Kohonen, Trudy Thomas, Carolyn Melia

**Stonespring Care Ctr:** Helen Wilbanks

**Sycamore Glen:** Anne Ferneding,

**The Sanctuary:** Mary Lou Wynn

**Walnut Creek:** Sylvia Savino, Stella May, Virginia Kinney, Harold Albers

**Wood Glen:** David Brockman

**Homebound:** Mary Harris, Eileen Wilson, Joan Hall, Rachel Schneider, Kim Riddle, Grace Nugent, Eric Munch, Dorothy Gerhardtstein, Sandy George, Faye Detrick, Millie Walters, Virginia Leen, Harriet Keller, Andrew Borns, Jean Neitzke, Robert Rohr, Jim Dias

Please keep parishioners with ongoing illness in your prayers. If you are facing scheduled surgery please contact the Rectory office (293-1191) concerning being anointed before you go to the hospital. They will gladly help you.

Please call the Rectory Office (293-1191) to notify us when a parishioner is hospitalized. Due to HIPAA laws, hospitals can no longer notify us. Also let us know if a loved-one is at a local Assisted Living or Nursing Home or if they would like a visit or Holy Communion brought to them.

## From your Finance Committee...

Thank you for your continued generosity.

God bless you.

November 20, 2011	Collection	Tithe
325 Adult Sunday Env	\$12,169.40	1,216.94
40 Sun Env in the mail	\$9,316.00	931.60
31 Auto Deposit Donations	\$4,500.00	450.00
18 Child Envelopes	16.96	1.69
<b>Total Envelopes</b>	<b>\$26,0025.36</b>	<b>\$2,600.23</b>
<b>Loose Cash</b>	<b>\$892.92</b>	
<b>Total Sunday Collection:</b>	<b>\$26,895.28</b>	

The above tithe was designated for the ANNUAL CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT.. This annual project aids people all across the country with a Hand Up — not a Hand Out. Please be generous. An envelope is in your packet and on the windowsills in church if you would like to add a contribution.

Today's tithe will be set aside for the annual Retired Religious Fund to aid various orders of nuns and brothers in their retirement years. You have always been generous to this annual collection that takes care of those who dedicated their life to the Lord.

## Parish Calendar

Today! Sunday, November 27

### CASSEROLE PICK UP THIS WEEKEND, Gathering Space

8, 9:30 & 11 am  
9:15 - 10:45 am  
9:30 & 11 am  
9:15 to 10:30 am  
9:30 am  
9:30 am  
6 to 7:30 pm  
6 pm

**Sunday Masses**  
NO Coffee & Donuts after Mass, café 1 & 2 TODAY  
NO Bible Study - Cafeteria Meeting Room 31  
Babysitting during Mass, Ch Basement  
NO RE Classes, EC to 6th grade, Schl Classrooms  
NO RCIA Session, Sp Ctr, Rm D  
NO RE Jr High—Sch classrooms & café  
Boy Scout Mtg, Par Ctr

Monday, November 28

12 Noon  
3 to 5:45 pm  
4 to 9:30 pm  
6:30 - 8:30 pm  
6:30 pm

### Weekday Mass

Aft Sch Program, Ch Basement  
Ath Assn Practice, Par Ctr  
Fingerprinting - RE Office  
GS Troop/Kawaja (ch basement)

Tuesday, November 29

9:30 am  
10 am - 12 pm  
1 to 3 pm  
2:10 pm  
12 Noon  
3 to 5:45 pm  
4 to 9:30 pm  
6:00 pm  
7:00 pm  
9:30 pm

Small Faith Community, Spirit Ctr, Rm C  
Fingerprinting Sessions, RE Office  
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Server Training, church

### Weekday Mass

Aft Sch Program, Ch Basement  
Ath Assn Practice, Par Ctr  
Bell Choir Practice, Chapel  
Cantica Nova Practice - Music Room  
34+ Men's Basketball, P Ctr

Wednesday, November 30

8:30 am  
9:30 - 12 Noon  
9:30 - 11:30 am  
12 Noon  
2:10 pm  
3 to 5:45 pm  
6:30 - 8:30 pm  
7:00 pm  
7:00 pm  
7:00 ppm

### Weekday Mass

Knitting Group - Spirit Center C  
Wed Morning Bible Study - Spirit Center D  
**Weekday Mass**  
Server Training, church  
Ath Assn Practice, Par Ctr  
Fingerprinting, TONIGHT  
Adult Choir Practice, music rm  
Evening Bible Study, Spirit Ctr, Rm D  
Legion of Mary Mtg, Spirit Ctr, Rm C

Thursday, December 1

10 am - 12 pm  
12 Noon  
1 to 3 pm  
2:10 pm  
3 to 5:45 pm  
4 to 9:30 pm  
7:00 pm  
7:00 pm  
9:30 - 11 pm

Fingerprinting Sessions - RE Office

### Weekday Mass

Fingerprinting Sessions - RE Office  
Server Training, church  
Aft Schl Program, church basement  
Ath Assn Practice, Par Ctr  
Boy Scout Committee Mtg, café 1  
Worship Commission Mtg, Rect Mtg Room  
34+ Mens Basketball - Parish Center

Friday, December 2

12 Noon  
2:10 pm  
3 to 5:45 pm  
4 to 5:45 pm

### Weekday Mass

Server Training, church  
Aft Schl Program, Church Basement  
Ath Assn Practice, Par Ctr

Saturday, December 3

8:30 am  
9 to 10 am  
4:30 pm

### Weekday Mass

CASSEROLES RETURNED, breezeway area  
**Vigil Mass**

Next Sunday, December 4

8, 9:30 & 11 am  
After & 9:30 Mass  
9:15 - 10:45 am  
9:30 & 11 am  
9:15 to 10:30 am  
10 am to 12 noon  
2:00 pm  
6 to 7:30 pm  
6:00 pm  
6:00 pm

### Sunday Masses

Coffee & Donuts after Mass, café 1 & 2  
Bible Study - Cafeteria Meeting Room 31  
Babysitting during Mass, Ch Basement  
RE Classes, EC to 6th grade, Schl Classrooms  
RCIA Session, Sp Ctr, Rm D  
Legion Curia Session, Spirit Ctr, Rm C  
RE Jr High—Sch classrooms & café  
Server Training, church  
Boy Scout Mtg, Par Ctr

**READERS December 3-4**

4:30 pm Eileen Maloney, Dave Mattie  
 8 am Mike Madges, John Carr  
 9:30 am Gary & Tina Lammers  
 11 am Jim & Peggy Lehner

**MUSICIANS December 3-4**

4:30 pm  
 8 am December schedule  
 9:30 am In process  
 11 am

**WEEKDAY SERVERS November 28—Dec 2**

Mon, Nov 28 12 pm Colleen Wagoner, Christina Braun  
 Tues, Nov 29 12 pm Henry Butler, Natalie Feucht  
 Wed, Nov 30 8:30 am Claire Evans, Caroline Conrath  
 12 pm Amanda Draeger, Kyla Boeringer  
 Thur, Dec 1 12 pm DEC. SCHEDULE IN PROCESS  
 Fri, Dec 2 12 pm DEC. SCHEDULE IN PROCESS

**WEEKEND SERVERS December 3-4**

Saturday 8:30 am  
 4:30 pm  
 Sunday 8 am NEW SCHEDULE  
 9:30 am IN  
 11:00 am PROCESS

**MASS COORDINATORS December 3-4**

4:30 pm Kay Honious  
 8 am Mary Ann Schoen  
 9:30 am Jean Spirk  
 11 am Loretta Kadash



**COFFEE & DONUTS AFTER MASS**

**Date:** **Could you or your group help?**  
**If so call Angel Hopkins, 298-1122**

Sunday, November 27	NO COFFEE & DONUTS THIS WEEK
Sunday, December 4	St. Albert Pro Life Group
Sunday, December 11	St. Albert Youth Ministry
Sunday, December 18	Breakfast with Santa & Baby Jesus Shower

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Sun, November 27 8:00 am Intentions of Parishioners  
**FIRST SUNDAY OF** 9:30 am Eldridge Shumard (family)  
**ADVENT** 11:00 am John Currigan Solarek (family)  
 Mon, November 28 12:00 pm Betty & Mary Ryan (friends)  
**Advent Weekday**  
 Tue, November 29 12 Noon Betty Wolf (G Edwards)  
**St Cecilia, martyr**  
 Wed, November 30 8:30 am James Grefer (family)  
**St Andrew, Apostle** 12 Noon Mary Seidenschmidt (V Dusak)  
 Thu, December 1 12 noon Nellie Turner (friends)  
**Advent Weekday**  
 Fri, December 2 12 Noon Mary Kay Dondaro (H & M Osterfeld)  
**Advent Weekday**  
 Sat, December 3 8:30 am Hans Behringer (friends)  
 4:30 pm Sheila Wager (family)  
 Sun, December 4 8:00 am Intentions of Parishioners  
**THIRD SUNDAY** 9:30 am Rose Ann Gerhard (Lehner & Copeland Fams)  
**OF ADVENT** 11:00 am Dave Pfeiffer (M Schaefer)

The book to schedule Masses has arrived.  
 We will begin accepting your requests next week.  
 In an effort to be fair to everyone, and due to the limited number of Masses that are celebrated each year, at this time we can only schedule one Mass per parishioner for the year.  
 If we find that we are able to schedule more than one Mass we will let you know.  
 We know this is difficult, but want everyone who would like to have a Mass read be afforded that opportunity.  
 As an option, we can send Mass requests to our missionaries  
 Please ask about this option.

**DISTRIBUTORS December 3-4**

<b>4:30 pm (11)</b> M Bradley M & L Ford M Gantt K & H Honious N Hunter P Martinez D Ruhl E Wack R Zink	<b>8:00 am (11)</b> M & B Beyer G Hemker Jean Kelly M Lehman J Long C & C Pappert M & J Schoen	<b>9:30 am (11)</b> C & J Abele C Afanador J Balsamo M & M Eckley M Etson P & B Gross P Petachi J Spirk	<b>11:00am (17)</b> B Beel D DePascale B Forsthoefel K & E Gerhard D Hundt J Liston M Lowden E Marlin J Osterday V Seubert P Smith S Solarek P Spencer K Stechschulte L Wall
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**Need I more**

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St. Albert the Great Parish

## Masses & Sacraments

Rectory Office 293-1191

Hours M-F 9am-4:30pm

### Eucharistic Liturgies

Saturday Eve 4:30 pm  
Sunday 8, 9:30 & 11 am  
Monday - Friday 12 Noon  
Wednesday 8:30 am (School Days)  
Saturday 8:30 am  
Holy Days Vigil: 4:30 pm; Holy Day:  
7 & 10 am, 12 noon & 6 pm  
(Exception - Christmas, New Year's &  
Weekend Holy Day Masses)

### Sacrament Of The Sick

Parishioners can receive this sacrament  
at a weekday liturgy, or a clergyman  
can make a visit.

### Sacrament Of Baptism

Baptisms are scheduled on Sundays at  
12:45 pm and on the third Sunday of  
the month during 11:00 am Mass, upon  
availability. Parents must be registered  
in the parish and are required to attend  
a Baptism Preparation class. Parents  
are encouraged to attend these classes  
prior to the birth of their child. Baptisms  
are scheduled at least two weeks in  
advance.

### Sacrament Of Marriage

The engaged couple (or their family)  
must be registered parishioners for at  
least one year. Six months notice and  
participation in a marriage program is  
required. The date can be set only  
when the engaged couple has met with  
one of the parish priests.

### Sacrament Of Reconciliation

Fridays 11:15 - 11:50 am (Exception:  
NOT held on funeral or Holy Days)  
Saturdays 3:30 to 4:15 pm  
Private confessions available upon  
request.

## Join our Parish

Rectory Office 293-1191  
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