

**TODAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — The wicked say: With revilement and torture let us put the just one to the test (Wisdom 2:12, 17-20).

**Psalms** — The Lord upholds my life (Psalm 54).

**Second Reading** — The wisdom from above is full of mercy and good fruits (James 3:16 — 4:3).

**Gospel** — Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me (Mark 9:30-37).

Mass Intentions  for the week September 21<sup>st</sup> thru September 27<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday	8:00AM	†Dolores Beaudry
Wednesday	8:00AM	†Bob Engstrom
Saturday	4:00PM	†Gerald Lehn (Jerry)
Sunday	8:00AM	†Donald Berning
	10:00AM	All Parishioners

Would you like to spend some time alone with the Lord? Is he calling you to more prayer? Please consider one of these hours in our Adoration Chapel.



*Many graces flow from these holy hours.*

**Adorer Need Immediately**

Fridays 1:00am-2:00am

**Prayer Partners**

Wednesdays 2:00pm-3:00pm

Thursdays 1:00am-2:00am

Fridays 10:00am-11:00am

Call Brenda O'Donnell @ 497-2718 or Mary Vandal @ 497-2856 to reserve your time.



"A sincere thank you to *Dave and Jeanne Vetsch* for the beautiful new counter for our Adoration Chapel.

May God Bless you for your generosity."

Adoration Committee

**FIRST IS BEST?**

"I'm first!" "No, I'm first!" "Mom, tell Ronnie that I get to be first this time!" From the earliest moments of our lives, there is something ingrained in us that is convinced that first is best. If not chosen first for the sports team, we are immediately deflated. We are coached to be "in first." We spend hours of waiting time in order to be **first in line**. We are caught in a culture that makes *being first the highest priority*. Against this backdrop, we come to church and hear a Gospel such as the one proclaimed today from Mark: "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all" (Mark 9:35). This is a passage all about power.

**BEING POWERFUL**

**Putting others first** is one of the greatest challenges in a world that places so much emphasis on being powerful. Americans, for the most part, pride themselves on being a "super-power." Power, in and of itself, is not the problem. What can become problematic is the way that power is used. Our example of the perfect use of power, of course, is the Lord Jesus himself. Fully human and fully divine, the Lord put all the power that had been given to him at the service of others. Unfortunately, when one hears comments such as "*he is a very powerful man*" or "*it is a very powerful country*," one usually thinks of people or countries that use power to place themselves above apparently weaker people or places. The Gospel is a challenge to turn this notion on its head. We have each been given much power—the power flowing from Christ—in our baptism. Today we are called to use this power to place the **needs of others before our own**.

*Today's Readings: Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; Psalm 54:3-8; James 3:16 — 4:3; Mark 9:30-37*

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**Pastoral Emergencies**

For any pastoral emergencies during this time of transition, please call Deacon John Wallin on his cell phone @

**612-751-6284**



Lisa Roden and Justin Meyer

Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>

# Weekly Collections

**September 12<sup>th</sup> and September 13<sup>th</sup>**

Adult	4,611.00
Youth	6.71
Plate	737.36

## Weekly Stewardship Update

Weekly Need	<b>5,915.00</b>
Last Week	5,355.00
Need To Date	65,065.00
Year To Date (Adult Envelopes/Plate)	45,875.00
Year To Date (Special Gifts)	0.00

Our beautiful Cathedral of Saint Paul requires everyone's help! Please consider a sacrificial gift for this collection to assist with the remaining \$12.7 million for the emergency exterior restoration.



Many thanks to all those who generously contributed to last year's collection to care for our Mother Church. The Cathedral Heritage Foundation has been established to address our Cathedral's pressing restoration needs. All gifts received in this special collection will be designated and restricted to the restoration needs of the Cathedral. Checks should be made out to the: Cathedral Heritage Foundation. Archbishop John Ireland relied on every Catholic's support to build this great monument of faith and so we need everyone's support now to *preserve it for future generations*. For more details, call 651-228-1766 or visit their website @ [www.cathedralsaintpaul.org](http://www.cathedralsaintpaul.org).

## What is A Secular Franciscan????

Are you seeking for a deeper, more personal relationship with God? Would you like other brothers/sisters to walk with you on your spiritual journey? You are invited to join the Secular Franciscan's on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup> @ 9:45am. A prayer, brunch and our "Come and See Presentation are planned. For more details contact Pat Hendrickson @ 441-2038. Meet @ Church of St. Andrews 566 4th Street in Elk River Assemble in the Gathering area.

## Interested in the Roman Catholic Faith? Rite for Christian Initiation of Adults

A program that seeks to give Jesus Christ in his fullness through presenting the truths of Sacred Scripture and Catholic teaching to those who are unbaptized, baptized but *not in full communion* with the Catholic Church, *in full communion* with the Catholic Church, but still in **need of First Communion or Confirmation**. It also is a great tool for the fully initiated to refresh themselves on the Church's teaching or learn some of it for the first time. Anyone who is interested in this program, contact the Parish Office @ 497-2474 for more details.

## —Awaken To Prayer—

Come pray with us as we pray the Rosary for America and the conversion of hearts to our Lord Jesus Christ. Sunday's at the Church of St. Albert at 7:45pm.



## RESPECT FOR LIFE

When abortion claimed the lives of both her unborn grandchild and her daughter, Mrs. Eileen Smith said she and her husband Tom experienced a 'baptism of fire' into the Pro-Life movement. She vowed that she would tell Laura's story in the hope that at least one woman would choose life after hearing it. . . Since then, she has heard about several young women who have turned away from abortion after hearing about Laura's death.



For those who speak up on behalf of the unborn, the disabled, and the frail elderly.

*We pray to Our Lord*

## RESPECT LIFE FAMILY DINNER Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>

The Knights of Columbus are hosting this event at St. Albert's Parish Center. A Social begins @ 6:30pm followed by music and featured speaker Sharon Soderlund. Sharon is a past Director at the Respect Life Office at the Archdiocese of St. Paul—Minneapolis. Currently, she is the Executive Director of WomenSource, a new pregnancy resource in Osseo. The children will be entertained by Brian Richards who will perform a magic program. **Reservations are required.** Call Jim @ 497-3909 or Marlene @ 497-2265 to reserve your tickets **by October 5<sup>th</sup>**. Prices are \$12-Adults \$7-Students \$40.00 a family price.

You are invited to be part of the **2009 Public Square Rosary Crusade** to be held by the statue of Our Lady of Fatima by the St. Albert's Catholic Church **at noon on Saturday, October 10<sup>th</sup>**. These crusades are being organized across America by *America Needs Fatima* to counter the destructive secular agenda by asking God to guide every aspect of our society. *Public prayer is far more powerful than private prayer.* Please join us in saying the rosary and a few other prayers for our country. If you have any questions, please call Marlene @ 497-2265, or Chris @ 497-3662.

## St. Michael Catholic School Alumni

Join us Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, for a joyful evening of reminiscing with friends old and new. We will begin with Mass at the St. Michael Catholic Church @ 5:00pm followed by a fabulous chicken dinner at our school. Reservation forms are available on-line at [www.stmcatholicsschool.org](http://www.stmcatholicsschool.org). All past teachers are invited too! (Event is intended for high school graduates alumni in 2005 or prior.)

When Jesus says, "If you wish to rank first, you must remain the last one of all and the servant of all," many people could immediately turn and walk away.

*Are you willing to serve as Jesus did???*



## Total Lifelong Catechesis (TLC) 2009-2010

TLC is the core of faith formation at St. Albert's. The vision of TLC is to affirm and help us live out one of the most fundamental roles of Discipleship. That is to be a *lifelong student* of Christ. TLC provides faith-building education sessions once a month along with age appropriate home materials to foster continuing education within the home. The entire parish, regardless of age or family status is invited to participate.

Please register as soon as possible. If you have questions about TLC or Sacrament Preparation, please contact Jean Wold at 497-3782 or [stalbertmnfaithformation@embarqmail.com](mailto:stalbertmnfaithformation@embarqmail.com). Additional Registration Packets can be obtained in the back of church.

### Many for TLC

We are still in need of numerous volunteers for TLC. Please consider volunteering and helping support the Faith Formation at St. Albert's. Help is needed in the following areas:

- ◆ Meals
- ◆ Nursery
- ◆ Music
- ◆ Drama
- ◆ TLC Catechist
- ◆ Small Group Leader for Grades 9-12
- ◆ Small Group Leader for Adults
- ◆ Home Kit Preparation
- ◆ Research
- ◆ First Communion Catechist
- ◆ Confirmation Catechist

As a volunteer, we ask that you sign up for a different day than when your household is participating in the TLC sessions. Please pray and discern where you can share your gifts and talents. If you have questions or are willing to help out this year, contact Jean Wold @ 497-3782 or [stalbertmnfaithformation@embarqmail.com](mailto:stalbertmnfaithformation@embarqmail.com)

### TLC Dates 2009-2010

October 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>  
 November 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>  
 December 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>  
 January 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>  
 February 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>  
 March 21<sup>st</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>  
 April 18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>



### EWTN PAPAL PROGRAMMING



#### POPE BENEDICT XVI IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC: VESPERS—LIVE

(Duration 90 minutes)

Celebration of Vespers at the Cathedral of St. Vitus, St. Wenceslas and St. Adalbert. The Holy Father will address priests, religious, and seminarians.

Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> @ **11:00pm**

Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> @ **5:30pm**

#### MASS IN BRNO—LIVE

(Duration 2 1/2 hours)

The Pope will travel to Brno where he will celebrate Mass and pray the Angelus.

Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> @ **3:00am**

Sunday, September 27<sup>th</sup> @ **11:00pm**


#### The Mystery and Meaning of Suffering: A Catholic Guide

Catholic Parents OnLine is sponsoring a Luncheon and Fundraiser. **Fr. Robert J. Altier** is the keynote speaker.  
 Saturday, October 24<sup>th</sup> @ 11:00am—2:00pm

**Location:** Town and Country Club-200 Mississippi Blvd. North—St. Paul

St. Paul **\$18** (per person)

You may register @ [www.catholicparents.org](http://www.catholicparents.org) or call 651-705-5409.

**Prayer List...** If you want to place someone on the prayer list, please call the parish office at 497-2474 or  E-mail: [stalbertmnbulletin@embarqmail.com](mailto:stalbertmnbulletin@embarqmail.com). Their name will remain on the list for **4 weeks**. If additional prayers are required, please request that their name remain on the list

**Carol Ebel Family, Hugh O'Donnell Family, Phyllis Kirscht Sarah Bosma (Niece of Rita Fay and Great Granddaughter of Sarah Kasper), Family of Bernie Roden, Bernice Vetsch, Adeline Barthel, Florian Piehowski, Kathy Couch, Jim Walsh, Dorothy Carlson (Mother of Roxane Scherber), Jeraldine Vetsch, Monica Heuring, Millie Bechtold (Sister to Joe and Francis Beaudry) McKenzie Schumm (Granddaughter of Jeraldine Vetsch), Donald Barthel, Drew Anderson and Family, Matt Scherber, Donald Praught, Jim and Arlene Bouley, Joanne Brant, Elaine Pankratz Marge Mason, Christian Herzog, Bill Keyes (Son-In-Law of Hank and Nancy Lehn), Lorraine Keske, Dennis Beaudry, Ed DeMars Steve Louricas, Helen Daluge and Ginger Pentz**

#### For the Safety of our Service Men and Women:

**Michael Bistodeau** (Son of John and Marijane Bistodeau)  
**Steven Daleiden** (Son of Paul and Jane Daleiden)  
**Grant Bouley** (Grandson of Jim and Arlene Bouley)  
**Shane Weber** (Son of Janelle and Larry Mills)  
**Mark Ebeling** (Son in-law of Jim and Jean Current)  
**Vanessa Zachman** (Daughter of Mike and Dawn Zachman)  
**Tyler Franzen** (Son of Scott and Dawn Franzen)

**Cassandra Olson**  
**Youth Minister 497-6083**  
**E-mail: [stalbertmnyouth@embarqmail.com](mailto:stalbertmnyouth@embarqmail.com)**

**Calling All Adults Ages 19-100**  
**Please Read**

**John Paul II says,** *"In the age of growth, the youth are in need of adults capable of proposing their principles and values; are in need of persons capable of teaching with their lives, even before (they teach) with their words to spend themselves for high ideals"*

Don't underestimate yourself, sometimes we find the surprising gifts God wants us to possess by stepping out and doing something we haven't done before. Praise God for Volunteer Sunday. We still have **areas of need.**

**Jr. High Ministry**

Friday Night Lives  
 WinterBlast  
 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreats



**Sr. High Ministry**

TLC Small Group Leader	Girls Group
Guys Group	Lifeline
9 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Retreats	Exalt

**CORE TEAM 2009-2010 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> GRADES**

Our Core Team is getting ready to start the year. We have about 9 ladies and guys who have said yes to serve St. Albert's by being on Core Team. This weekend is our Core Team/Leadership Retreat.

**Here is the list of Teens:**

Alexyia Dwinell- 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Madeline Wold-10 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Erin Hofford-10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Laura Hybben-10 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Matt Eynick-10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Mark Cichoski-11 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Mary Hybben-12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Liz Robeck-12 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Nichole Zachman-11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	

**Also this is the list of amazing people who said they'd help lead small group for TLC**

Nick Welter	Julie Loch
Michael Loch	Mary Vandal

**STILL NEED One Male and One Female for Sunday and Wednesday**

Thank you everyone so much for your "yes" this year Will be great because of you!

**11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grades**

You are awesome! I just want to invite you this year to join us for TLC, we will not be having our usually life nights after the 6pm Mass in St. Michael anymore, because of wanting to come along side the Religious Ed program. So I invite you to come to TLC for nights of faith and fellowship. What a great way to continue the faith you professed and to stir up the gifts you were given on your Confirmation day. These nights will be worth it. I can't wait to see you

**Senior High Ministry**



**Girls Group**

**When:** This Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00-9:00pm  
**Location:** St. Albert's AWESOME YOUTH ROOM  
**Theme:** Theology of the Body

**Guys Group "Band of Brothers"**

**Location:** St. Michael Youth Room  
**When:** Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>—7:00-9:00pm

**Jr. High Youth Ministry**

**Friday Night Live Kick Off**

**When:** Friday, September 25<sup>th</sup>  
**Location:** Andy and Michelle Hybben's Home  
**Time:** 7:00-10:00pm  
**What:** It's our Fall Jr. High Ministry KICK OFF.

Come and fellowship with other teens, there will be outdoor games, time for worship, lots of **SNACKS**. Flyer available online.

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade Retreat - October 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Who:** All 6<sup>th</sup> Graders from St. Albert's and St. Michael  
**Where:** St. Albert's Parish Center  
**When:** 6:00-10:00pm

**What:** We'll be playing crazy fun games, listening to an exciting rock your socks off talk, having some way cool small group time, devouring food, pop and snacks, and the best part is having some fantastic, amazing heading turning, Jesus praising prayer time. **This retreat will ROCK!** Don't miss it and bring your friends!

**Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>  
 Kick-Off Mass**

**LIFELINE**

Bus departs from St. Michael @ 3:30pm and returns @ 11:00pm. Cost: **\$10** for transportation and donation to the NET Center. Bring \$\$ for a fast food meal on the way to the NET Center. Great Night I can't wait.

*Truly, Truly Igniting Your Faith*



**With Fr. Bill Baer** (one of the coolest and most straight forward priests in the Archdiocese)

God is good... all the time! And all the time... God is good! Well if God is that great (which He is!) then what about YOU?! In this world where the noise is so loud, what is your response to such a good God? Our generation is being called right now to be louder than the world and be the lamp stand on the hill. Now, more than ever, Catholics need to be the feet and hands of God — love in action! **You have more impact than you know!** Michael Hoffman is explosively funny! Hilarious, engaging, entertaining and unique in his ability to reach people on an emotional and practical level at the same time.

*Be the light that God intended you to be! (Our night will include time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.)*

**CORE TEAM RETREAT (THIS WEEKEND)  
 KEEP US IN YOUR PRAYERS**

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

<p><b>September 26<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>4:00PM</b>  <u>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</u>                  *Marie Vetsch</p> <p><b>Lector</b>                  Jon Cichoski</p> <p><b>Servers</b>                  Abby Scherber                  Alayna Valerius  <i>No one available</i></p> <p><b>Greeters</b>                  Phil and Terese                  Gammell Family</p> <p><b>Ushers</b>                  Doug Lindenfelser                  Ray Lindenfelser                  Jerry Lindenfelser                  Jim Vetsch</p> <p><b>Sacristan</b>                  Marie Vetsch</p>	<p><b>September 27<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>8:00AM</b>  <u>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</u>                  *Chris Heuring                  Bethany Vetsch                  Dave Vetsch</p> <p><b>Lector</b>                  Karen Frase</p> <p><b>Servers</b>                  Jon Steffl                  Garrett Watters                  Taylor Watters</p> <p><b>Greeters</b>                  Mary Holland                  Sue Wacker</p> <p><b>Ushers</b>                  Hugh O'Donnell                  Jim Daluge                  Don Weidenbach                  Will Duerr</p> <p><b>Homebound</b>                  The Krystosek's                  Bea Praught                  Rosalie Anselment</p>	<p><b>September 27<sup>th</sup></b>  <b>10:00AM</b>  <u>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</u>                  *Nick Welter                  Denise Beaudry                  Jim Krystosek</p> <p><b>Lector</b>                  Lori Valerius</p> <p><b>Servers</b>                  Jared Zachman                  Matthew Perrault                  Roman Perrault</p> <p><b>Greeters</b>                  Mike and Janet                  Welter Family</p> <p><b>Ushers</b>                  Norm Freske                  Bill Braun                  Gary Lenz  <i>No one available</i></p>
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### Ministry Schedule

**Attention:** Greeters, EMHC's Lectors, Servers, Sacristan's, Homebound and Ushers. Please contact Lois Roden @ 497-3862 or Email @ [BillLoisRoden@yahoo.com](mailto:BillLoisRoden@yahoo.com) for your scheduling requests for the months of October and November. The request deadline is **Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup>**. This weekend is **Stewardship Weekend** at St. Albert's. See the bulletin insert for a listing of all volunteer areas and a contact person. Thank you to everyone who shares their time, talent and treasure. May God's blessings be upon you!!



### St. Francis Xavier Parish Festival-Buffalo September 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>

A variety show starts @ 7:00pm on Saturday evening. A Polka Mass begins @ 11:00am on Sunday. A chicken dinner will be served from 11:00am-2:00pm. A Silent auction, games and activities will be available for all ages.

### St. Henry's Parish Festival—Monticello September 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>

Entertainment is scheduled for Saturday @ 6:00-11:00pm. A Cake Walk, Sweet Shoppe, Children's Games, Country Market are in store. A turkey Dinner will be served from 11:30-2:00pm. Over \$10,000 cash and prizes.

## PARISH MEETINGS AND EVENTS

**Religious Education Board Meeting** will meet on: Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup> @ 6:30pm at St. Albert's Parish Center

**Adult Faith Formation** will meet on: Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 6:30pm at St. Albert's Parish Center

**TLC Workshop and Preparation** will meet on: Wednesday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:00pm at St. Albert's Parish Center

**Building and Grounds** will meet on: Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm at St. Albert's Parish Center

### Catholic Aid Society LAST CHANCE!



The St. Albert's Catholic Aid Society is sponsoring a Stanley Home Products Fundraiser. Catalog and order forms are in the back of church. Orders (checks payable to Darlene More) can be dropped off in the box in the back of church. Phone orders will be taken by Susie @ 497-7159. Order deadline is **This Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup>**.

**All Proceeds will go to St. Albert's TLC Program**

### St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church—Corcoran Annual Garage Sale

The sale will feature clothing, toys, household, furniture and more. Collection dates of clean gently-used items is September 24<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>.

September 30<sup>th</sup> **3:00pm-9:00pm**  
 October 1<sup>st</sup> @ **8:00am-8:00pm** (50% off 4:00pm-8:00pm)  
 October 2<sup>nd</sup> @ **8:00am-2:00pm (Bag Day)**  
 Sale located @ 20000 County Road 10

God gave them to you,  
so you could *share*  
with others.



### A Special Weekend October 10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>

This weekend is an experience designed to assist married couples. It's a get-a-way from home, responsibilities and a comfortable environment. This weekend will be held @ St. Francis Center—Little Falls. It begins on Saturday morning and concludes on Sunday afternoon. Call [320-252-3220](tel:320-252-3220) to register or visit their website @ [www.home.att.net/~stcloudme](http://www.home.att.net/~stcloudme).

God made everything out of nothing,  
but the nothingness shows through.

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