



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Forsake foolishness that you may live; advance in the way of understanding (Proverbs 9:1-6).

Psalm — Taste and see the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 34).

Second Reading — Live as wise persons trying to understand what is the will of the Lord, filled with the Spirit and giving thanks always (Ephesians 5:15-20).

Gospel — Jesus says, “I am the living bread . . . whoever eats this bread (my flesh) will live forever” (John 6:51-58).



August 17th thru August 23rd

Tuesday	8:00AM	†Richard Lindenfelser
Wednesday	8:00AM	††John and Bernie Roden
Saturday	4:00PM	†Archie Lindenfelser
Sunday	8:00AM	††Elmer and Dorothy Beaudry
	10:00AM	All Parishioners

Prayer Partners are needed for **Thursdays at 1:00-2:00am and Fridays at 7:00-8:00pm**. Call Brenda O'Donnell @ 497-2718 or Mary Vandal @ 497-2856 if you are interested in spending time with the Lord.



A Prayer for a Priest to Lead Our Parish Community

Lord Jesus, you sent the Holy Spirit to guide your church in all things. Look with favor on St. Albert's Parish, and send a new priest to us, who will continue to guide us in building up the body of Christ. Give him the gifts he needs to respond with generosity and a joyful heart.

We pray that he will help the whole community realize God's presence among us.

God our Father, we ask you to bless this priest and confirm him in his calling.

We offer this prayer, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen

PLEASE CONTINUE PRAYING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A NEW PASTOR TO OUR PARISH.

MAKING THE MOST OF THE OPPORTUNITY

The Letter to the Ephesians speaks to us, urging wisdom in our discernment of how to live the Christian life. We are to “watch carefully . . . making the most of opportunity,” and “try to understand what is the will of the Lord” (5:15).

We are promised a generous outpouring of God's help in our attempts to live the gospel: the Eucharist. This is the “living bread,” the Body and Blood of the Lord. To those who can only think literally, this seems not only foolish, but repulsive as well. We need to have more wisdom, understanding, and faith to understand properly what we have been asked to believe.

For our bread, which is food, and our wine, which is drink, to be transformed from things that give life to the body into Christ, who gives life to the soul, another great transformation must take place. Not only are the physical elements transformed, we are transformed as well. If we become people of Wisdom, eating of this banquet, we become one with Christ, who is one with God. We become the Body of Christ, his living and real presence.

FOR THE LIFE OF THE WORLD

This wisdom for us is foolishness to the world. But there is a saying, “The proof of the pudding is in the eating.” When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we become what we eat; that is, we become one with the Lord and with each other. The proof of this is in our love. If we love God, if we love each other, and if we love others and serve them in charity, our love will be living proof of God's life and work in the world. We truly become the Body of Christ.

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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

Weekly Collections

August 8th and August 9th

Adult	3,272.00
Youth	12.87
Plate	408.89

Weekly Stewardship Update

Weekly Need	5,915.00
Last Week	3,694.00
Need To Date	35,490.00
Year To Date (Adult Envelopes/Plate)	24,780.00
Year To Date (Special Gifts)	0.00

Early Catholic Family Life Program

The Adult Faith Formation Committee is looking for interested young families to start up an Early Catholic Family Life Program here at St. Albert's. ECFL is a program geared towards families with children ages 0-5 years of age. It's a great way to bring the Catholic Faith alive to your lively youngsters and a way to share and build relationships with other similar families. Please call Lois Roden for more information or questions regarding the program @ 497-3862. A training session for parent leaders is scheduled on Saturday, August 29th.

* ECFL brings young Catholic parents together within the parish setting to become acquainted with one another, and to share with each other their own deeply held beliefs. * ECFL affirms parents in their faith and also strengthens the faith of parents through the teaching and leadership role they will assume with their children.

Church of St. Albert Bible Study

Adventures in Revelations

Our next bible study is a **10 week** study of the *Book of Revelations*. It will start the week of Sept. 13th. The groups will meet on: Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday evenings, or Friday mornings. It is not necessary to have taken a bible study previously. Sign up sheets are posted in the Narthex. If you have any questions, Please call Chris @ 497-3662.

—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

"It wasn't many years ago that almost everyone accepted that infanticide is intrinsically and inherently wrong. **Clearly this is no longer true.** . . . With the growth of personhood theory that denies the intrinsic value of human life, and with the discriminatory 'quality of life' ethic permeating the highest levels of medical and bioethical thinking, we are moving toward a *medical system* in which **babies are put down like dogs** and killing is redefined as a caring act."



Wesley J. Smith, J.D.

National Respect for Life News . . . — March 2008

That minds and hearts may be opened to see the destructiveness of abortion for individuals and the nation:

We pray to Our Lord

Let's Support cures that we can all **LIVE** with.

Natural Family Planning Class

The Couple to Couple League will be offering a series of classes, for engaged and married couples, on the *Sympto-Thermal Method of Natural Family Planning* at the Church of St. Albert in Albertville. New streamlined methodology and new materials integrate Pope John Paul II's Theology of the Body. Classes begin on Thursday, September 10th @ 7:00 p.m. To register or receive more information, call 612-721-3791, or visit their web site at:

www.twincities.ccli.org.

Pro-Life Evening in Albertville

FREE

An event you won't want to miss! Everyone is welcome to attend.

Thursday, September 17th

7:00-9:00 pm

St. Albert's Parish Center

Andrea Rau –MCCL Legislative Associate will be the keynote speaker. She will address: Human Cloning, Taxpayer Fund Abortion, Euthanasia of Disabled Persons, Embryonic Stem-Cell Research and Health Care Rationing. The Oratory Contest will also take place for high school seniors and juniors. *Learn the facts so you can make a difference and save lives.* For more details visit their website @ www.mcci.org.



We remember Bernadine M. Roden. We pray for her family who grieve her loss. May the fullness of eternal life be with her.

EWTN and Non-Cable Customers

EWTN, the Global Catholic Network will be moving to a DIGITAL BASIC level of service on August 18th. The new channel number will be **180**. You **will need** a digital receiver box to receive this station. These boxes can be purchased at electronic stores.