

Gr. 7 Science Challenge - Design and build the tallest type teepee structure in twenty minutes with only tape and eight newspaper pages.



Students in the junior high Rec Academy enjoyed the outdoors on Monday with some good old fashioned tobogganing! The elementary group played some dodgeball type games and basketball.



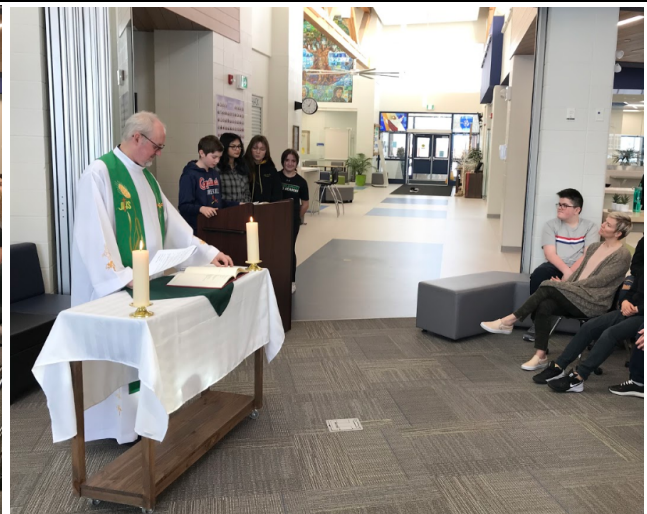
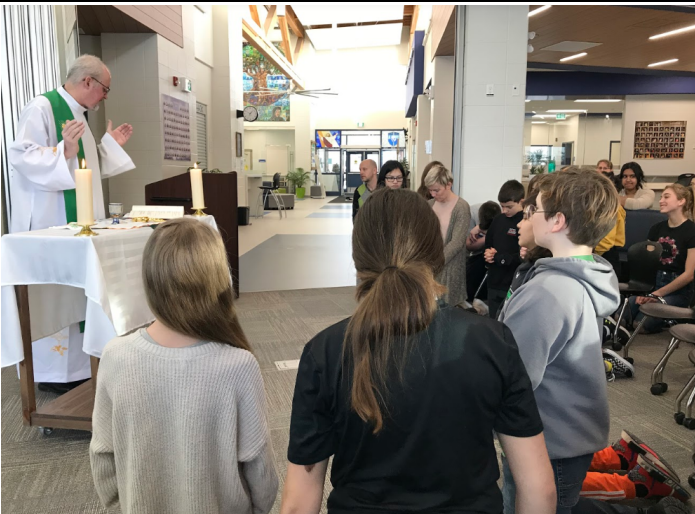


Many students at SAA took had a great day at Rabbit Hill enjoying a day of skiing/snowboarding. Lessons and free time ensured all had fun, and we give thanks to mother nature for a beautiful, sunny day. Thanks to all of our parent volunteers and staff who ensured we had a great day and thanks to Mrs. Kleparchuk for all the time spent planning the day for our students.





Gr. 7th celebrated mass with Father Ignacy on Wednesday.





Grade 4,5,6 Booster students created arcade games using cardboard, plastic spoons, and marbles. Grade one students visited the SAA Arcade to put the games to the test.



School News - Take a look at what's coming up this week! Feb. 3 - 7

Monday(3)	Jr. Basketball Drop In Gr. 5 - 8(3:10 - 4:00 pm)
Tuesday (4)	<i>Friends of SAA Fundraising Society Meeting@8:35 am(SAA Meeting Room)</i>
Wednesday (5)	Partners in Prayer@Noon "Souper" Soup Day Lunch - No Snack Shack
Thursday (6)	No School K-8 - Teacher's Convention
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Our School Goals

We have two primary school goals at SAA:

Our Learning Goal - TO PROVIDE MULTIPLE PATHWAYS TO DEEP LEARNING

- Fostering authentic relationships and connections with students and parents
- Differentiating instructional practices
- Learning Attribute Planning
- Leveraging Technology

Our Faith Goal - TO BUILD A CULTURE OF FAITH AND SERVICE WHERE EVERY CHILD AND FAMILY FEEL WELCOMED

- Continue to build and expand connections with parish, CSS and D&P
- School Chaplain will continue to work to build capacity with staff to know, model and witness Jesus Christ
- Continue to ensure that our faith is prominent within our school
- Develop further awareness of connections between our faith and spiritual beliefs/practices of Indigenous

brothers and sisters

No Classes K-8 Friday, Jan.31

There are no classes for all students K-8 on Friday, Jan. 31 as it is a PD/Staff Meeting Day.

Mark Your Calendars - Important Dates Coming Soon!

Feb. 14 - No Kindergarten classes, Early Dismissal Grade 1 - 8

Feb. 14 - Interview Booking Site Opens@9:00 am

Feb. 17 - No School - Family Day Holiday

Feb. 19 - School Council@6:30 pm

Feb. 21 - Term 2 Report Cards Go Home K - 6

Feb 26 - Parent/Teacher Interviews 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Feb 27 - Parent/Teacher Interviews 3:30 - 6:30 pm

Feb. 27 - 2020/21 Online School Registration begins for students in Gr. 1-9

Feb. 28 - No Kindergarten classes

March 3 - Gr. 6 Immunizations

March 6 - Family Movie KNight

March 12 - 2020/21 School Open House (6:30 - 8:00 pm)

March 13 - No K-8 Classes - PD/Staff Meeting Day

March 18 - School Council Mtg.@6:30 pm

March 20 - No School K-8 PTI Lieu Day

March 21 - 29 - School Closed SPRING BREAK

March 30 - Classes resume K-8

To check dates well in advance click on our [SAA School Web Calendar](#).

Alberta Accountability Pillar Surveys

Every year the government of Alberta surveys parents of students in grade 4, 7 and 11 to gather information to gauge satisfaction of our stakeholders. Parents have the option to complete a paper survey or go online and complete a survey electronically. If you have a child in grade 4-8 at Sister Alphonse Academy you may receive a survey in the mail. We are hoping that you will consider completing the survey either by paper or electronically so that we can receive your feedback. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. Surveys were mailed out on January 13 and the last day to receive input is February 28/20.

2020/21 Kindergarten School Registration

Registration for those students who will be attending kindergarten in the 2020/21 school year is now open. Click on the [New Student Registration Link](#) to register your child for kindergarten next school year.

2020/21 Gr. 1- 9 School Registration

Registration for SAA students in grade 1 to 9 will open on Thursday, Feb. 27. As was last year, all registration will be done online. More information will come in early February.

Annual North Central Teachers Convention - Feb. 6 & 7

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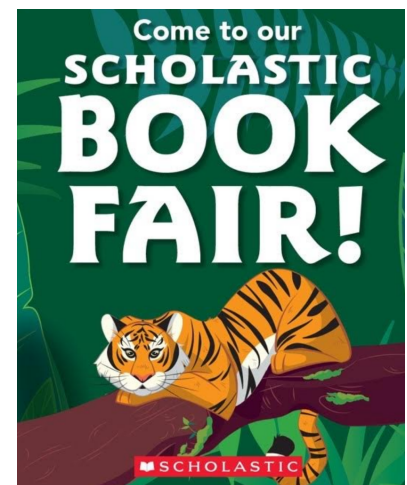
The North Central Teachers Convention is a two-day professional development conference held each February. Attendees include approximately 6,800 teachers. The convention provides Professional Development workshops, seminars and training over a two day period. It provides a great opportunity for teachers to collaborate, network, learn and share so that teachers can continue to grow in their practice and contribute ideas and opinions on relevant education issues. **There is no school for students at SAA during these two days.**

Jungle Book Fair!

Get ready to get wild at our Jungle Book Fair! The Scholastic book fair is returning to Sister Alphonse from **February 24-28** and this year's goal is to have \$1,800 worth of books purchased. The fair will be open during recess, with special after school sales on February 26 and 27 during Parent Teacher Interviews. In addition, everyone who purchases items from the fair can enter the door prize contest. One lucky student will win \$25 dollars' worth of books for themselves and their classroom! We will also be having our Classroom Wish List program, where families help enrich their child's classroom by purchasing books for their teacher's class library.

Healthy Snacks Food Nutrition Grant

The Government of Alberta continues to fund the Food Nutrition Grant Program for Alberta School Districts. At SAA all students have access to the snacks and we estimate approximately 50% of the student population access the food daily. In classrooms there are fruit baskets available all day, in addition snacks are available at the morning nutrition break, as well as those that may not come with lunch (or still hungry after eating their lunch) can ask for more to eat and we will get them



additional items. Snacks include fruit, vegetables, yogurt, granola and healthy drinks. In addition to the food we periodically provide informative slides and nutrition tips through the morning announcements, as well as informal discussions about healthy eating in the classrooms.

Volunteers Needed for Upcoming Book Fair

If anyone would like to help with the book fair, please contact Ms. Gamache in the library. We would love some extra hands with setting up on February 24th (starting at 8:30 a.m.) and taking down the fair on March 2nd (starting at 8:30 a.m.). Also, if anyone can support the fair by handling cash, we have some time slots during recess (10:25 - 10:45) and lunch break (12:05 - 12:35) on the 26th, 27th, and 28th that we would love to fill.

If you are interested or have any questions, then contact Ms. Gamache at lgamache@gsacrd.ab.ca or at 780-809-2996.

Drop-In-Basketball Gr. 5-8

Please be advised that Drop-In-Basketball will only occur on Monday after school this week. There will be **NO**

Drop-In-Basketball on Wednesday this week.

St. Albert Family Resource Centre

Click on the [Program Flyer Link](#) to read about the child and youth winter programs at the Family Resource Centre.

Jr. High Stuff

St. Albert Family Resource Centre is offering a 2- Day Certified Babysitting Course on Feb. 6-7, March 22-23 and March 26-27. Click on the [link](#) for more information. A reminder that students in junior high can receive free transit passes to travel on St. Albert Transit busses anywhere in St. Albert. If your son/daughter would like a book of passes have them ask at the office.

Thanks to the Current Sponsors of our SAA Field Trip Fund



School Council

Our Friends of SAA Fundraising Society will be having a meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 4 at 8:35 am to discuss some ideas and begin the process of organizing some simple fundraisers for the school. If you have ideas or would like to help feel free to come to the meeting.

St. Albert Parish News

RCIA

Are you interested in becoming Catholic? Please contact Darryl at the church office or email: Darryl.Tymchuk@caedm.ca

Sunday, February 2 - Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast

Don't miss another great meal in the parish hall. Remember, you can now use credit and debit cards!

Saturday Evening, February 8 - Movie Night at 6:15 pm

The movie Priceless, based on a true story, will be featured. This drama is based on a true story. Human trafficking is something that occurs in all communities. This movie helps the viewer to become aware of what human trafficking is and what can be done about it.

Tuesday, February 18 - Ladies of the Parish Twilight Retreat

Join our CWL gathering at Star of the North Retreat House at 6:30 pm for an enriching Twilight Retreat featuring singer, songwriter and storyteller Mary Kieftenbeld.

Saturday, February 22 – A Fiesta Before Fasting!!

This is a brand new event for all those who are young at heart. We will have the fabulous DJ from Albert's Diner for dancing and games. There will be fabulous food – make your own tacos, nachos and yummy treats...and a piñata of course!

Don't Miss these Upcoming SAPY Events:

We have a lot of great events planned for the New Year!
BEST of 2019!

Curious what the top trends, music & movies were for 2019? Join us in finding out on:

January 28- Grades 4-6

From 6:30- 8:00 in the Parish Hall.

Ski Trip!

SAPY Youth are going Skiing on February 7th at Tawatinaw Valley! Come out and enjoy a full day of skiing, lunch is included! Forms are in the back of the Church, and need to be submitted by January 30th. Altar Servers Ski for Free!! But please still fill out a form.

Family Day!

Holy Family & St. Albert Parishes are teaming up for some family day fun on February 17th! We will go Tobogganing down seven hills, across from St. Albert Parish!

Invitation to the Women of our Parish

As our council begins a new year with our new president, Catherine deChamplain, we invite you to join the Catholic Women's League. You will get to know the women of the parish on a personal level as we pray, work and have some fun together. We focus on growing in faith and witness to the love of God through ministry and service. Fellowship is a key part of the evening. The group meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7 pm in the parish hall. Current members are now encouraged to renew their 2020 membership at the January 21 meeting or by placing the renewal fee of \$30, in the collection basket at Mass. New members may fill out the form below. Be sure to mark the envelope boldly with CWL.

Star of the North Retreat Centre The Power of Scripture to Transform led by Archbishop Emeritus Sylvain Lavoie OMI.
Thursdays, Feb. 13, 20 and 27. 7 to 9 pm. Cost: \$80.

Healing Through Celtic Spirituality with Fr. Matt Linn, SJ, Feb. 28 to March 1. Live-in: \$250; Commuters: \$190.

The Breakthrough in the Spirit's Power

The Catholic Renewal Services will be having a 3-day conference -BREAKTHROUGH IN THE SPIRIT'S POWER to be held in St Theresa's Parish. The conference starts on the 7th Feb and finishes on Sunday, the 9th Feb 2020. Registration is required by 31 Jan 2020 as meals will be provided. This program features praise and worship, preaching, testimonies and a Mass with healing service. This gives participants an opportunity to gather together to deepen their relationship with the Holy Spirit and to seek healing of the mind, body and soul. Brochures are at the entrance of the church – please pick up for your information at the completion of this Mass."

Host Families for NET Retreat

On March 9 and March 11, Gr. 10 students at SACHS will be participating in a retreat that will be led by NET - the National Evangelization Team - based out of Ottawa. They are leading a day-long retreat entitled "Dare to Hope". The NET team are billeted to local families during their stay. The team consists of four young men and five young women who need 3 square meals a day, a roof over their head and a family to call their own for the days they are with us. You would host 2 or more team members of the same gender. They are very low maintenance and very helpful during their time with you. The team would arrive on Saturday, March 7 and depart on Thursday, March 12.

Please contact Pam Albert at the SACHS office on (780) 459-7781 or email palbert@gsacrd.ab.ca to request two or more NET members to stay with you during their time in our schools.

Click on the [SAP Parish Link](#) to access the weekly bulletin for St. Albert Catholic Parish.

Holy Family Parish News

Youth Activities

Do you want to meet youth your age who share your faith? Do you want to play amazing games with amazing people? Do you want to have great discussions about the faith? Unite and Verve are youth groups for you! Hope you all had a great weekend. On Monday, at Unite, we will be hearing a talk about St. Jude, our saint of the month. On Wednesday, we will be having an All Saints' Day party from 6:30—8:30 pm at St. Albert Parish. This event is for youth in grades 4-9. We will be doing a cemetery scavenger hunt, a saint emoji game, and lots more! Please email Noëlle if you are attending so that she and Rebecca can plan accordingly.

Unite: Mondays from 7:00—9:00 pm for grades 9-12

Verve: Wednesdays from 7:00—8:30 pm for grades 6-8

If you are interested, or have any questions, please email Noëlle at youthprograms@holymfamilyparish.ca

Men of Integrity Conference 2020

The annual Men of Integrity Conference Your Divine Mission, will be held at Holy Trinity Parish in Spruce Grove from Friday, January 31st to Saturday, February 1st. The keynote speaker will be Deacon Larry Oney, a permanent deacon for the Archdiocese of New Orleans. He is the author of Divine Mission; Finding Your Hope and Purpose, Amazed by God's Grace, and many other books. To help with the planning of this conference, please register early! Cost: \$50 per adult, \$35 per student, \$75 per vendor and includes continental breakfast, lunch, coffee, refreshments and snacks.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

The World Day of Prayer is a global ecumenical movement led by Christian women who welcome you to join in prayer and action for peace and justice. The theme is "Rise! Take Your Mat and Walk" (based on John 5:2-9a). The women from Zimbabwe have prepared this year's service through art, music and prayer. In St. Albert, the World Day of Prayer will be held at Holy Family Parish on Friday, March 6th at 2:00 pm. Please join us for this service.

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