



St. Gerard School Calendar

December 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 	2	3	4	5 Christmas Hat/Headband Day 	6
7 	8	9	10 Christmas Ugly Sweater Day 	11 Christmas Snack from Spirit Leadership	12	13
14 	15 Spirit Leadership Reading Christmas Books	16 St. John XXIII School Elves visit	17 Family Night - Christmas Stories & Crafts 3:30-5:30 pm	18 Kids Convention Full Day Switch – Dismissal at 2:42pm	19 Half Day Switch – Dismissal at 11:50am	20
21 	22	23	24	25 Merry Christmas	26 	27
Wishing our Families a very Blessed Christmas!						
28	29	30	31 Happy New Year's Eve 			
Christmas Break December 22-January 2						

Upcoming Events:

**Please check the agendas and emails for class events and Spirit Leadership Theme Days*

Welcome 2026!

January 5 – Classes resume

January 20 – School Council Meeting 6 pm

January 30 – School PD Day – NO CLASSES for students



St. Gerard School Newsletter

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Note from Administration

A Warm December Greeting!

We are truly so grateful and blessed to have such an amazing learning community at St. Gerard School. Thank you for supporting your child's learning journey and seeing their classroom activities and achievements at our Demonstration of Learning in November. We will have many fun Christmas activities and celebrations throughout the month of December. Please check your emails and agendas for updates. A reminder that the Christmas Break is from December 22-January 2.

Wishing all our families the blessings that come with the birth of Jesus and a New Year filled with health, hope and happiness!

G. Tarnawsky & L. Cruickshank

School Fees

Our school is truly blessed with the generosity of many organizations, grants, and donations. We try to provide extras, such as food, clothing, technologies, and field trip experiences for our students without added costs for families. We do have supplemental education fees for each school year. A breakdown of the fees can be found on our website.

<https://stgerard.ecsd.net/school-and-transportation-fees>

Fees can be paid through your Parent PowerSchool account (cash only through the school office). Thank you for your attention to your school accounts.

Land-Based Learning

This year the St. Gerard School Community is very fortunate to have the addition of our Assistant Principal, Lisa Cruickshank. She comes with a wealth of knowledge and experience - teaching, as a Consultant with Indigenous Learning Services and the Senior Director of Teaching & Learning at Rupertsland Institute <https://www.rupertsland.org/>. Over the last few months your child has been learning about Indigenous ways of knowing, being and doing. These teachings have been gifted from local Knowledge Keepers and Elders from across Alberta. We have been learning how we can all learn from the land and how we can see and respect Land as our Teacher. Students have also been learning about the different moons and what is happening on the land during the different months. Please ask your child about the name of each moon for each month they have learned about. They will have much to share about the history, culture and teachings from Land-Based Learning.

Inclement Weather

A reminder that our students are outside for two 15-minute recess periods during the day. We follow the guidelines of Edmonton Catholic School Division. Students remain indoors if the weather (with wind chill) is -20°C or colder or if the air quality index reaches an index of 7 or more.

Environment Canada's weather for Edmonton can be consulted at

https://weather.gc.ca/city/pages/ab-50_metric_e.html

Environment Canada's Air Quality Health Index is available at

https://weather.gc.ca/airquality/pages/abaq-001_e.html



ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF
ST. ALPHONSUS

<-Click on icon for Parish Website link for Mass times, contact information and sacrament registration.

The first step of registration requires that parents Pre-register their children by emailing the names of their children along with the sacrament they are requesting (First Communion, Confirmation) to dawn.nowicki@telus.net

**For menus, calendars and other school information, visit our website stgerard.ecsd.net.*