

ST. AMBROSE PARISH COALDALE, AB

St. Catherine's Parish Picture Butte, AB



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Parish Registration

If you are new to one of our parishes: A warm WELCOME is extended to new parishioners. Please introduce yourselves to Fr. lan after Mass, fill out a registration form located in the church entrance, and place in the collection basket.

Receiving the Sacraments in our parishes: Please contact the parish office regarding Sacramental Preparation for all Sacraments—Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation and Marriage. Couples contemplating marriage should contact a priest at least six 6) months prior to the date chosen. A marriage preparation course is required.

Bulletin Announcements: Need to be submitted by 3:00 pm each Wednesday of the week the bulletin is published.

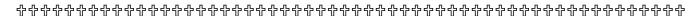
Fifth Sunday of Lent March 17, 2024

OUR PRAYERS

MASS INTENTIONS: Week of Marc	ch 17. Ma	Mass Intentions for March 2024 posted in foyers of churches.			
Tuesday, March 19	SA 7:00 pm	Rick Versteeg RIP			
Wednesday, March 20	SC 9:00 am	Fr. lan Gagné Int.			
Thursday March 21	SA 8:45 am	Jim & Diane Wickenheiser Int.	1.000		
Friday					
Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday	SA 9:00 am	For the parishioners			
Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday	SC 11:00 am	For the parishioners			
Sunday, March 24 Palm Sunday	SA 4:00 pm	For the parishioners			

Please pray for the sick of our parishes – Margaret Bergen Henengouwen, Darlene Beler, Katie Lindsay, Robert Briggs, Robert Murray, Marilyn Rudelich, David Beler, Diann Knight, Deirdre Doyle, Gracie Jeppson, Pat Theroux, Fausto Roma Vela, Julius Urban, Joanne Kubic.

And for the Repose of the Souls of all the deceased.



LAST SHOWING TONIGHT, March 17!!

Lenten Movie Nights: The St. Ambrose Hall Building Committee is screening season 1 of THE CHOSEN! Season 1 of the series, rated PG, portrays the life of Jesus Christ and the calling of his initial disciples. Starts Sunday February 25th and then every Sunday until March 17th, at St. Joseph's School. Time: Doors open 5:00 pm. Show starts at 5:45 pm and runs for approx. 90 minutes.

Snacks will be available: Hotdog/Drink/bag of popcorn for an extra \$5/person.

Please join us!





OUR SUPPORT FOR OTHERS

Support for Our Parishes

St. Catherine's, March 10

Reg. \$826.95 TIA \$570 O&M \$346

Well done, good and faithful servants!

St. Ambrose, March 10

Reg. \$2,035.55 Hall Fund \$180 \$TIA \$400 Ben. Fund \$20 Jan. 1 \$10 Init. Off. \$40

Well done, good and faithful servants!

Support For Our Diocese Programs

God will fully satisfy every need of yours according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

St. Catherine's Parish

2024 Goal: \$10, 703.00 Donations to March10: \$1,119.00

We still need: \$ 9,584.00

Giving out of love!



St. Ambrose Parish

2024 Goal: \$10, 531.00 Donations to March 10 \$ 856.00

We still need: \$ 9,675.00

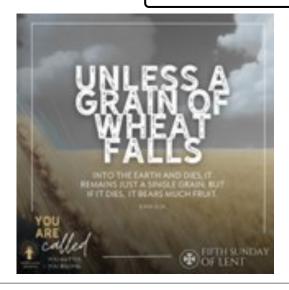
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Our TIA campaigns are off to a terrific start! Thank you to all who have donated so far. Your efforts and sacrifices to help out those in our Diocese who are struggling will be appreciated in ways you can not imagine. Keep up the wonderful effort!



Next week is Holy Week, and we begin our observances of the Death and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Did you know that, beginning with the Mass of the Last Supper on Thursday and continuing right through until Easter Sunday <u>is all one Liturgy—the Triduum.</u> As Catholics, we do not pick and choose when to go to church over these three days, as it is all one Liturgy. This is why we <u>leave in silence on Holy Thursday</u>, <u>enter and leave the service in silence on Good Friday</u>, and again enter in silence for the Vigil Mass on Saturday <u>evening</u>. One Liturgy, spread over the three days. Time to immerse ourselves in the great sacrifice that Jesus made of himself for our sins and the redemption of His rising from the dead so that we could have eternal life. Take the time to be present and attentive to this Liturgy and all its aspects—you'll be amazed at how much you will experience.

OUR SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK



March 17 Gospel: John 12.20-33

This week the readings invite reflection on the deep and heartfelt relationship between Jesus and his Father that made possible the sacrifice of the cross. Because of his troubled time of anticipated trial Jesus prayed. In answer, the Father promised to glorify Jesus from the cross where all people will be drawn into him.

Which statement struck us most forcefully, and why? What needs to die in you to be fully Christian? What cost are you willing to pay to follow Jesus? When you look for Jesus, what is it you want to see?

(Reflection: Diocese of Saskatoon)

<u>Triduum and Easter Liturgies in our Parishes</u>

St. Ambrose 6:00 pm then Adoration until midnight

HOLY THURSDAY MASS, March 28

St. Catherine's 8:00 pm then Adoration until midnight

St. Catherine's 3:00 pm

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE, March 29

St. Ambrose 6:00 pm

EASTER VIGIL MASS, March 30 St. Ambrose 9:00 pm

St. Ambrose 9:00 am, NO 4 pm Mass

EASTER SUNDAY, March 31

St. Catherine's 11:00 am



Just a reminder that this week's Penitential Services are:

Wed., March 20 at 7 pm: St. Joseph's, Vauxhall; Thurs. March 21 at 7 pm: St. Martha's, Lethbridge Sat. March 23 at 10 am: All Saints (Assumption), Lethbridge

These will be the last Penitential Services before Easter. Most priests will not be available during Holy Week to hear confessions. Please plan accordingly.

Chrism Mass for the Diocese of Calgary will be on **Monday**, **Mar 25 at 7 pm**, at St. Mary's Cathedral. During this Mass, the priests, deacons, and all the faithful gather around Bishop McGrattan, who blesses the Holy Oils for use in the coming year. Cathedral doors will be open to the public at 6 pm.

OUR EVENTS

The Feast of St. Joseph is on Tuesday, March 19. Mass will be at St. Ambrose at 7 pm.



OUR LARGER COMMUNITY

Assumption Charismatic Prayer Group will be hosting a pot luck every FIRST WEDNESDAY of the month in the hall at Our Lady of the Assumption church in Lethbridge. Doors open at 5:30 pm, supper is at 6 pm, and praise and worship begins at 7 pm. All are welcome! The next potluck will be Wednesday April 3, 2024.

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40 Hours Devotion for Vocations - In the Gospel, Jesus tells us to pray for vocations: "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest" (Matt. 9:37-38). Come and pray with us at the upcoming 40 Hours Devotion for Vocations:

St. Martha's, Lethbridge, Fri, Apr 12 at 8 am to Sat, Apr 13 at midnight.





DID YOU KNOW that 2025 will be a JUBILEE YEAR in the Church? The Holy Father has asked us to make 2024 a Year of Prayer in preparation for the Jubilee Year. The Holy Father encourages us to highlight the importance of both communal prayer and individual prayer this year.

To learn about the Jubilee Year "Pilgrims of Hope" - visit: catholicyyc.ca/blog/yearofprayer
Watch here for more information on The Year of Prayer and The Jubilee Year.

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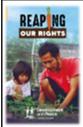
The Pope's Prayer Intention for March 2024: For the new martyrs—We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

The Pope video can be found here: https://thepopevideo.org/

From Holy Spirit Catholic School Division—School Registration Fall 2024:

Families of Continuing students will get an email to update registration the week of Jan. 15-19/24. New Student Registrations for Holy Spirit Roman Catholic School Division begins Feb. 1, 2024, including Early Learning for 3 & 4 year olds, Kindergarten for age 5 on/before Dec. 31, 2022. French Immersion is also available in our school Division. Please register on line, or for more info see www.holyspirit.ab.ca or visit your neighborhood school.





The Fifth Sunday of Lent, March 17, is celebrated throughout most of Canada as Solidarity Sunday, where parishes hold a special collection for Development and Peace - Caritas Canada and pray for greater fellowship and understanding amongst people worldwide. Please pray for Development and Peace - Caritas Canada, its members and partners as we strive for God's kingdom to come here on earth as it is in heaven.

There is information, and envelopes are available in the foyers of the churches or you can donate online here: https://devp.org/en/make-a-donation/



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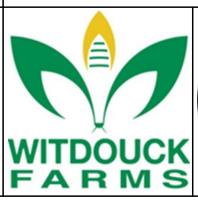




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OUR PARISHES

St. Catherine, Pray for us. Feast Day: November 25

St. Catherine's Parish

Sunday Mass: 11:00 am

Weekday Mass:

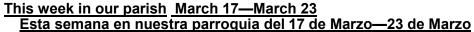
Wednesday/ Miércoles 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Thursday/Jueves 6:30—7:30 pm

Sacrament Prep. Inquiries—First Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation questions? Please contact our Sacramental Prep Coordinator, Susan, at 403-732-4685 or 403-315-3217.

Preparación sacramental. Consultas: ¿Preguntas sobre Primera Reconciliación, Primera Comunión y Confirmación? Comuníquese con nuestra coordinadora de preparación sacramental, Susan, al 403-732-4685 o al 403-315-3217.



Sunday, March 17 Sunday Mass/Misa Dominical 11 am

Domingo 17 de Marzo

Coffee after Mass. Café después de Misa.

Wednesday March 20 Mass/ Masa 9 am

Miércoles 20 de Marzo

Coffee after Mass. Café después de Misa.

Thurs. March 21 Reconciliation/Reconciliación 6:30—7:30 pm Stations of the Cross/Estaciones de la Cruz 7 pm

Jueves 21 de Marzo

Ministries Schedule							
DATE	EMHC	COMMENTATOR/ LECTOR	ALTAR SERVERS	PASTORAL CARE	COFFEE MINISTRY		
March 24 Palm Sunday	Susan	Tanya, Linda E., AJ		Nicki Murray	Nicki		
March 28 Holy Thursday	Lew	Lynda		Nicki Murray	Nicki		
March 29 Good Friday	Elaine	Phil, Jackie, Austen			Nicki		
March 31 Easter Sunday	Liz	Tanya			Nicki		

If you are unable to attend Mass and wish to receive Holy Communion, please call Wil Dooper at 403-732-4962.

TODAY!! Registration and Information for 1st Communion classes for parents: Sunday March 17 at 12:05 pm, right after Mass. Meet at front of the church. Books for the class will be handed out as well. ¡¡HOY!! El registro y la información para la Primera Comunión para padres: Domingo 17 de marzo a las 12:05 pm después de la 11 am Misa. Entregaremos nuestras libros para la Primera Comunión. Por favor, reúnase en la parte delantera de la iglesia.

CWL News: Meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7 pm. Our membership drive continues. The fees are \$35.

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<u>The next Soup Sunday will be April 7</u>, right after Mass. Come and enjoy lunch and visiting with your parish family. All donations will be gratefully accepted and are used for the upkeep of St. Catherine's.

<u>El próximo domingo de sopa será el 7 de abril</u> justo después de la Misa. Venga y disfrute del almuerzo y isite a su familia parroquial. Todas las donaciones serán aceptadas con gratitud y se utilizarán para el mantenimiento de St. Catherine's.



OUR PARISHES

St. Ambrose, Pray for us. Feast Day: December 7

St. Ambrose Parish

Sunday Mass: 9:00 am and 4:00 pm

Weekday Masses: Tuesday 7:00 pm, Thursday 8:45 am

Adoration: Fridays 7:00—8:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Tuesdays 6:00—6:45 pm

Fridays 7:00—8:00 pm

Rosary: Mondays at 10:00 am with CWL

Sacrament Prep. Inquiries: First Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation questions? Please contact our

Sacramental Prep Coordinator, Sylvia, at 403-394-6234.

This Week in our Parish: March 17—March 23

Sunday, March 17: + Sunday Mass 9 am & 4 pm+ CWL Installation of Executive followed by

WL Installation of Executive followed by Hospitality Sunday at 9 am only. The Chosen starts 5 pm

Mon. March 18: CWL Rosary 10 am

CWL Anniversary Comm. 1:30 pm

Tues. March 19: Mass with SJS 8:45 am

Reconciliation 6—6:45 pm

+Mass 7pm+

Wed. March 20: no bookings

Thurs. March 21: + Mass 8:45 am+

Happy Gang Choir practice 7 pm

Fri. March 22: Stations of the Cross with SJS 7 pm

NO Soup and Bun

NO Adoration & Reconciliation

Sat. March 23: no bookings



<u>Pastoral Care Ministry</u>: Please phone the team listed below on <u>Saturday March 16</u> if you wish to receive Holy Communion after the 9 am <u>Sunday Mass on March 17</u>, and please remember to have another person present with you when the Pastoral Care Ministers arrive.

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<u>St. Ambrose CWL NEWS</u>: Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month (except July & August). Congratulations to the new Executive who were Installed at the 9 am Mass today.



IMPORTANT MESSAGE

From Fr. lan: Due to some parish keyholders not coming forward to register keys, both parishes will be forced to re-key the buildings at the considerable expense of the parishes. Parishioners who have <u>church</u>, <u>hall</u>, <u>rectory</u>, <u>or any other parish keys</u> and have not registered them since 2021

need to please contact the office and have those keys registered. If you had a key and lost it, please also let us know. Otherwise, re-keying will be done after Easter. This is an insurance issue so please help your parish!

Thank you to all who have registered keys!



Hello—Jesus is calling YOU! All of our parish Ministries are looking for new members—councils, committees, liturgical ministries. We prayerfully ask that you consider giving some of your time to helping in a ministry! The response to Stewardship Sunday was very poor and we need help!

Not sure what is a good fit for you? Speak to some of those who are serving and get more information, or come and talk with Roisin at the office. Your gifts and talents will be much appreciated!

