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My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? When have you felt forsaken by God? What gives you hope?
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<u>Triduum and Easter Liturgies in our Parishes</u>		
St. Ambrose 6:00 pm then Adoration until midnight	<u>HOLY THURSDAY MASS, March 28</u>	St. Catherine's 8:00 pm then Adoration until midnight
St. Catherine's 3:00 pm	<u>GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE, March 29</u>	St. Ambrose 6:00 pm
<u>EASTER VIGIL MASS, March 30</u>		
	St. Ambrose 9:00 pm	

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Divine Mercy Sunday is April 7. In the year 2000, Pope John Paul II canonized Saint Maria Faustina Kowolska and added the Feast of Divine Mercy to the Church's official calendar. Saint Faustina, who died in 1938, was a member of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in Krakow, Poland. She came from a poor family of farmers, had only three years of schooling, and performed the humblest of tasks in her convent. But she also was a mystic who was privileged to have many private revelations from our Lord, including a vision of Jesus wearing a white garment with beams of red and white coming from His heart, which came to be known as the image of Divine Mercy. Divine Mercy Sunday focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. As Pope John Paul II stated, "Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ."

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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.



Pray

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

Have you seen the movie CABRINI? When Italian immigrant Francesca Cabrini steps foot in America in 1889, she is greeted by disease, crime, and impoverished children living in New York's slums. Armed with a fearless spirit and a compassionate heart, Cabrini sets off on a daring mission to convince the hostile mayor to secure housing and healthcare for society's most vulnerable. Despite broken English and poor health, Cabrini leverages her entrepreneurial mind to build an empire of hope unlike anything the world had ever seen.

Canonized a saint in 1946, she is the first U.S. citizen to be named a saint. She founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, a religious institute that was a major support to her fellow Italian immigrants to the United States. This moving and inspirational movie is playing at the Movie Mill in Lethbridge and is a must-see, as reported by many of our parishioners. Go to <https://moviemill.com/> for days and times.



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.

OUR LARGER COMMUNITY



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.



Praised be You, my Lord,
through Sister Water who is so useful,
humble, precious, and pure.

*from The Canticle of the Creatures by
St. Francis of Assisi*

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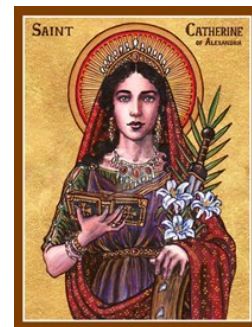
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OUR PARISHES

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.

This week in our parish March 24—March 31

Esta semana en nuestra parroquia del 24 de Marzo—31 de Marzo

Sunday, March 24

+ Sunday Mass/Misa Dominical 11 am +

Domingo 24 de Mar-

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Coffee after Mass.

Café después de Misa.

Wednesday March 27

+ Mass/ Masa 9 am +

Miércoles 27 de Mar-

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Coffee after Mass.

Café después de Misa.

Holy Thursday March 28

+ Mass/Masa 8:00 pm+

Jueves Santo 28 de mar-

ZO

Ministries Schedule

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DATE	EMHC	COMMENTATOR/ LECTOR	ALTAR SERVERS	PASTORAL CARE	COFFEE MINISTRY
March 28 Holy Thursday	Lew	Lynda		Nicki Murray	
March 29 Good Friday	Elaine	Phil, Jackie, Austen			
March 31 Easter Sunday	Liz	Tanya			
April 7	Susan	Linda E.		Elsie	Soup Sunday

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

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



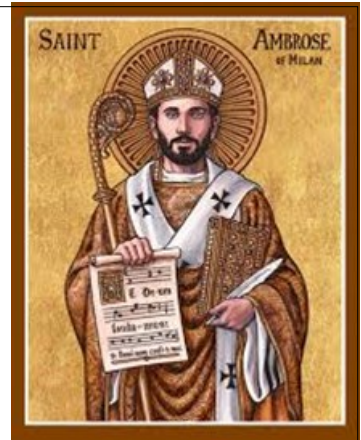
Anyone who would like to bring, or pay for, Easter lilies for the church please contact Elizabeth Stroeve at 403-382-7320 before Easter. Thank you!

The next Soup Sunday will be April 7, 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.

El próximo domingo de sopa será el 7 de abril 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 24—March 30

Sunday, March 24: +Sunday Mass 9 am & 4 pm+



Holy Thursday March 28: +Mass 6:00 pm+

Mon. March 25: CWL Rosary 10 am
Family Choir practice 7 pm

Good Friday March 29: Service 6:00 pm

Tues. March 26: Reconciliation 6—6:45 pm
+**Mass 7pm+**
Parish Pastoral Council meeting 7:30 pm

Holy Saturday March 30:
Blessing of Easter Foods 10:00 am
+ *Easter Vigil Mass 9:00 pm+*

Wed. March 27: no bookings



Pastoral Care Ministry: Please phone the team listed below on Saturday March 30 if you wish to receive Holy Communion after the 9 am Sunday Mass on March 31, and please remember to have another person present with you when the Pastoral Care Ministers arrive.

March 31 Team: Bonnie 403-345-4596 and Diann 403-345-4945

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St. Ambrose CWL NEWS: Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month (except July & August).



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!

St. Joseph's School Spring Plant and Flower Sale—get beautiful flowers and plants and support our school at the same time. We have partnered with DeVry Greenhouses and are raising money for outdoor equipment for our Junior High students. **Orders need to be in by April 25 and will be delivered to the school on May 10. To order:**

- scan the QR code to place your order
- email: friendsofstjosephschool@gmail.com
- phone/text Deanna



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