

ST. AMBROSE PARISH COALDALE, 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. Ian 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.

Easter Sunday March 31, 2024







Christ is Risen, Alleluia! He is Risen indeed, Alleluia!

OUR PRAYERS

MASS INTENTIONS: Week of March 31. Mass Intentions for April 2024 posted in foyers of churches.

Tuesday, April 2

Wednesday, April 3

Thursday, April 4

Friday, April 5 Piyami Lodge

SA 7:00 pm
SC 9:00 am
SA 8:45 am
10:00 am
SA 8:45 am
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SA 9:00 pm
SA 9:00 pm
For the parishioners



Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7

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SA 9:00 pm

SC 11:00 am

For the parishioners

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, especially Fr. Clair Watrin.

OUR SUPPORT FOR OTHERS

Support for Our Parishes

St. Catherine's, March 24

Reg. \$430.15 TIA \$70 O/M \$310 Sac. Prep \$100

Well done, good and faithful servants!

St. Ambrose, March 24

Reg. \$1,113.47 Hall Fund \$50 TIA \$1,000

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 March 24: \$ 1,189.00

We still need: \$ 9,514.00

Giving out of love!



St. Ambrose Parish

2024 Goal: \$10, 531.00 Donations to March 24: \$ 1,956.00

We still need: \$8,575.00

giving out of love!

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!

**PLEASE NOTE: The parish office will be closed Monday, April 1.

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The Church celebrates the Easter season (also known as "Eastertide") for 50 days, culminating with the Feast of Pentecost (Sunday, May 19), where Scripture (Acts 2:1–31) tells us that the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles. Divine Mercy Sunday (April 7) and the Feast of the Ascension (Sunday, May 12), take place during the Easter season.

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

Alleluia!

OUR SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK



Easter Vigil Gospel: Mark 16.1-8
Easter Sunday Gospel: John 20.1-18

Amid the many hardships we are enduring, let us never forget that we have been healed by the wounds of Christ (cf. 1 Pet 2:24). In the light of the Risen Lord, our sufferings are now transfigured. Where there was death, now there is life. Where there was mourning, now there is consolation. In embracing the cross, Jesus bestowed meaning on our sufferings and now we pray that the benefits of that healing will spread throughout the world. (Pope Francis)



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 crucified."

Divine Mercy Sunday is an opportunity for plenary indulgence. The usual conditions are as follows: sacramental confession [according to previously issued norms, within about 20 days before or after] Eucharistic communion [according to previously issued norms, preferably on the day, or the days before or after].

Prayers on Divine Mercy Sunday at St. Ambrose Parish will begin at 2:45 pm. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at 3:00 pm. There will NOT be Confessions or Adoration at this time so please note the times for Confession on the St. Ambrose page in this bulletin. Please feel free to stay for Mass at 4:00 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.

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.



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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. The movie was still at the Movie Mill at the time of printing this bulletin. Go to https://moviemill.com/ for days and times.

We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song!



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 role of women—We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination they experience in different parts of the world.

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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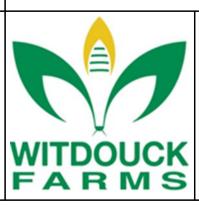




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OUR PARISHES

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.

<u>This week in our parish</u> <u>March 31—April 6</u> <u>Esta semana en nuestra parroquia del 31 de Marzo—6 de Abril</u>

Coffee after Mass.

Sunday, March 31 + Easter Sunday Mass/ Misa del Domingo de Pascua 11 am +

Domingo 31 de Marzo

Café después de Misa.

Wednesday April 3

+ Mass/ Masa 9 am +

Miércoles 3 de Abril

Coffee after Mass.

Café después de Misa.

Saturday April 6

Hall booked 3—6:30 pm for private function.

1st Saturday—Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7 pm/ 1er Sábado— Exposición del Santísimo Sacramento 7 pm Sábado 6 de Abril

Sunday Ministries Schedule

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DATE	ЕМНС	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS	PASTORAL CARE	COFFEE MINISTRY
April 7	Susan	Linda E.		Elsie	Soup Sunday
April 14	Lew	AJ			?

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

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



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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 visite a su familia parroquial. Todas las donaciones serán aceptadas con gratitud y se utilizarán para el mantenimiento de St. Catherine's.

From Fr. Ian: 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 church, hall, rectory, or any other parish keys 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!



OUR PARISHES

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

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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 31: + Easter Sunday Mass 9 am +

No 4 pm Mass today.

Mon. April 1: Office closed

Tues. April 2: Reconciliation 6—6:45 pm

+ Mass 7pm+

Wed. April 3: no bookings

Thursday April 4: +Mass 8:45 am+

Friday April 5: no bookings
Saturday April 6: no bookings



<u>Pastoral Care Ministry</u>: Please phone the team listed below on <u>Saturday April 6</u> if you wish to receive Holy Communion after the 9 am <u>Sunday Mass on April 7</u>, and please remember to have another person present with you when the Pastoral Care Ministers arrive.

April 7 Team: Mary-Ann 403-345-5457 and Lauraine 403-345-4184

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

Thank you for supporting our school!





From the Hall Committee: Thank you to all who attended <u>The Chosen</u> and generously supported our efforts to build a hall for St. Ambrose Parish! We were able to raise \$1,047.85 to put towards our Building Fund. Please watch the bulletin for the next fund raising event coming soon!

The Hall Committee has meetings scheduled for Tuesday April 16 and Tuesday June 18 at 7:30 pm in the Foyer. We invite all parish members to attend and find out how things are progressing with the plans for the new hall.