



ST. AMBROSE PARISH

COALDALE, AB

St. Catherine's Parish

Picture Butte, AB



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St. Catherine's Office

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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 12:00 pm each Wednesday of the week the bulletin is published.

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 1, 2024



OUR PRAYERS

MASS INTENTIONS: Week of Sept. 1—7. Mass Intentions for Sept. 2024 posted in foyers of churches.

Tuesday, Sept. 3	SA 7:00 pm	Stan Mastel Int.
Wednesday, Sept. 4	SC 9:00 am	Vavra/Peacock family deceased RIP
Thursday, Sept. 5	SA 8:45 am	Renae Saurer RIP
Friday, Sept. 6 Piyami Lodge	10:00 am	Stan Vavra RIP
Sunday, Sept. 8	SA 9:00 am	For the parishioners
Sunday, Sept. 8	SC 11:00 am	For the parishioners
Sunday, Sept. 8	SA 4:00 pm	For the parishioners



Please pray for the sick of our parishes – Sylvia Zalik, Dave Gensorek, Lorainne Kress, Margaret Bergen Henengouwen, Darlene Beler, Katie Lindsay, Robert Murray, Marilyn Rudelich, David Beler, 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 Dona Courtoreille.

OUR SUPPORT FOR OTHERS

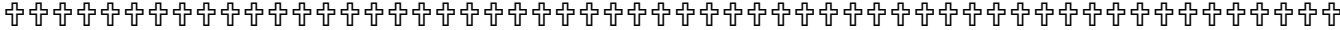
Support for Our Parishes

St. Catherine's
Donations Sunday August 25
 Reg. \$2,952.80 TIA \$53

Well done, good and faithful servants!

St. Ambrose
Donations Sunday August 25
 Reg. \$1,779.45 TIA \$100 Benev. Fund \$20

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
<u>Donations to Aug. 11:</u>	<u>\$ 4,100.00</u>
We still need:	\$ 6,603.00

Giving out of love!

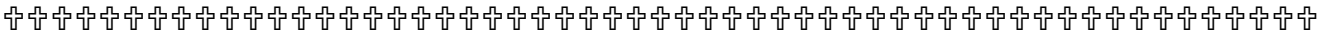


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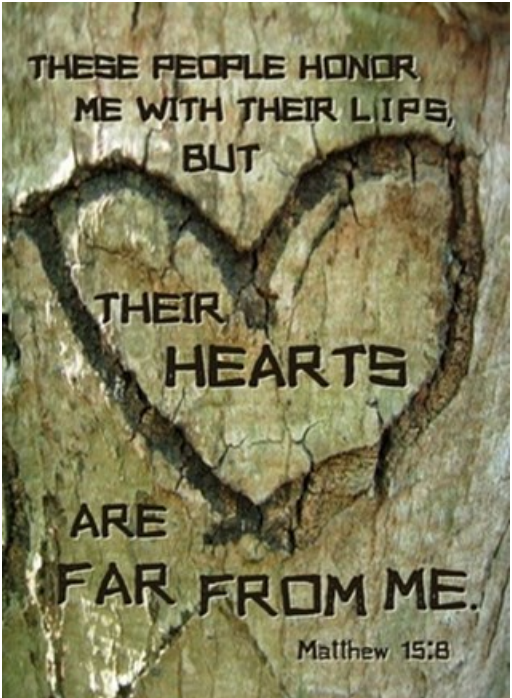
2024 Goal:	\$10, 531.00
<u>Donations to Aug. 11:</u>	<u>\$ 7,326.50</u>
We still need:	\$ 3,204.50

Giving out of love!

September is here! Now is the time to really work to meet our Diocesan goals for Together In Action by the end of the year. Our parishes are doing well with their generous donations. Let's keep working Together to help those who have very little in our Diocese!



OUR SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK



Today's Gospel: Mark 7.1-8,14-15, 21-23

In today's Gospel, the Pharisees criticize the disciples for eating with unwashed hands, a major insult in Jewish tradition. However, Jesus highlights that their focus on human traditions over the true commandment is misplaced, stating, "nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come from within are what defile." He emphasizes the importance of the heart and true love for God and neighbour over external laws.

In your life, can you think of an experience of treating something as God's law when it was actually only human tradition?

Why must we discern the need to follow the spirit of the law rather than the letter of the law?

What are some examples of how the spirit of the law and the letter of the law seem to be one and the same?

(Reflection: adapted from Diocese of Saskatoon)

OUR PARISHES

St. Catherine’s Parish

Sunday Mass: 11:00 am

**Weekday Mass:
Wednesday 9:00 am**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Thursday 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 Ministries Schedule

DATE	EMHC	LECTORS	PASTORAL CARE	COFFEE MINISTRY
Sept. 8	Elaine	Austin	Elaine	?
Sept. 15	Liz	Jackie	Elaine	Mexican Ladies



We are still accepting donations of food for the Food Bank. Please leave all food donations in the big box by the front door of the church. Money donations can be clearly labelled and placed in the collection.

Thank you for your generous support of our brothers and sisters in need!



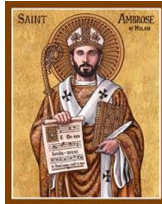
Are you returning bottles, cans, milk containers found in your spring cleaning? Consider donating the money to the St. Catherine’s Flower Fund. When you go to the Bottle Depot, just let them know that the money can go into the



St. Ambrose Parish

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



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Adoration: Fridays 7—8 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Tuesday 6—6:45 pm & Fridays 7—8 pm

Rosary: Mondays at 10:00 am with the CWL (except holidays).



Pastoral Care Ministry: Please phone the team listed below on Saturday Sept. 7 if you wish to receive Holy Communion after the 9 am Sunday Mass on Sept. 8. Please remember to have another person present with you when the Pastoral Care Ministers arrive.

Sept. 8 Team: Mary-Ann 403-345-5457 and Lauraine 403-345-4184



In the parish this week: Wed. Sept. 4—Knights of Columbus meeting 7 pm Foyer
Friday Sept. 6—Adoration and Confessions 7—8 pm



Changes in your contact information? Are you moving into or out of our parishes? The parish office strives to keep our parish records as up-to-date as possible. An incorrect address could affect getting your tax receipt or other important information from the parish. If you have had a change of address, phone number, email address, status, etc., please give us a call at 403-345-3400 or email office@stambroseparish.ca and update us. Your help is much appreciated!

OUR LARGER COMMUNITY



St. Francis Xavier Chaplaincy is a ministry in the Diocese of Calgary that fosters faith, formation and fellowship among young adults within the Diocese through 3 Chapters: 1) University Students, 2) Young Professionals, and 3) Young Families. For more information follow us on

www.facebook.com/SFXCLeth OR www.instagram.com/sfxc_leth

Contact Fr. Santiago at santiago.torres@calgarydiocese.ca



The Pastoral Care Ministry at St. Ambrose needs your help! This ministry, dedicated to taking Holy Communion to our sick and shut-in parishioners each week after the 9 am Mass, is a lifeline between themselves and our parish Masses which they can no longer attend. Working in teams of 2, our 4 Pastoral Care members rotate Sundays as they take Jesus to the sick, the elderly and the shut-in from our community, and assure them of our prayers. The time commitment is 2 hours on the Sundays you serve.

In the next few months, 2 of our 4 Pastoral Care team members will be leaving the ministry. This will leave only 2 people, or 1 team, to struggle to keep this Ministry alive in our parish. We need more people to join this Ministry—individuals or couples are welcome—and make sure that our older parishioners who can't join us at Mass can continue to receive the Body of Christ each week. More Ministers would mean less rotations for the teams! Is this a ministry anyone can do? Maybe not. Is this a ministry where YOU can serve? Hello! Jesus is calling!

If you might be called to this Ministry, you can call the office at 403-345-3400 or call Bonnie Sturm at 403-345-4596 with questions or to volunteer. Training and mentoring are provided.



**** TIME CHANGE** Cemetery Mass**—Fr. Kevin Tumbach will celebrate Mass for the souls of the deceased buried in our Catholic cemeteries in our area. There will be a Mass celebrated at **Mountain View Cemetery in Lethbridge on Thursday September 12 at **6:00 pm****. All are invited to come and join in prayer for our faithful departed family members and friends. Please use the main entrance off Scenic Drive. Parking is limited so consider carpooling if possible.



1st Reconciliation, 1st Communion and Confirmation!

It is time to start thinking about Sacramental Preparation for these sacraments this fall, which will be celebrated in the spring of 2025.

The Diocese of Calgary has designed an amazing new program for 1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion where parents and children attend classes and learn together as they journey towards a stronger relationship with Jesus!

****1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion classes are for children in Grade 2 and up who have been Baptized.**

We will again be using the Ascension Press Chosen program for Confirmation in our Diocese!

****Confirmation classes are for children in Grade 6 and older who have received Baptism, 1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion.**

Watch for registration Information coming home from St. Catherine's and St. Joseph schools in early September. **If your child attends school in the public school districts,** please call the parish office for registration info.

If your child needs to “catch-up” with Sacraments, please call:

St. Ambrose Sacramental Coordinator: Sylvia Zalik at 403-394-6234

St. Catherine's Sacramental Coordinator: Susan Trechka at 403-732-4685 or 403-315-3217

Or call the parish office at 403-345-3400.

