



ST. AMBROSE PARISH
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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. 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.

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 8, 2024



Ephphatha! Be opened!

OUR PRAYERS

MASS INTENTIONS: Week of Sept. 8—14 Mass Intentions for Sept. 2024 posted in foyers of churches.

Tuesday, Sept. 10	SA 7:00 pm	Avelina Espinosa RIP
Wednesday, Sept. 11	SC 9:00 am	Carmen Groten RIP
Thursday, Sept. 12	SA 8:45 am	Rianne Gajdostik Int.
Friday, Sept. 13 Sunny South Lodge	2:30 pm	Stan Rach RIP
Sunday, Sept. 15	SA 9:00 am	For the parishioners
Sunday, Sept. 15	SC 11:00 am	For the parishioners
Sunday, Sept. 15	SA 4:00 pm	For the parishioners



Please pray for the sick of our parishes – 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.

OUR SUPPORT FOR OTHERS

Support for Our Parishes

St. Catherine's
Sunday September 1
 Reg. \$901.80 TIA \$130 O&M \$413 Init. Off. \$20
 GST Rebate \$1,481 (Roof hail damage \$4,738.27)
Well done, good and faithful servants!

St. Ambrose
Sunday September 1
 Reg. \$1,673.25 TIA \$260 Donation of Altar Linens!
Well done, good and faithful servants!

Many thanks to all for taking care of your parishes over the summer months! Your efforts to keep your parishes running smoothly are much appreciated.



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

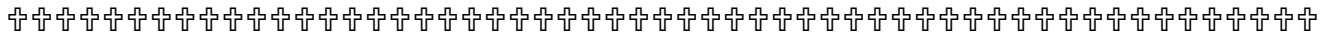
2024 Goal:	\$10,703.00
<u>Donations to Sept. 2:</u>	<u>\$ 4,230.00</u>
 We still need:	 \$ 6,473.00
	<i>Giving out of love!</i>



St. Ambrose Parish

2024 Goal:	\$10,531.00
<u>Donations to Sept. 2:</u>	<u>\$ 7,586.50</u>
 We still need:	 \$ 2,944.50
	<i>Giving out of love!</i>

Our TIA campaigns are going well, with each week bringing us closer to our goals! Your willingness to share God's gifts with those in need in our Diocese is deeply appreciated. Keep up the great work, St. Catherine's and St. Ambrose!



OUR SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK



Today's Gospel: Mark 5.21-43

In today's reading, Jesus heals a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment. This is a story about Jesus' healing power, and in it we find clues about our understanding of sacrament. We are struck by the physical means used to heal the man, the use of spittle and touch. The Church continues to celebrate the sacraments using physical means. In the Sacrament of Baptism, water and oil are used to show the power of the Holy Spirit. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, we are anointed with holy oil on the forehead and the hands. In the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. We are a sacramental people who believe that God's grace is given to us through these physical signs.

Yet there is an irony in the story of healing that Mark tells. Jesus gives the man the gift of speech, but then tells him not to use it. Jesus asks that the news of his healing power, which is evidence of his identity as the Messiah, not be spread. This is a recurring motif in Mark's Gospel and is sometimes called the "messianic secret."
 (Sunday Connection, Loyola Press)

St. Catherine's Parishioners: Some items of note that wouldn't fit on the Parish page -

1. **** PLEASE HELP! VOLUNTEER NEEDED IMMEDIATELY**—someone who is fluent in both Spanish and English who could help Susan Trechka, our Sacramental Coordinator, during Sacrament registration and a few other times as needed. This would involve translation of information from English to Spanish to assist our families in registering for Sacraments. If you could help with this, please call Roisin at the parish office 403-345-3400 ASAP!

¡POR FAVOR AYUDA! SE NECESITA VOLUNTARIO INMEDIATAMENTE - alguien que hable español e inglés con fluidez y que pueda ayudar a Susan Trechka, nuestra Coordinadora Sacramental, durante el registro para los Sacramentos y en algunas otras ocasiones según sea necesario. Esto implicaría la traducción de información del inglés al español para ayudar a nuestras familias a registrarse para los Sacramentos. Si puede ayudar con esto, llame a Roisin a la oficina parroquial al 403-345-3400 lo antes posible.

2. The Liturgy Committee meeting booked for Sunday September 22 after Mass has been moved to Sunday September 29 after Mass.

3. **We are in need of new LECTORS (Readers)!** The more we have the less often you will need to read. It's just like reading out loud to your kids or grandkids only in front of a few more people. Please let Lynda Bergen-H know if you are interested.

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 OR call Fr. Santiago at 403-327-8931.

September Events

Wed. Sept. 18: Adoration & Board Games 6:30 pm at St. Martha's Church— bring your favorite game!

Sunday, Sept. 22: Mass at 6:00 pm at Assumption Church, Beginning of Year Social in the hall after Mass!

Friday, Sept. 27—Sunday, Sept. 29: SFXC TRUE NORTH RETREAT, Camp Columbus in Waterton with Ken Yasinski as speaker. Registration details to come! Watch social media.



**** 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.



From St. Augustine's Parish, Taber: **SAVE THE DATE!** Fr. Tim Boyle is celebrating his 50th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood, and we want you there to celebrate. Let's make it a day to remember! Mass at 5 pm with a Potluck supper to follow. Please call Aira at 403-223-2226 for more info.



Garden Harvest Celebration—Join the Martha Retreat Centre in Lethbridge on **Tue, Sep 17, 5:30 to 8:30 pm** for a special evening with a garden-fresh meal, music by Bridge Brass Quintet, reflections by Sr. Theresa Parker, and blessings from Fr. Tim Boyle, all in support of our sustainability—tickets \$75 (Tax Receiptable), limited availability; call 403-328-3422 or visit martharetreatcentre.ca to register.



Priestly Vocations Night—Have you considered becoming a priest? You are invited to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary's Priestly Vocations Night with Fr. Derek Remus. Each evening will begin with Mass at 5 pm, followed by Evening Prayer, supper, a presentation on discerning a vocation to the priesthood, and time for silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. When: **Sat, Sep 14; Oct 26; and Dec 7 from 6:30 pm to 9 pm** at St. Luke's Church, Calgary.

To attend, please register by emailing Fr. Derek at derek.remus@calgarydiocese.ca

OUR LARGER COMMUNITY

The Pope's Prayer Intention for September 2024: For the cry of the earth—We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.
 The Pope video can be found here: <https://thepopevideo.org/>



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.



JUBILEE YEAR MASS— Diocesan opening of the Jubilee Year "Pilgrims of Hope" at St. Mary's Cathedral, Calgary on Sunday December 29 at noon.

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

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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

This week in our parish Sept. 8—14

Esta semana en nuestra parroquia del 8—14 de Septiembre



Sunday, Sept. 8

+ **Sunday Mass/ Misa Dominical 11 am +**
Coffee after Mass. Cafe después de Misa.

Domingo 8 de septiembre

Wednesday Sept. 11

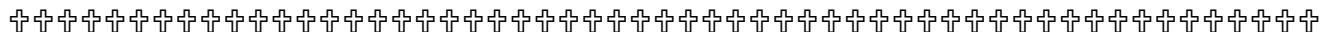
+ **Mass at 9:00 am. +**
Coffee after Mass. Cafe después de Misa.

Miércoles 11 de septiembre

Sunday Ministries Schedule

DATE	EMHC	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS	PASTORAL CARE	COFFEE MINISTRY
Sept. 15	Liz	Tanya		Elaine	Mexican ladies
Sept. 22	Susan	Linda		Elaine	?

Pastoral Care Eucharistic Ministry: If you are sick or shut-in, and wish to receive Holy Communion, please call Wil Dooper at 403-732-4962.



St. Catherine's Parish prepares for 1st Reconciliation, 1st Communion and Confirmation!

It is time to register for Sacramental Preparation classes 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. Book fees are \$25 for each Sacrament.

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. Book fees are \$30.

****REGISTRATION IS SEPTEMBER 15 right after the 11 am Mass at St. Catherine's. Fees are due at registration please.** If you know of a Catholic child who attends school in the public school district, please have their parents call the parish office for registration info.

If your child needs to "catch-up" with Sacraments, please call St. Catherine's Sacramental Coordinator: Susan Trechka at 403-732-4685 or 403-315-3217 or call the parish office at 403-345-3400.

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 (except Stat. holidays)

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: Sept. 8-14

Sunday, Sept. 8: + Sunday Mass 9 am & 4 pm +

Thurs. Sept. 12: + Mass 8:45 am +

Monday Sept. 9: CWL Rosary 10 am Foyer

**Friday Sept. 13: + Mass at
Sunny South Lodge 2:30 pm +**

Tuesday Sept. 10: Reconciliation 6—6:45 pm
+ **Mass 7:00 pm +**



Adoration & Reconciliation 7 – 8 pm

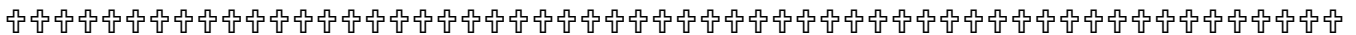
Wed. Sept. 11: CWL meeting 7 pm Foyer

Saturday, July 6: Renewal Committee
10 am—1 pm Foyer



Pastoral Care Eucharistic Ministry: Please phone the team listed below on Saturday Sept. 14 if you wish to receive Holy Communion after the 9 am **Sunday Mass on Sept. 15**. Please remember to have another person present with you when the Pastoral Care Ministers arrive.

Sept. 15 Team: Bonnie 403-345-4596 and Diann 403-345-4945



CWL News: **THANKSGIVING PIE FUNDRAISER** – The CWL is excited to announce our annual pie sale for your Thanksgiving dinner! We are offering delicious, homemade pies in apple, rhubarb, and cherry flavors for just \$15 each. **ORDER** your pies in the church foyer after Sunday Mass on Sept. 8th, 15th, and 22nd. We accept cash, check, and e-transfer. **PICK UP** your pies on Friday, Sept. 27th from 2-4 pm at St. Joseph School (kitchen). Hurry! Only 100 pies are available! For more info, contact Diane Miedema (403-892-2244) or Shelley Lohues (403-331-7618). To help with our Work Bee, contact Lisa Wolfe (825-594-4888). Thanks for your support!



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The next Youth-led Mass is Sunday Sept. 29, at the 4 pm Mass. To participate, please call Pat Mastel at 403-892-4207. Bless you for supporting our youth by attending this Mass.

