

ST. AMBROSE PARISH

COALDALE, AB

St. Catherine's Parish

Picture Butte, AB



August 20, 2023

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pastor: Rev. Ian Gagne

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Thursday, Friday

Email: office@stambroseparish.ca Website: stambroseparish.ca

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

Weekday Mass: Tuesday 7:00 pm

Thursday 8:45 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Friday from 7:00—8:00 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Tuesday from 6:00—6:45 pm, Fridays during Adoration 7:00-8:00 pm

St. Catherine's Office

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Phone: 403-732-4433 Fax: 403-345-6962 Office Hours: 9:00 – noon Wednesday

Email: office@stambroseparish.ca Website: stcatherineparish.ca

Sunday Mass: 11:00 am

Weekday Mass: Wednesday 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

2nd & 4th Thursdays from 6:00—7:30 pm

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 <u>at least six 6</u>) 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.



Scripture Reflection

Read today's Gospel two or three times.

Matthew 15:21-28

What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me?

Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David!

What struggles do I need to bring to the Lord? Who needs my assistance?

Send her away, for she keeps calling out after us.

Who do I tend to judge or exclude? How can I be more welcoming to those who are different from me?

Let it be done for you as you wish.

How has God answered my prayers in the past? For what do I need to ask the Lord today?

(Diocese of Saskatoon)

The Mass Intentions for July and August are posted in the church foyers.

Please pray for the sick of our parishes – Carol Michanuik, Robert Murray, Fr. Bob Dielissen, Martin Vanderminnen, Stan Rach, Marilyn Rudelich, David Beler, Diann Knight, Deirdre Doyle, Kathy Majeau, Gracie Jeppson, Pat Theroux, Fausto Roma Vela, Julius Urban, Joanne Kubic.

And for the Repose of the Souls of all the deceased, especially Tony Campmans, Georgina Giacchetta and Jan Young, wife of Deacon Bill Young.

**PLEASE NOTE: Weekday Mass cancelled Aug. 22, 23, 24 as Fr. lan is away.

Weekly Donations to Our Parishes June 25—July 9, 2023

July 16 <u>St. Ambrose</u>—\$1,561.75 Hall \$150 TIA \$50 **St. Catherine's**—\$1,116.65 O/M \$40

July 23 <u>St. Ambrose</u>—\$980.20 Hall \$20 TIA \$50 I.O. \$10 <u>St. Catherine's</u>—\$902.95 TIA \$5 O/M \$40

July 30 <u>St. Ambrose</u>—\$1,549.25 TIA \$130 <u>St. Catherine's</u>—\$635.53 TIA \$50 O/M \$60 Online \$291.43

Aug. 6 <u>St. Ambrose</u>—\$2,151.15 TIA \$240 **PADs**—\$1195 Hall \$315 TIA \$305 <u>St. Catherine's</u>—\$1,273.65 TIA \$90 O/M \$880 **PADs**—\$955 TIA \$280 O/M \$400

Aug. 13 <u>St. Ambrose</u>—\$1,352.45 Benev. Fund \$115 <u>St. Catherine's</u>—\$702.70 TIA \$1 O/M \$101

Well done, good and faithful servants!!



Let us love. not in word or speech, but in truth and action.

Donated Our 2023 TIA goals: to 14.8.2023:

St. Ambrose - \$10,531 \$7,934

Bal. owed: \$2,597

St. Catherine's - \$10,703

\$6,488

\$4,215

The 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal (TIA) was launched on Ash Wednesday as a way for us to enter into a renewed penitential path which can lead us to conversion and new life in Christ. May the efforts of raising funds to support the various needs reminds us the we love not in speech but in truth and action.

Thank you for blessing others with your support.

<u>Bulletin for July and August:</u> Regular bulletin schedule of every week will resume Sept. 10 If you are away, the bulletin will be available on the website any time or ask in the office for a paper copy.

The quarterly financial statement that was supposed to be in this bulletin is unavailable. It will be printed as soon as

<u>CFC - Youth CAMP SERENTIY</u> for ALL Youth aged 12—21.

An experience which will give your child/you the opportunity to know Jesus Christ in a personal way and build Christian friendships with other Youth.

When: Sept. 1—2, 2023 (overnight camp)

Where: St. Catherine's Hall in Picture Butte.

Cost: \$20 Yes, just \$20!

What: Speakers, activities, sharing, fun!

For more information or to register

by Aug. 25, please call:

Greg Bautista 825-594-7983 Gzel Bautista 403-399-1485



The Ascension App

By the end of its launch day on June 26, 2023, the <u>Ascension App</u> was the #1 Bible app in the App Store, and #46 in all app categories, ahead of apps from Disney+, LinkedIn, and Zoom. The new Ascension App features full text of the Great Adventure Catholic Bible; Catechism of the Catholic Church, The Bible in a Year and The Catechism in a Year (with Fr. Mike Schmitz) podcast and episode transcripts, and over 1,000 commonly asked Catholic Bible questions answered by Fr. Mike Schmitz, Jeff Cavins, and other Catholic authors. To download the Ascension App today:

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Do you have time for a retreat this summer? Wondering were to go? The retreat centers in our Diocese have many opportunities this summer for prayer and renewal!

Here are the links to their websites: **The Martha Center, Lethbridge** https://www.martharetreatcentre.ca/

FCJ Centre, Calgary | fcjcentre.ca

Mount St. Francis Retreat Center, Cochrane

https://mountstfrancis.ca/

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Adoration Fridays 7:00 to 8:00 pm **Confessions** Tuesdays 6:00—6:45 pm Fridays 7:00-8:00 pm

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Rosary: Mondays 10 am with CWL

St. Ambrose Knights of Columbus meets the 1st Wed. each month at 7 pm. (not July/Aug.)

St. Ambrose CWL meets the 2nd Wed. each month at 7pm. (not July/Aug.)

First Sacrament inquiries - If you have any questions regarding First Reconciliation, First Communion or Confirmation please contact Sylvia Zalik at 403-394-6234.

Pastoral Care Ministry will be going to a revised schedule for the summer, taking Holy Communion on:

August 27: Bonnie Sturm 403-345-4596 or Diann Knight 403-345-4945

Sept. 10: Mary-Ann Vervoort 403-345-5457, Lauraine Sincennes 403-345-4184

As always, please phone the team the Saturday before if you wish to receive Holy Communion after the 9 am Sunday Mass, and please remember to have another person present with you when the Pastoral Care Minister arrives. This schedule will also be on the foyer bulletin board.

The Rosary group will still meet on Aug. 25.

CWL NEWS: There will be no CWL meetings in July or August. Have a safe, enjoyable summer.

Sunday, Aug. 20—Many thanks to Fr. Andrew for celebrateing Mass while Fr. lan is away!

Just a reminder: If you are planning an event, meeting or practice in St. Ambrose Church, lobby or olde rectory, please book with the office. Things are getting busier and not booking a space could mean you don't have one when you arrive. Call 403-345-3400 to book for weekdays and weekends. Thanks!



St. Catherine's Parish



Confessions 2nd & 4th Thursdays 6:00 to 7:30 pm

St. Catherine's CWL meets the 3rd Wed. of each month at 7:00 pm.



First Sacrament inquiries

Questions about First Reconciliation, First Communion or Confirmation? Please contact Susan Trechka 403-732-4685, cell: 403-315-3217.

Ministries Schedule

The summer Ministry schedule is posted on the lobby bulletin board (through Sept. 10).

CWL NEWS: No meetings in July or August.

** Volunteer Position: NEEDED—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!

The Pope's Prayer Intention for August 2023—For World Youth Day: We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon, Aug. 2—6, will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for September 2023—For people living on the margins: We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

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

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New Student Registrations for Holy Spirit Roman Catholic School Division for new students and continuing Early Learning/Kindergarten students begins **Feb. 1, 2023**. 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. For more info see www.holyspirit.ab.ca or visit your neighborhood school.



Lethbridge Soup Kitchen Update: The Soup Kitchen is inquiring regarding our parishes continuing their service to the Soup Kitchen on the 2nd Friday of each month. They have other groups who are on their waiting list and would like to serve. Our numbers have been dropping and we are in desperate need of new volunteers if this crucial ministry is to continue and we are to maintain our Catholic presence at the Soup Kitchen. Jesus has called us to serve the poor and needy in thanks for His generosity to us, and this ministry is one way of doing exactly that! We need to establish a strong core group of 6—8 volunteers from both St. Ambrose and St. Catherine's, plus extra people who can fill in when needed. If you would like more information or if you can volunteer, please call Bonnie at 403-345-4596 ASAP as the Soup Kitchen needs our answer soon.

Volunteer Needed for Sunny South Lodge—who would be willing to spend some time each week with a woman with a vision impairment. She is in need of some companionship and support for activities. If you might be interested in this opportunity, please phone Haylee Ankermann, Activity Coordinator, Sunny South Lodge at 403-345-5955 Ext. 103 for more

information.

KEYS, KEYS! - Do you have one or more keys belonging to St. Ambrose or St. Catherine's church or hall? WE ARE NOT ASKING FOR THEM BACK (unless you don't need them), just that we ensure they are registered with the office as per the policies of the Diocese of Calgary! If you have keys, and have not spoken with Roisin about them, please email at office@stambroseparish.ca OR phone the office at 403-345-3400 so we can make sure our records are up to date! Your cooperation is much appreciated in helping to keep our churches safe and secure, and in helping us avoid the expense of having to change all the locks! If you know someone who has not seen this, please let them know.

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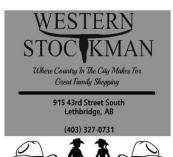
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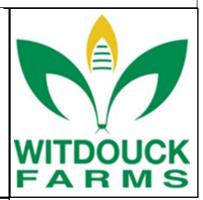
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