



ST. AMBROSE PARISH

COALDALE, AB

St. Catherine's Parish

Picture Butte, AB



February 26, 2023

1st Sunday of Lent

Parish Staff

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**



St. Catherine's Office

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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 7:00—8:00 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, 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.

Scripture Reflection



Both Luke and Matthew write a detailed account of Jesus being tempted in the desert right after the “high point” of Jesus’ baptism in the Jordan. It is not accidental that each temptation occurs in a special place: the desert, the temple, and the mountain. The Bible tells us that each of these places pulsates with the possibility of encountering God there. One by one, Jesus needs to make clear choices as to what kind of Messiah God intends him to be. This passage also has both Satan and Jesus quoting Scripture, thereby illustrating that knowing Scripture is not enough – it must be properly interpreted and lived out.

Who or what helps you to be true to your faith and to Jesus Christ our saviour?

Have you ever faced temptations in the process of clarifying your God-given mission?

What temptations in your life most challenge your faith commitment to Jesus?

(Source: Diocese of Saskatoon)

MASS INTENTIONS: Intentions for March 2023 posted in foyers of churches

Tuesday, Feb. 28	SA 7:00 pm	Sr. Alice Wagner Int.
Wednesday, March 1 (SCSchool)	SC 9:00 am	Rosalinda Zertuche Int.
Thursday, March 2	SA 8:45 am	Martin Hudecek RIP
Friday, March 3 Piyami Lodge	10:00 am	Marilyn Rudelich Int.
Sunday, March 5	SA 9:00 am	For the parishioners
Sunday, March 5	SC 11:00am	For the parishioners
Sunday, March 5	SA 4:00 pm	For the parishioners



Please pray for the sick of our parishes –Marilyn Rudelich, David Beler, Ron Favreau, Maria Panic, Diann Knight, Deirdre Doyle, Tony Campmans, Ineke Broers, Walter Coles, Kathy Majeau, Marlene Stroeve, Gracie Jeppson, Gaby Broers, Pat Theroux, John Vogel, Fausto Roma Vela, Julius Urban, Joanne Kubic

And our beloved deceased.

(Notices for Prayers for the Sick going in the bulletin can only be accepted when made by the ill person or their family due to FOIP regulations. Thank you for understanding.)

Donations to Our Parishes

Feb. 12, 2023

St. Ambrose—\$1,350 Benev. Fund \$150

St. Catherine's—\$1,069.25 TIA \$25 O/M \$50 Benev. Fund \$75

Thank you for your generous support of our parishes!

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Let us love.
not in word or speech,
but in truth and action.
1 John 3.18

Our 2023 TIA goals:	To Feb. 21/23:	Bal. owed:
St. Ambrose - \$10,531	\$750	\$9,781
St. Catherine - \$10,703	\$1492	\$9,211

2023 TIA Campaign - From Bishop MacGrattan:

Thank you for your continued generosity to the local and national ministries and initiatives supported by Together In Action. Through your sacrifice, the 2022 campaign goal has been exceeded.

The 2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal will be 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.

LENT in our Parishes

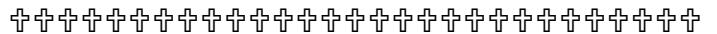
St. Ambrose Parish

Soup and Bun/Stations of the Cross: Fridays at 7:00 pm
Feb. 24 Leaders: Lectors & Eucharistic Ministers
March 3 Leaders: Knights of Columbus & Music Ministry
March 10 Leaders: PPC & Liturgy Committee
March 17 Leaders: CWL
March 24 Parish Reconciliation Service 7 pm **(no meal)**
March 31 Leaders: 24-Hour Famine Students **(no meal)**

Our Parish Reconciliation Service will be on Friday, March 24 at 7:00 pm. There will be several priests here to hear Confessions.

Triduum and Easter:

Holy Thursday Mass: 8:00 pm. Adoration to follow.
Good Friday Service: 3:00 pm
Holy Saturday: 10:00 am Blessing of the Easter Foods.
Decorating the church to follow.
Easter Sunday Masses: 9:00 am and 4:00 pm



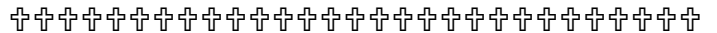
St. Catherine's Parish

Stations of the Cross will be on Thursdays at 7:00 pm
Feb. 23: Stations of the Cross
March 2: Stations of the Cross
March 9: Stations of the Cross **(NO Confessions tonight)**
March 16: Stations of the Cross & Confessions
March 23: Stations of the Cross & Confessions
March 30: Stations of the Cross & Confessions

Our parish Reconciliation Service will be on Wednesday March 29 at 7:00 pm. There will be several priests here to hear Confessions.

Triduum and Easter:

Holy Thursday: Mass at 6:00 pm followed by Adoration until midnight. Sign up March 12.
Good Friday Service: 6:00 pm
Easter Vigil Mass: 8:00 pm. Wine and Cheese to follow.
Easter Sunday: Mass at 11:00 am



Other Penitential Services:

St. Augustine's, Taber—March 1st 7pm
St. Joseph, Vauxhall—March 2 at 7 pm
St. Martha's, Lethbridge—March 9 at 7 pm
All Saints, Lethbridge—March 18 at 10 am

Lenten Twilight Retreat at the Martha Retreat Center, Lethbridge. Monday Feb. 27 from 4:45—9:00 pm. Cost \$60 (includes supper). To register call 403-328-3422.

Stations of the Cross at Henderson Lake on Good Friday at 1:00 pm. with the Net Ministry Team. Good Friday Service at CCH East at 3:00 pm.



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



****Rosary:** Mondays 10 am with CWL

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 If you wish to receive Holy Communion after the 9 am Mass on **March 5**, please contact the team by Saturday March 4. The teams ask that you please have another person present with you when they come to your home. Please call: Mary-Ann Vervoort 403-345-5457, Lauraine Sincennes 403-345-4184

SA CWL: Membership campaign now on. New fee \$35 (cheque or cash please). Memberships can be put in the collection basket (marked CWL), be dropped off or sent to the parish office. This is the **LAST CALL** to win 1 of 4 Early Bird prizes. Early bird prize draw Feb. 27.

If you would be interested in the part-time Caretaker position, please go to <https://www.catholicyc.ca/careers.html> to see the job posting. Also posted on bulletin board in foyer. All hiring is now done through the Diocese of Calgary office.



****Confessions: 2nd & 4th Thursdays**
from 7:00 to 8:00 PM



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Ministries Schedule

DATE	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	COMM./LECTOR	ALTAR SERVERS	OFFERTORY FAMILY	COFFEE MINISTRY
March 5	Elaine	Lynda		Not yet	Judith, Adrianna & Carmen
March 12	Diane	Jackie		Not yet	?

Confirmation preparation classes will take place on Sunday, Feb. 26, after the 11 am Mass. This is for students in Grade 6 and up. Meet at the front of the church. Please bring your registration form and a copy of your child's Baptismal Certificate (if not Baptized at St. Catherine's or St. Ambrose). The cost of the book is \$35. For more information, please contact Susan at 403-732-4685.

World Day of Prayer Service—hosted by the women of Taiwan. Sunday March 5 at 7:00 pm at St. Catherine's. The theme is "We have heard of your faith." All are welcome!



COMMUNITY ITEMS

Pope's Prayer Intention for February 2023: Let us pray that parishes, placing communion—communion of people, ecclesial communion— at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, of fraternity and of welcoming the most in need. **The Pope video can be found here:** <https://thepopevideo.org/>



World Day of Prayer—hosted by the women of Taiwan. Friday March 3 at 7:00 pm at the Anglican Church of the Ascension at 2115 17 St., Coaldale. The theme is "We have heard of your faith." All are welcome!

RCIA—Are you interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith or in becoming a Catholic? This is an invitation for anyone who would like to join the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults), a program designed to explore the theology of the Catholic faith. It is a time for discerning whether the Lord is calling you or a friend to find out more about this journey. For more information, please call the office at 403-345-3400.



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.

Looking for information from our Retreat Centers? Need a spiritual refresh during Lent?

Here are the links to their websites:

The Martha Center, Lethbridge

<https://www.martharetreatcentre.ca/>

FCJ Centre, Calgary <https://www.fcjcentre.ca/retreats>

Mount St. Francis Retreat Center, Cochrane

<https://mountstfrancis.ca/>



The parish office strives to keep our parish records as up-to-date as possible. If you have had a change of address, phone number, email address, status, etc., please give us a call at 403-345-3400

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