

January 14, 2024

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



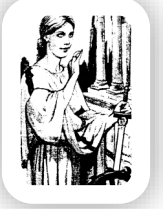
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COALDALE, AB

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St. Catherine's Parish
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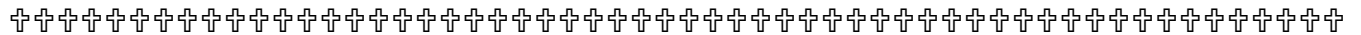
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Parish Registration

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.



OUR PRAYERS

MASS INTENTIONS: Week of January 7. Mass Intentions for January 2024 posted in foyers of churches.

Tuesday, Jan. 16	SA 7:00 pm	Zita Tinordi family Int.
Wednesday, Jan. 17	SC 9:00 am	Eric Vogel RIP
Thursday Jan. 18	SA 8:45 am	Johanna Macht Int.
Friday		
Sunday, Dec. 31	SA 9:00 am	For the parishioners
Sunday, Dec. 31	SC 11:00 am	For the parishioners
Sunday, Dec. 31	SA 4:00 pm	For the parishioners



Please pray for the sick of our parishes – Margaret Bergen Henengouwen, Darlene Beler, Megan Van Diemen, 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.
One Year Anniversary of Death—January 2023: Lita Horvath and Marianne Hirose.



The End of the Christmas Season

When the song of the angels is stilled, when the star in the sky is gone, when the kings and princes are home, when the shepherds are back with the flocks, then the work of Christmas begins:

To find the lost, to heal those broken in spirit, to feed the hungry, to release the oppressed, to rebuild the nations, to bring peace among all peoples, to make a little music with the heart. And to radiate the Light of Christ, every day, in every way, in all that we do and in all that we say. Then the work of Christmas begins.



—Howard Thurman

OUR SUPPORT FOR OTHERS

Our Support For Our Parishes

Weekly Donations to Our Parishes from Jan. 7 , 2024

St. Ambrose—\$1,752.80 Hall \$50 TIA \$20
Christmas \$10 New Year’s \$60 Init. Off. \$120
Sac. Prep. Books \$100

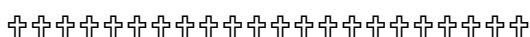
St. Catherine’s—\$1,088.95 O&M \$270
New Year’s \$43 Init. Offers \$62
Rectory Reno \$2500

Our Collection Counting teams ask that you please:

1. **Do not FOLD** bills or cheques before putting them in your envelope or the basket.
2. **Do not FOLD** your envelope before putting it in the basket.
3. Please **do not USE OLD ENVELOPES** or other parishioner’s envelopes as this makes it hard to record your donations and leads to errors on your tax receipt. Please recycle all old envelopes and boxes.



Reminder—In order to receive a tax receipt for the 2023 calendar year: All donations to our parishes must have been either received in the office or post-marked by Dec. 31/2023. No exceptions as this is Revenue Canada Policy. Online donation to parishes or Diocesan ministries for 2023 must have been received by Sunday, Dec. 31, 2023.



A heartfelt THANKYOU to the St. Ambrose CWL and Knights of Columbus Councils who generously contributed towards the Christmas book, The Beautiful Eucharist, for St. Ambrose parishioners! Please take the time to thank these groups for their gift, and we hope that you find The Beautiful Eucharist leads you to a deeper understanding of, and love for, our celebration of God’s great gift to us.



OUR SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK

GOSPEL: JOHN 1. 35—42



Jesus’ first words in John’s Gospel are “What are you looking for?” He next invites his inquirers to “come and see.” And so it is that the disciples enter into relationship with, and come to stay with Jesus. Peter needs the help of John and Andrew to find his way to Jesus and fully understand the vocation to which he is being called. John and Andrew need John the Baptist to point the way to Jesus.

What does the Gospel tell us about God’s way of calling us? In what ways have you experienced God’s call to “come and see”?

How does your family and/or your faith community help one another to recognize each other’s gifts and/or calling?

In what ways have you heard or experienced Jesus’ question, “What are you looking for?” How did you answer his invitation?

(Reflection: Diocese of Saskatoon)

OUR EVENTS



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, and has provided us with the following prayer to use for this year:

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

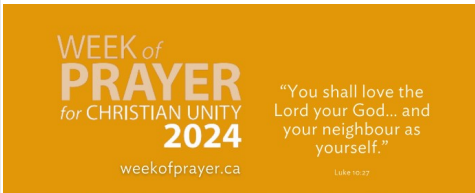
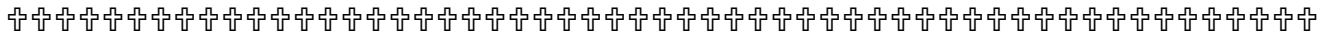
May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

Franciscus



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.

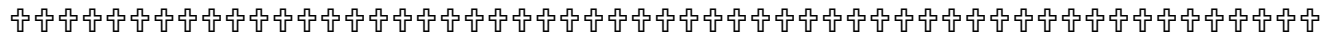


The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity January 18—25, 2024

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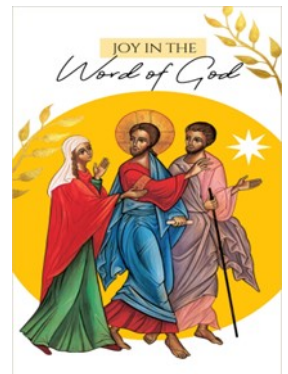
Resources are available, including an order of prayer service, posters/social media graphics, hymn suggestions, 8 days of scripture reflections on the theme, and materials for children and youth. Visit: weekofprayer.ca



Sunday of the Word of God January 21, 2024

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- **Make Scripture a part of everyday life this year** <https://www.catholicyc.ca/blog/living-gods-word-in-our-life>
- **Enthroned the Bible in your home/class/school** <https://www.catholicyc.ca/blog/enthroned-the-bible-in-your-home>



OUR LARGER COMMUNITY



The Pope's Prayer Intention for January 2024: For the gift of diversity in the Church—We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.
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.



Just a reminder: If you are planning an event, meeting or practice in St. Ambrose or St. Catherine's church, Lobby, SA Olde Rectory, or SC Hall, 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!

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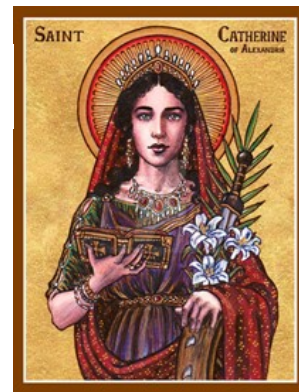
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OUR PARISHES

**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 6:00—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.

This week in our parish Jan. 14—20 Esta semana en nuestra parroquia del 14 al 20 de enero

Sunday, Jan. 14

Sunday Mass/Misa Dominical 11 am

Domingo 14 de enero

Wednesday Jan 17

Mass/ Masa 9 am

Miércoles 17 de enero

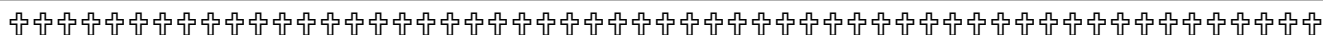
Coffee to follow. Café a seguir.

CWL meeting 7 pm.

Thurs. Jan. 18

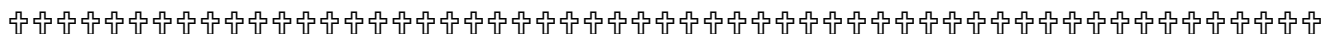
Reconciliation/Reconciliación 6—7:30 pm

Jueves 18 de enero



Ministries Schedule

DATE	EMHC	COMMENTATOR/ LECTOR	ALTAR SERVERS	OFFERTORY FAMILY	COFFEE MINISTRY
Jan. 21	Liz	Austen		Not yet.	?
June 28	Susan	Tanya		Not yet.	?



CWL News: Our membership drive is starting. The fees are \$35.
The next meeting is Wed. Jan. 17 at 7 pm.



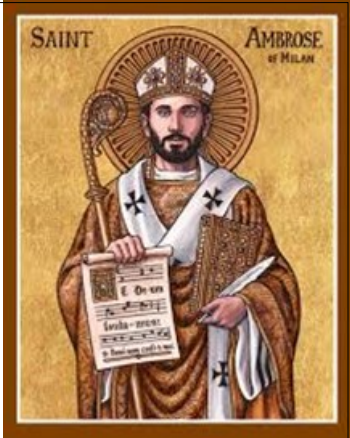
The next Soup Sunday will be Feb. 4, right after Mass. Come and enjoy lunch and visiting with your parish family. All donations will be gratefully accepted and are used for the upkeep of St. Catherine's.

El próximo domingo de sopa será el 4 de febrero, 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.



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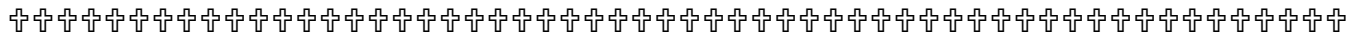
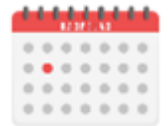
Sunday Mass: 9:00 am and 4:00 pm
Weekday Masses: Tuesday 7:00 pm, Thursday 8:45 am
Adoration: Fridays 7:00—8:00 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Tuesdays 6:00—6:45 pm
 Fridays 7:00—8:00 pm
Rosary: Mondays at 10:00 am with CWL

Sacrament Prep. Inquiries: First Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation questions? Please contact our Sacramental Prep Coordinator, Sylvia, at 403-394-6234.

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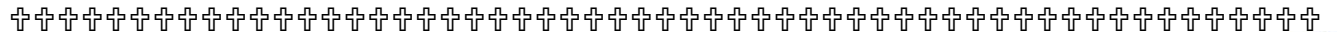
Sunday, Jan. 14: **Sunday Mass 9 am & 4 pm**
Mon. Jan. 15: CWL Rosary 10 am
Tues. Jan. 16: Reconciliation 6—6:45 pm,
Mass 7pm
 Hall Fund Raising Committee 7:30 pm Foyer
 Liturgy Committee 7:30 pm Olde Rectory

Thurs. Jan. 18: **Mass 8:45 am**
Fri. Jan. 19: Adoration and Reconciliation 7—8 pm



Pastoral Care Ministry: Please phone the team listed below on Saturday Jan. 13 if you wish to receive Holy Communion after the 9 am Sunday Mass on Jan. 14, and please remember to have another person present with you when the Pastoral Care Ministers arrive.

Jan. 21 Team: Mary-Ann 403-345-5457 and Lauraine 403-345-4184



St. Ambrose CWL NEWS: CWL Membership Drive is now on until Feb. 28. Renew/join **before Jan. 28** to be eligible for the Early Bird Draw (a beautiful lap quilt made by the late Jean Armstrong). We will take memberships after both Masses on Jan. 14, 21 and 28.



Future Hall—the Fund Raising Committee is looking for Volunteers and support for the new hall. Contact Blaise MacNeil at 587-320-9958 or blaisemn@hotmail.com Our next meeting is Tuesday Jan. 16/24 at 7:30 pm in the Foyer. All are welcome to attend.

The Hall Building Committee will meet on Tuesday Jan. 23/24 after Mass at 7:30 pm. Please join us.

Catechism in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz is a powerful way to learn about our faith. Using You Tube and the Hallow app, we will meet each Wed. morning at 10 am, starting **Jan. 10, 2024**. You will need an up-to-date copy of the Catechism and access to You Tube or Hallow. Please contact Shelley with any questions, or to confirm attendance, by phoning or texting 403-331-7618.

Days 1—3: covered Introduction, how to use Catechism, started the Profession of Faith—I Believe, We Believe.
 Days 4—13: how God reveals Himself over time and through Jesus, how He reveals Himself through the Church.

The Liturgy Committee will meet Tuesday Jan. 16 at 7:30 pm in the Olde Rectory. All are welcome to attend.

