### **January 28, 2024**

### **Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**



### ST. AMBROSE PARISH

COALDALE, AB

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 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 fovers of churches.

Ì	Tuesday, Jan. 30	SA 7:00 pm	Rita Gensorek Int.	
	Wednesday, Jan. 31	SC 9:00 am	Deirdre Doyle Int.	
	Thursday Feb. 1 (SJS gr. 4,5)	SA 8:45 am	All Souls RIP	
	Friday Feb. 2 Piyami Lodge	10 am	All Souls RIP	
	Sunday, Feb. 4	SA 9:00 am	For the parishioners	
	Sunday, Feb. 4	SC 11:00 am	For the parishioners	
	Sunday, Feb. 4 Youth-led Mass	SA 4:00 pm	For the parishioners	



Please pray for the sick of our parishes - Margaret Bergen Henengouwen, Darlene Beler, 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.

PLEASE NOTE: The Parish office will be closed on Tuesday Jan. 30 at 1:00 pm for staff training.





### OUR SUPPORT FOR OTHERS

### **Our Support For Our Parishes**

Weekly Donations to Our Parishes from Jan. 7, 2024

<u>St. Ambrose</u>—\$1,713.30 TIA \$40 Init. Off. \$10 Annual Coll. \$200

Well done, good and faithful servants!

**St. Catherine's**—\$222 TIA \$175 O&M \$257

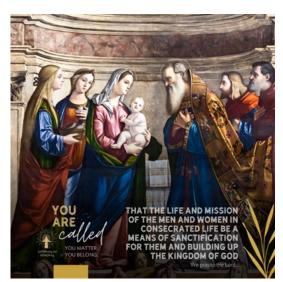
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#### Our Collection Counting teams ask that you please:

- 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 <u>do not USE OLD ENVELOPES</u> or other parishioner's envelopes as this makes it hard to record your donations and leads to errors on your tax receipt. <u>Please recycle all old envelopes and boxes</u>.

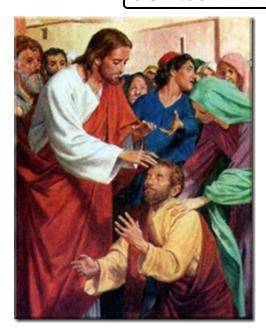
World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in the Church on Friday, Feb. 2, 2024, and in parishes over the weekend of Feb. 3-4, 2024. Please pray for all those who have made commitments to consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

O God our Father, Lord of the harvest, we ask You to send Your Holy Spirit to stir up the grace of Consecrated life vocations in the hearts of many within our parish community. Grant them the willingness and generosity to place their lives completely in Your hands as Religious priests, brothers and sisters, and consecrated virgins. Help us to support them by our own fidelity to Your call to holiness through prayer and Christian service. When you desire that members of our family and friends follow Your Son in this way, grant us the wisdom, love, and insight to support and encourage them to listen to Your voice and follow You without delay. We ask this in Jesus' Name. Amen.



Please pray for our Seminarians.

### OUR SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK



Gospel: Mark 1.21-28

The gospel tells of a typical day of Jesus. He first teaches in the synagogue and then performs the miracle of exorcism. Jesus is presented to us as a prophet described by Moses, who teaches with the authority of God and whose words are obeyed even by unclean spirits. There is no power on earth greater than the power of God at work in Jesus.

Does the image of Jesus as one who casts out unclean spirits still speak to our age?

How do "unclean spirits" show themselves in our world today?

How are we to respond to them?

(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.



To learn about the Jubilee Year "Pilgrims of Hope" - visit: <a href="mailto:catholicyyc.ca/blog/yearofprayer">catholicyyc.ca/blog/yearofprayer</a> Watch here for more information on The Year of Prayer and The Jubilee Year.



### Preparing for a Happy Death... and the Life to Come Workshop

**Tuesdays**, **Jan 23 - Mar 5 at 7 pm - Online via Zoom** | The Archdiocese of Edmonton invites compassionate Catholics, healthcare ministers, caregivers, and parishioners to participate in a 6-module course to engage Catholics in the ancient practice of preparing for a happy death and the life to come. The course builds on the Horizons of Hope course. Learn how to facilitate this course in your community.

For more information and to register, please go to :

https://www.catholicyyc.ca/news.html#event=77286130;instance=20240130190000?popup=1

Or contact Alana at 780-446-9009 or alaperle@telus.net

**LENT 2024** Our Lenten journey begins early this year, with Ash Wednesday falling on Feb. 14. That is only 18 days away!



**Lenten Movie Nights:** The St. Ambrose Hall Building Committee is screening season 1 of **THE CHOSEN!** Season 1 of the series, rated PG, portrays the life of Jesus Christ and the calling of his initial disciples.

Starts Sunday February 25<sup>th</sup> and then every Sunday until March 17th, at St. Joseph's School.

Time: Doors open 5:00 pm. Show starts at 5:45 pm and runs for approx. 90 minutes.

Admission: \$2/person or \$10/family. Snacks will be available: Hotdog/Drink/bag of popcorn for an extra \$5/person.

Please join us for this riveting series that will leave you wanting to know more!

You are Called, You Matter, You Belong!

### **OUR LARGER COMMUNITY**

**Lethbridge Pro-Life AGM, Dinner & Speaker** will be held at the Trinity Reformed Church, 1100 40th Ave. N., Lethbridge, on Thurs., Feb. 8 at 6 pm. Cost of dinner is by donation. The speaker is Blaise Alleyne of CCBR, speaking about "Changing Hearts and Minds on Assisted Suicide."

**To reserve seats:** email lprolife@shaw.ca **OR** text 403-892-1925 For more information, see the website www.lifelethbridge.org

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The next Live-In weekend retreat will take place Feb. 23—25, from 4:30 pm Friday to 4:30 pm Sunday, at St. Joseph's School in Coaldale. Register online at: www.lethbridgelivein.ca
For more information contact: katie.lindsay51@gmail.com OR petervanu@outlook.com

### 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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St. Catherine, Pray for us. Feast Day: November 25

### St. Catherine's Parish

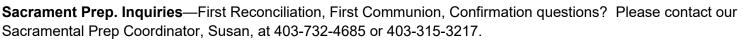
Sunday Mass: 11:00 am

Weekday Mass:

Wednesday/ Miércoles 9:00 am

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Thursday/Jueves 6:00—7:30 pm



**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. 28—Feb. 3

Esta semana en nuestra parroquia del 28 de enero al 28 de febrero. 3.

Sunday, Jan. 21 Sunday Mass/Misa Dominical 11 am Domingo 21 de enero

Soup Sunday after Mass. Domingo de sopa después de misa.

Wednesday Jan 17 Mass/ Masa 9 am Miércoles 17 de enero

Coffee to follow. Café a seguir.

<u>Thurs. Jan. 18</u> Reconciliation/Reconciliación 6—7:30 pm <u>Jueves 18 de enero</u>

\*\* Please note that Deacon Isaac will be away until mid-February.

\*\* Tenga en cuenta que el diácono Isaac estará ausente hasta mediados de febrero.

#### **Ministries Schedule**

DATE	ЕМНС	COMMENTATOR/ LECTOR	ALTAR SERVERS	PASTORAL CARE	COFFEE MINISTRY
Feb. 4	Lew	Linda E.		Susan Trechka	Mexican ladies
Feb. 11	Elaine	AJ		Susan Trechka	Martha & Fanny

If you wish to receive Holy Communion at home or at Piyami, please call Wil Dooper 403-732-4962.

CWL News: Our membership drive is starting. The fees are \$35.



The next Soup Sunday will be today, 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.







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

Mass 7pm

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.

This Week in our Parish: Jan. 28—Feb. 3

Sunday, Jan. 28: Sunday Mass 9 am & Wed. Jan 31: SJS Mass practice 9:15 am 4 pm (Youth– led Mass)

Mon. Jan. 29: CWL Rosary 10 am

Thurs. Feb. 1: Mass 8:45 am with SJS gr.4, 5

Tues. Jan. 30: Office closed at 1 pm - staff training

Fri. Jan. 19: Blessing of candles 6:45 pm

Reconciliation 6—6:45 pm,

Adoration and Reconciliation 7—8 pm

Pas oral Care Ministry

<u>Pastoral Care Ministry</u>: Please phone the team listed below on <u>Saturday Feb. 3</u> if you wish to receive Holy Communion after the 9 am <u>Sunday Mass on Feb. 4</u>, and please remember to have another person present with you when the Pastoral Care Ministers arrive.

**Feb. 4 Team:** Bonnie 403-345-4596 and Diann 403-345-4945

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<u>St. Ambrose CWL NEWS</u>: 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.



Congratulations to our new Executive: Spiritual Advisor—Fr. Ian; President—Lynne Schaaf; Past President—Mary-Ann Vervoort; Secretary—Louise Bridgeman; Treasurer—Lisa Wolfe; Faith Chair—Diane Miedema; Social Justice Chair—Lydia Jones; Service Chair—vacant.



**The next Youth-led Mass** is next Sunday, Feb. 4, 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.

**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

Blessing of at home candles takes place Fri. Feb. 2 at 6:45 pm, or you can leave your candles, WITH YOUR NAME, before Friday to be blessed and pick up on Sunday. Or phone Shelley Lohues at 403-331-7618.

**Catechism in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz** is a powerful way to learn about our faith. You will need an up-to-date copy of the Catechism and access to You Tube or Hallow. Please contact Shelley with any questions by phoning or texting 403-331-7618.

Days 15-19: Scripture and Divine revelation

Days 20-25: articles relating to faith

Days 26-31 the beginning of the Creed

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