

November 12, 2023

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



ST. AMBROSE PARISH
COALDALE, AB

St. Catherine's Parish
Picture Butte, AB



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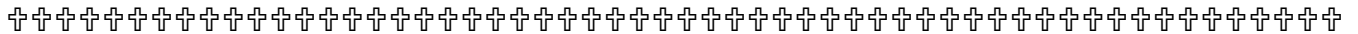
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Parish Registration

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.



**** Please note the parish office will be closed Monday, Nov. 13 In lieu of Remembrance Day.**

Lord, give me the grace today to find you in every encounter. Make me ready to recognize you. The lamp is given us by God and our prayer or time given to God is the oil. All of God's action in our lives is his gift, but it needs our openness and welcome.

"Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."



Matthew 25:13

OUR PRAYERS

MASS INTENTIONS: Week of November 5. Mass Intentions for October 2023 posted in foyers of churches.

Tuesday, Nov. 14	SA 7:00 pm	Rudy & Ellen Fernandez Int.
Wednesday, Nov. 15	SC 9:00 am	Tony Campmans RIP
Thursday Nov. 16	SA 8:45 am	Gary Podesta RIP
Friday		
Sunday, Oct. 29	SA 9:00 am	For the parishioners
Sunday, Oct. 29	SC 11:00 am	For the parishioners
Sunday, Oct. 29	SA 4:00 pm	For the parishioners



Please pray for the sick of our parishes – Darlene Beler, Katie Lindsay, Robert Briggs, Carol Michanuk, Robert Murray, Fr. Bob Dielissen, Fr. Julian Studden, 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.
One Year Anniversary of Death—November: Elizabeth Braat, June Tymensen.

OUR SUPPORT FOR THE CHURCH

Support For Our Parishes

Weekly Donations to Our Parishes from Nov. 5 , 2023

St. Ambrose—\$1,818.20 TIA \$225.65
Catholic Ed. \$20

St. Catherine’s—\$1750.55 TIA \$190 O/M \$320
Benev. Fund \$20 Catholic Ed. \$100

“It’s not about how much we give, but how much love we put into giving.” St. Teresa of Calcutta



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

Our 2023 TIA goals:	Donated to 5.11.2023:	Bal. owed:
St. Ambrose - \$10,531	\$10,340.45	\$695.55
St. Catherine’s - \$10,703	\$ 8,125.00	\$2,578.00

2023 TIA Campaign end soon. We have done well to this point, but our parishes need to really push to be able to reach our goals by **December**. Let’s work together and, with the Diocese, help our sisters and brothers in need.



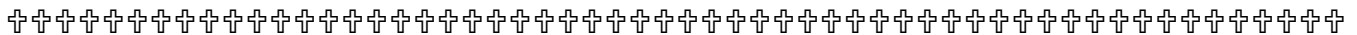
OUR SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK



Jesus seems to be utilizing a bit of comic relief in this parable by taking a common experience such as a wedding and turning it into a very uncommon wedding experience by extrapolating the possibilities of what could happen. Matthew runs a theme in this Gospel that actions outdo words in most any situation. As St. Francis of Assisi says “act in love and use words when necessary”. He is actually explaining the Gospel message that Christ brings to us.

How does the image of a *wedding*, used to describe Jesus’ second coming speak to you?

Recall a time when you missed an invitation from God. Why did you miss it? What did you learn from this?
(Reflection: Diocese of Saskatoon)



DID YOU KNOW that, counting today, Nov. 12, there are only 3 weeks left in this Liturgical Year? Sunday Nov. 26 is the Feast of Christ the King, the last Sunday in the Liturgical year. Sunday, Dec. 3 is the First Sunday of Advent, beginning the 4 weeks of preparation leading up to the Feast of Christmas.

St. Ambrose Parish is planning to have an **Advent Mission on Dec. 10, 11 and 12**, with the Seeds of the Word Community to lead us. While it is still being planned, you can mark the dates on the calendar and make plans to attend. Everyone is welcome! More details to come.

Here are the dates for the **Advent Penitential Services** in our area.

- Wed. Dec. 6: St. Augustine’s, Taber at 7 pm
- Thurs. Dec. 7: St. Ambrose at 7 pm
- Wed. Dec. 13: St. Peter’s, Milk River at 7 pm
- Thurs. Dec. 14: St. Martha’s, Lethbridge at 7 pm
- Sat. Dec. 16: All Saints (Assumption), Lethbridge at 10 am—noon
- Wed. Dec. 20: St. Joseph’s, Vauxhall at 7 pm
- Thurs. Dec. 21: St. Catherine’s, Picture Butte at 7 pm

OUR EVENTS



The Pope's Prayer Intention for November 2023: For the Pope—We pray for the Holy Father: as he fulfills his mission, may he continue to accompany the flock entrusted to him, with the help of the Holy Spirit.

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



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CHAPLAINCY—Fostering Faith, Formation and Fellowship for Young Adults in Lethbridge and the Area.

November Events:

Nov. 2: Men's Night Nov. 10: Eucharistic Adoration at 7 pm at Assumption Church, Lethbridge

Nov. 23: Women's Night Nov, 24: Board Games Night at 6:30 pm at Assumption Church Hall

Dec. 1: "Saints and Scoundrels" at 7 pm at St. Martha's Parish, Lethbridge

For more information, please call Fr. Santiago at Assumption Church 403-327-8931.



ENLARGE THE TENT—"Removing our sandals before the Sacred Ground of the Other". Join Fr. Time Boyle for this series of talks on The Art Accompaniment, picking up the theme from the Synod preparation document Enlarge the Tent. The first talk in the series is Mon. Nov. 20 at 10:15 am at St. Martha's Parish in Lethbridge. For more information, visit St. Martha's website at:

<https://www.stmarthasparish.ca/the-art-of-accompaniment---part-ii.html> or see the poster in the lobby.



The 9th Annual RED WEDNESDAY, Aid to the Church in Need (ACN Canada, Pontifical Charity), will be on Nov. 15. On this day, the church stands in solidarity with Christians who suffer for their faith. Parishes and schools are invited to wear red this day as a visible reminder, or to illuminate your church, school or home with red, the colour associated with martyrdom. Other ideas are to hold a Prayer Service or a Mass—resources are available from: <https://www.catholiccyyc.ca/> or the parish office; pray the Rosary; invite others to wear red and stand in solidarity.



Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate—You are invited to the upcoming ordination of 12 permanent deacons in our Diocese on **Sat, Nov. 18 at 11 am, St. Mary's Cathedral!** Doors will be opened at 10 am. Livestream information will be shared closer to the date.



Memorial Liturgy for those grieving a loss of a child through miscarriage or stillbirth—

Join Bishop McGrattan in an annual prayer gathering to commend our children communally into the embrace of our merciful God and to support those who are grieving the loss of a child through miscarriage or stillbirth. When: **Tue, Nov. 14 at 7 pm, St. Mary's Cathedral.**



Prayer for our Veterans—Oh God, by whose mercy the faithful departed find rest, look kindly on our departed veterans who gave their lives in the service of their country. Grant that through the passion, death and resurrection of your Son they may share in the joy of your heavenly kingdom and rejoice in You with Your saints forever. Amen.



OUR LARGER COMMUNITY


Rehoboth Christian Ministries and The Sunshine Auxiliary will be hosting their annual Pancake Breakfast, Bake Sale & Poinsettia Sale at the Rehoboth Greenhouse in Coaldale on Saturday, November 25th from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.; shopping will be until noon! Cost for Breakfast: Donation. For more information please call 403-345-5199. (Address: 1222 – 20 Street Coaldale. Look for the big green roof!)



KEYS, 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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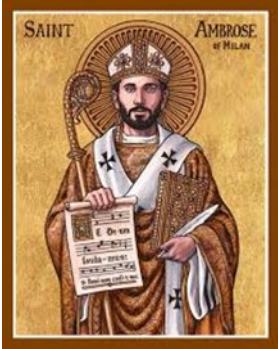
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OUR PARISHES

St. Ambrose, Pray for us.
Feast Day: December 7



St. Ambrose Parish

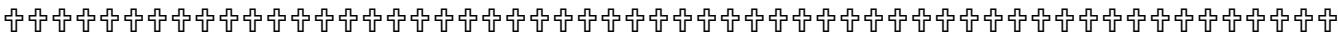
- Sunday Mass: 9:00 am and 4:00 pm**
- Weekday Masses:** Tuesday 7:00 pm, Thursday 8:45 am
- Adoration:** Fridays 7:00—8:00 pm
- Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Tuesdays 6:00—6:45 pm
Fridays 7:00—8:00 pm
- Rosary:** Mondays at 10:00 am with CWL

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



Pastoral Care Ministry: Please phone the team listed below on Saturday Nov. 18 if you wish to receive Holy Communion after the 9 am Sunday Mass on Nov. 19, and please remember to have another person present with you when the Pastoral Care Minister arrives.

November 19 Team: Bonnie 403-345-4596 and Diann 403-345-4945



St. Ambrose Knights of Columbus meets the 1st Wed. each month at 7 pm (except July/Aug.)

St. Ambrose CWL meets the 2nd Wed. each month at 7 pm (except July/Aug.).

This week in our parish Nov. 12—18

Wednesday, Nov. 15: Red Wednesday service and Rosary with the CWL 10 am—noon.

St. Ambrose CWL News: ** PLEASE NOTE** There will be NO ROSARY on Monday Nov. 13. It will be on Wednesday, Nov. 15 at 10 am in conjunction with Red Wednesday, remembering Christians persecuted for their faith.

“Leave your Christmas baking to us.” St. Ambrose CWL is spearheading a **Christmas Bake Sale on Sunday, November 19th** after the Sunday Masses. All ladies/parishioners who wish to participate are encouraged to bring their baked goods on Saturday, November 18th from 1 – 3 p.m. in the church foyer for packaging. Come and check all the goodies that you would love to serve your guests this Christmas!”

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

BUILD A HALL FUNDRAISER 1st Annual Turkey Dinner! Sunday, Nov. 26 from 3—6 pm at St. Joseph School gym. Cost is \$15/person or \$45/family. Tickets will be sold at the door. Mark your calendar!

The next Hall Building Committee meeting is Tuesday Nov. 28 after Mass.





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

OUR PARISHES

St. Catherine's Parish

Sunday Mass: 11:00 am

Weekday Mass:

Wednesday/ Miércoles 9:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

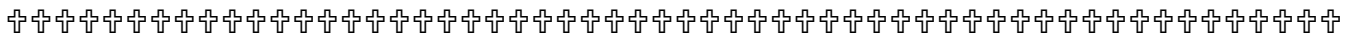
Thursday/Jueves 6:00—7:30 pm

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.

Ministries Schedule

DATE	EMHC	COMMENTATOR/ LECTOR	ALTAR SERVERS	OFFERTORY FAMILY	COFFEE MINISTRY
Nov. 19	Liz	AJ		Not yet.	?
Nov. 26	Susan	Phil			?



St. Catherine's CWL meets the 3rd Wed.
of the month at 7 pm (except July & Aug.)




First Reconciliation class # 4 Sunday, Nov. 19 at 12:05 pm after Mass. Come to the Library beside the office.

- ◆ Please read chapters 7 & 8 in the Reconciliation book and bring your book with you.
- ◆ Please remember to bring Baptism certificates and book fees if you have not done that.

Primera clase de Reconciliación # 4 Domingo 19 de noviembre a las 12:05 pm después de la Misa. Ven a la Biblioteca al lado de la oficina.

- ◆ Lea los capítulos 7 y 8 del libro Reconciliación y traiga su libro con usted.
- ◆ Recuerde traer certificados de bautismo y tarifas de libros si no lo ha hecho.



SOUP SUNDAY will be held on Dec. 3 after Mass. Come and join us for soup and conversation!
Your donations to are welcome and appreciated!

EL DOMINGO DE SOPA se llevará a cabo el 3 de diciembre después de la Misa. ¡Ven y únete a nosotros para tomar sopa y conversar! ¡Sus donaciones son bienvenidas y apreciadas!

Stewardship—You can still sign-up to serve in a ministry! We are called to be Disciples of the Lord in actions and deeds, to serve others in the imitation of Christ. Pray this week and ask the Lord where He wants you to serve in your community. The harvest is plenty, labourers are few. We are asking God to send us more labourers! How can you serve?

Mayordomía: ¡todavía puedes inscribirte para servir en un ministerio! Estamos llamados a ser Discípulos del Señor en acciones y hechos, a servir a los demás a imitación de Cristo. Ora esta semana y pregúntale al Señor dónde quiere que sirvas en tu comunidad. La mies es mucha, los trabajadores pocos. ¡Pedimos a Dios que nos envíe más trabajadores! ¿Cómo puedes servir?