

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

SA intention	Tuesday, September 15	Rob & Joan Hawkins Int.	SA 7:00 pm
SC intention	Wednesday, September 16	Terry O'Donnell RIP	SC 9:00 am
SA Intention	Thursday, September 17	Gary Boyden Int	
SC Intention	Friday, September 18	Marianne Hirose Int.	
	Sunday, September 20	For the Parishioners	SA 9:00 am
		For the Parishioners	SC 11:00 am



*“Thank You” to everyone who continues to donate during this pandemic.*

**Donations for both parishes are accepted:**

**1) Online** by using the giving page on the Diocese website to set up a one-time or recurring

donation to your parish via credit-card. Funds donated will be transferred quarterly to the parish you choose.

Give now at

<https://www.catholicyc.ca/donateparish.html>

**2) Pre-Authorized Donation** from your bank account (PAD) please request the forms from the parish office by email [stambros@shaw.ca](mailto:stambros@shaw.ca) or phone 403-345-3400.

**3) Donation envelope** dropped in the collection basket at mass or sent by mail to St. Ambrose or St. Catherine’s Church, 1513 - 23 Avenue, Coaldale, AB T1M 1E2

**September 6, 2020 -**

**St. Ambrose** - \$2330 Hall \$250 TIA \$315

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**St. Catherine** - \$1822 TIA \$201 Oper/maint \$161

**St. Ambrose TIA to date - \$ 6852.95**

**St. Catherine TIA to date - \$ 5426.70**

**Assistance during the pandemic-** Our Knights of Columbus have generously offered to assist those in our parish community who are in need. If you are shut in and need help or supplies during our current health emergency, please contact Gord Elliott, at his email, [lauragordelliott@gmail.com](mailto:lauragordelliott@gmail.com).

**Please pray for the sick** - John Saler, Cathy Majeau, Theron Cale, Jake Braat, Ryan Neil Otero, Loretta Simmill, Perry Layton, Fr. Clair Watrin, Gordon Briggs, John Oosterbroek, Ineke Broers, John Vogel, Louise Roziere, Julius Urban, Martin Hudecek, Joe Wandler, Lorraine Stuber, Gaby Broers, Marina Walls, Maria Tersteeg, Jim Breckie, Carmen Thom, Bep Braat, Joanne Kubik.

**Pope's Prayer Intention for September 2020** - We pray that the planet’s resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

**Pontifical Holy Land Collection** - This collection in support of the Holy Land, usually collected on Good Friday was cancelled when churches were closed due to the pandemic. Pope Francis has requested that it be taken up on Sunday September 13 - a date close to that of the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross. This feast celebrates Christ’s saving work and also reminds us of faithful Christian pilgrims, like St. Helen when she found the relics of the Holy Cross in the 4<sup>th</sup> century, who have committed themselves to preserving the holy sites as places of worship that sustain our Christian culture and history of salvation. Let us give generously to the support of Christian communities, the upkeep of the Holy Sites, and the formation of future priests. There will be two baskets in the foyer one for regular collection and one for the Holy Land.

**Watch Livestream Mass** - We are promoting livestream Masses at the parishes on our social media. Please share the information below to your parishioners:

[Current Parish Mass livestream schedule & link](#)

**Dear Parishioners,**

Weekday masses - SA Tuesday evening 7 pm

SC Wednesday morning 9 am

Sunday Mass - St. Ambrose Parish - Sunday 9:00 am.

St. Catherine Parish - Sunday 11:00 am.

Occasionally we send an email through our parishioner database, so if you realize that you are not receiving them, please email the parish office at [stambros@shaw.ca](mailto:stambros@shaw.ca) to update your email address. Also check your email program security filters and your junk or trash email folders as emails sent in groups are sometimes detected as spam.

Stage 2 of the Relaunch Strategy continues while some restrictions have been lifted, the pandemic is still with us and existing health and safety requirements remain in place and must be met. Seating was increased when stage 2 began and our twinned parishes are at capacity with physical spacing. The doors will be locked just before mass starts, so come early to sign in. We will continue to practice physical distancing, wearing a mask, and using hand-sanitizer on entering and exiting the church building.

As open masses still depend on volunteers, if you are able to help, please contact Shelley Lohues and sign up for a time that works for you. Note: those 65 years and older are considered highly vulnerable and are not encouraged to volunteer.

With the guidance of the Holy Spirit and our willingness to serve

Christ as his body, we can make this happen. Be safe and may God's grace and blessing be with you all.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Ian Gagne

**Food Banks** - Please consider making a donation to our local Food Banks, non perishable and cash donations are graciously being accepted. **North Country Interfaith Food Bank** is open on Tuesday and Thursday morning from 10:00 am to 12:00 at 326 Highway Ave. (Box 326 Picture Butte, AB T0K 1V0). **Coaldale Food Bank** - is open Tuesday and Friday from 9:30 am to 1:00 pm at 1716 20th Ave, Coaldale, AB T1M 1K6



### Attention Lethbridge & Area Young Adults -

It's September and time for the young adult ministry to shake off the dust and start to find a way to gather again. To this end, a Mass for young adults will be celebrated by Fr. Derek at Our Lady of the Assumption Church on Friday, Sept. 18 at 7 pm. Remarks by Fr. Cristino Bouvette, Episcopal Vicar for Vocations and Young Adults, will follow. To register for the Mass, please call the All Saints Parish office at 403-327-8931 or email Fr. Derek at derek.remus@calgarydiocese.ca. Walk-ins will be allowed as long as there is room to physically distance. As per the new City of Lethbridge bylaw, face coverings will be required.

**FCJ Centre** - We're open and look forward to seeing you soon at the FCJ Centre! We encourage you to visit our website [FCJCentre.ca](http://FCJCentre.ca) and our [Facebook page](#) to assist you in finding current offerings and booking availability for your meeting and conference needs at the Centre. **Autumn Peace Retreat, Sep 25-27** - This retreat is for those who feel called to unplug and simply rest in the silence and beauty of the setting. More info on the website.

### Seminarians

The Vocations webpage has been updated with the current list of our seminarians! We will send you an updated seminarians poster when a group photo becomes available. Visit current list of 2020 Seminarians from the Diocese of Calgary [here](#).

Prayer for our seminarians: *Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest, lead our seminarians daily in your footsteps, that they may become priests aflame with love for God and all. Amen.*

For any questions regarding vocations to the priesthood, please contact Fr. Cristino Bouvette, Vicar of Vocations & Young Adults, at 403-218-5500, or email [cristino.bouvette@calgarydiocese.ca](mailto:cristino.bouvette@calgarydiocese.ca)

### Letter from the Alberta Bishops as Schools Reopen

Please read the message from Bishop McGrattan and all Alberta Bishops re: Uniting Ourselves in Prayer as Schools Reopen. [Download Letter here.](#)

### Pray for the angels to protect your child's school

As schools resume sessions around the world, many are returning to classes with medical precautions. While these should help contain the spread of COVID-19, it is also important to involve God in your preparations, asking him to send his holy angels to protect your child's school building. [Prayer here.](#)

### Tips for reading the Bible to children at bedtime

Children love stories and some of the best are in the Sacred Scriptures. Remember that the objective is not to get them to discover the Bible, but to have them discover God. That is why we cannot read the Bible apart from the Church, and we cannot properly read it without "living it" through prayer, the sacraments, and the very real love of Christ and our brethren. Here are some great tips from Aleteia.

### Podcast: Pairing your children with Saints

While the saints are not divine, they are perfected Christians who have finished the race and can inspire us to keep running towards Christ. There are over 10,000 saints canonized by the Catholic Church. Jeff Cavins shares a number of inspiring saints children will love and invites us to pair our children with saints so they always have role models in heaven they can relate to and imitate. Read & listen here.

Ask for Mary's protection to surround your family with this prayer - The Virgin Mary has always been a powerful intercessor before God. Remember that she has a privileged place in Heaven and pleads our case before her Divine Son. Mary is also a tender mother, always attentive to our needs, ready and willing to cover us with her protection. [Pray this prayer.](#)

### Certificate in Catholic Studies

Through the Benedict XVI Institute for New Evangelization, Newman Theological College offers a comprehensive selection of short courses on various aspects of the Catholic faith. All are offered online, so you can study from the comfort of home and work around your personal schedule. Each course runs five weeks and costs just \$85; the next cycle begins on Monday, September 21. Take an individual course for interest, or work toward one or all of the 22 specialized Certificates in Catholic Studies. This program is open to adults and youth of all backgrounds and education levels. For a list of courses, details, and online registration, visit [newman.edu/ccs](http://newman.edu/ccs). For more information, contact Sandra at 780-392-2450 ext. 2214.



[Prayers and Spiritual Resources](#) – includes a list of available live-streamed weekday and weekend masses.

Watch Masses on Television:

[Salt + Light TV \(Daily at 4:30 & 9:00 am, 1 & 8:30 pm\)](#)  
[EWTN](#) (Daily at 6 & 10 am, 5 & 10 pm, with Shaw or Telus)  
[Vision TV](#) (Daily at 6 & 10 am, with Shaw, Bell, Telus, Broadcast)

### May 26, 2020 - update on gathering from the Diocese -

Catholics will be allowed to take their first steps back to church for Mass in June when the new guidelines issued by the Roman Catholic Bishops of Alberta are able to be met. [Bishop's Letter to the Faithful - May 26, 2020 New Guidelines - Re-Opening of Mass - June 1, 2020](#)