MASS INTENTIONS:

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Jean Armstrong RIP Herman Stroeve RIP Stan & Pat Mastel Int.. For the Parishioners For the Parishioners SA 7:00 pm SC 9:00 am SA 8:45 am SA 9:00 am 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 at https://www.catholicyyc.ca/donatetoparish.html

2) Pre-Authorized Donation from your bank account (PAD) please request the forms from the parish office by email <u>stambros@shaw.ca</u> 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

January 10, 2021

St. Ambrose - \$1167 Hall \$5 Initial \$30 TIA \$210 **St. Catherine -** \$340 Oper/maint \$45 Initial \$50 TIA \$46. **January 11, 2020 PAP St. Ambrose -** \$785 Hall \$300 TIA \$155 Youth \$100 **St. Catherine -** \$550 TIA 50

St. Ambrose 2020 TIA - \$ 10,603.95 St. Catherine 2020 TIA - \$ 8324.70

Please pray for the sick - Fausto Roma Velo, Mary Kubik, Diane Miedema, Pat Theroux, Gaby Broers, Bryce Deys, Craig Parkinson, Joanne Kubik, Marianne Hirose, Gordon Briggs, Julius Urban, John Vogel

Food Banks - Please consider making a donation to our local Food Banks, **North County Interfaith Food Bank** open Tues and Thurs morning from 10 am to Noon at 326 Highway Ave. (Box 326 Picture Butte, AB T0K 1V0). **Coaldale Food Bank -** open Mon thru Fri from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm at 1716 20th Ave, Coaldale, AB T1M 1K6 **We are now accepting -**non perishable and cash donations in the church foyers.

Pope's Prayer Intention for January 2021 - May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

Watch Livestream Mass - We are promoting live stream Masses at the parishes on our social media. Current Parish Mass livestream schedule & link **Dear Parishioners**,

The office will be open on January 25, 2021

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at St. Ambrose Church on Friday evenings 8:00 - 9:00 pm

Sunday Mass - St. Ambrose Parish - Sunday 9:00 am. St. Catherine Parish - Sunday 11:00 am.

New stricter restrictions have been introduced by the government of Alberta in the effort to bend the curve on the number of confirmed cases. These restrictions will take effect on Sunday December 13, 2020. All parishes under the Diocese of Calgary are expected to comply with these restrictions.

Faith services are limited to 15% of fire code occupancy for inperson attendance. For us that means a limit of 40 people. The Christmas Eve masses may be filled as of this printing. For St. Ambrose 345-3400 for St. Catherine 792-2353 or 381-4302

As open masses still depend on volunteers, if you are able to help, please contact Katie Lindsay 382-1235 or 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.

The Diocese of Calgary strongly recommends to the faithful to, as much as possible, continue to wear the mask while seated in the pews during the Mass. This will help better protect one another in preventing the transmission of the flu and COVID-19. However, exemptions under the municipal bylaws will continue to be respected without requiring proof of eligibility. This gesture of wearing the mask is a sign of charity and concern for each other's health. Please see the new poster in the church which highlights a number of health and safety measures to help prevent the spread of the flu and COVID-19. Thank you for your cooperation. Yours in Christ, Fr. Ian Gagne

🖶 St. Ambrose Parish 🖶

Confirmation - Registration will be in the month of January 2021 for children currently in grades 6 - 9. Preparation will start in February. A two-step registration process is required - First, fill out the registration form you receive from the parish or the school. Second, register for the online preparation program with Ascension Press, click <u>here</u>. After both steps above are completed, please come back to this page for more

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 17, 2021

information. Please check the St. Joseph School website <u>sjs.holyspirit.ab.ca</u> for ongoing information. You can email the completed registration form to <u>szalik@telus.net</u> or to <u>stambros@shaw.ca</u> or drop off at the parish office.

First Reconciliaton - The celebration of First Reconciliation will take place at the end of February, date to be announced.

First Communion - Registration will begin February 1.

CWL - are praying the rosary on Monday mornings in the foyer at 10 am.

-We are still taking membership fees you may drop your \$25 off at the office or in the collection basket. If you are sending cash, please make sure you put your name on the envelope so we know whose it is. If you are sending a cheque, make a note on the notation line on your cheque. Thanks, Lynne

🏶 St. Catherine's Parish 🏶

First Sacrament Registration - Questions on First Reconciliation, First Communion or Confirmation, please contact Susan Trechka 403-732-4685, cell: 403-315-3217

🐵 COMMUNITY NEWS 📼

Alzheimer's Awareness Month - There are currently 25,000 new cases of Alzheimer's diagnosed in Canada, yearly and that number is expected to triple by 2050. The Alzheimer Society of Alberta and Northwest Territories is always here for you. If you need any support, more information about our programs and services, or need help navigating through the dementia journey, please contact us <u>here</u>.

Martha Retreat Centre - Please check our website at <u>www.martharetreatcentre.ca</u> for current updates related to programs which may e offered in person or virtually via Zoom at this time. Centering Prayer - Tues 1:30-2:40 pm via zooom and Personal Prayer time registration is required, 3 persons at a time for 30 minutes. A freewill offering is gratefully accepted.

Rehoboth & Community - in response to cancelled fund raisers and COVID19 restrictions, Rehoboth Christian Ministries Garden Center has called out to the community of home crafters and artists to enter into partnership Rehoboth and sell their product. Along with what we are creating in our woodshop and greenhouse we are now carrying products from 11 different community vendors! Interested in partnering, call Denise 587-800-9410. Our retail hours are: 10 am to 6 pm on Wed. Thurs. Fri. and 10 am – 4pm on Saturday. Our focus *is KEEP IT LOCAL and SUPPORT A CAUSE*. Thank You for your support

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

is celebrated around the world on January 18-25. The 2021 theme - *Abida in my lova and you*



theme – *Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit (John 15:5-9)* – calls us to pray and to work for reconciliation and unity in the church, with our human family, and with all of creation. Drawing on the Gospel image of vine and branches, it invites us to nourish unity with God and with one another through contemplative silence, prayer, and common action. Grafted into Christ

the vine as many diverse branches, may we bear rich fruit and create new ways of living, with respect for and communion with all of creation.

An Evening Service of Prayer will be held on Wed, Jan 20 at 7 pm, and livestreamed via Ascension Catholic Church's livestream link. More information will be shared next week.

Caring for one another

Bishop McGrattan warns that "It is easy to become complacent especially if there is no direct experience of the COVID-19 virus within our family... but behind each number is a person, a family, loved ones and we believe the dignity of that person



reflects God." Bishop McGrattan offers advice on how to care for one another in this time of pandemic.

Bishop McGrattan speaks on Bill C-6 & C-7 currently in the parliamentary process Watch in Facebook | <u>Grandin Media</u>

Year of St. Joseph - With the Apostolic Letter Patris corde ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of Saint Joseph" from Dec. 8, 2020, to Dec. 8, 2021. Read Patris corde (With a Father's heart) <u>here</u>

CDF gives green light on vaccines - Congregation for the Dectrine of the Faith reiterates that due to the situation of the ongoing pandemic, "all vaccinations recognized as clinically safe and effective can be used in good conscience with the certain knowledge that the use of such vaccines does not constitute formal cooperation with the abortion from which the cells used in production of the vaccines derive."

Read <u>"Note on the morality of using anti-Covd-19 vaccines"</u> released by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith dated Dec. 21, 2020.

Other related articles:

Vatican <u>News: Vatican CDF says use of anti-Covid vaccines</u> "morally acceptable"

Dignitas Personae: Instruction Dignitas personae on certain bioethical questions