

**MASS INTENTIONS:**

SA intention	Tuesday, November 17	All Souls	SA 7:00 pm
SC intention	Wednesday, November 18	All Souls	SC 9:00 am
SA intention	Thursday, November 19	All Souls	
	Sunday, November 22	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/donatetoparish.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

**November 8, 2020**

St. Ambrose - not counted

St. Catherine - not counted

**Nov 5 - Pre-Authorized Payments**

St. Ambrose - \$735 Hall \$300 TIA \$155 Youth \$100  
Cath Ed. \$75

St. Catherine - \$ 550 TIA 50

**St. Ambrose TIA to date - \$ 8767.95**

**St. Catherine TIA to date - \$ 7097.70**

**Please pray for the sick** - Craig Parkinson, Joanne Kubik, Marianne Hirose, Gordon Briggs, Julius Urban, John Vogel

**Deceased:**

**Food Banks** - Please consider making a donation to our local Food Banks, **North Country Interfaith Food Bank** open Tues and Thurs morning from 10 am to Noon at 326 Highway Ave. (Box 326 Picture Butte, AB T0K1V0). **Coaldale Food Bank** - open Tues and Fri from 9:30 am to 1:00 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 November 2020** - We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

**Watch Livestream Mass** - We are promoting live stream Masses at the parishes on our social media.

[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.

*All masses in November will be for the faithful departed.*

**St. Gertrude's Prayer for the Souls in Purgatory** - “Eternal Father, I offer You the most precious blood of thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, for those in my own home and in my family. Amen”.

**8 Ways to honour the Holy Souls this November** - For Catholics, November is the month of the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Catechism teaches: “All who die in God’s grace and friendship but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death, they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven.” (CCC 1030). Here are some easy ways to remember the dead this year. [Read more](#)

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

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

**The office will be closed on Thurs & Fri., Nov 19 & 20, 2020**

## ✚ St. Ambrose Parish ✚

**First Sacrament Registration** - Please Contact Sylvia Zalik with any questions 403-345-6772 cell: 403-394-6234

**Advent Wreath** - We have Advent wreaths for sale — wreath with candles \$20. Wreath or candles alone are \$10. Phone office 345-3400, Shelley 345-4205 or facebook.

**CWL** - are praying the rosary on Monday mornings in the west parking lot at 10 am. Zoom Rosary - Diocese is hosting this every Wed. evening at 7:30 pm. Phone Lynne for link.

**Mary's Mantle Consecration:** A Retreat for Heaven's Help - We invite each and every one of you to join us for a parish retreat held by the St. Ambrose K. Of C. It will begin Mon, Nov 9<sup>th</sup>. This 46-day retreat involves praying the Rosary daily, reading a 2-minute meditation on a virtue or one of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit, and a short spiritual exercise. We will connect once a week in person or by Zoom to watch a video, followed by discussion/questions. "Prepare ye' the way To sign up for this upcoming retreat please contact Greg Schmidt @403-345-4134 (gbs4134@gmail.com) or Ellen Wagner @ 403-345-2610. Even if you are a few days after the start, you are more than welcome. If you do not have an email, we will make arrangements. Retreat booklets will be available for \$12. Take a moment to watch the Testimonial and Introductory videos [here](#) and [here](#).

## ✚ St. Catherine's Parish ✚

**First Sacrament Registration** - Please Contact Susan Trechka with questions 403-732-4685, cell: 403-315-3217

**Do you have a fridge to donate?** The fridge in the Church kitchen is no longer working. If you have a working fridge that you no longer need, please contact Elaine Jones @ 403 824 3606

**CWL Diocesan Advent Retreat** - Saturday, November 28th, St. Peter's Church, Calgary. We are excited to announce that Bishop William McGrattan will be our keynote speaker and celebrate the retreat Mass. Participate in-person or via livestream. Watch for details.

## ☞ COMMUNITY NEWS ☞

**Martha Retreat Centre** - Mass weekly on Tues. 4-4:30 pm For quiet time – Personal Prayer, Centering Prayer, Mindful Moments and Upcoming events [click here](#).

**Wanted:** Executive Assistant - Martha Retreat Centre is seeking a candidate to fill this position. The candidate will work as a part of a team, including staff, volunteers, and the Executive Director - to advance the Martha Retreat Centre's Strategic Plan. visit <https://www.catholicyc.ca/careers.html>

**Call to Action!** - Proposed changes to **Bill C-7** would expand access to medical assistance in dying and remove safeguards to protect vulnerable people. Urge members to voice their concerns on this social justice issue by November 12th (email

or postal mail). Resources: [opposition letter](#) by religious leaders, [sample letters](#) to the Prime Minister and MPs (blue links mid & bottom page); [MP search](#). To learn more, contact Legislation Chair [Gayleen Hamilton](#).

**CCCB Releases Statement in Response to Bill C-7** - As the legislation introduced this month remains unchanged from that which was tabled on 24 February 2020, the Bishops of Canada once again express their serious concerns regarding Bill C-7 and call upon all Canadians to express their opposition to the Bill. As said in the statement: "The proposed legislation of Bill C-7 remains deeply flawed, unjust, and morally pernicious. The Bishops of Canada call on Catholics and all people of good will to make their voices heard in opposition to the Bill. Similarly, all Canadian legislators should recall that no law that permits the taking of innocent human life can ever be morally justified. Such a law would always violate the intrinsic dignity of the human person." Please read below:

**Statement in Response to the Re-tabling of Bill C-7, An Act to amend the Criminal Code (medical assistance in dying)**

**The 2020 I am Blessed Campaign** has started and will conclude on Sunday, January 6, at the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This year's campaign highlights our hope that is grounded in Christ – He is the great light that shines in the darkness. We hope that

people will be encouraged to visit [www.iamblessed.ca](http://www.iamblessed.ca) and be inspired to give, act, and pray.

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**Red Wednesday** - Wednesday, November 18.

Theme: Don't close your eyes to the persecution of Christians. Aid to the Church in Need Canada will be marking Red Wednesday for the third consecutive year, despite the COVID-19 pandemic. This year, ACN invites all the faithful to attend Red Wednesday virtually on Nov. 18 at 5 pm and 7 pm (MT) - Please register [here](#) Letter from Bishop McGrattan on #RedWednesday 2020 - [Download Letter](#)



**Pope Francis' "Civil Union" Clarification**

At the request of the Holy Father, the Secretariat of State has prepared the explanatory document (in Italian) in response to the release of the documentary entitled, Francesco. The document, received from the Apostolic Nunciature, clarifies the context of certain statements made by His Holiness and contained in the said documentary. It has been unofficially translated in [English](#) and in [French](#).