



**ST. AMBROSE PARISH**  
COALDALE, AB

**St. Catherine's Parish**  
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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.



**6th Sunday of Easter**

**May 5, 2024**

**JUST AS THE  
FATHER HAS  
LOVED ME, I  
HAVE ALSO  
LOVED YOU;  
ABIDE IN  
MY LOVE.  
JOHN 15:9**

**OUR PRAYERS**

**MASS INTENTIONS: Week of April 21.**

Mass Intentions for April 2024 posted in foyers of churches.

Tuesday, May 7

**SA 7:00 pm**

Stan Rach RIP

Wednesday, May 8

**SC 9:00 am**

Dooper family deceased RIP

Thursday, May 9

**SA 8:45 am**

Jim Wickenheiser Int.

Friday May 10 Sunny South Lodge

**2:30 pm**

Mary Lohues Int.

**Sunday, May 12**

**SA 9:00 pm**

**For the parishioners**

**Sunday, May 12**

**SC 11:00 am**

**For the parishioners**

**Sunday, May 12**

**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.

**The Church celebrates the Easter season (also known as “Eastertide”) for 50 days, culminating with the Feast of Pentecost (Sunday, May 19), where Scripture (Acts 2:1–31) tells us that the Holy Spirit descended on the Apostles. Divine Mercy Sunday (April 7) and the Feast of the Ascension (Sunday, May 12), take place during the Easter season.**

**Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**OUR SUPPORT FOR OTHERS**

**Support for Our Parishes**

**St. Catherine's  
Sunday April 28**

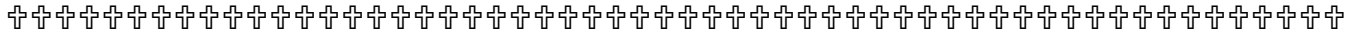
Reg. \$1229.15 TIA \$128 O&M \$90 Sem. Fund \$45

**Well done, good and faithful servants!**

**St. Ambrose  
Sunday April 28**

Reg. \$2,507.75 TIA \$125 Sem. Fund \$130  
Pope's Past. Works \$20 Sacramental Prep. \$25

**Well done, good and faithful servants!**



**Support For Our Diocese Programs**

*God will fully satisfy every need of yours according to His riches  
in glory in Christ Jesus.*

**St. Catherine's Parish**

2024 Goal: \$10,703.00  
Donations to April 29: \$ 1,715.00

We still need: (correction) \$ 8,988.00  
*Giving out of love!*

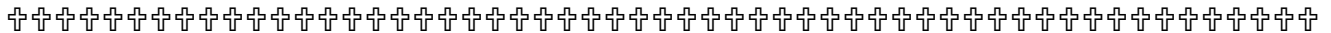


**St. Ambrose Parish**

2024 Goal: \$10,531.00  
Donations to April 15: \$ 3,581.00

We still need: \$ 6,950.00  
*Giving out of love!*

**Our TIA campaigns are going well, with each week bringing us closer to our goals! Your willingness to share God's gifts with those in need in our Diocese is deeply appreciated. Keep up the great work, St. Catherine's and St. Ambrose!**



**We are an Easter people  
and  
Alleluia is our song!**

**OUR SCRIPTURE REFLECTION THIS WEEK**

**Today's Gospel: John 15.9-17**

*Love one  
ANOTHER  
as I have  
LOVED  
you*  
-JOHN 15:12



In family life, we have many opportunities to show love in action. Each time we postpone a task to tend to the needs of another, we show ourselves to be on the path to following the example of love shown to us by Jesus. Sometimes the sacrifices we are called upon to make for others are small. But these small choices to love and to serve others prepare us for the larger choices and sacrifices that we may be called upon to make.

If we are people who have practiced showing our love for others with generosity, we will also be people who are willing to lay down our lives for those we love. As you gather as a family, talk about the meaning of the word *generosity*. Ask each family member to describe an action that shows generosity - pray together and ask God for a generous spirit so that we can love others as Jesus did.

(Reflection: Loyola Press)



**Catholic Education Week** celebrates the vital role of publicly funded Catholic schools throughout Alberta and beyond. The event this year is set for **May 5 to May 10, 2024**. Moreover, May 9, 2024, is designated as World Catholic Education Day. During this week, the impact of faith-based education on over 183,000 students throughout Alberta is recognized.

The theme for **Catholic Education Week 2024**, “**Courage to Lead**”, reminds us of the call and the responsibility to live and uphold the teachings of our Catholic faith, even amidst the challenges of the world around us.

Let’s continue fostering the faith and education of our Youth by **recognizing the Significance of Catholic Education**. Catholic Education Week is a time to recognize and celebrate the contributions of Catholic schools. It’s a period for valuing how Catholic Schools cultivate faith and academic prowess, influencing the development of young individuals.

**Wear BLUE to support Catholic Education!**

## OUR LARGER COMMUNITY



**St. Francis Xavier Chaplaincy** is a ministry in the Diocese of Calgary that fosters faith, formation and fellowship among young adults within the Diocese through 3 Chapters: 1) University Students, 2) Young Professionals, and 3) Young Families. For more information follow us on

[www.facebook.com/SFXCLeth](http://www.facebook.com/SFXCLeth) OR [www.instagram.com/sfxc\\_leth](http://www.instagram.com/sfxc_leth) OR

call Fr. Santiago at 403-327-8931.

### May Events

Saturday, May 11: Pilgrimage w/ Mass to St. Isadore’s Church. Meet at Assumption Hall, Lethbridge, at 9 am.

Friday, May 17: Adoration @ Assumption Church at 6:30 pm. Boardgames after in the hall.

Saturday, June 8: Hike for Life (organized by Lethbridge Pro-Life).

Friday, June 21: Adoration @ Assumption. Social at Henderson Lake after.



“**Share the Mission Award**” - Nominations are now welcome for the Holy Spirit Catholic School Division’s “Share the Mission Award.” This prestigious award recognizes community members, parents, students, and school staff who have:



- Offered outstanding or long term service for the benefit of our students;
- Accepted demanding challenges and set new standards for the rest of us to follow;
- Contributed, through action and deed, to the Catholic atmosphere of our schools;
- Demonstrated involvement and leadership in community / parish organizations;
- Reflected the Mission Statement of the Holy Spirit School Division in all actions.

If you know of an individual or group you would like to nominate, please forward their name to the Holy Spirit School Division Office by June 7, 2024. The nomination form is available online on the division’s website:

[https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/resources\\_publications/news/whats\\_new/share\\_the\\_mission\\_awards\\_2023-2024](https://www.holyspirit.ab.ca/resources_publications/news/whats_new/share_the_mission_awards_2023-2024)

For more information, please contact Rhonda Kawa at (403) 327-9555.



**FAMILY & LIFE WEEK**  
May 13-19, 2024

RECEIVE DAILY PRAYER & ACTIVITIES DURING THE FAMILY & LIFE WEEK

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catholicyc.ca/RENEWAL

SCAN ME

The Diocese of Calgary invites your family to join in Family & Life Week. Register your family to receive short daily prayer & suggested activities right in your inbox during the Family & Life Week : [calgarydiocese.flocknote.com/WeekofFamilyLife](http://calgarydiocese.flocknote.com/WeekofFamilyLife)



## OUR LARGER COMMUNITY



**The Pope's Prayer Intention for May 2024: For the formation of religious and seminarians—**We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

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



**Miscarriage Care Ministries—**For The Miscarriage Ministry Committee in the Diocese of Calgary is organizing an information night about its mission and vision. We desire to be a place of support for those experiencing this unique form of loss. Join us for an evening of learning about this ministry, assessing the community's needs, sharing best practices, and fellowship.



When: **Friday, May 24, from 7 pm to 9 pm** at the Catholic Pastoral Centre (120 17 Ave, SW, Calgary)

For information: <https://www.catholicyc.ca/>



**Our Lady of the Assumption Prayer Community** offers two weekly Virtual Zoom sessions. Wed.: Charismatic Prayer Group; Thurs.: DIALOGUE program offers sharing/teaching experiences to charge & strengthen the Christian Community. For more info call Ken Fabbri at 403-331-8923 or email [healing-workshops-subscribe@googlegroups.com](mailto:healing-workshops-subscribe@googlegroups.com)

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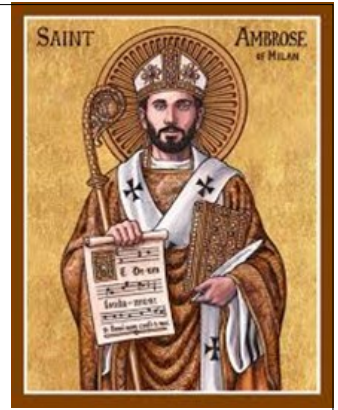
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# OUR PARISHES

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.

### This Week in our Parish: May 5—May 11

**Sunday, May 5: + Sunday Mass 9 am & 4 pm +**  
\*\*First Communion class - 2:30 pm in Foyer

**Mon. May 6: Office closed.**  
CWL Rosary 10 am

**Tues. May 7:** Reconciliation 6—6:45 pm  
+ Mass 7pm +

**Wed. May 8: 9:15 am Choir practice**  
CWL meeting 7 pm

**Thursday May 9: + Mass 8:45 am +**  
**with SJS**

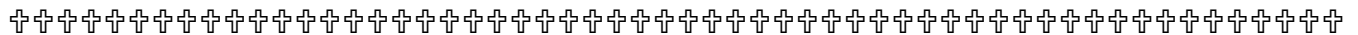
**Friday April 10:** no bookings.

**Saturday April 11: Parish Yard Cleanup 9 am**



**Pastoral Care Ministry:** Please phone the team listed below on Saturday May 11 if you wish to receive Holy Communion after the 9 am Sunday Mass on May 12. Please remember to have another person present with you when the Pastoral Care Ministers arrive.

**May 12 Team:** Bonnie 403-345-4596 and Diann 403-345-4945



**St. Ambrose CWL NEWS:** Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month (except July & August).



**St. Ambrose CWL is celebrating their 75th Anniversary on Friday June 14!** This milestone will be celebrated with Mass at 5 pm followed by a banquet at St. Joseph's School at 6:30 pm. All are invited! Tickets are \$40, available in May. Please call Diane Miedema at 403-345-3974 for more information. Congratulations, ladies, on 75 years of service!!



**Parish Yard Clean-up has been rescheduled for Saturday May 11, stating at 9:00 am.** We are still looking for people willing to help! If you can rake, shovel, trim trees or bushes, pick up pine cones or are just willing to come and help with what needs doing, please call the church office at 403-345-3400 and sign up. We need to know how many burgers to cook for lunch, so please **RSVP by Thursday May 9**. Let's make this a fun and productive day!!



**St. Ambrose will be hosting a Living Rosary** to be said **AFTER** the 9:00 am Mass on Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup>. 80 volunteers are needed for each participant to lead one part of the Rosary. Participants are asked to gather in the church foyer when the congregation is dismissed after Mass. We'll organize ourselves then process back into church to pray the Rosary. To volunteer to lead a prayer, please print your name and contact info on the sheet in the foyer or contact Angela Lohues at 403-331-7615 or email [angela.lohues@gmail.com](mailto:angela.lohues@gmail.com).