

## Youth Group

Calling All Junior and Senior High Students to be Youth Who Make a Difference!

The Alpha Youth Film Series has begun. It takes place on the first and third Sundays of the month, during the 10 a.m. Service! For 13 Sessions, our youth will explore together the big questions of life!

Check out our Youth Group Facebook page to see more details about what's happening: [www.facebook.com/StPaulsCalgaryYouth](http://www.facebook.com/StPaulsCalgaryYouth).

## Diocese and Community Events

**78th Convention of Synod:** Archbishop Greg Kerr-Wilson along with the Diocesan Council has announced that the **78th Convention of Synod** has been called for Friday, Saturday and Sunday, June 5, 6 and 7, 2020. Clergy will have received basic information and an announcement. A formal invitation will be coming soon.

**CLAY (Canadian Lutheran and Anglican Youth):** Registration for #ENROUTE (the 2020 CLAY gathering occurring this year in Calgary) is NOW OPEN! If you're age 14-19 and would like to go, please contact the Office. The cost is \$515 before Apr. 1. Subsidies are available. For details, please click on the following link: <http://claygathering.ca>. See Living Waters for more info.

**FISH CREEK SPEAKER SERIES - Thursday, March 19, 2020 ON THE ROAD - Exploring the Natural Wonders of Southern Alberta** Presented by Mike Drew, Photojournalist with the Calgary Sun Mike Drew has been exploring the back roads of southern and central Alberta for almost 30 years, camera in hand, documenting his travels and writing captivating articles for the Calgary Sun. Under the great expanse of the Alberta sky, over the foothills and prairies, along highways and back roads **Friends of Fish Creek - [info@friendsoffishcreek.org](mailto:info@friendsoffishcreek.org)**

**Handel's Oratorio "Israel in Egypt"** On Friday, March 27 at 7:30 pm in the Cathedral, the Cathedral Choir will perform G.F. Handel's Lent/Easter Oratorio "Israel in Egypt" with chamber orchestra, under the direction of Dr. Neil Cockburn.

Thank you to all from our Parish who braved the elements to attend yesterday's Town Hall meeting at Good Shepherd Parish.

## Our Ministries

### Fellowship and Food Group

This ministry has an emphasis on food and fellowship. The intention is to mix our members up so that new relationships have the potential to develop and grow. It is a fun way to connect with new people and get to know your church family better. The Groups are 6 - 8 adults, depending on how many people register, who meet monthly to share food and fellowship on a more personal level. If you would like to meet people in our church in a casual and relaxed atmosphere, then this group is for you! Fellowship and Food Groups is open to all adults and will provide an opportunity to share food while meeting new people and get to know your congregation better...often people whom you may not have got to know otherwise.

**Guests may be single adults, married, divorced, widowed and yes, our ministry staff and spouses!** These events often allow for a deeper connection with others when you see them at church. All are welcome!

Thank you to Doreen Peters for coordinating this important Ministry. Please contact Doreen for more information.

**Today, Sunday, March 15th, Ministry Sunday** - Nursery, youth group, shepherding, promote Holy Week & Easter services, Altar guild

## Financial News

*Our 2020 deficit to February 29 is \$3,423. Please pray for our Parish's finances as we face these challenging times together. With the potential for Sunday service attendance disruption from COVID-19 we are in a vulnerable financial position.*



# St. Paul's News Bulletin

## March 15, 2020



## Parish Events

**Today March 15, Ministry Sunday:** Take time to see what these ministries have to offer: Nursery, youth group, shepherding, Holy Week & Easter services, and Altar guild.

**This evening, March 15th Celtic Service at 7 pm.** All are welcome to share a time of quiet reflection! We will be learning about and reflecting on Amma Macrina. Thank you to Margaret Anne Knowles for continuing to craft these for us.

**Due to concerns about the risk of COVID-19 transmission** posed by having a large crowd sharing the small Hall space together for 2 hours, we made the difficult decision to cancel Friday nights first-ever Inter-generational Team Trivia Night at St. Paul's. Thanks so much, Steve and Sean Colle (and probably Shannon, too), for all your work on this Night for us! We plan for this to be a rain check only, as we anticipate having great fun sharing this together at a future date.

**Wednesday Lenten Study:** "The Walk: Five Essential Practices of the Christian Life" by Adam Hamilton. Wednesdays to April 1. So far 25 have indicated they plan to participate, and we'd love to have more. For more information, including a video trailer, please see our Facebook page. If you plan to participate, please let the Office know so that we can be sure to have enough books for everyone.

**Men's Breakfast** will meet this Saturday, March 21st at 8:30 am join us for good food and fellowship. All men (age 13 and up) are welcome!

**Saturday, March 21st: Ladies Potluck Luncheon:** We will be meeting at 11:30 am. **Celebrate St. Patrick's Day! What's your Pot of Gold at the end of the rainbow? Come hear Shannon Colle share the Pot of Gold in her life! Come share the Pot of Gold in your life!! ALL ladies, ages 13 and up are always welcome. There's a place waiting for YOU**

**Triple C Services:** If your family is interested in participating in a Triple C service by serving in one of the worship ministries (Greeters, Sidespeople, Soundboard, Music Ministry, Servers, Readers, Leaders of the Prayers of the People, and Sacramental Assis-

tants), please contact Fergus. Our plan is to have one family at each Triple C service look after as many of these ministries as they would like to serve in, and then share the rest among the youth of our Parish. The next Triple C service is next Sunday, March 22. **The Chigbos will be our special family of honour.**

**Next Sunday, March 22:** Laetare Sunday, Mothering Sunday.

**Saturday, March 28, 10 am to 3 pm:** Parish Council Focus Day

**Sunday, April 5:** Palm Sunday, with Procession with Palms and the Dramatic Presentation of the Passion at both Services.

### Holy Week:

**Monday, April 6** — 7:30 pm Visio Divina; **Tuesday, April 7** — 7:30 pm Service of Compline @Historic Chapel; **Wednesday, April 8**—No 9:30 am Service; 7:30 pm "Tenebrae"; **Thursday, April 9**—**Maundy Thursday;** 7:30 pm — Holy Eucharist/Foot Washing/Stripping of the Sanctuary; **Friday, April 10**—**Good Friday** 11:00 am — The Liturgy of Good Friday / Reserved Sacrament Holy Eucharist; 4:00 pm — Stations of the Cross for Families / Craft / Hot Cross Buns- **Saturday, April 11 Easter Eve:** 8:30 pm.

**With the rapidly changing situation surrounding COVID-19, Parish Council is taking it as a sacred responsibility to provide the very best guidelines available to keep us all safe. The document "Ten Practices for St. Paul's in Response to COVID-19" is the result, the provisions of which account for the changes present for today's services. If you didn't receive this document by email, please pick up a hardcopy from the Info. Corner in the Hall.**

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## Outreach

### **PWRDF: A Grace for Lent from PWRDF**

God of power and might, give bread to those who are hungry, And a hunger for justice to those who have bread.

**5th Sundays of the Month are Food for Others Sundays at St. Paul's. On the fifth Sunday of the month, everyone is invited to bring non-perishable food items to share. The Food Bank bin will be brought to the front and all gifts prayed over at Announcement time. Sunday, March 29th will be the next 5th Sunday.**

**Clothing to donate?:** there are two ways to donate clothes at St. Paul's. You can leave new or used backpacks or travel bags, clothes, coats, boots and running shoes in the container marked "Alpha House" on the coat rack near the chapel. Or, you can donate any clothes or footwear by using the Calgary Humane Society collection bin beside the parking lot.

**AgeCare Seton: The next service will be this Monday, March 16 at 10 am.** Thank you to Heather Johnson and Leona Zadour for participating in this ministry. If you would like to be a part of the team going please contact Fergus. Thanks, also, to Bob Mummery for leading when Fergus can't be present.

**Father Lacombe Service:** The next service will be next Sunday, March 22.

**Inreach** With many in our Parish congregation going through financial struggles at present due to the economy, a special fund has been set-up. Donations marked "Financial Help for Parishioners" are also welcome. If you are in need of financial help, or know of someone in our Parish who is (and you have their permission), please let Fergus know. He will maintain absolute confidentiality. This is one way we can care for one another, and all get through this challenging time together. Thank you to everyone who has donated to this fund, which presently sits at approximately \$2,000 with \$5,500 having been disbursed.

## Pastoral Care

**If you know of anyone who is beginning Chemo treatment and would benefit from receiving a Chemo Care Bag** please contact Robbie Coller.

**If you'd like to be part of our Pastoral Care Team,** please contact Fergus or Nicola Peden. Training (courses from the Roman Catholic Diocese, which are paid for by the Parish) is available.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** will be meeting once a month on the second Wednesday of the month. The next meeting will be February 12 at 1 pm. All are welcome!

**Please contact Fergus if you or someone you know would like a visit.**

**Thank you to Kerry Peters for making "holding crosses" for our Pastoral Care Team to share with those they visit.**

**Grief Support Group:** we are looking at setting up a new Grief Support Group in March. If you are interested please contact the Parish Office or Laura Anne at 403 256-1428.

**We're looking for people to join a Caring Contact Ministry at St. Paul's. Carers will be asked to keep in contact with around ten households once a month, via email, phone, or in-person conversations, and to share any pastoral concerns with Fergus (e.g., if someone has lost their job, or is having surgery). The purpose is to help everyone know that they are cared for and loved as part of our Parish family. We don't want anyone to "fall through the cracks," and feel that no one knows or cares. If you'd like to be a Carer in the Caring Contact Ministry, please let Fergus know.**

*Welcome*

A word to newcomers and visitors: St. Paul's welcomes you and invites you to make this your church home. Please indicate on a pew card, located in the pew racks, how we can help you feel part of the family. Please place the card on the offering plate or hand it to one of the clergy or Parish

**If you are a newcomer, please sign our guest book which is on the stand by the sanctuary doors**

## Opportunities to Serve

**Coffee Time:** Thanks to Team 3 who prepared the coffee for today. Next Sunday is : Team 4: Smooth Operators Q-Z.

**2020 Flower Chart** is on the sign up board by the kitchen. Please remember to fill out a Dedication form and leave it in the envelope when you sign up. The cost for flowers is \$30.00 and it can be put in your envelope and marked for flowers.

**Prayer Chain Requests:** Please contact Dinah Brey with your prayer requests.

**Casserole Ministry:** If you know of anyone who would benefit from receiving a casserole. Please contact Linda Hubert.

**Cards Ministry:** Gail Munro will send greetings on behalf of our parish to anyone in the parish who is ill, etc.

**Living Waters: Sunday, March 29** is the deadline for Living Waters submissions for the April Edition. Please submit to office@stpaulscalgary.ca or by hard copy to the office.

**Rides Assistance:** If you need or can help provide rides for members who have a hard time getting to services, appointments or visiting their loved ones, please contact the office.

**Sign:** We'd like to change the sign more regularly, but to do this we need helpers. If you can

help, please contact Paul Bourgeois or the Office.

**Servers:** We are looking for more volunteers to be servers at our Sunday services **Adults are welcome to join this ministry.**

**Sunday School: Parents: Please return your child's registration form. This helps us to stay in touch with you and also lets us know about food allergies and permission for photos. Thank you for looking after this promptly.**

**Monthly Cleaning Volunteers** If you would like more info. please contact Laura Anne at the Parish Office.

**Altar Guild: If you are interested in serving on the Altar Guild please let Robbie know.**

**Parish Council:** We are looking for volunteers for the following positions: **Deputy Warden and Youth contact on Parish Council (a teen age 16 or older).** If you are interested in any of these positions or would like more information please contact the Wardens or Fergus.

**The following donations** would be greatly appreciated for the Celtic Service and Art group. There will be a box labelled Celtic Group in the coat racks for donations. Thank you! empty gift cards or cards of similar size; clean Styrofoam meat trays; magazines with lots of nature photographs; decorative papers.

### **Regular Weekly Activities at St. Paul's:**

**Sun.: Alpha Youth Series** 10 am—1st and 3rd Sundays

**Mon.: Bible Study:** 7:00 pm

**Prayer Group:** 7:30 pm

**Tues.: Young at Heart** will be taking a break from meeting for the next little while

**Wed.: Holy Eucharist:** 9:30 am

(Grey Booklet 1st to 3rd, BCP 4th, and Celtic 5th Wednesdays.)

**Bible Study:** 10:30 am & 7:30 pm Lenten Study "The Walk" DVD Study

**Prayer Shawl Ministry** (2nd Wednesday each Month) March 11 at 1 pm

**Thurs.: TOPS:** 6:30 pm

**Après EFM:** 7:00 pm (1st & 3rd Thursdays)

**Choir practice** 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. (If you'd like to join the choir, please contact Paul Bourgeois)