



# St. Paul's News Bulletin

## November 15, 2020



### Parish Events

**Our in-person 9:30 am Services have begun!** If you'd like to attend, it's necessary to register ahead of time. To do this, you can go to our website and click on "Plan Your Visit," or phone or email the Parish Office. The deadline is **Fri. 9 am.** For more registration information, please contact the Office. If you're planning to attend in-person Sun. Services, you must take Alberta Health Services' Self Assessment (available online at <https://myhealth.alberta.ca/Journey/COVID-19/Pages/Assessment.aspx>) before proceeding into the Sanctuary. Hopefully, you'll do this at home before coming. If you forget, you'll need to read the Assessment posted on the church door before you can participate.

This Sunday's Live Stream Service will be posted live at 9:30 am on our main Facebook page. PLEASE NOTE: You don't have to have a Facebook account to watch. You just need to go to the link <https://www.facebook.com/stpaulscalgary> and click on the video. (Facebook allows you to watch the most recent posting on a Facebook page without having an account.) After Nov. 15, if you don't have Facebook, by going to our website (<https://www.stpaulscalgary.ca/podcasts/media>), you'll be able to watch the Service by clicking on the link there.

**Returning to In-person Services:** Our "Plan to Reopen Safely for Public Worship" has been emailed or mailed to everyone on the Parish List. The Plan, Fergus' Covering Letter, and 3 Points of Clarification, are also all posted on our website under "About/Resources/Documents/COVID-19 Reopening Plan," and linked on Facebook and Twitter. Fergus will also email (on request) "25 Things to Do or Expect on Sunday," to answer questions you may have about what your Sunday worship experience will be like, if you attend in-person.

**Sunday School and Youth EPIC Zoom Event:** Calling all Children & Youth of St. Paul's - We miss your beautiful smiles and the sound of your laughter! You are invited to join the first ever St. Paul's EPIC Club (EPIC for Encouraging People In Christ).

The first EPIC Zoom Event will take place Sat., Nov. 21, from 1:00 to 2:30. We will be making PRETZELS and having a Scavenger Hunt. Because we will be using the oven, please ensure you have a parent or other trusted adult with you.

**ALL AGE RANGES FROM TODDLERS TO TEENS (PLUS PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS) ARE WELCOME!** Please spread the word, and invite family and friends to join us! To participate (you'll need the Zoom link), please contact Shannon ([shadodds@telus.net](mailto:shadodds@telus.net)) or Fergus. Thank you, Shannon, and all who are helping lead this wonderful activity, and the activities to come!

**Sunday Coffee Time:** Everybody's invited to share Virtual Coffee Time after the Sunday Service at **11:30 am** via Zoom. The Zoom link is included with the PDF Order of Service on our website under the Sermon tab.

**Prayer Group Ministry:** Members of this ministry lift up prayer requests given to the Prayer Group in their daily prayers, and are now gathering together on the 3rd Mon-

days of the month via Zoom. The next Zoom Meeting is 7:30 p.m. this Mon., Nov. 16. If you have a prayer request, or would like to join this vital ministry, please contact Dinah at [breu.dinah@gmail.com](mailto:breu.dinah@gmail.com), or Fergus.

**Midweek Prayer Service:** Video Prayer Services are posted on a weekday (usually Thursday) in the 1st and 3rd weeks of the month on Facebook and YouTube. **Look for the late night Service of Compline to be posted between Nov. 16 and 19.** The easiest way to view these on YouTube is to subscribe to our Channel. The link is on the bottom of this page.

**Advent Study:** "Rejoice! Advent Meditations with Mary and Joseph." On four Wednesdays from November 25 to December 16 at 10:30 am or 7:30 pm, via Zoom, we'll reflect together on the events leading up to the birth of our Lord from the perspective of Mary and Joseph, through video discussions and guided meditations from Fr. Mark Touns and friends, and Bible Study from the United Methodist Church. To register please contact Fergus at [pastorfergus@gmail.com](mailto:pastorfergus@gmail.com). Everyone is invited.

**Caring Contact Ministry:** Helpers in our Caring Contact Ministry contact the households on their lists once a month, and share any pastoral concerns with Fergus. If you'd like to join this Ministry, please let Fergus know.

**Offerings:** Thank you for continuing to give your Offering when so many of us are unable to be physically present together. It's critical to helping us fulfill our Mission. Here are ways we can do this. We can donate via our website (<https://www.stpaulscalgary.ca/donate>). This is completely secure, with the highest level of PCI compliance. We can also mail our Offering (perhaps post-dated cheques) via regular post; drop it off in the Office mailbox (phoning 1st); arrange for it to be picked up from our mailboxes; or set up direct depositing (for the form, go to our website, type "Donation" in the search box, and click on "Pre Authorized Donations"). We can also now use e-transfers. Please use the email [gift@stpaulscalgary.ca](mailto:gift@stpaulscalgary.ca). No password is needed; to help our Envelope Secretary, please included your envelope number in the "message" spot.

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**YouTube:** <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCldxfHv5pFYST-j8as1GVg>  
**Pastor's Postings:** [pastorfergus.wordpress.com/](https://pastorfergus.wordpress.com/)

## Youth Group

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

**The Alpha Youth Film Series has been postponed.**

**Check out** our Youth Group Facebook page to see more details about what's happening:

<https://www.facebook.com/StPaulsCalgaryYouth>.

## Diocesan and Community Events

**St. Edmund's Food Bank Has Reopened:** We are in need of donations as the demand has already increased and we anticipate a sharp rise over the coming months with the unemployment rate and CoVid 19-related financial difficulties people are now facing. If you are able to assist with donations of non-perishable OR fresh OR frozen food items, please contact us: (403) 288 6330 or [email@stedmundscalgary.org](mailto:email@stedmundscalgary.org) for a safe drop-off time. For monetary donations, please mail your cheques (payable to St. Edmund King & Martyr Anglican Church) to 8336 - 34 Avenue NW, Calgary, AB, T3B 1R2. If you would prefer to e-transfer, please contact Linda Anderson, Bishop's Warden at [email@stedmundscalgary.org](mailto:email@stedmundscalgary.org) or (403) 615-065.

### **A Monthly Rosary - via Zoom**

Second Saturday of each month at 2:00 pm

The Rev. Jerrod McCormack will be offering a monthly rosary via Zoom, on the second Saturday of each month at 2:00 pm. These services usually run for 30 minutes. Time is taken to share intentions with one another and then to pray the rosary together. If you are interested you can contact Jerrod at [RevJerrod@gmail.com](mailto:RevJerrod@gmail.com), and he will send you the link.

## Our Ministries



**Greeters:** It is so important to have people at the doors greeting those coming in. It sets the stage for a welcoming, loving Parish. In our present COVID-19 situation, it also helps keep everyone in a safe environment. All that is needed is a friendly welcome and a big smile! Please contact Fergus if you are interested in this ministry.

**Sidespersons:** After the Greeters the next people that guests will meet are our Sidespersons, who greet and show people where to sit. Sidespersons guide the congregation up for communion, and as they leave the Sanctuary at the end of the Service. Please contact Fergus if you are interested in this ministry.

**Floater:** Those in this ministry assist the Greeters and Sidespersons in their duties, and (if called upon) pinch hit for either. Please contact Fergus if you are interested in this ministry.

**Lesson Readers:** It is important to have members of the Parish participating in the Services. Lesson reading is one way that volunteers can do this. Please contact Robbie if you feel this is a way you could contribute.

**Sacramental Assistants:** This is another important way for individuals to participate in the Services. There is training required to do this ministry. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Fergus.

**Servers:** This ministry is a good way for our young people to get involved in our services. However, it is open to adults also. Training is provided. At present, this ministry is on hold due to COVID-19.

**Counters:** This is a job that requires after the Service time. It is a very important ministry for our Parish. If you are interested in helping please contact Roxie via the Office. At present, this Ministry is being done by Murray only, due to COVID-19.

**Communications:** There are many ways to help with communications in our Parish. Changing our sign, submissions to *Living Waters*, helping to get mailings out etc. If you are interested in being a part of this ministry contact Paul.

**St. Paul's Christmas Market and Christmas Dinner and Pageant:** These events won't be happening this year but we hope to have them again next year.

**Secret Friends:** This is a fun way to put a smile on a friend's face through out the year. For more information contact Julie via the Office.

**November 15, Ministry Sunday** – Greeters, Sidespersons, Floaters, Lesson Readers, Sacramental Assistants, Servers, Counters, Communications, St. Paul's Christmas Market and Christmas Dinner and Pageant, Secret Friends ministry

## Financial News

***Our deficit to September is \$2,242. Thank you to everyone who is helping support our Mission financially in this time when so many of us are unable to worship together physically. Ways to do this are listed on the front of this News Bulletin. Please pray for our Parish's finances as we face these challenging times together.***



## Outreach

**PWRDF:** In our Parish family, we've been praying for comfort for the people of Lebanon after the terrible explosion in Beirut, and the chaos that's followed. Here's a way we can be part of the answer to our prayers, through PWRDF and the Government's Matching Fund. For info go to [https://pwrdf.org/donations-for-lebanon-eligible-for-humanitarian-coalition-match-through-membership-in-foodgrains-bank/?fbclid=IwAR35ChVPiIUHdB0ahLH\\_RCwn6uzB18VUyP35heCVTP8cfbskmtYdCZRgk](https://pwrdf.org/donations-for-lebanon-eligible-for-humanitarian-coalition-match-through-membership-in-foodgrains-bank/?fbclid=IwAR35ChVPiIUHdB0ahLH_RCwn6uzB18VUyP35heCVTP8cfbskmtYdCZRgk)

**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 \$3,700 with \$6,100 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 Collier.

If you'd like to be part of our Pastoral Care Team, please contact Fergus or Nicola Peden.

Prayer Shawl Ministry will be meeting once a month on the second Wednesday of the month. 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.

## Opportunities to Serve

**2020 Flower Chart** still has a few spaces available. If you are interested in signing up for a date please let Laura Anne know at the Office. If The cost for flowers is \$30.00. **Thank you to Midnapore Flower Magic for supplying our flowers as Michelle's has moved.**

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

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

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

**Grocery Pick-up Ministry:** If you would like to help pick up groceries or prescriptions for those who cannot get out, please contact the Office.

**Living Waters:** This **Monday, October 26** is the deadline for Living Waters submissions for the October Edition. Please submit to [office@stpaulscalgary.ca](mailto:office@stpaulscalgary.ca).

**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.**

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

**Parish Council:** We are looking for people to serve as **Deputy People's Warden and Youth contact on Parish Council (a teen age 16 or older)**. If you are interested in either of these positions or would like more information please contact the Wardens or Fergus.

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

(Please Note: All in-person activities are discontinued until further notice)

- Sun.:** Alpha Youth Series 10 am—1st and 3rd Sundays (*postponed*)
- Mon. :** Bible Study: 7:00 pm (*postponed*)  
**Prayer Group : 7:30 pm (3rd Mondays of the month)**
- Wed. :** **Video Midweek Prayer Service: 9:30 am (1st and 3rd Weeks of the month)**  
**REJOICE! Advent Meditations with Mary and Joseph begins November 25 at 10:30 am or 7:30 pm**  
**"Simply Christian" Video Study (via Zoom): Resumes January 6**
- Thurs.:** Prayer Shawl Ministry (2nd Wednesday each Month in new year) (*postponed*)  
TOPS : 6:30 pm (*postponed*)  
Choir practice (If you'd like to join the choir, please contact Paul Bourgeois) (*postponed*)
- Sat.:** Men's Breakfast: 8:30 am—3rd Saturdays (*postponed*)  
**Ladies Luncheon: 11:30 am—3rd Saturdays (for location please contact the Parish Office)**  
**Sunday School and Youth Family EPIC Event (via Zoom): 1:30 pm (Nov. 21)**