



St. Paul's Anglican Church



2020 Annual Reports

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St. Paul's Anglican Church 2021 Proposed Budget (\$)

	2021 Pro- posed Budget AMP	2021 Proposed Budget BAL- ANCED	2020 Actual	Comments
Income				
General	200,000	222,600	192,640	2020+2019 Actual /2 +Balancing
Open	2,500	2,500	326	2020+2019 Actual /2
Special/Sunday School Open	150	150	270	2020+2019 Actual /2
Total Offering	202,650	225,250	193,236	
Other income	4,000	4,000	1,090	2020+2019 Actual /2
COVID-19 Relief Subsidy	0	0	17,920	N/A
Hall Rentals	1,000	1,000	1,600	2020+2019 Actual /2
Fundraising events	550	550	1,169	2020+2019 Actual /2
Total Income	<u>208,200</u>	<u>230,800</u>	<u>215,015</u>	
Expense				
Utilities/Insurance	13,900	13,900	12,995	2020+2019 Actual /2
General Maintenance	13,300	13,300	14,373	2020+2019 Actual /2
Administration	24,000	24,000	21,037	2020+2019 Actual /2
Ministerial	115,000	115,000	116,800	same as 2020 less Assistant
Apportionment	30,500	30,500	16,617	same as 2020
Communications	1,000	1,000	738	2020+2019 Actual /2
Worship	7,350	7,350	6,651	2020+2019 Actual /2
Christian Education	2,000	2,000	1,259	2020+2019 Actual /2
Hospitality, Fellowship	1,100	1,100	27	2020+2019 Actual /2
Outreach	20,250	22,600	8,708	10% of Total Offering
Pastoral Care	100	100	0	2020+2019 Actual /2
Other	200	200	71	2020+2019 Actual /2
Total Expense	<u>228,700</u>	<u>231,050</u>	<u>199,276</u>	
Net Operating Profit/ (Loss)	<u>-20,500</u>	<u>-250</u>	<u>15,739</u>	
Other Income				
Interest Revenue	250	250	251	2020+2019 Actual /2
Net Profit/(Loss)	<u>-20,250</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>15,990</u>	

St. Paul's 2021 Budget

The 2021 operating budget was prepared based on the fiscal 2020 actual results and presented to Parish Council at our January 12, 2021 meeting.

Parish council supported the 2021 budget with the following assumptions:

The budget was prepared using 2020 + 2019 actuals divided by 2 or a reasonable amount budgeted.
The Dioceses has directed that Salaries and Apportionment will not be increased.
Internal Salaries have not been increased.
Outreach is 10% based on Total Offering.

In General

AMP budget versus Balanced Budget – The proposed AMP budget reflect the anticipated income and expenditure for 2021. As St Paul's is a non- profit organisation a balanced budget is prepared, with the adjustment made to the General offering to balance.

Apportionment - supports not only the administrative costs of the Diocese, but also contributes to many of the Diocesan Outreach programmes.

Outreach

Considers both our financial and volunteer support to the wider community
Includes "Inreach Support" which is an Incumbent's discretionary funds for Pastoral and Contact Care Ministries

Ministries - the budget supports the many Ministries we have at St Paul's.

Foster Child - continued sponsorship/financial support of our foster child, Desta Keweti

Interest revenue is the interest on our savings account (primarily Directed Funds) and the \$5000 GIC that secures our Visa account.

Observations

The 2020 actuals show a Net Profit of \$15 990; this was due to a COVID-19 Subsidy of \$17 920 a reduction of apportionment of \$13 393 and reduction of Outreach of \$13 892 and a reduction of general offering of \$24 000.

This Net Profit will be required to fund the 2021 budget operating expenses. The Diocese has confirmed that the apportionment will be required to be paid in 2021 and no further known COVID-19 subsidies are anticipated.



St. Paul's Anglican Church

Balance Sheet as at December 2020

Assets	
Chequing Account	18,482
Savings Account	46,141
GICs	
<i>Accrued Interest</i>	165
<i>Principal</i>	5,149
Total GICs	5,315
GST Receivable	289
Total Assets	70,226
Liabilities	
Business VISA	-147
Outreach Tithe/Specified	2,256
Inreach - assistance for parishioners	6,273
PWRDF payable	600
MCES Payable	2,953
Total Liabilities	11,935
Net Assets	58,291
Equity	
Directed Funds	
Capital Improvement	16,315
Memorials	5,013
Sunday School	55
Youth Programs	2,533
Cancer Bags - Donated Funds	350
Total Directed Funds	24,266
Directed Funds - Chattel	
Chattel-Equipment	1,656
Chattel-Furnishings	421
Chattel-Audio-Visual/Technology	7,297
Total Directed Funds - Chattel	9,374
Historical Balancing/Retained Earnings	8,661
Retained Earnings	15,990
Total Equity	58,291

St. Paul's Anglican Church 2020 Comparative Income Statement (\$)

	2020 Actual	2020 Budget AMP		2019 Actual
Income				
General	192,640	216,425		216,425
Open	326	4,300		4,319
Special/Sunday School Open	270	50		50
Offering Total	193,236	220,775		220,794
Other income	2690	11,100		11,126
COVID-19 Relief Subsidies	17,920	0		0
Youth Event Fund transfer	0	0		500
Find Transfer	0	0		358
Fundraising events	1,169	4,100		4113
Total Income	<u>215,015</u>	<u>235,975</u>		<u>236,891</u>
Expense				
Utilities/Insurance	12,995	15,089		14,779
General Maintenance	14,373	12,481		12,224
Administration	21,037	26,452		27,803
Ministerial	116,800	116,872		115,556
Apportionment	16,617	30,468		33,108
Communications	738	1,284		1,258
Worship	6,651	8,143		8,008
Christian Education	1,259	2,734		2,678
Hospitality, Fellowship	27	2,076		2,034
Outreach	8,708	22,079		22,326
Pastoral Care	0	417		409
Other	71	583		571
Total Expense	<u>199,276</u>	<u>238,678</u>		<u>240,753</u>
Net Operating Profit/(Loss)	<u>15,739</u>	<u>-2,703</u>		<u>-3,862</u>
Other Income				
Interest Revenue	251	925		927
Transfer to Project Fund	0	0		-245
Net Profit/(Loss)	<u>15,990</u>	<u>-1,778</u>		<u>-3,180</u>

2020 Treasurer's Report

St Paul's ended the 2020 year with an Operating Profit of \$15 739 whilst trending a deficit for most of the year. This was a positive outcome, however there are several contributable factors.

Whilst Offerings were high in December; the General offerings were down by ~\$24 000 overall. Due to Covid-19 the Diocese gave relief to parishes and reduced our apportionment by \$13 393. We were able to obtain a COVID-19 Subsidy of \$17 920 from the Government for a few months. Outreach was reduced considerably by \$13 892 as a precautionary measure to ensure operating expenses could be covered. Other operating costs that were reduced compared to the budget are due to limited to no physical presence at the church.

This year we introduced e-transfer for donations, this has been well received, as has the Canada HELPS online giving from our Website.

With continued commitment from all our congregation members and friends, we hope to continue the support of our Ministries and Mission "Opening Hearts and Minds to God's Grace."

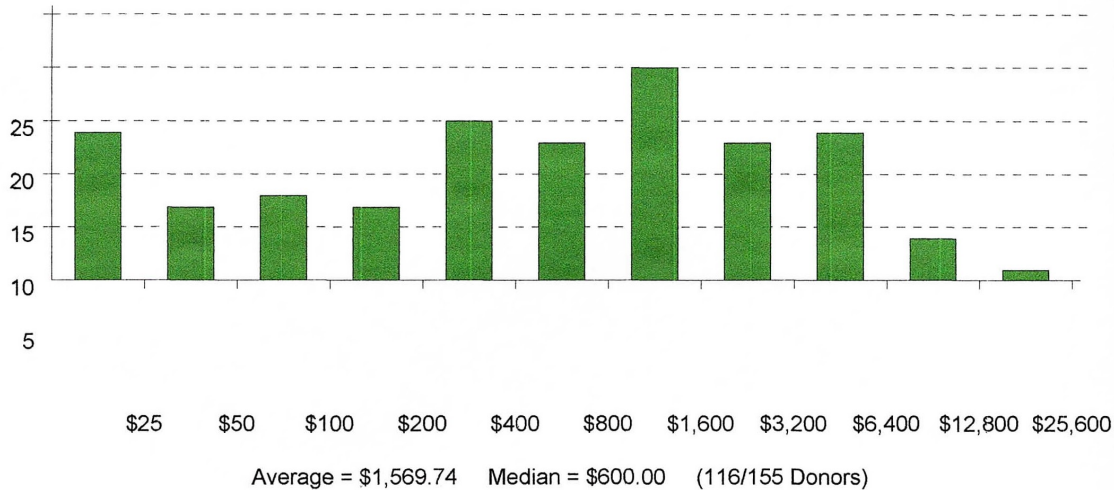
Respectfully Submitted
Karen Huq, Treasurer



Envelope Secretary Report 2019

of Donors per Donation Range from: 1 Jan 2020 to: 31 Dec 2020

St. Paul's has been blessed in 2020 with the following donations



Number of contributors with envelopes - 77, of these 19 are pre-authorized

Number of Shadow contributors (these are people who give to the church, but do not have envelopes) - 38, of these 14 are pre-authorized.

Thanksgiving and Christmas donations are counted from special envelopes only and do not indicate the total amounts given on these days.

Respectively submitted
Debra Brisbin Envelope Secretary

Total Donations from: 1 Jan 2020 to: 31 Dec 2020		
General	66,907.57	\$66,907.57
Pre-Authorized donations(PAD)	92,445.00	\$92,445.00
E-Transfer	14,200	\$14,200
Sunday School	15.00	\$15.00
In Reach	2,670.00	\$2,670.00
PWRDF	1,655.00	\$1,655.00
CAWST	100.00	\$100.00
Open	321.45	\$321.45
Memorial	100.00	\$100.00
Flowers	760.00	\$760.00
Youth	240.00	\$240.00
envelopes	125.00	\$125.00
Thanksgiving	20.00	\$20.00
Christmas	120.00	\$120.00
Birthday Party	656.00	\$656.00
Capital Improvements	1,745.00	\$1745.00
Total	\$182,090.02	\$182,090.02

MCES (Midnapore Church of England Society) Summarized Financials as at Dec. 31/19

Assets (Bank Balances)

MCES Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2020	
ASSETS	
Basic Banking Chequing Account	11,225
St. Paul's - MCES funds account	4,270
Canada Helps - St. Paul's receivable	11,524
GIC (1 separate GIC placed Dec. 4, 2020 maturing Jan. 4, 2021 @ 0.135% per annum	
#1 Accrued interest	30
Principal	303,866
Total GIC (#1)	303,897
GIC (1 separate GIC placed Jun. 17, 2020 maturing Dec. 17, 2020 @ 0.6% per annum	
#2 Accrued interest	90
Principal	30,000
Total GIC (#2)	30,090
GIC (1 separate GIC placed Jun. 17, 2020 maturing Jun. 17, 2021 @ 0.8% per annum	
#3 Accrued interest	65
Principal	15,000
Total GIC (#3)	15,065
Total GIC's (#1, #2, & #3)	349,052
TOTAL ASSETS	376,070
EQUITY	
Society Equity	376,070
TOTAL EQUITY	376,070



Midnapore Church of England Society

Report of the Midnapore Church of England Society for 2020

Dear Friends of MCES and St. Paul's Parish:

This has been a quiet year for MCES with COVID-19 Virus precluding in person meetings or other group activities other than our AGM, which was held on January 28, 2020. However, MCES continues to exist and carry on with its role of maintaining St. Paul's Chapel and cemetery. Thank you to Robert Worden for his work on maintenance, including installation of new floodlights which show the Chapel to best advantage at night, while supervising the contract for grass cutting and for general grounds maintenance. Thank you to Carol Ann Shaw for keeping the Chapel clean and tidy. The Directors also recommended the purchase and installation of a new Organ/Keyboard for the Chapel; thanks to Paul Bourgeois for researching and arranging this purchase. Finally, our Provincial Historic Resource insignia was installed by the front entrance to the Chapel this summer.



The financial position of St. Paul's MCES Trust Fund ("the Trust Fund") which provides for maintenance, repairs, etc. continues to be strong, with \$303,900 invested in Guaranteed Investment Certificates. We note with regret that Dan Brisbin will be stepping down from his role in overseeing the Trust Fund effective on December 31st. We thank Dan for contributions to St. Paul's and MCES and assistance in administering and preparing financials over many years and for his offer to assist in the transition to whomever the Parish will be designating as his successor.

With the retirement of Dan, I thought it might be a good time to refresh memories about some aspects of the Midnapore Church of England Society (MCES)'s relationship is to the Parish. Our role is laid out in the agreement of June 1, 1995 with the Vestry and body corporate of St. Paul's Anglican Church Parish ("The Agreement").

MCES's role is to raise funds on behalf of the Parish for the Trust Fund. The Parish in turn covenants to retain and keep the Trust Fund monies in investments authorized by law for the Parish as a charity and trustee, in a separate account, together with any interest earned thereon, and to pay out sums in any fiscal year for maintenance, repair, preservation, restoration, and improvement of the chapel and grounds, as recommended by MCES. MCES is not a charity and is not permitted to accept charitable donations or to give tax receipts for the same; funds solicited for MCES purposes are made to St. Paul's Anglican Church, which as a charity can issue tax receipts.

The Parish retains exclusive power regarding investment of the trust fund, (although they have in past sought MCES Directors' advice on investment terms), and the Parish is obligated under The Agreement to report to MCES Directors at least annually with financial information on the Trust Fund, including the projected income for the coming year, to ensure that the corpus of the endowment is not eroded.

Under The Agreement, MCES is entitled to an easement and license to enter upon the Chapel and grounds for the purposes of maintenance, repair etc. and does not exercise control over the use of the Chapel or of the cemetery plots, which remains the sole responsibility of the Parish of St. Paul's. However, the Parish agrees to retain one half of the proceeds of sale of any cemetery plots for deposit into the Trust Fund.

In closing, let me thank everyone for your continuing support of MCES and St. Paul's Parish and on behalf of the Directors of MCES, I wish you a peaceful, happy, and healthy 2021.

Respectfully submitted by Neil Brown, Chair, MCES

Warden's Reports

INCUMBENT WARDEN REPORT 2020

The year 2020 was, to say the least, a year of challenge at St. Paul's. First, I want to thank Fergus, Cam and Ingrid for their support on corporation. I also want to thank members of parish council for their patience and support throughout 2020. I especially want to thank our treasurer Karen Hills-Huq for her help throughout the year, especially on government aid programs.

In spite of the church being physically closed for most of the year, there were many volunteers that reached out to the congregation to maintain a sense of community, made it possible to have safe in-person services in October and November and made virtual worship possible for most of the year. Yes, it's not the same, we lost the closeness of our fellowship. However, we had our choir's joyous singing on CD. Paul and the choir continue to record music, so 2021 will sound good. Thank you to the many volunteers that helped us through 2020.

Technology and innovation played key roles in helping us adapt to the challenges of 2020. Our worship services were available on our website, then on Facebook and YouTube. We Zoomed through Christian education programs and parish council meetings and social events like coffee time and the Ladies Christmas Party. We also instituted eTransfer donations, which many people find convenient.

In 2021, we will still have the two challenges of fiscal support and volunteer time. We need to walk together with the help of the Holy Spirit to meet these challenges/opportunities in the future.

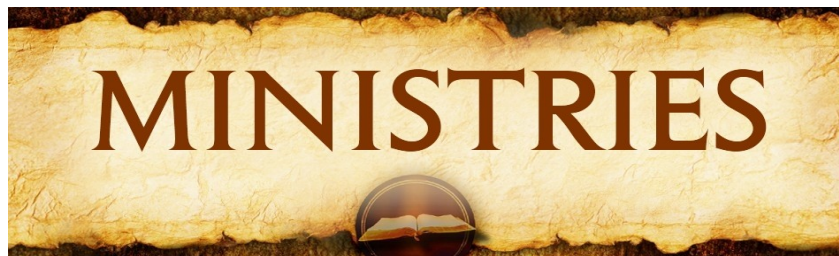
Respectfully submitted,
Murray Sykes

PEOPLE'S WARDEN REPORT 2020

'May you live in interesting times' is a saying claimed to be an ancient Chinese curse which seems to be appropriate for 2020. Due to health rules and the desire to keep people safe from Covid-19, our regular church life was disrupted unlike anything in the last 100 years. Yet this disruption also showed the strength of our parish community. With the hard and creative work of members like Paul Bourgeois, Murray Sykes and others, services through video and live streaming were made available to the Parish (and in fact the world). In the brief period we conducted limited services in the fall, attendees and helpers were supportive of one another – willing to change patterns and rituals that they had followed most of their lives. The innovative EPIC program over Zoom for Sunday School, Youth and their families; and the efforts by others in the congregation to organize 'virtual events' demonstrated the creativity and flexibility that has always been part of the Christian story. In particular Fergus put tremendous effort into maintaining and strengthening our church community through his leadership in virtual services and bible studies, and his regular correspondence through email. With no church service to attend and in some cases precarious employment, people could have stopped giving – but most did not and giving was only 11% below 2019. It is indeed a blessing from God that we have in our congregation the people and resources that have allowed us to deal with the pandemic.

We expect 2021, especially the first half, to be similar to 2020. However, we can be confident that our church will continue to be the strong faith community that we demonstrated in 2020. Despite these difficulties, our response to the pandemic has provided us with valuable lessons and tools in how to reach out to people living in isolation and in the use of new technology in our mission. The end of the pandemic will not bring an end to people having challenges with participation in church life due to distance, timing or mobility challenges. We anticipate that the skills we've developed in response to the pandemic can be used to enhance our mission to the Parish into the future. As it happens 'May you live in interesting times' is neither ancient nor Chinese and so maybe not so much of a curse either.

Cameron Cline



ALTAR GUILD REPORT 2020

The altar guild teams prepare the Altar for regular weekly services as well as baptisms, weddings, funerals, and additional services connected to Lent, Holy Week, Easter, advent and Christmas. The teams prepare the communion vessels, flowers, candles, linens and lectionary books as a gift to God and to all who come to worship at St. Paul's.

This has been a very different year for altar guild. I need to extend a big thank you to my new altar guild partner...my husband Rick...he has come to church each Friday and helped me set up the altar and put up banners etc....I couldn't have done it without him! Also a big thank you to Fergus for his guidance and assistance.

I miss my team members...Nicola Peden, Kathleen Robinson, Laura Ann Fink, Laura O'Neil, Karla Manuel, Heather Johnson, Loret MacDonald and Joan McCartney...I hope we can become a team again soon in this new year!

If anyone wishes to be part of this ministry...please contact me @ 403-869-6608 or randrcoller@gmail.com. Training is provided and we work in teams so you are not alone!

Respectfully submitted,
Robbie Collier

BIBLE STUDY: **MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY**

We are a dedicated group of eleven members who meet on Monday evenings at 7 pm under the leadership of Rev. Cyril Haynes. Our focus is the study of a specific book of the Bible and our resulting discussions are varied and profound. New members are always welcome. Unfortunately we have not been able to meet for most of the year due to COVID-19 restrictions.

WEDNESDAY MORNING

A group of us get together on Wednesday mornings to set aside some time to read and to share our thoughts about scripture. What we do is to take time to reflect on passages for the upcoming Sunday. There are no particular expectations – some like to read, others less so... some like to contribute, others to meditate! What we are trying to do is build an accepting and non-threatening atmosphere. "Drop-ins" from busy lives are always welcome. Several of us attend Holy Eucharist at 9:30 am., but others prefer to join us for coffee at about 10:15. We start each meeting with a brief time of prayer and conclude our

time together at around 11:30. We do hope that some of you will join us; you are assured of a warm welcome!

Fergus leads us in Advent and Lenten studies in these seasons.

Due to the COVID-19 restrictions the Wednesday morning Bible Study and an Advent study were offered as ZOOM meetings during 2020. Thank you to M'Laurel for all you do.

CARD MINISTRY

At St. Paul's, we send cards to member of our family who are hospitalized, recovering from surgery or an illness, or experiencing bereavement, as an expression of our caring as a parish family. The majority of those who receive cards are identified by the clergy and Laura Anne, but if you know of someone in our Parish family whom you believe would be encouraged by a card, please let the clergy or Laura Anne know.

Respectfully Submitted by
Gail Munro



CARING CONTACT MINISTRY

At St. Paul's, we have a Caring Contact Ministry to offer encouragement to the members of our Parish in our shared discipleship. As I said in my Report last year, we established this Ministry "to help everyone feel 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." In 2020, COVID-19 made the magnified the need for this Ministry, as people faced isolation, sickness and the threat of sickness, family tensions, and economic hardship, all without so many of the ways of being connected with and supported by others they have known, due to the limits to physical interaction required to keep from spreading the disease. To try to meet this need, we moved the development of this ministry into overdrive. The result was that by the spring, we had 27 Helpers connecting with 232 households on our Parish List. Helpers keep in contact with up to ten households once a month, via email, texting, phone calls, or (once the COVID-19 crisis is past) in-person conversations. In so doing, they and those with whom they keep contact experience the truth of the saying: "A sorrow shared is a sor-

row halved; a joy shared is a joy doubled." Helpers and I have ongoing conversations to support them as they carry out their Ministry, and to keep me abreast of how those on their list are doing. I want to offer my sincerest thanks to all who are serving in this Ministry as Caring Contact Helpers. You are making a difference in people's lives, helping us all get through these most challenging times together. It would be wonderful to have more Helpers, as we have 285 households on our Parish List, and (of course) hope that this number will only increase over time. I ask any who can help in this Ministry to please let me know. Training and ongoing support will be provided.

Respectfully submitted by
the Reverend Fergus Tyson
January 22, 2021

CASSEROLE MINISTRY

The casserole ministry is comprised of willing volunteers who prepare casseroles in their own homes for those experiencing short term hospitalization, sickness, or other situations where a casserole would be helpful. It is as simple as making extra when doing a regular family meal and then freezing it to be available when a need arises. A small list of volunteers is maintained and we call upon them to provide a casserole from time to time.

In 2020, we have given out approximately sixteen casseroles. This does not include those given directly by you to one another of which I am not necessarily aware.

If you would be willing to join us in this very practical way of showing Christ's love to one another, we are seeking a new coordinator, and always welcome new casserole providers. If you become aware of anyone who would benefit from receiving a casserole, please contact the church office or Linda Hubert.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Hubert

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Although most of the year we were unable to meet in person, Fergus used Zoom to keep Christian education programs available throughout the year. At St. Paul's there are a number of opportunities to grow in our understanding as we seek a deeper relationship with God.

Here are some of the opportunities that were available in 2020;

- Sunday sermons and Living Waters articles
- Monday evening and Wednesday morning bible studies. Thanks to Fergus, Cyril and M'Laurel
- Alpha program finished in February and Youth Alpha started but was suspended
- A number of studies; Lenten study Adam Hamilton's

The Walk, The Way of Love (April to June), The Chosen (June through Sept), N. T. Wright's Simply Christian (started in October) and Advent study Rejoice: Advent Meditations with Mary and Joseph

- Thursday evening EFM Alum's studies
- Pastor's Postings Blog and St. Paul's Facebook pages and Twitter feed
- Parish library, Fergus's Book Nook, and Resource Table handouts
- Thanks to Nicola Peden for offering 3 Labyrinth presentations - both online via Zoom and in-person outside at Christ Church - in September.

Many thanks go to Fergus, our clergy team and others that make these opportunities available. A thank you also goes to all those who participate in these opportunities to learn together.

Respectfully submitted,
Murray Sykes

COMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY REPORT

Our website, www.stpaulscalgary.ca, is one of the ways in which we communicate with everyone. Weekly bulletins, Living Waters, service times, and special events are all posted on our site. With in-church activities suspended for most of 2020 due to Covid-19, we initially began recording our services and posting a link to them on our website. In the fall, we turned to livestreaming our services to our Facebook page, uploading the recorded service to YouTube and posting the link to our website.

Many of our parish activities are also featured on our Facebook Page (stpaulscalgary) or you can follow us on Twitter (@stpaulscalgary or @Pastor_Fergus). Rev. Fergus's blog postings - <http://pastorfergus.wordpress.com/> - are still available but are not currently being updated.

We continue to advertise in several monthly community newsletters but not on a monthly basis. We only advertise when we have specific events coming up or for Christmas and Easter. As well, special events notices are sent to the Faith Pages where they are listed for free in both the Sun and the Herald. Due to COVID-19 we have not been advertising in the community newsletters in order to lower expenses.

Updating the information on our permanent sign is fairly easy to do, but it is better if two people do the update. The sign requires a thorough cleaning at least once every year as the spiders and bugs make quite a mess of the inside where the letters are posted. While frequent updates were not needed in 2020 due to the suspension of in-church activities, we still need volunteers for both activities. Please contact the church office if you can help out.

Submitted by
Paul Bourgeois, Parish Council Communications Liaison

COMMUNITY CONNECTION REPORT

At St. Paul's Anglican Church, we are committed to connecting with our community by organizing and involving in activities where we are able to meet with people and groups in our various communities.

Due to the global pandemic, we could not embark on the various plans and activities we had outlined for the year 2020.

Connecting with our community is a crucial part of our calling as a Parish, and our hope is to continue to develop and deepen our connections in 2021 with various events, activities and programs.

Respectfully Submitted,
Muyi Ekomwenrenren

FATHER LACOMBE CENTRE VOLUNTEERS

Sunday Ministry

It is an honour to share communion and music each month with residents of the Father Lacombe Care Centre, a not-for-profit long-term care residence in Midnapore,.

In January and February, the usual service on the fourth Sunday of each month was successfully held.

Unfortunately, that ministry had to cease abruptly because of Covid-19 lockdowns before our March service and we don't know when we can resume.

Thank you to our merry band of volunteers who help make these services happen. There are a variety of ways to participate: sitting with residents during the service, helping find the correct page in the songbook, pushing wheelchairs to gather participants, singing along with hymns, or simply smiling to make someone feel welcome. I believe this is a meaningful way for St. Paul's to live God's love in the community. And the effect of Covid-19 on long-term care centres has made it clear just how much these residents need and deserve our care. Whether you can join us on a regular basis, or even just for one service, I think you would be surprised at how joyful and uplifting the experience can be.

Thank you Norman for being our regular celebrant, and Fergus and Bob for filling in as required.

I expect there will be some changes made when we are finally able to return. I will try to ensure any updates are publicized in the bulletin and in Living Waters, but if you have questions, please email me at kathleenrobinson@shaw.ca.

Blessings,
Kathleen Robinson

Friday Sing-a-long

Our weekly Friday visits to Father Lacombe nursing home which have been going on for more than 30 years. stopped at the end of February, which was disappointing for the residents and our group of singers. Hopefully we will be

able to resume some time in the new year but probably not that soon. When we do get back we will be looking for new members, our present bunch of swinging singers are running out of puff. Singing is not all that we do talking to and listening to the residents is very important.

Respectfully submitted,
Kerry Peters

FELLOWSHIP AND FOOD GROUP 2020

One round of the Food and Fellowship groups began in February, but then COVID-19 hit, and, by September, no-one was visiting anymore. When the pandemic is behind us we will start again.

Respectfully submitted,
Doreen Peters.

HOSPITALITY REPORT

2020 was a testament to how valuable connection with our family and friends is, and the world of virtual conferencing looked to be the blessing we all needed and still do, even as we enter this new year. Through platforms such as Facebook Messenger, Skype, and Zoom, the screen opened the door to those we hold dear and to events that brought us together.

However, to say there's been a learning curve would be an understatement.

As Hospitality Leader for St. Paul's, the grandiose plans of live in-person events were no longer an option and the question of being shelved in our COVID climate or attempted via video conferencing was thrown into the air. At least three times, the answer was "ZOOM!"

Giving people something to look forward to and, even more, something to do when social isolation is the call of the day is invaluable. As such, the following three events were held virtually this past year:

- Team Trivia Night
- Character Trait Workshop for Writers & Readers
- Open Mic Night

With all having their own successes, there was something to learn from each in how better to present them if they are attempted again, with fingers crossed and a prayer in my heart to have in-person events in the near future.

In the meantime, I look forward to continuing to serve the Lord and St. Paul's in this capacity for 2021.

God bless,
Steve Colle

LADIES POTLUCK LUNCHEON

2020 started out like 2019, with the third Saturday of the month at 11:30 am being Ladies Potluck Luncheon. And in February (Heart month), we even had our own Cari

Hart, resident retired heart nurse speak to us on Heart health, specifically regarding women. Then March marched in with COVID-19 and we could not gather physically in church. This was a sad state of affairs for our women's group.

Never fear! "There is no fear in love (Jesus). Instead, perfect love (Jesus) drives away fear. – 1John 4". **Where there is a will, there is a way.**

A group of women determined they would gather together out-doors following correct protocol, at the "little church" on MacLeod Trail....in the summer, just like 2019, in June this time. Since it was quite noisy next to MacLeod Trail, the women determined to continue meeting outside, bringing one's own lunch to where it was quieter..... to the lawn at new St. Paul's for July, August and September.

Then culminating in October, some of our hearty women braved the snowy weather in winter clothing and met at the fire pit at Gloria Ford's acreage. Hot beverages were brought, and some even roasted hot dogs. The chill of the wind didn't dampen our spirits as we **FELLOW-SHIPED** in the warm glow of the fire and our shared stories.

Respectfully submitted by
Gloria Ford

MAINTENANCE REPORT

This year due to Covid we were unable to do most of the maintenance projects this year. Rick Collier and I went over the building sprinkler systems and took care of mowing. We have new benches to install around the perimeter of the church I hope we will be able to move forward this year. All the new furnaces are working great. The water in the ductwork seems to be under control as we are monitoring it. Rick was a great help this year he was able to take care of any small details over this year, thanks a lot Rick. Overall we were able to maintain this year, hoping next year for a bright future.

Submitted by
Gerald de Vries

MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP

The third Saturday of the month normally sees our men's group and those from St Peter's enjoying a really good breakfast, fellowship and fun. This was OK until March then COVID began and that was the end for 2020. We thought of options for breakfast and maybe Zoom meetings but did not do anything. Hopefully in 2021 we will be able to resume our usual breakfast, sooner rather than later. Our January breakfast is dedicated to our friend Len Mountford and this will not happen this January. Len was an avid football fan, Stoke City, and we would breakfast in our football shirts and shorts in his honour. We normally chip in \$5 which goes for the CAWST water filter

project but the January contributions were sent to Mexico in support of an orphanage Len and Lynda did a lot of work for. If anyone wishes to donate to the orphanage it is The Friends of Morales Orphanage, you can contact me on how to do this. I'm really looking forward to returning to our breakfasts and it will be great to see you all again.
Kerry

NEW MEMBERS 2020

All new members to St. Paul's receive a Welcome email and Gift Bag containing Welcome gifts, information about our Parish and upcoming events. Due to the Pandemic and the closing of the Church in March all New Members welcomed from this date to present have received a Welcome email with information about St. Paul's and our virtual services.

From June 23, 2019 to the year's end, St. Paul's has welcomed nine new families (fourteen adults and four children).

In the New Year we decided to do three small more personal celebrations instead of one large celebration at the year's end. The hope was to give our new members the opportunity to meet other new members and Parish Council in a more comfortable Meet and Greet setting. On February 9th we invited seven new families to our first Welcoming of New Members and one family was able to attend. Each member was given a Certificate of Membership to St. Paul's and the gift of a Prayer Plant with a Welcome Basil Seed Card. Robbie Collier kindly supplied a cake for the celebration.

For future celebrations it might be best to return to our one large celebration and tie it in with our annual Parish picnic.

We look forward to celebrating all our new members and future new members in the coming New Year.

Respectfully Submitted,
Julie Wilson
New Members, Parish Council

NURSERY MINISTRY

This ministry is offered to children not yet old enough for Sunday School every Sunday, excluding the Sundays in the Summer. Many thanks to all who served in this ministry of caring for our young children and their families so faithfully this past year. Others are welcome to join our Nursery Ministry Team. You must have a love of children, be at least 13 years of age, and if possible a babysitting course.

OUTREACH REPORT 2020

The year 2020 was an exceptional year while we adjusted to the changing demands of COVID 19 and the impact to our activity. We maintained the Rector's Discretionary Fund of 10% of the Outreach budget, but donations to

charitable agencies were limited in an effort to manage the uncertain financial status of the parish. We distributed a total of \$6,500 to the following agencies: \$1,500 to the Primate's World Relief and Development Fund, \$1,000 to The Mustard Seed, and \$500 each to Calgary Food Bank, CUPS, Calgary Dream Centre, Distress Centre, Children's Cottage Society, Salvation Army, Inn from the Cold, and St. Edmund's.

As has been our custom for the Reign of Christ Sunday, we arranged for a speaker from one of the agencies we support. This year David Conrad from The Mustard Seed gave a video presentation on their activities to comply with the Public Health directives for COVID while continuing to maintain services to those in need.

We need to acknowledge the other outreach activities during the year. Thank you to Kerry for his efforts with the community garden and the produce he delivered to the Food Bank, and to Kathleen for the Food Bank Drive. Thank you to Barbara Jean for coordinating the Mitten Basket and to all who contributed hats, scarves and mitts to this worthwhile project. This list is incomplete I am sure.

Hopefully next year we will be able to contribute more.

Respectfully submitted
Loret MacDonald

PASTORAL CARE TEAM

The number of team members remain the same as last year, plus the clergy.

We met monthly until March when Covid 19 stopped our regular monthly meetings.

Since then I have kept in touch with the team via phone and or email. Our in person visits have stopped but keep in touch mostly via phone. I want to thank Fergus for his ongoing Pastoral Care visits via the phone and other members of the clergy for keeping in touch with their various Pastoral commitments.

Our book study is on hold at present.

At Christmas we sent cards and or dropped off items.

No Chemo bags were handed out this year.

Grief Support Group was offered but no meetings held as there was no interest at the time and then COVID-19 hit.

I did a presentation on Labyrinths via Zoom with help from several parish members, followed by a Labyrinth Walk in the afternoon for 3 consecutive Saturdays in September. We were blessed with lovely dry weather for this event.

As the Health Care Apostolate Diocese of Calgary no longer offers their very informative courses, I am happy to see that our own Anglican Diocese of Calgary is offering a Pastoral Care Course via Zoom, commencing on 21st Janu-

ary, 2021 for 7 weeks. This is being run by Rev. Tracey Stagg. Heather and I will be attending this course. I do not know of anyone else in the Parish who is attending.

Respectfully submitted
Nicola Peden

PRAYER MINISTRY AT ST. PAUL'S

We at St. Paul's are "People who Pray". This is evidenced by the five areas of prayer covered in our parish. Prayer Group, Prayer Chain and Prayer Ministry are confidential ministries dedicated to praying with and for all parishioners as well as for all aspects of Parish Life and for our country and the world. Many individuals participate in all or some of the above. In the area of Worship, Prayers of the People in our weekly services is led by a small group of dedicated parishioners. Educational Materials from The Anglican Fellowship of Prayer, such as "How To" pamphlets (eg Readers, Prayers of the People and numerous others covering all aspects of prayer) are made available through our Parish Representative. The website of The AFP(Canada) is another great resource.

This past March, because of the pandemic, we embarked on a strange journey down a path that had no map, no deadline and "destination unknown." Right from the get-go the Prayer Group began a weekly e-mail series called "If We Were meeting Tonight" which was a means of staying connected to one another and hopefully an encouragement as we continue on this journey with Covid-19. It was made known to all parishioners that prayer requests would continue to be accepted and acted upon. A pandemic does NOT have the power to stop prayer!!

Besides not being able to meet in person, it was not possible to carry on with Prayer Ministry in the usual fashion. That, however did not stop praying over the telephone with anyone who wished to have personal prayer.

Thankfully, the Lenten Booklets for 2021 arrived early and were distributed before we had to shut down. Then, the Advent Booklets which had been ordered in August, did not arrive until the last week of Advent and so were not used. We will use them for Advent 2021. The booklets for Lent 2021 were ordered before Christmas and hopefully will arrive in time for distribution.

It has meant a lot to us that we are able to meet via Zoom on the 3rd. Monday of each month since the fall. Just seeing each other's faces and actually praying together has been a great blessing. Also, technology makes it possible for those leading Prayers of the People to be recorded as part of the "virtual" services.

We have kept our Parish leadership in constant prayer through this time.

And we give thanks for their faithfulness in giving of their time and talents so that we could keep connected.

The following is the final paragraph from "Finding God in Unsettling Times", (as published in January's Anglican

Journal) by our Primate Linda Nicholls:

"We may be weary of the ongoing struggle of COVID-19, tired of remaining isolated, longing for what we have lost. For now, look to the source of stability that will carry us through. Be in touch with God daily."

"From where is our help to come? From the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.....The Lord will watch over your going out and your coming in forever more." - **Psalm 121**

Respectfully submitted,
Dinah Breu

(on behalf of the members of the above groups)

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl Ministry met on the second Wednesday of each month up to the end of February. Since COVID-19 restrictions began we have not met. We have quilts and shawls to be handed out so please contact the Parish Office if you know of anyone would like to receive one.

About 150 masks we made to give out free of charge as a way of expanding what the prayer shawl ministry is about.

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Anne Fink

SECRET FRIENDS MINISTRY ANNUAL REPORT 2020

St. Paul's Secret Friends Ministry is open to all women of our parish. It is designed to bring the women from our parish closer together through the blessings of a "Secret Friend".

A secret friend will take time to get to know their new secret friend. They will lift them up in prayer and bless them with regular correspondence and perhaps a small gift for special occasions, all secretly, of course.

The Secret Friend Ministry begins and ends with the Annual Secret Friend Christmas Party. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend, and at the end of the evening have the option to participate in the upcoming years' Secret Friend Ministry.

December 3, 2019, twenty-one ladies of the Parish attended the annual party. We enjoyed a wonderful potluck dinner. We created a new fundraiser called "Play a game for Desta" where everyone had the opportunity to make a donation to compete in a selection of games. We raised \$160.00 for our sponsored child Desta Keweti. The evening closed with a gift exchange revealing the previous years ten secret friends, the selection of eight new secret friends for the upcoming year and the presentation of the annual ornament (an Ugly Christmas Sweater) to each lady. All enjoyed great food and fellowship.

December 15, 2020 was the date of our most recent annual Secret Friends Christmas Party. The 2020 celebration was very different this year with the pandemic. Our celebration went on-line with a Zoom Ladies Christmas

Party. There were eighteen ladies in attendance and eight secret friends were revealed from the past year. We celebrated with a Readers Theatre, musical entertainment from Kathleen Robinson, games and a time of sharing of favourite Christmas recipes and memories. A donation of \$100.00 was given to our sponsored child, Desta Keweti. The annual ornament of a felt Christmas lollypop was delivered to each attendee and five ladies became Secret Friends for the upcoming year.

We look forward to another wonderful year of secret blessings.

Respectfully Submitted,
Julie Wilson

STEWARDSHIP

In hindsight from a Stewardship point of view 2020 was pretty good and I thank you very much for your financial support, work with the community garden and church gardens. Most of all the concern and care shown to fellow parishioners and the community was great. Unfortunately most of the things we enjoy that involved in person meeting were not allowed and we missed each other so much. It is unlikely that 2021 will be that much better so please stay the course. This is my last year as Stewardship Rep on Parish Council and it will be good for you to have some new ideas. Please carefully consider your contribution to St Paul's from both financial and time aspects much help is needed and any suggestions and ideas from you will be helpful. Kerry

SUNDAY SCHOOL 2020

The year started with the familiar format of the kids starting in the church sanctuary and after the "Children's Talk", the kids leaving for Sunday School where they had their own "Order of Service" as a large group before breaking out to each of their age groups. The "Order of Service" was a work in progress, adapting to the needs of the group as a whole. The big highlight continued to be singing a song led by Ingrid Bolton on guitar or Kathleen Robinson on ukulele which the group could then present at the Triple C Service on the 4th Sunday of the month. Many of the Youth often helped out before Sunday School classes began.

Classes with kids older than Pre-school were following the Liturgical Calendar Year program developed by the Episcopal Church in the USA. And Youth helpers/teachers (Amara & Chiamaka Chigbo, Aiden & Alister Daye, Zemen Ekomwenrenren, and Joe Wilcox) were being scheduled to teach and help. Our teachers Shannon Colle (Sunday School Coordinator in Training), Rick Collier, Pat Lecuyer, Frances Pike (Evelyn Hart assisting), Julie Wilson, Angela Richardson and Stephanie Evans is the fabulous team who were continuing to have a positive impact on our Sunday School kids when the world turned upside

down.

COVID-19 had invaded our country, just as it had the rest of the world. March 2020 St. Paul's Anglican Church in the Diocese of Calgary had to close down just like the rest of the Anglican churches in Calgary. Therefore Sunday School closed down as well.

What were we to do? To fill some of the needs for Sunday School, our St. Paul's website has a link to the Anglican Church Virtual Sunday School where you can find links to other resources which can help facilitate the lesson for a Sunday. One website link which I think is particularly useful and fun is Sermons4Kids.

As church closure continued into the fall with partial opening only for the church Sanctuary for a short period of time, we brainstormed for ideas of connecting kids and families of St. Paul's. This is what Shannon Colle wrote:

"In November we started an EPIC program – Encouraging People in Christ. With lengthy isolation due to COVID-19, the goal of EPIC began as a platform/space for our children to maintain a connection with each other and with Jesus. We had 3 EPIC events: making pretzels, baking cookies, and a Nativity story & making Christingles. Moving into 2021 the goal is to have a monthly event for all ages (families and friends) to encounter Jesus and grow closer to Him."

A heart-felt THANKS to all those involved in St. Paul's Sunday School!

And especially, a huge THANK YOU to our Heavenly Father for sending Shannon Colle to be our new Sunday School & Youth Coordinator.

Respectfully submitted by:
Gloria Ford

Youth Sunday School

In January 2020 a new approach to Youth Sunday School began with Youth being involved in a teaching program First and Third Sundays or helping in the Sunday School. For the Second, Fourth and Fifth Sundays, Youth remain in the sanctuary to be part of the congregation.

We had just begun a new emphasis on the Triple C (Christ-Centred, Creative, Celebrations) Service occurring the 4th Sunday of the month with our Youth and their families playing a central role in all aspects of the service. There was a very positive response from all quarters of the church!

The Alpha Youth Course started February 16 with 8 youth and 4 facilitators and had its second meeting March 1 before the next meeting was cancelled due to COVID-19. Alpha Youth has not continued to date unfortunately.....another program on its head which needs to be stood up again!

There is so much possibility to grow in the knowledge and love of Jesus Christ with and through our

youth and those who lead them. An exciting ministry which Shannon Colle will be helping to coordinate with Keith Daye and whoever else God is calling.

Respectfully submitted by:
Gloria Ford

WORSHIP COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2020

The Worship Committee meets twice yearly to plan for both weekly and special services. Members of this committee represent those ministries necessary to the smooth operation of our services. This report cannot be written without noting the faithfulness of these coordinators and all the members of the groups they represent. Many of them have been involved in one form or another of Worship Ministry for years, and some of them wear two or more hats. The coordinators and their groups were able to cover the Christmas Eve Services and thanks go to all of them for their time and participation.

Our 10 am Sunday Service requires a full complement of people to run smoothly. Every one of these ministries would welcome more participants.

Rev. Fergus Tyson	- Incumbent
Robbie Collier	- Altar Guild
Roxie Hall	- Counters
Debra Brisbin	- Envelope Secretary
Roxie Hall	- Greeters
Paul Bourgeois	- Music Ministry & Soundboard
Dinah Breu	- Prayers of the People & Prayer Ministry
Laura Anne Fink	- Readers 8:30 am
Robbie Collier	- Readers 10:30 am
Ed Mullaney	- Sacramental Assistants
Suzanne Wray	- Sidespeople
Karla Manuel	- Servers
Gloria Ford	- Sunday School

Each of these ministries has submitted an individual report.

COUNTERS OF THE OFFERING

This ministry is shared by two volunteers each week, each pair having the same Sunday each month.

Our helpers involve:

First Sunday of the Month is Rick and Robbie Collier, for the second service it is Pat Cardwell and Roxie Hall, Murray Sykes and Annette Pingot, Cec Sparrow and Ron Huber did the count for the following weeks respectively. When we have a 5 week month, Kerry and Doreen Peters share the honors.

A Very hearty thanks goes out to these faithful volunteers.

During COVID-19 restrictions Murray Sykes has looked after all deposits. Thank you Murray for your time and commitment.

If there is anyone who would like to help out please contact me at 201-4183. Thanks.

Respectfully submitted
Roxie Hall

GREETERS

Many thanks to the folks who undertake one week per month opportunity to welcome the parishioners, both regular and visitors as they arrive. To cover this task well we have:

Dorothy Ann Bourgeois and Pat Cardwell on the first Sunday of the month; Angela Richardson and Francis Pike handling the second Sunday; Lorne and Barb Eason on the third week; and on the fourth Sunday, Mary-Etta Tutty, Chris Fernando and Roxie Hall are there to greet. The fifth Sundays are willingly handled by Roxie Hall.

I could use some help with this and it is only 4 times a year.

This concentrated wish to greet, shake a hand and lots of times offer hugs, comes prior to the 10:00 am service. It would be good to have more.

If there is anyone who would like to help out please contact me at 201-4183. Thanks.

Thank you to all who volunteered during our COVID-19 restricted in-church services. Your help to keep your fellow parishioners safe was greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted
Roxie Hall

MUSIC MINISTRY

St. Paul's Music Group provides music and music leadership for our worship services. We lead music throughout the year at the main Sunday service as well as special seasonal services. The year 2020 was challenging for the choir, to say the least. More to follow.

I continue to be blessed with two capable leaders for our choir – Kathleen Robinson and John McIntyre. Their dedication to this role is greatly appreciated.

We now have a full complement of choir members with three female voices including Kathleen Robinson, Ingrid Bolton and Colleen Eggertson. Our six regular male singers include John McIntyre, Frank Wong, Kerry Peters, Bob Plant, Richard Gray and Jeff Wray. It was great to have Brianna Harvie providing keyboard accompaniment for the 10:00 am service while I was away in February.

Along with music selection, I provide keyboard and, on occasion, guitar accompaniment at the 10:00 am Sunday services with Chris Fink joining us on guitar when he is available. Ingrid has also provided guitar accompaniment during Communion. Rev. Fergus Tyson leads the 8:30 am Sunday service congregation on guitar. If you are a musician and would like to provide accompaniment at the 8:30 am service or join us at 10:00 am, please speak to me after any of our Sunday services once we are able to resume normal in-church services. Ingrid leads the Sunday School children on guitar each week during Sunday

School, and Kathleen leads the children on Ukulele when Ingrid is away.

As mentioned earlier, the year 2020 has been a challenge for all of us, and the choir saw a need to continue to lead congregational music in some way after in-church services were suspended in March. We already had a couple of CDs of recorded music including 15 congregational songs and two choir anthems. There was clearly a need for more. Before choral activities were completely banned, we managed to record an additional 26 songs at two recording sessions, with everyone appropriately socially distanced. Those recordings were sufficient to get us through to the end of the season of Pentecost. With the Advent, Christmas and Epiphany seasons rapidly approaching, we set out in November on a new endeavour to record music remotely (i.e., each at our own homes) and take advantage of available technology to produce choir recordings for our future services. Six members of the choir (Kathleen, Ingrid, Colleen, Richard, Kerry and Fergus) have participated along with me providing keyboard and guitar accompaniment for the recordings. I take the individual recorded tracks (sometime as many as ten voice and instrument tracks) and produce the mixed tracks you hear at our livestreamed services using mixing and editing software on the computer. As of the first week of January 2021, we had recorded 38 new songs and have plans to record another 30 or so additional songs by the beginning of March. Once completed, we'll have an amazing library of some 117 songs to accompany our worship services.

Let's hope and pray that we'll all be back to sharing worship together, including live accompanied music long before the year 2021 is over. In the meantime, we have more than enough recorded music to get us through to the time when we're together again.

Maintaining our two music reprint licenses is another responsibility that I have, including the new streaming licences required for our livestreamed services. In addition to ensuring that our annual fees are paid to the licensing organizations, I maintain a database of our weekly music selections so that we can report our usage to these organizations on a regular basis.

In 2019, we formed the "St. Paul's Stringers" with Rev. Fergus, Jeff, Chris, Ingrid and me on guitar and Kathleen on ukulele. We had great plans to find more occasions to perform – perhaps a monthly "Coffee House" in the Parish Hall – a fun time with refreshments, entertainment and sing-alongs. Let's continue to keep this idea fresh in our minds as we eagerly await the time when we can again socialize together as a parish.

Due to the in-church gathering restrictions, our Handchime Group was not active in 2020. If you are interested in this music ministry in the future, please contact Annette Pingot.

Submitted by
Paul Bourgeois, Music Director

READERS 8:30 am: Thank you to Denis Broadhurst, Lisa Jablonka, Michael Lawrence, Barbara-Jean Moore, Peter Ramsay, Jennifer Solem, Cam Cline and Janice Young for volunteering to read at the 8:30 am service for the first part of 2020. Your dedication and support is greatly appreciated. Unfortunately due to COVID-19 restrictions we have not had the 8:30 am service since mid-March.

2020 Readers (10 am service) _

We currently have a group that has been doing our readings during this interesting time:

Dinah Breu, Dan and Debra Brisbin, Keith Daye, Gloria Ford, John L'Ecuyer, John McIntyre, Kerry and Doreen Peters, Rhonda Trundle, Stacy and Freddy Spoonheim, Murray Sykes and Jennifer Solem. Some of our readers have decided to wait a bit until we are back in church in person....Andrea Haynes, Colleen Eggertson, Sofia Manuel, Aisling O'Neil, Nicola Peden and Bob and Joanne Plant. Our alternate readers are Ingrid Bolton, Sheila O'Shea, Mary-Etta Tutty and Pat Cardwell.

I would like to extend a big thank you to everyone in this ministry and a special thanks to those who have agreed to read during these challenging times... recording readings either at home and sending them in or with Fergus's help via zoom....it is so good to see different faces each week!

The time commitment for this ministry is minimal and if anyone is interested in joining please contact myself...Robbie Collier @ 403-869-6608 or by email...randrcoller@gmail.com.

Respectfully submitted,
Robbie Collier

SACRAMENTAL ASSISTANTS:

We have 14 of the most dedicated people serving on our ministry. To all of these I have to say "thank you" for the devotion you have shown.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions Sacramental Assistants we not needed since mid-March. We hope to see all these dedicated volunteers soon.

Thank you and God Bless,
Ed Mullaney

SERVERS' REPORT

We currently have 11 young people on our Servers schedule. A schedule is done up on a three month period, with a new schedule out the month before the current schedule ends. Schedules are sent via email. If a server cannot attend their scheduled service time, it is up to them to find a replacement.

Thank you Chiamaka & Amara Chigbo, Osazemen and Osadolor Ekomwenrenren, Aiden & Alastaire Daye, Aisling and Declan O'Neill, Oma Madueke, Frederick

Spoonheim, and Sofia Manuel.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions we have not had servers since mid-March. We hope to see them all back in the future.

Submitted by
Karla Manuel

SIDESPEOPLE REPORT

Thank you to everyone who volunteers their time to this important ministry.

It is so nice to see smiling faces greeting us as we enter the church for the morning services and having someone to guide new people and ensure the flow of the congregation is smooth during collection and communion time.

We are very fortunate to have such dedicated volunteers - thank you!!

Thank you especially to all those who volunteered during our COVID-19 restricted in-church services. Your help was greatly appreciated in keeping your fellow parishioners safe.

If anyone is interested in joining this group, please send an email to the office - always happy to have new members.

Respectfully submitted by
Suzanne Wray

SOUNDBOARD/AV REPORT

The year 2020 has been a challenge for our Sunday Service sound engineers, with Murray Sykes doing the work most weeks. Doreen Peters, Laura Anne Fink and Suzanne Wray are also able to fill in but have been unable to do so since we stopped having in-church services and switched to either pre-recorded services or livestreaming our services with or without people in attendance. Joy Kew and Peter Ramsay were operating the soundboard at our 8:30 am services until March when we switched to one pre-recorded or livestreamed service.

If anyone else is interested in joining our soundboard/AV team once services return to normal, please let me know. Operation of the soundboard and AV equipment is not difficult, and training is available. Up until March, we were using our recording equipment to record our weekly sermons so that they can be posted on our website.

Since switching to either pre-recorded or livestreamed services, the AV duties require two people, one to manage the soundboard and slideshow for the screens, and one to manage the videorecording of the service using our new Mevo livestreaming camera controlled by either a tablet or smart phone (we are currently using my iPad). Murray and I have been doing these tasks since March 2020. Since we are planning on continuing to

livestream our services after we return to regular in-church services, we will need to recruit more volunteers to manage the soundboard and the videorecording equipment.

We have been building a library of pre-recorded music with the choir (see the Music Ministry Report) and will soon have almost 120 pre-recorded St. Paul's Choir songs to use as long as our choir cannot sing in person at our services (most likely the better part of 2021). We also have a library of recorded keyboard accompaniment (some 31 songs) that enables us to provide backup for times when no one is available to play keyboard. Our

weekly AV presentations, either simple PowerPoint slides or slides enhanced with videos or audio tracks, are prepared by Rev. Fergus with the assistance of Laura Anne Fink.

While we had hoped to upgrade the speakers in the hall and Quiet Room in 2019, we have put that project on hold until we have returned to "normal" in-church services with no attendance restrictions and our financial situation returns to a more predictable norm.

Submitted by
Paul Bourgeois, Soundboard Coordinator

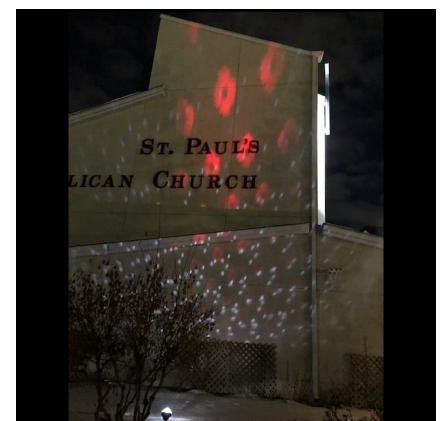
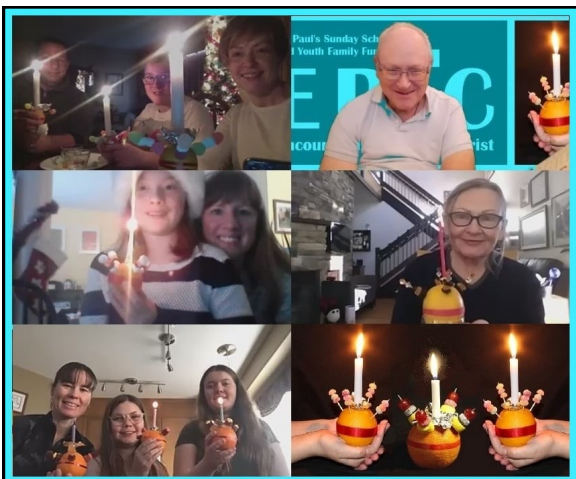
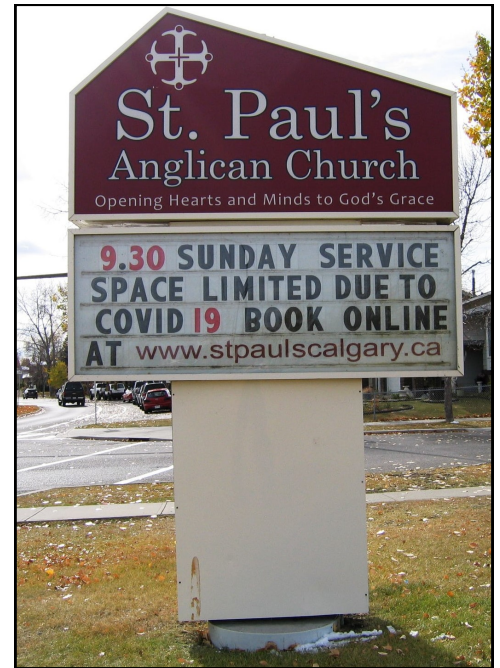
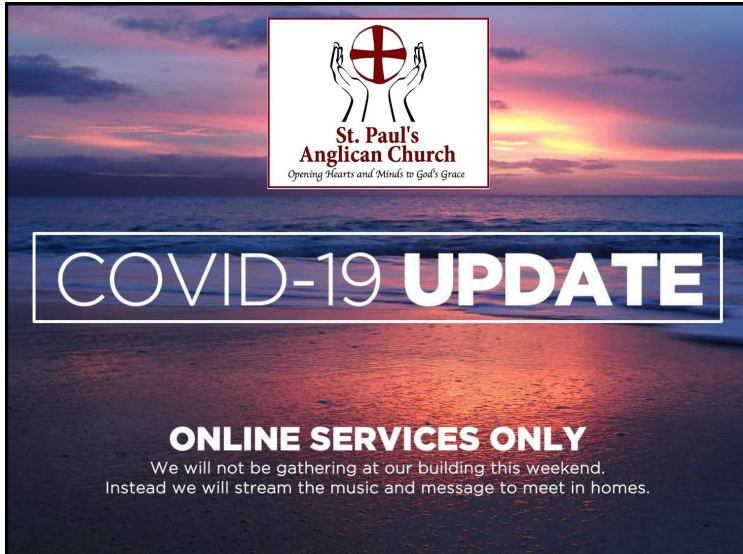
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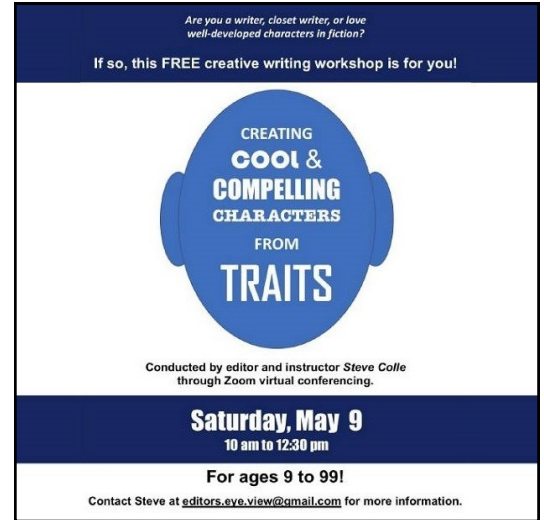
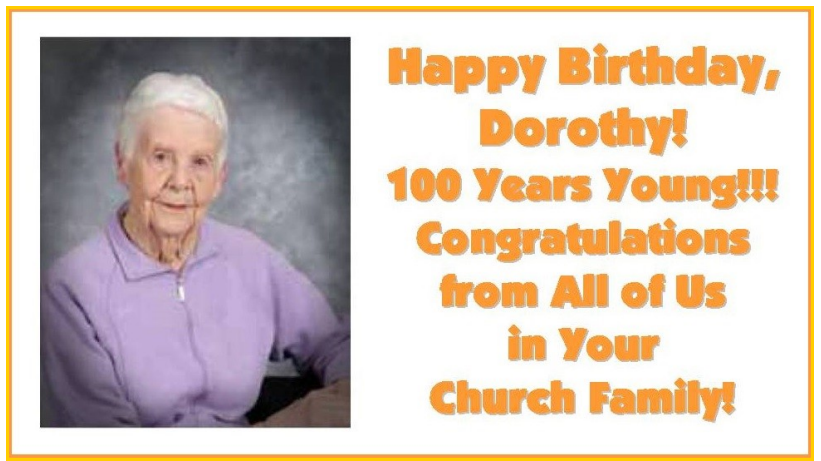
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Average Sunday Attendance (not including Easter & Christmas)	106	n/a
Average Mid-Week Attendance	10	n/a
Total Attendance at Special Services (Easter Vigil/Easter & Christmas Eve/Day)	672	n/a
Baptisms:	5	0
Confirmation:	7	0
Weddings:	5	0
Funerals:	8	2

Funerals: Leslie Jack, and Magdalene Kessler.



St. Paul's 2020 in Pictures







OPEN	MIC	NITE
Saturday, June 6		Starting at 7 PM
Singing & Instrumentals!	Jokes & Riddles!	Spoken Word & Readings



*St. Paul's Annual
Secret Friends Christmas Party
is going virtual!*

When: Tuesday, December 15th
Where: Via Zoom Invitation
Time: 7:00 pm

All ladies of the parish are welcome. There will be games, entertainment and a time for sharing!

Please RSVP to Julie Wilson by December 8th.

For those wishing to be a Secret Friend in 2021, please fill out the attached questionnaire and test or email (you can take a photo of it) to me. I will then make the draw and send you your new Secret Friend information.

Email: jthompsonwilson@shaw.ca Cell#: 403 630-1533

