



St. Paul's News Bulletin

July 4 to August 1, 2021



Parish Events

Parish Council has set Aug. 8 as the date for us to resume in-person Services (assuming the Provincial reopening plan stays on track). There won't be a limit on numbers, but "distanceing" pictures will be placed on alternating rows of pews, which will limit seating to 100. No registration will be required. Mask-wearing will be mandatory for the month of Aug., and then re-evaluated. In-person Sunday School will resume in Sep. The Services will continue to be live-streamed.

July Services will be posted live at 9:30 am on our main Facebook page. You don't need a Facebook account to watch. You just need to go to the link <https://www.facebook.com/stpaulscalgary> and click on the video. At around 11:30 am onward, if you don't have a Facebook account, you'll be able to watch the Service by going to our website (<https://www.stpaulscalgary.ca/podcasts/media>) or YouTube Channel.

Sunday School Resources for Sun. School at home from the National Church will resume on Sep. 12. These have been posted weekly on our website. To access them, please type "Sunday School" in the search box, and click on "Sunday School".

St. James' Calgary is offering an online Vacation Bible School entitled "Treasured" from Aug. 9-13! For details, see <https://www.stjamescalgary.com/events/treasured-vbs-registration/2021-04-17>.

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. **These will continue at least until Sep. 5.**

Reserved Sacrament is available (in baggies) in the main entrance Tuesday & Thursdays 9 am to noon and Wednesdays from 2 to 2:45.

Ladies' Luncheon will meet Sat., July 17 & Aug. 21 at 11:30 on the church lawn unless otherwise announced.

Men's Breakfast will resume in-person get-togethers with a Stampede BBQ Breakfast July 17 at 8:30 am!

We're delighted to welcome Betty Nadurak to our Parish family! will serve at St. Paul's, coordinating our Caring Contact Ministry. We give thanks for Betty's presence with us, and pray for God's blessings to be poured out upon her always. The end of our Jun. 13 and 27 Services had an "Interview" with Betty.

Betty will officiate at her first Service at St. Paul's on July 25! This Service is special for another 1st: the Primate is recording a sermon for St. Paul's for this day! It will be the 1st time in our 136 year history that the Primate will preach at one of our Sunday Services!

On Aug. 1, we'll share the 1549 Book of Common Prayer Morning Prayer Service, to help celebrate Heritage Day!

Midweek Video Prayer Services will resume Thurs., Sep. 16. The easiest way to view the past Services on YouTube is to subscribe to our Channel (see the bottom of the page for the link).

We plan to resume in-person Wed. Services of Holy Eucharist on Aug. 25 at 9:30 am.

The 2nd Study in the "Discovery" Video Series from the Episcopal Diocese of Texas., "A Journey of Faith," will take place from 7:30 to 9 Wed. evenings from Sep. 8-29. The "Anglican Worship" Study, which took place Jun. 2-16, was the 1st Study in this Series.

Please let Fergus know if you'd like to join a Discussion Group on the 2nd Season of "The CHOSEN."

Prayer Group Ministry: Members of this vital ministry lift up requests given to the Prayer Group in their daily prayers, and gather on the 3rd Mons. of the month via Zoom. **The next Zoom Meeting is Mon., July 19, at 7:30 pm.** To share a request, or join this ministry, please email Dinah at breu.dinah@gmail.com.

Fergus will be on vacation until Aug. 4. If a pastoral need arises during this time, please contact the Office, and you'll be put in contact with someone from our leadership team who'll respond.

Pastoral Visits in July: Please contact Cyril, Norman, Bob, or Betty for phone, email, or Zoom visits; & emergency visits in-person.

We're looking for a way to celebrate our Birthdays. To join in, please see "Living Waters" for more info.

Our Gardens: We have done quite a lot with the church gardens and the two community garden plots. Flowers, annuals and perennials will be planted soon. **If you'd like to help by contributing some plants and time, please call Kerry at 403-251-6744 or mkerry2@telus.net.** For more info., please see the June "Living Waters".

Offerings: Thank you for continuing to give your Offering when we're 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>); mail our Offering (e.g. post-dated cheques) via regular post; drop it off in the Office mailbox (phoning 1st); arrange for it to be picked up from our mailbox; set up direct depositing (the form is on our website: type "Donation" in the search box, & click on "Pre Authorized Donations"); or use e-transfers (please use the email gift@stpaulscalgary.ca; no password is needed; put your envelope no. in the "message" spot). **If you'd like your 2021 Offering envelopes please contact Murray at murray.sykes@shaw.ca or 403-200-8869, to arrange for pick-up or delivery.**

We're now on Instagram at [stpaulsanglican Calgary!](https://www.instagram.com/stpaulsanglican Calgary)

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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>.

Diocese and Community

Emergency Call for Water

Thank you, everyone, who responded to the emergency appeal for water bottles to help people in our city survive the intense heat wave that took hold of Western Canada! Rick and Robbie were able to deliver over 1,800 bottles from St. Paul's! Thank you, too, Rick and Robbie, for delivering all of these!

St. Edmund's Food Bank Appeal

We are once again appealing for help with stocking our Food Bank shelves. We currently find that we are running short on canned goods – especially canned meats (tuna, salmon, ham, etc), vegetables, soups, beans, etc. as well as cereals, snack foods for kids, and jams. The Food Bank is open Monday and Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30 for dropping off donations, or you can call Marilyn (our Food Bank Coordinator) at 403-288-6330 to arrange a time for drop-off outside of those hours (please leave a message and she will call you back). If you would like more information about our Food Bank and how you can help, please email us. Thank you for your support!

SOFCI (South of Fish Creek Interfaith)

SOFCI meets together for group discussion and planning service projects ice a month. If you're interested in joining Murray as 1 of our reps., please contact the Office.

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, and he will send you the link.



Prayer of the People Ministry

Each Sunday, the Prayers of the People are led from the midst of the congregation by a lay person. The prayers of our Christian community express our belief that both people and circumstances can be changed through the love of God, Jesus and the transforming work of the Holy Spirit These prayers MAY include intercessions & thanksgivings for the Church (worldwide), the Queen &

all in authority, world situations, the local community, those in need and the departed. Certain seasons and special days(eg Pentecost, Christmas etc.) may call for specific litanies. Many litanies are taken from the Book of Alternative Services and some prayer leaders create their own. There is always room for more prayer leaders and if you are interested, know that training and resources are available. Please contact Dinah, Fergus or the Office for more information.

Thank you to Dinah for coordinating this ministry, and to all those volunteering to lead us in prayer each Sun.

Reader's Ministry

Reader's Ministry is a very fulfilling Ministry for each of us who has had the opportunity to do the readings. Standing at the front of the church and relaying God's messages has proven to me how closely connected to our Lord we really are. There is training available so you will have assistance if you choose to partake in this Ministry. Please contact Dinah, Fergus or the Office for more information.

Thank you to Robbie for coordinating this ministry, and to all those who volunteer to read each Sunday.

Stewardship Reflection for this Month

"He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick – no food, no sack, no money in their belts." MARK 6:8

Imagine taking nothing but a stick when you go on a trip. The Apostles must have really trusted in God's providential care. Think of all the material things "we can't live without" in today's world. We make our life's journey more difficult because of all the material baggage that we drag along. Putting God first in everything and putting our money and possessions second gives us freedom because we don't become "slaves" to wanting to acquire more things.



<https://www.archstl.org/about-stewardship/bulletin-inserts/weekly-bible-reflections>

Financial News

Our deficit to May 31, 2021 is 5,928.

Thank you to everyone who is helping support our Mission financially in this time when we are unable to worship together physically. Ways to do this are listed on the front of this News Bulletin. Please continue to pray for our Parish's finances as we face these challenging times together.



Outreach

PWRDF

Record Number of Refugees Needing Help

According to a UN report, by the end of 2020, 82.4 million people (almost half of them under 18) had been forcibly displaced by war, persecution, and violence around the world – the highest number on record. At the same time, the number of resettled refugees fell. PWRDF continues to advocate for and work with refugees. Please will you help? Together we can make a difference.

Pregnancy Care Centre Baby Bottle Drive: Thank you to everyone who participate in this fundraiser.

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

Chemo Care Bag: If you know of anyone who is beginning Chemo treatment and would benefit from receiving a Chemo Care Bag please contact Gloria. If you'd like to be part of our Pastoral Care Team, please contact Fergus or Nicola Peden.

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

Prayer Shawl: We will meet on the third Wednesdays, of each month at 1 pm, resuming in September. Contact Laura Anne at office@stpaulscalgary.ca if you would like to join the group.

Opportunities to Serve

2021 Flower Chart is now available. *We are still taking dedication requests for flowers, if you would like to make a dedication please send it to Laura Anne at office@stpaulscalgary.ca.*

The cost for flowers is \$30.00.

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 Hubert.

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: Monday, May 31 is the deadline for *Living Waters* submissions for the June Edition. Please submit to office@stpaulscalgary.ca.

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.



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*)
EPIC (Encouraging People In Christ) Zoom Events (2 pm monthly, resuming in September)
- Mon. :** Bible Study: 7:00 pm (*postponed*)
Prayer Group: 7:30 pm (3rd Mondays of the month via Zoom) (next is July 19)
- Wed. :** *Holy Eucharist: 9:30 am (resumes in-person in the Sanctuary on August 25)*
Prayer Shawl Ministry: 1 pm (3rd Wednesdays of the month) (will resume in September)
Discovery Series: "A Journey of Faith": 7:30 pm (via Zoom) (weekly, September 8-29)
- Thurs.:** *Video Midweek Prayer Service (twice a month) (next is Sep. 16)*
TOPS : 6:30 pm (*postponed*)
Choir practice (*postponed*) (*The Choir is now recording music via Zoom. If you'd like to join the Choir, please contact Paul Bourgeois*)
- Sat.:** *Men's Breakfast: 8:30 am—3rd Saturdays (next is a Stampede BBQ July 17 at the church)*
Ladies Luncheon: 11:30 am—3rd Saturdays (next is July 17 on the church lawn)