



St. Paul's News Bulletin November 7, 2021



Parish Events

WE GIVE THANKS FOR THE RETURN OF OUR IN-PERSON SERVICES! Everyone is asked to register for our Sunday Services, through the website or calling the parish office by Friday noon. Mask-wearing is mandatory. Everyone is also asked to please maintain social distancing from those not in our family unit. If you're over the age of 12, and aren't fully vaccinated, please stay home, because of your increased risk of contracting and spreading the delta variant of the virus. If you have cold-like or flu-like symptoms, please also stay home. The Services are continuing to be live-streamed.

Services are posted live at 9:30 am on Sundays on our main Facebook page. 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. 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 are posted weekly on our website. To access them, please type "Sunday School" in the search box, & click on "Sunday School". In-person Sunday School is resuming soon.

Sunday Coffee Time: In his Oct. 27 letter to the Diocese, Archbishop Greg says: "Indoor social gatherings such as coffee hour, where food and beverages are served, are not yet permitted." So for now our Coffee Times will continue to be Virtual. Our Virtual Coffee Time takes place every Sunday on Zoom at 11:30. The Zoom link is on the Order of Services under the Sermon tab of our website.

Reserved Sacrament is available (in baggies) in the main entrance Monday-Friday from 9 am-noon.

We're hopeful that our Men's Breakfast and Ladies' Luncheon will resume meeting on Nov. 20, following all Provincial and Diocesan restrictions. Hopefully, by this time, we'll be allowed to meet inside. If not, we'll look at gathering outdoors — perhaps around a fire!

Midweek Video Prayer Services are posted on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month. On Oct. 28, we shared the BAS Home Prayer Service. You can watch it by clicking on this link: <https://youtu.be/nza7Dg2KuYo>. The easiest way to view these Services on YouTube is to subscribe to our Channel (see the bottom of the page for the link). **The date for our next Service is Nov. 25. (On Remembrance Day, we'll post a link to the National Service in Ottawa.)**

Our in-person Wednesday Service of Holy Eucharist resumed on Nov. 3. These Services are taking place at 9:30 am on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays of the month. All Sunday safety protocols will be in place. Our Wednesday morning Bible Study on the upcoming Sunday Readings will resume in January.

The 3rd Study in the "Discovery" Video Series, "A Path to Spiritual Maturity," takes place via Zoom from 7:30 to 9 until Nov. 10. To participate, please contact Fergus.

OUR ADVENT STUDY this year will be "The Advent Mission" videos plus the "Journeying the Way of Love Advent Curriculum" from the Episcopal Church. We'll be

starting Wed., Nov. 24, and go for 4 weeks till Dec. 15. The Study will be on Wednesdays at 2 times: in-person at 10:30 a.m. and via Zoom at 7:30 p.m. If you would like to participate in the Zoom Study, please let Fergus know by 4 p.m. on Nov. 24.

Prayer Group Ministry: This vital ministry's members lift up in daily prayer requests given to the Prayer Group, and gather on the 3rd Mondays of the month via Zoom. **The next Zoom Meeting is November 15, at 7:30 pm.** To share a request, or join the Prayer Group, please email Dinah at breu.dinah@gmail.com.

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

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.**

Stewardship Campaign: Please check out our Stewardship Campaign page on our website, where weekly reflections are being posted regularly. To get there go to Ministries—Stewardship—Stewardship Reflections. **There is still time to return your Pledge Card please bring it on Sunday, or put it in** in the church mailbox, bring it to the office during office hours, mail it in, or email it to the office email.



GREETERS NEEDED. Since we are getting back to in-person services, we're looking for greeters. The more the merrier! We have enough members serving in this ministry to enable us to schedule people to greet once a month the same week every month. The schedule is set up for 6 months at a time. If you can help out, please contact Roxie at 403-201-4183 or roxie-hall@shaw.ca.

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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

Calgary Meals on Wheels Cookie Factory Presented by Southcentre Mall

Do you enjoy being about children, having fun and embracing the Holiday Season? If so, we would love to have you join our Cookie Factory volunteer opportunity. Located near Santa's Enchanted Forest, you will provide a welcoming experience for guests and their children by greeting them, and providing them with a cookie kit that includes; cookies (pre-made), icing and decorations.

Cookie kit assembly, general tidying up and restocking will be needed throughout the day. Cookie kits are purchased with a suggested donation of \$2.00 each and all proceeds donated support Calgary Meals on Wheels programs.

Dates: November 12 – December 24, 2021

Shift Days: Monday - Sunday

Shift Hours: 9:45 am – 1:30 pm Morning Shift

1:15 pm – 5:00 pm Afternoon Shift

4:45 pm – 8:00 pm Evening Shift

** Please note that you must be 18+ years to volunteer. You may volunteer if you are 14 years or over, as long as you are accompanied by a parent or guardian who must sign up as a volunteer as well on the same shift. ** Please Also Note: Southcentre Mall abides by AHS guidelines and therefore all Volunteers must wear a mask at all times.

[PLEASE CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP](#)

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 & planning service projects ice a month. If you're interested in joining Murray as a St. Paul's rep, please contact the Office.

Monthly Rosary - via Zoom

Fr. Jerrod McCormack has been offering the Rosary Gathering via Zoom on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month, open to all who wish to participate. This

will now be changed to Thursdays at 2:00 pm. For the Zoom link or more information, please email Fr Jerrod revjerrod@gmail.com

Simon Evans' New Book

Simon Evans, a dear departed member of our Parish family, finished his magnum opus on the Hutterites, just before his passing. This book has just been published. This culmination 40 years of research by our dear brother provides fascinating reading. It can be ordered online: nebraskapress.unl.edu. Using the promotion code 6AF21 will give a 40% reduction from \$65.00 down to \$39.00! The title is *A Geography of the Hutterites in North America* by Simon M. Evans.



The Casserole Ministry plays a very important role in the life of our church. It helps relieve the burdens of life and lets our families know that we care, and most importantly that God cares. Thanks to Linda and those who make casseroles for your willingness to serve in this way. This is a wonderful opportunity to show the love of Christ in a very practical way.

Please contact Linda if you know of anyone who would benefit from receiving a casserole .

Thank you Linda for coordinating this ministry

Stewardship Reflection for this Sunday

"I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the other contributors to the treasury. For they all contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, her whole living."

(Mark 12:43-44)

Jesus gets right to the point – we are all called to give money to support the mission of the Church, regardless of our circumstance. No gift is too small or insignificant! Giving money to support the mission of our local parish is a matter of our faith, just like praying and participating in parish ministries. When you make a financial offering, is it from your "first fruits" or from what is "left over"?

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



Financial News

Our deficit to October 31, 2021 is 17,818. We hope for a strong fall to shrink this amount substantially.

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

On Sunday, Nov. 14th from 4.00 to 8.00pm, the Villages Calgary store (formally Ten Thousand Villages) at 220 Crowchild Trail NW will donate 15% of its sales to PWRDF. You can also shop online anytime from Nov 10 to 14th (www.villagescalgary.ca) using the code PWRDF. That's one good place to go Christmas shopping. Another is the PWRDF World of Gifts catalogue which came in the Anglican Journal (or find it at pwrdf.org)

Mitten Basket: The Mitten Basket is now set-up in the entrance of the South door. Drop off time is Monday to Friday 9 am to noon. Thank you to Barbara- Jean for looking after this ministry again this year.



Pastoral Care

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.

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 on October 20. 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, November 29 is the deadline for *Living Waters* submissions for the December 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 soon)
- Mon. :** Bible Study: 7:00 pm (*postponed*)
Prayer Group: 7:30 pm (3rd Mondays of the month via Zoom) (next is November 15)
- Wed. :** Holy Eucharist: 9:30 am (next is November 17)
Bible Study: 10:30 am (next is January 2022)
Prayer Shawl Ministry: 1 pm (3rd Wednesdays of the month) (next is November 17)
Discovery Series: "A Path to Spiritual Maturity": 7:30 pm (via Zoom) (weekly, until November 10)
- Thurs.:** Video Midweek Prayer Service (twice a month) (next is November 25)
TOPS : 6:30 pm (weekly)
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 (*postponed—hopefully resuming on November 20*)
Ladies Luncheon: 11:30 am—3rd Saturdays (*postponed—hopefully resuming on November 20*)