

# St. Paul's News Bulletin March 6, 2022



## **Parish Events**

WE'RE DELIGHTED ONCE AGAIN TO HAVE THE OPTION OF MEETING TOGETHER IN-PERSON FOR OUR SUNDAY WORSHIP! The Province and Diocese have lifted restrictions on gathering size, all need for registering, and all restrictions on congregational singing. Masking is strongly recommended by the Diocese, but not mandatory. Physical distancing is still being maintained. Services will continue to be live-streamed.

Sunday Services are posted live at 9:30 am on our main Facebook page. A Facebook account isn't needed to watch. You just go to the link <a href="https://www.facebook.com/stpaulscalgary">https://www.facebook.com/stpaulscalgary</a> 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 Sunday School at home from the National Church are posted weekly on our website. To access them, please type "Sunday School" in the search box, and click on "Sunday School". A 4 question Survey about Sun. School has been sent out to households with Sunday School-age children. Everyone's asked to please complete and email it back ASAP. If you've children/grandchildren who might come to Sunday School, and you haven't received a Survey, please let Fergus know.

Sunday Coffee Time: Our in-person post-Service Coffee Time is resuming TODAY, March 6! We're sticking to coffee, tea and juice only during Lent. If you're able to help with this please contact the Parish Office.

Our Virtual Coffee Time is continuing on Sundays via Zoom, but has been moved 15 min. later to 11:45. The Zoom link, which is unchanged, is in the Order of Service, under the Sermon tab of our website.

The March issue of "Living Waters" is available online from the "News" section of our website. Print copies are also available inside the main entrance.

Daily Devotional Booklets for Lent are available just inside the main entrance. Please help yourself.

Our Lenten Study begins THIS WEDNESDAY, Mar. 9, at 10:30 in-person and 7:30 via Zoom. It has 2 components: "Grow Good" from the Church of England, and "Living Hope" from the worldwide Anglican Communion. For more information, please check out this month's issue of "Living Waters."

Midweek Video Prayer Services are posted on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month. On Feb. 24, with the Ukraine on our hearts and minds, we shared prayers for peace and protection for the Ukraine; and an Akathist in Praise of God's Creation showing the beauty of the Ukrainian Christian tradition, from St. Athanasius Ukrainian Catholic Church in Regina. You can watch it by clicking here: <a href="https://youtu.be/mizPDZx0flU">https://youtu.be/mizPDZx0flU</a>. 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 next Service will be posted THIS THURSDAY, Mar. 10.

Our in-person Wednesday Services of Holy Eucharist take place at 9:30 am, on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays of the month. *The next one is Mar. 16.* 

We're so happy to resume our Men's Breakfast and Ladies Luncheon on Saturday, March 19, at 8:30 and 11:30 a.m., respectively! All men and ladies age 13 and over are invited! Friends are most welcome!

At this month's Men's Breakfast, we'll honour our former member Len Mountford, who passed away in 2011. In honour of Len, an avid soccer fan, we wear shorts and our favourite sports jersey at this breakfast. So put on your favourite colours and join us for breakfast. Proceeds from this breakfast will be donated to a charity (Kerry will let us know which on Saturday). Breakfast starts at 8:30 am, but come early and enjoy your first cup of coffee and some fellowship before we eat.

**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 Mondays of the month via Zoom. **The next Zoom Meeting is Monday, March 21, at 7:30 pm.** To share a request, or join this ministry, please email Dinah at breu.dinah@gmail.com.

Offerings: Thank you for continuing to give your Offering. It's critical to helping us fulfill our Mission. Here are ways we can do this. We can bring our Offering to Sunday Services. We haven't purchased 2022 envelopes, but encourage everyone to use their 2021 ones. If you don't have any left, and would like to use envelopes in 2022, please contact the Office. We can also donate to St. Paul's 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 "Donations"); or use e-transfers (please use the email gift@stpaulscalgary.ca; no password is needed; put your envelope no. in the "message" spot).

Income Tax Receipts were mailed out last week. If you don't receive yours by the end of this week upcoming, please contact the Office.

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Pastor's Postings Blog: 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.

# **Diocese and Community**

### **Sorrento Programs in 2022**

Registration is now open for our Summer programs. Come for one week, or come for them all. You will find environmental and nature-based programs, as well as outdoor spirtuality and experiential spiritual teachings, including core Anglican, reconciliation and interfaith offerings. As always, you will have the opportunity to enrich your heart and soul through arts and craft-based playful creativity. Start planning here.

Join our summer team for part or all of the summer. We will be building a dynamic team of young people to help make the "Summer at Sorrento Centre" experience extraordinary. We will be hiring staff for the kitchen, maintenance and housekeeping areas, as well as lifeguards, early childhood educators, videographer, etc. We will be posting several seasonal employment positions in the coming weeks.



The Midnapore Church of England Society (MCES) is a volunteer-run ministry of St. Paul's Anglican Church. MCES was formed in 1995 to ensure that the original St. Paul's Church (now referred to as the Historic Chapel) and the grounds are maintained and preserved in perpetuity through fundraising and volunteer service. The Chapel is a designated a Provincial Historic Resource and MCES is fortunate to have guidance on preservation as well as financial assistance from Alberta Culture and its Historic Resources department. The Historic Chapel turns 137 years old this September.

We have a new MCES webpage: https:// www.stpaulscalgary.ca/ministries/midnapore-church-ofengland-society (the "Ministry" section of our website). Everyone is invited to check it out! Big thanks to Paul Bourgeois for your work on this!

**Father Lacombe Monthly Holy Eucharist Service** 

try. Please contact Kathleen.

St. Paul's Anglican Church services are held at Father Lacombe Care Centre every fourth Sunday of the month with the Rev'd Dr. Norman Knowles officiating (the Rev'd Fergus Tyson or the Rev'd Dr. Bob Mummery). Services commence at 2:30 pm. The Anglicans in residence look forward to this service, but the service is open to anyone who wishes to attend. Most who attend are in wheel chairs and our volunteers are always there with a helping hand. We can always use extra help and welcome anyone who can assist in this minis-





### Parish Council Positions to be filled:

We are looking for someone to fill the position of New Members Coordinator and Community Connection.

#### **New Members Coordinator:**

The role of the New Members Ministry position on Parish Council is to formerly Welcome all new members to St. Paul's and provide them with support and information about St. Paul's and its many ministries.

### Community Connection:

Connecting with our community is a crucial part of our calling as a Parish, and we hope to continue to explore new and exciting ways to do this.

The role of the Community Connection coordinator is to head up a committee which finds ways to connect with our community. In the past we have had several events such as square dancing and our annual community BBQ.

Please contact Fergus or one of the wardens if you're interested in either of these positions

## **Stewardship Reflection for this Sunday**

"I have now brought you the first fruits of the products of the soil which you, O Lord, have given to me." (DEUTERONOMY 26:10)

This line from the Old Testament offers two challenges. First, do you give to God from ewardship your "first fruits" - the first and best that you have to offer, or do you give from what you have leftover? Second, do you realize that everything you have and that everything you are has been given to you by God? Ask God for a grateful and generous heart, every day, in all circumstances.

https://www.archstl.org/about-stewardship/bulletininserts/weekly-bible-reflections

# **Financial News**

with God's love in word and deed as a Parish family.

Our 2022 deficit after our traditionally slow January is \$5,767. We pray for a better February, to keep this deficit from becoming too high. Thank you to everyone for helping support our Mission financially in these challenging times. Ways to do this are listed on the front of this News Bulletin. Please pray for our Parish's finances as we continue to reach out

## **Outreach**

### **PWRDF Giving for Lent**

If you don't feel like giving up anything for Lent, why not give instead? PWRDF is raising money to help *Ukrainian refugees*—surely a worthy project to support. For more info please go to <a href="mailto:pwrdf.org">pwrdf.org</a>. Together we can make a difference.

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.

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

If you would like to be part of the Caring Contact Ministry, please contact Deacon Betty Nadurak.

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

**Prayer Shawl**: We meet on the third Wednesdays, of each month at 1 pm, next meeting Wednesday, March 16, *in person and via Zoom*. Contact Laura Anne at office@stpaulscalgary.ca if you would like to join the group.

## **Opportunities to Serve**

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**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, February 28** is the deadline for *Living Waters* submissions for the March 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 not listed here 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) (postponed—resuming in 2022)

Mon.: Bible Study: 7:00 pm (postponed)

Prayer Group: 7:30 pm (3rd Mondays of the month via Zoom) (next is March 21)

Wed.: Holy Eucharist: 9:30 am

Lenten Study: Grow Good" and "Living Hope": 10:30 am (in-person) & 7:30 pm (via Zoom)

Prayer Shawl Ministry: 1 pm (3rd Wednesdays of the month) (next is March 16)

Thurs.: Video Midweek Prayer Service (twice a month) (next is March 10)

TOPS: 6:30 pm

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 March 19)
Ladies Luncheon: 11:30 am—3rd Saturdays (next is March 19)