

St. Paul's News Bulletin January 15, 2023

Parish Events



There are no in-person COVID restrictions. Masking, however, is strongly recommended by the Diocese and Parish Council, and physical distancing is still being maintained. If a person is wearing a mask, this means that they are concerned about a possible severe outcome from COVID for them or someone they care about. So please be sure to keep 2 metres' distance from them. Services 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 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. To ensure that all are able to share the whole Service online, we'll pause the Liturgy, if any problem arises, to give us time to address the issue.

Sunday School: We are using the Virtual Church School curriculum offered by the Anglican Church of Canada. The link is on our website. For those joining us online, this is the same material we used while in-person Sunday School was on hiatus. For more information, see *Living Waters*.

Sunday School Teachers: If you feel God is calling you to this ministry, or if you would like to know what is involved, please contact Kerin (spaargw@shaw.ca) or the church office. See *Living Waters* for more information.

Everyone's invited to our in-person Coffee Time after the Service. Thank you, POP, for looking after this today! We're looking for helpers in the Coffee Time Ministry. If you're able to help, please contact the Parish Office or sign up on the sheet by the kitchen door. We also have a Virtual Coffee Time on Sundays at 11:45.

The next Prayer Group Meeting is THIS MONDAY, Jan. 16, at 7:30 pm via Zoom. Please email Dinah (breu.dinah@gmail.com) to share a request or join this vital ministry,

Midweek online Service: We've posted on Facebook and YouTube an online Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Service, with 2023 material from Minnesota, led by Fergus and Pastor Wallace of All Saints Lutheran. Here's a link: https://youtu.be/CaG48cMfBLM. These Services are posted on or around the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month. The easiest way to view them on YouTube is to subscribe to our Channel (the link is in the right hand corner of the page). The next one is Thursday, Jan. 26. A "Longest Night" Service of Solace was posted just before Christmas, for those struggling in these cold and dark winter days. Here's a link: https://youtu.be/mS7-kj-Uu-w.

Our in-person Wednesday Holy Eucharist and "Wednesdays with the Word" Bible Study occur on the odd Wednesdays of the month, at 9:30 and 10:30 am, respectively. The next are THIS WEDNESDAY, Jan. 18.

Confirmation preparation is under way, using the new Alpha Youth Series on video. We're showing and discussing this in our Jr. High Sunday School class on the 3rd Sundays of the month.

Wednesday Evening Christian Education Study "Being

Anglican": We delayed a week, and so are resuming THIS WEDNESDAY our exploration of the 2021 and 2022 Anglican Communion initiative "Being Anglican," from TEAC (Theological Education in the Anglican Communion). From fall to spring, we're spending 18 sessions together to delve into the 3 parts of this material. We're sharing 5 Studies of the second part of the TEAC material: Anglican Church Life. We'll meet Wednesdays from Jan. 18 to Feb. 15 at 7:30 pm via Zoom. Please contact Fergus at 403-256 -1428 or pastorfergus@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

Ministry Reports for Annual Meeting of Parishioners (AMP) will be available next week Sunday, Jan. 22. Thank you to everyone who sent in a report.

The next Men's Breakfast is THIS SATURDAY, Jan. 21, at 8:30 am. As it's "Len's Day," our annual tribute to our dear departed brother Len Mountford, please wear your favourite sports jersey (and shorts if you dare!). The next Ladies Potluck Lunchéon is also THÍS SATURDÁY, Jan. 21, at 11:30 am. All age 13 and up are invited!

Temporary leader for POP needed to support co-leader Karen during Laura's absence March - mid April. Detailed instructions and support available. Commitment would involve leading POP in 1 volunteer event in March and 2 short information meetings after Sunday Services as well as monitoring/updating communication (email, Instagram, info to go on website). A good opportunity for an adult >21 years (ideally a driver with access to a vehicle, willing to get a police check). Please contact Laura at youthvolunteer@stpaulscalgary.ca.

Offerings: Thank you for giving your Offering. It provides critical help for us to fulfill our Mission. Here are ways we can do this. We can bring our Offering to Sunday Services. (For Offering envelopes, please use ones from previous years, or contact the Office.) We can 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 "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).

Envelopes for 2023 are in the church. If you have envelope queries, please contact Debra, our Envelope Secretary, at envsecretary@stpaulscalgary.ca.

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Incumbent: Assistants:

The Rev'd Fergus Tyson The Rev'd Cyril Haynes The Rev'd Dr. Norman Knowles The Rev'd Dr. Bob Mummery The Rev'd Betty Nadurak

Wardens: Cam Cline & Ingrid Bolton Main Facebook Page: stpaulscalgary
Twitter: @stpaulscalgary & @Pastor_Fergus

Instagram: stpaulsanglicancalgary
YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCldxfHv5pFYST-j8as1GVg

Pastor's Postings Blog: pastorfergus.wordpress.com/

Youth Ministry

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

Youth Sunday School is on the first and third Sundays of each month during the Sunday Service. The first Sunday will be a self-directed discussion group. The third Sunday will be the Alpha Series Refresh. Any youth who are interested in confirmation are asked to please attend this Sunday.

Pioneers of Paul (POP) our youth volunteer group.

We will be serving coffee after the service this Sunday January 15th.

Our next events are:

Jan 28, 2023: Jan 28, 2023 (1200-1530) -Volunteering at the Mustard Seed Donation Sorting Centre.

Future event: watch for opportunity to volunteer at The Calgary Food Bank in Feb (date, time TBD). Details are posted on the website use the QR Code for access. POP is



on Instagram, also, at https://www.instagram.com/ pioneersofpaul/.

Diocese and Community Events

A Workshop on Spiritual Warfare "What?", "Why?" "How?" - Aim: To learn how to fight the enemies of God with His word and His power. "For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms". (Eph. 6:12 NIV) - Led by Rev. Martyn Alvey Honorary Associate, Meota Parish March 18th, 2023 9:30am - 3.30pm at St. Benedict's Anglican Church 602 -3rd Street S.W. High River, AB. 403-652-2271. Bring your own lunch. Muffins and drinks provided. No cost – but there will be a freewill offering to help cover costs. Please register by email: stbenedicts@telus.net

Community Connection Opportunity: We have an opportunity to participate together in a service project on Sunday Feb. 5th from 1 to 4 pm during United Nations World Interfaith Harmony Week. The Service is called "Feed the Hungry" It is an established event put on by the Catholic Diocese but they are looking for volunteers. It will be at St Mary's Cathedral on 18 Ave SW. We are looking for 5 to 10 volunteers from St. Paul's. Please send the Parish office a note as soon as possible if you are interested in volunteering.



Parish Council Positions to be Filled

Maintenance Coordinator

Church council is looking to fill the position of Maintenance Coordinator. The purpose of this position is to coordinate (not necessarily perform) the work needed to maintain the church building. Typical activities include:

- Maintain a list of maintenance work items and find volunteers and/or engage repair persons to do the
- Attend the monthly council meeting (currently via Zoom) and report on the building maintenance status
- Organize the fall and spring clean-ups (i.e. pick a date,

- 'advertise' for volunteers and arrange for some pizza)
- Arrange for the blowing out the underground watering system in the fall
- Renew the snow removal contract
- Arrange for plumbers, locksmiths and other trades if required for repairs

There are a few congregational members who typically provide help for this position. However, a coordinator is required. Since this is a coordinating position, actual building maintenance experience is not a requirement.

New Members Coordinator

We are looking for someone to fill the position of 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. For more information please contact the Wardens or Fergus.



Deputy People's Warden

We are looking for a deputy People's Warden. This is a position which will prepare you to be the People's Warden next year. The term for this position is 1 year and then 2 years as the People's Warden. You will assist the People's Warden by being an avenue for members of the parish to bring concerns and also compliments.

Youth Representative

We are looking for a youth member to represent the youth of our parish on Parish Council. The responsibility of this position would be to attend Parish Council meetings and to give a youth perspective.

Stewardship Reflection: 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb..." Isaiah



God have given each of us different gifts. In order for God's plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and become the saint that God is calling you to be.

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

Financial News

Our 2022 deficit at the end of December is 8,049. Thank you, everyone, for your financial giving in 2022! Please pray for our financial health moving ahead, as we continue to reach out with God's love in word and deed as a Parish family. And thank you, everyone for helping support our Mission financially in 2023. Ways to do this are listed on the front of this News Bulletin.



Outreach



It's not too late to make a New Year resolution to support PWRDF in 2023. As always, you are encouraged to PRAY, ACT, & GIVE. You can make regular

donations using the blue envelopes in each set, or by direct debit. Any and all gifts make a difference, and there is great | 2023 Flower Chart is now up on the bulletin board by the need.

Pastoral Care

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

Chemo Care Bag: If you know of anyone who is beginning Chemo treatment and would benefit from receiving a Chemo Care Bag please contact the Parish Office

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, January 18, in person and via Zoom. Contact Laura Anne here if you would like to join the group.

Hunger for Healing, a Christian Twelve Step Programme, is meeting every Wednesday from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm. Everyone is welcome, and we'd love to have you join us to find out what the programme is all about, and see if it's for you. There is no leader, as we all take part in leading the pro-

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gramme. If you wish more information, please contact the Rev'd Deacon Betty Nadurak at 403 818 9879.

kitchen: We are purchasing flowers every two weeks, unless someone has signed up, to try to save money as we have not had a good response to flower donations. Please see the flower chart in the Hall by the kitchen. 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, January 30 is the deadline for Living Waters submissions for the February 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:

Pioneers of Paul (POP): 9:30 am—2nd Sundays (activity is today Jan. 15) Sun.:

Alpha Youth Series (Confirmation Preparation, Part 1): 9:30 am—3rd Sundays (next is today January 15)

Mon.: Prayer Group: 7:30 pm (3rd Mondays of the month via Zoom) (next tomorrow January 16)

Wed.: Holy Eucharist: 9:30 am (1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays of the month) (next is January 18)

Bible Study: 10:30 am (1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays of the month) (next is January 18)

Hunger for Healing: 11:30 am (in the Chapel Room)

Prayer Shawl Ministry: 1 pm (3rd Wednesdays of the month) (next is January 18 in person and Zoom)

Being Anglican Study: 7:30 pm on Zoom (January 18 to February 15)

Thurs.: Video Prayer Service (twice a month) (next is January 26)

TOPS (Taking off Pounds Sensibly): 6:30 pm

Choir Practice: 7:30 pm (If you'd like to join the Choir, please contact Paul Bourgeois at pbourgeois@shaw.ca.)

Men's Breakfast: 8:30 am—3rd Saturdays (next is January 21) Sat.:

Ladies Luncheon: 11:30 am—3rd Saturdays (next is January 21)