



# St. Paul's News Bulletin

## August 17, 2025



**Welcome Everyone!** Please join us after the service for coffee and goodies each Sunday. If you are new to St. Paul's, we would be happy to provide a welcome package.

**Sunday School Registration:** Registration for the 2025 - 26 year will take place on **Sept. 7, with classes beginning the following Sunday.** Children must be registered each year to keep our records up to date. Forms are available from sidespeople or online.

**Blessing of Backpacks:** On **Sunday, Sept. 14,** all students are invited to bring a backpack for a blessing celebrating the start of a new school year. If anyone requires a backpack for financial or other reasons, please contact the office.

**Alpha Series:** Discover life, faith and meaning. Join us from **Sept. 24 to Dec. 10** for engaging conversations in a welcoming setting. Sign up on the Alpha board in the hall or contact the parish office.

**Office closures:** The administration office will be closed **Aug. 25 to Sept. 2.** **Deadlines for the Sunday, Aug. 31 bulletin and announcements will be Tuesday Aug. 19.**

**Food for Others Sunday:** If there are five Sundays in a month, that day is Food for Others Sunday, to draw attention to our collection of non-perishable items for the Calgary Food Bank. The next one is **Aug. 31,** and we encourage donations be left in the marked box by the main entrance year-round.

**Coffee House:** The next St. Paul's Stringers Coffee House will be **Sept. 12** at 7 p.m. Come enjoy our own house band, open mic and snacks. This is family friendly. All welcome!



**Back to Church Sunday:** On **Sunday, Sept. 21,** let's bring a friend or invite your neighbour to learn what St. Paul's is all about.

**Ladies' Luncheon Feedback:** We would like to invite feedback on past events and offer a chance to offer suggestions for 2025-2026. Please find survey forms on the table by the south door. Please complete and return by **Sept. 30.**

**Newcomers Welcome:** We are celebrating our newest congregation members on Sunday, **Sept. 14.** To become a member, please complete a form in the pews that asks if you would like to make St. Paul's your Parish Home. If you have questions, contact Joan McCartney or the St. Paul's office at [office@stpaulscalgary.ca](mailto:office@stpaulscalgary.ca)

**Angel Tree Ministry:** A small (3-4 ft.) Christmas tree is needed to support this Prison Fellowship ministry. If you can donate a used tree in good shape, please contact the parish office.



**Living Waters:** The deadline for the October/November issue of *Living Waters* is **Sept. 21.** Please submit material as soon as possible after events to [office@stpaulscalgary.ca](mailto:office@stpaulscalgary.ca)

**Rider's Ministry:** This ministry helps seniors and others attend our Sunday Eucharist by providing transportation to and from church. Please see the signup sheets in the hall: one for those who need a ride and one for those who can volunteer to drive occasionally.

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**Assistants:** The Rev'd Cyril Haynes

The Rev'd Betty Nadarak

**Wardens:** Paul Bourgeois & Ingrid Bolton

**Main Facebook Page:** [stpaulscalgary](https://www.facebook.com/stpaulscalgary)

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**YouTube:** <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCldxfHv5pFYST--j8as1GVg>

# Outreach

The Coming Alongside Hope with Light campaign aims to provide 49 Solar Suitcases – 35 for clinics in Mozambique and 14 in Madagascar. A Solar Suitcase is a bright yellow power system that brings light and life-saving equipment to maternal health clinics in rural communities. And here's the big news: a donor has stepped forward with a matching gift. That means every dollar you give will be matched, up to \$150,000. Won't you give today?

**5th Sundays of the Month are Food for Others Sundays at St. Paul's.** Everyone is invited to bring non-perishable food items and leave them in the bin marked Calgary Food Bank. The next Food for Others Sunday is today, **Aug. 31**.

**Inreach** Many in our congregation face financial struggles due to the economy, so a special fund was created. Donations marked "Financial Help for Parishioners" are 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 Tony know. He will maintain absolute confidentiality. This is one way we can care for one another in these challenging times.



# Pastoral Care

If you'd like to be part of our **Pastoral Care Team**, please contact Betty Nadurak.

**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.

**Prayer Shawl:** We meet on the first & third Wednesdays of each month at 1 pm, in person and via Zoom. Contact Laura Anne [here](#) if you would like to join the group or if you know of anyone who would benefit from receiving a shawl. Everyone is welcome. No experience needed. **There is no meeting until September.**

**Grief Support Group:** This is open to anyone who is grieving due to loss, illnesses or other struggles. For more information, please contact Laura Anne or leave your contact information at the Parish Office. **A new session starts at the end of Sept.**

**Hunger for Healing, a Christian Twelve Step Programme,** meets every Wednesday 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome. 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. We all take part in leading. If you wish more information, please contact the Rev'd Deacon Betty Nadurak at 403 818 9879.

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## Check out these opportunities to participate

**2025 Flower Chart** is available on the bulletin board by the kitchen door. If you would like to make a dedication, please fill out the form under the flower chart or send it to Chizoba at [office@stpaulscalgary.ca](mailto:office@stpaulscalgary.ca). The cost is \$30.

**Prayer Chain Requests:** Please contact Dinah Breu with your prayer requests.

**Servers:** we are looking for volunteers to be servers at our Sunday services. **Youth or Adults are welcome!** Please contact Father Cyril or Cheryl if you are interested. Training is available!

**Card Ministry:** If you know anyone who is grieving, unwell, or celebrating a birthday or anniversary, and would appreciate receiving a greeting card from the St. Paul's Family, please contact

Pauline Payne at 403-988-2546 or email her at [Pauline\\_payne1@yahoo.com](mailto:Pauline_payne1@yahoo.com).

**Casserole Ministry:** If someone would benefit from receiving a casserole, please **contact Linda Hubert or help yourself to what is available.** Our freezer for casseroles is now well stocked thanks to parish volunteers. If you would like to contribute a casserole, please label it with what it is, ingredients and the date and then put in freezer.

**Sign:** To change the outdoor sign more regularly, we need helpers. ***If you can help, please contact Paul Bourgeois or the Office.***

**We are looking for volunteers** to be **Sacramental Assistants.** Please contact Ed or the Parish Office for more information.

# Regular Activities at St. Paul's:

- Sunday:**      **Holy Eucharist 10 a.m.**  
                 **Handchimes Practice** 11:30 –12 p.m.  
                 Word to World Ministries Canada: 2 - 3 p.m.  
                 Philippines Independent Church (IFI) 4 p.m.
- Monday:**    **Walking Group:** 9 a.m. (see the St. Paul's website under events for locations)  
                 **St. Paul's Stringers rehearsal:** 7:30 p.m.  
                 **Prayer Group - meetings** held both in person and online: 1:30 p.m.  
                 (2nd Monday of the month **in-person**)  
                 7:30 p.m. (4th Mondays of the month **via Zoom**)
- Tuesday:**
- Wednesday:**    **Morning Prayer:** 9:30 a.m.  
                 **Bible Study:** 10:30 a.m.  
                 **Hunger for Healing:** 11:30 a.m. (in the Chapel Room)  
                 **Prayer Shawl Ministry:** 1 p.m. (1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month)
- Thursday:**      TOPS (Taking off Pounds Sensibly): 6:00 p.m.  
                 **Choir Practice:** 7:30 p.m.  
                 (If you'd like to join Choir, please contact Paul Bourgeois at pbourgeois@shaw.ca.)
- Friday:**          **Handchimes Practice** 10 - 11 a.m.  
                 **S.P.Y. Group:** 6:30 p.m. 1st Friday of the month. (Check website)  
                 **Coffee House:** 7 p.m. second Friday on alternate months. **Next date is Sept. 12**
- Saturday:**      **Ladies Luncheon:** 11:20 am -2nd Saturdays. **Next date Sept. 13**  
                 **Men's Breakfast:** 8:30 am - 3rd Saturdays (Check website to confirm whether at St. Paul's or St. Peter's). **Next date is Sept. 20 at St. Peter's.**



## Welcome to newcomers and visitors

A word to newcomers and visitors: St. Paul's welcomes you and invites you to make this your church home.

Visitors, please sign our guest book, which is on the standby by the sanctuary doors.

We would be most pleased to learn about you and help you learn about us. Please indicate on a pew card, located in racks on the back of the pews, how we can help you feel part of the family.

Please place the card on the offering plate or hand it to one of the clergy or Parish Council members. We are so glad you were able to join us.

# Youth Ministry

Two exciting opportunities for the Youth of our Parish!

**POP** is a volunteer group helping in the community and **S.P.Y. Group** is a social group. All youth are welcome at both!

## St. Paul's Youth Group (S.P.Y)

Meets on the first Friday of each month. Invite your friends!



A place to be yourself, to make friends and have some fun! See the St. Paul's website for more information. Type Youth Group into the search to find the page. To register use this QR code



**Pioneers of Paul (POP) - our youth volunteer group**



## Men's and Ladies' Cursillo Weekends coming this fall

Men's weekend is **Oct. 30 to Nov. 2**, and the Women's is **Nov. 6 to 9**. Fees are \$295 per person for a double room, and \$325 for private. Email Stew at [stewp@telus.net](mailto:stewp@telus.net) for application forms.

# Our Ministries

## ALTERNATE WAYS TO DONATE

To donate electronically, the preferred method is by e-transfer. Please use the email [gift@stpaulscalgary.ca](mailto:gift@stpaulscalgary.ca)

No password is needed. To help our Envelope Secretary, please include your envelope number in the message.

You can also donate via our website (<https://www.stpaulscalgary.ca/donate>).

This is a completely secure system, with the highest level of PCI compliance.

We can also set up direct deposit. For the form, go to our website, type "Donation" in the search box, and click on "Pre-Authorized Donations."

## Stewardship Reflections:

*"Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." Luke 12:51*

Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves with our family and friends, especially when it comes to politics and religion. We don't want to cause any turmoil. However, many times this is at the expense of the truth. The truth being Jesus Christ. Too many people are misguided because they rely on their own limited human ability to reason and are not allowing faith in God to guide them. Form your conscience; take a stance for life, marriage, and religious liberty.

<https://resources.archstl.org/article/35912/0/stewardship-bulletin-inserts>

## Financial News

Our deficit at the end of July was \$12,836. Thank you to everyone for helping support our mission financially in these challenging times.

