



# St. Paul's News Bulletin

April 11, 2021



## Parish Events

**We're following the urging of the Archbishop and Diocesan COVID-19 Task Force and continuing to suspend all in-person Services for the immediate future, because of the increase in COVID-19 cases and their contagiousness.**

**This Sunday's Service is being posted live at 9:30 am on our main Facebook page. PLEASE NOTE: 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 onward on Apr. 11, 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 are posted each week on our website, by typing "Sunday School" in the search box, & clicking on "Sunday School."

**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.

**Reserved Sacrament is available (in baggies) in the main entrance every Sat. from 2 to 3.**

**EPIC-7 and 8a and 8b Events were lots of fun! We made paper palm crosses, decorated Easter eggs, baked Resurrection buns, and had an Easter scavenger hunt!** EPIC Events (EPIC stands for Encouraging People In Christ) are St. Paul's expression of "Messy Church." They're always great for the whole family! All ages, toddlers to teens, parents and grandparents, are WELCOME! **Look for EPIC-9 to take place in the next couple of weeks. To get the Zoom link to participate, please email Fergus at [pastorfergus@gmail.com](mailto:pastorfergus@gmail.com).** Please spread the word, and invite family and friends! THANKS, Shannon, and all helping lead these!

**The April "Living Waters" is online. Please go to the News section to find it.**

**Tosan, our Christian Education Contact on Parish Council, is creating posts for our Facebook pages roughly once a week about "Saint days, Doctrine tidbits, memorable church dates."**

**Coming via Zoom to St. Paul's on Apr. 21: "Written on the Heart: The Bible for Anglicans in the 21st Century," a 4 week Video Study from the National Church to deepen our experience of Holy Scripture as the Word of God. On 4 Weds., Apr. 21 to May 12, from 7:30-9 pm. we're meeting together to explore and discuss how we can be open to all God wants the mysterious and wonderful gift of the Bible to be in our lives! EVERYONE'S INVITED! To participate, please contact Fergus for the Zoom link.**

**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 7:30 pm, Mon., Apr. 19.** To share a request, or join this ministry, please contact Dinah at [breu.dinah@gmail.com](mailto:breu.dinah@gmail.com).

**Midweek Video Prayer Services are posted 2 or more times a month on Facebook & YouTube. To watch our Good Fri. Service of the Stations of the Cross, please click [here](#).** The easiest way to view the Services on YouTube is to subscribe to our Channel (the link is at the bottom of this page). **The next Midweek Video Service is planned for April 22.**

**Caring Contact Ministry:** Caring Contact Ministry Helpers contact the households on their lists ice a month, & share any pastoral concerns with Fergus. If you'd like to be a Helper, please contact Fergus.

**Pastoral Visits:** Please contact Fergus for phone, email, or Zoom visits; & emergency visits in-person.

**We're once again looking for pictures for the May "Living Waters."** Let's share what we and our families are doing now that spring has arrived. **This is a great way for us to all stay in touch. If you have a story to share about one of your adventures that would be wonderful, also. Send your pictures or stories to [office@stpaulscalgary.ca](mailto:office@stpaulscalgary.ca).**

**We're also looking for a way to celebrate our Birthdays.** If you'd like to join in please see "Living Waters" for more information.

**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](mailto: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](mailto:murray.sykes@shaw.ca) or 403-200-8869, to arrange for pick-up or delivery.**

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**YouTube:** <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCldxfHv5pFYST-j8as1GVg>  
**Pastor's Postings:** [pastorfergus.wordpress.com/](https://www.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

### SOFCI (South of Fish Creek Interfaith)

SOFCI meets together for group discussion and planning service projects once a month. If you are interested in joining Murray as a rep for St. Paul's, 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.

### Spring Cleaning for the Soul: A Retreat in Daily Life

3 One Hour Workshops: April 17th and 24th from 2 pm to 3 pm on Zoom. Fee for each workshop is \$15.00. Payment may be made after you register by e-transfer to [gaelh@telus.net](mailto:gaelh@telus.net).

April 17<sup>th</sup> - Befriending Our Fear

April 24<sup>th</sup> - Listening to The Still Small Voice:  
Learning How to Really Listen When the Infinite Speaks

Workshops to be given by Gael Hogan, a Spiritual Director and Transformational Life Coach in Calgary. More info. Will be in the April Living Waters. Click this link to register:

<https://uso2web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZctduqsrjooHNQWmohsY-RYIP2BYUEVHhCX>

### Labyrinth Webinars/Workshops

17th April/21 is a Free webinar 17.00 - 18.00hrs. Temporary Labyrinths. Classical

24th April/21 - 01 May/21 - More detailed one about building a labyrinth includes both the Classical and Medieval Chartres style.

Both these are run by Lars Howlett, Master Builder of Labyrinths. He is an excellent teacher and very approachable.

Please find more details in Living Waters and or by visiting [Veriditas.org](http://Veriditas.org)



### Greeters Ministry

The Greeters come about a half hour before the service and they stay to greet those coming for the second service. The job requires a smiling face, a warm greeting for those arriving, and helping newcomers find name tags and giving them general help. This ministry doesn't require much time but it is very important. We were very grateful for our Greeters who helped us open for In Person services in the Fall. They play a big part in helping us all stay safe and feeling welcome!

### Grief Support Group

This group is open to anyone who has suffered a loss and who feels they would benefit from being with others who are travelling a similar journey.

A support group is a safe place where we can share our stories, pains and struggles but no one will be asked to give more than they are comfortable sharing. We ask that everyone make a commitment to attend all the sessions if possible.

A support group is a forum where you are not expecting an answer but know you have the freedom to ask the big questions, share the anguish and process the pain. It is not a therapy group but it is therapeutic. It is loving, caring, generous and concerned, healing and growth enhancing. It can also be fun!

Contact the Parish Office if you are interested in a Grief Support Group.

### Stewardship Bible Verses for Reflection

As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

1 Peter 4:10



And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work. (2 Corinthians 9:8)

## Financial News

**Our deficit to February 28, 2021 is \$6,681.43**

**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

Spring is the time thoughts turn to planting, and eventually harvesting. Even in Alberta's relatively short growing season, we can look forward with some confidence to fresh produce from our gardens. We can also be confident that we won't be going hungry. Because far too many people around the world don't have that confidence, an important part of PWRDF's development work is to help provide food security in poorer nations. You can read many inspiring stories at [pwrdf.org](http://pwrdf.org).

## 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.

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 Wednesday, April 21 at 1 pm on Zoom. Contact Laura Anne at

[office@stpaulscalgary.ca](mailto: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](mailto: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 Huber.

**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, April 26** is the deadline for *Living Waters* submissions for the May Edition. Please submit to [office@stpaulscalgary.ca](mailto: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.

**Servers:** We are looking for more volunteers to be servers at our Sunday services. ***Adults are welcome to join this ministry.***

**Parish Council:** We are looking for people to serve as ***Deputy People's Warden and Youth contacts on Parish Council (for the Youth contact, we are looking for a teen, age 16 or older).*** If you are interested in either of these positions or would like more information, please contact the Wardens or Fergus.

## 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 (next is 2 pm on a Sun. coming soon)***
- Mon.:** Bible Study: 7:00 pm (*postponed*)  
***Prayer Group: 7:30 pm (3rd Mondays of the month via Zoom) (next is Apr. 19)***
- Wed.:** ***Prayer Shawl Ministry: 1 pm (3rd Wednesdays of the month via Zoom) (next is Apr. 21)***  
***"Written on the Heart" Video Study via Zoom: 7:30 pm (Apr. 21 to May 12)***
- Thurs.:** ***Video Midweek Prayer Service (twice a month) (next is Apr. 22)***  
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 (*postponed*)  
Ladies Luncheon: 11:30 am—3rd Saturdays (*postponed*)