



St. Paul's News Bulletin February 19, 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 more info., see *Living Waters*.

Confirmation preparation is under way, using the new Alpha Youth Series on video. We're now showing and discussing this twice a month, in our Jr. High Sunday School class on 1st and 3rd Sundays.

Everyone's invited to our in-person Coffee Time after the Service. Thank you, Murray and Annette, 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 Zoom link for it is in each Sunday's Order of Service.

Midweek online Service: On Thursday, Feb. 9, we posted on Facebook and YouTube a late night Service of Compline from the Church of England. Here's a link: <https://youtu.be/HkdZwbJRR0o>. These Services are posted 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 Ash Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 22.**

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.

EVERYONE'S INVITED to our Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, which is returning this year, after a 2 year hiatus, due to the Pandemic! It takes place in the Hall from 5 to 7 p.m. on Feb. 21! The cost is \$5 per person, and \$15 per family. Payment takes place at the door. Please spread the word, and bring your friends and neighbours! Thank you, Barry and Kerry, for organising this for us!

EVERYONE'S INVITED to share the different activities on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 22. There's Holy Eucharist with the Imposition of Ashes at St. Paul's at 9:15. This is followed at 10:30 with Lenten Reflections on our big screens. In the afternoon, an Ash Wednesday Service is being posted on Facebook and YouTube. At 6 p.m., there's a Chilli Supper at All Saints' Lutheran. And at 7:30 p.m., there's a Service at All Saints of Holy Eucharist with the Imposition of Ashes, at which Fergus is preaching.

This year's Lenten Study begins Mar. 1. We're sharing the DVD and book Study "Entering the Passion of Jesus" by Biblical scholar Amy-Jill Levine: in-person at 10:30 am and 7:30 pm via Zoom. Dr. Levine explores with us the Biblical texts surrounding the Passion story, showing us how the texts raise ethical and spiritual questions for us, and how we all are called to risk in our Christian experience.

A temporary leader for POP is needed to support co-leader Karen during Laura's absence March to mid-April. Detailed instructions and support are available. The commitment involves leading POP in 1 volunteer event in March, as well as monitoring/updating communication (email, Instagram, info. to go on website). A police check (paid for by the Parish) is required. It would also be ideal for the temporary leader to be a driver with access to a vehicle. It's a great opportunity for an adult >21 years! 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.

World Day of Prayer 2023: Hello everyone, St Bonaventure Parish would like to invite you to attend **World Day of Prayer 2023.** The 60-minute prayer service will begin at 11:00 am in the church followed by lunch and fellowship downstairs in the parish hall. The women of Taiwan have written this year's prayer service. The theme is "I Have Heard About Your Faith." This non-denominational prayer service is open to everyone. Please invite friends and family. We do ask that you **RSVP to Lorraine at lmfclark@hotmail.com 403-510-5169** by February 24th to help with planning lunch. St Bonaventure Parish 1600 Acadia DR SE

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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.
March events: Fri. Mar 10: Bethany Care Centre

Future events:

Fri Apr 28: Inn From the Cold; **Sat. May 13**
The Calgary Food Bank.



Details are posted on the website use the QR Code for access. **POP is on Instagram, also, at**
<https://www.instagram.com/pioneersofpaul/>.

All events through May are now posted, and people can sign up. There are maximum numbers for some events, so sign up early to avoid disappointment.

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 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



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 work
- 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: 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you..." MATTHEW 5:44



Love your enemies, easier said than done. But, remember, the foundation of stewardship is prayer. When we are in close communication with God, it opens our heart and it turns our attention away from "me" and moves it towards God and others. It changes my heart and actions, allowing for a little more empathy for "my enemy." When we pray for others, even our enemies, it may soften their hearts as well.

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

Financial News

Our 2022 Net Income at the end of January was 4,590. Thank you, everyone for helping support our Mission financially in 2023. Ways to do this are listed on the front page of this News Bulletin.



Outreach



In Epiphany, as we hear the story of Mary and Joseph having to flee to Egypt to keep their baby safe, it seems an appropriate time to remember the record numbers of refugees in the world today. Protection, caring for, and resettling refugees is a large part of the work of PWRDF.

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, March 15, *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-

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

Opportunities to Serve

2023 Flower Chart is now up on the bulletin board by the kitchen: *We are returning to having fresh flowers every week.* 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, February 27 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:

- Sun.:** **Alpha Youth Series (Confirmation Preparation, Part 1):** 9:30 am—1st and 3rd Sundays (the next is March 1)
Pioneers of Paul (POP): 11:45 am—Sunday meetings to plan mid-week serving events (no Sunday meetings until June; next service activity is March 10)
- Mon.:** **Prayer Group:** 7:30 pm (3rd Mondays of the month via Zoom) (next is February 27 **please note change of date**)
- Wed.:** **Holy Eucharist:** 9:30 am (1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays of the month) (next is March 1)
Bible Study: 10:30 am (1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays of the month) (next is April 19)
Hunger for Healing: 11:30 am (in the Chapel Room)
Prayer Shawl Ministry: 1 pm (3rd Wednesdays of the month) (next is March 15 in person and Zoom)
"Entering The Passion of Jesus" Lenten Study: 10:30 am in person & 7:30 pm on Zoom (March 1 to 29)
- Thurs.:** **Video Prayer Service** (twice a month) (next is Ash Wednesday, February 22)
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.)
- Sat.:** **Men's Breakfast:** 8:30 am—3rd Saturdays (next is March 18)
Ladies Luncheon: 11:30 am—3rd Saturdays (next is March 18)