



ST. PAUL'S PARISH BULLETIN

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September 8th to 14th, 2024



Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading

Isaiah 35:4-7a

Isaiah prophesies about God's vindication.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 146:7,8-9,9-10

A song of praise to God

Second Reading

James 2:1-5

James teaches that there is to be no partiality within the Christian community.

Gospel Reading

Mark 7:31-37

Jesus restores a man's hearing and speech.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today we continue to hear the Gospel of Mark proclaimed. In today's reading, Jesus heals a man who was deaf and had a speech impediment. This is a story about Jesus' healing power, and in it we find clues about our understanding of sacrament. We are struck by the physical means used to heal the man, the use of spittle and touch. The Church continues to celebrate the sacraments using physical means. In the Sacrament of Baptism, water and oil are used to show the power of the Holy Spirit. In the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, we are anointed with holy oil on the forehead and the hands. In the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. We are a sacramental people who believe that God's grace is given to us through these physical signs.

Some, however, see in this Gospel an image of the proclamation of the good news of Jesus to the Gentiles. The geographic references tell us that Jesus is journeying through Gentile territory. Jesus had previously visited this region and healed a person possessed by a demon. Jesus was already famous there, which explains why people brought the deaf man to him. The story that precedes this reading in Mark's Gospel sets the stage. Jesus encounters a Gentile, a Syrophenician woman who asks him to heal her demon-possessed daughter. Jesus engages her in a dialogue about not feeding to dogs the food intended for children. Jesus is struck by the woman's great faith when she replies that even dogs eat the food that falls from the table, and he heals her daughter immediately. The faith of this Greek woman compels Jesus to respond to her plea.

Mark shows that Jesus' own mission affirms the early Church's mission to the Gentiles. This was a significant issue to the early Christian community, which found that the good news of Jesus took root and spread quickly among the Gentiles. Yet there is an irony in the story of healing that Mark tells. Jesus gives the man the gift of speech, but then tells him not to use it. Jesus asks that the news of his healing power, which is evidence of his identity as the Messiah, not be spread. This is a recurring motif in Mark's Gospel and is sometimes called the "messianic secret."

Sunday Connections thru Diocese of Calgary Communications

Did not God choose those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the Kingdom? Count your blessings, then come and help others count theirs too, as a priest, religious or deacon. If you feel you have such a vocation, please contact the Office of Vocations at 403-218-5500 or email Fr. Cristino Bouvette

Email: vocations@calgarvdiocese.ca

www.catholicvvc.ca/vocations.html

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday to Friday from 9:00am to Noon

St Paul's Catholic Church Events & News

TIA - \$2 646.58 per month to meet goal
Income for May - \$36 902.93

Monthly: CF Loan (mortgage) - \$10 777.00
Expenses for May - \$46 171.56

Monthly: Diocesan Support \$4 339.00
LOSS - \$9 268.63

Income for June - \$43 457.50

Expenses for June - \$41 770.29

INCOME - \$1 687.21

Income for July - \$44 524.89

Expenses for July - \$56 950.31

LOSS - \$12, 425.42

Full finances can be found online and, in the hallway, under the parish bulletin board.

CWL

Our next general meeting is scheduled for
Tuesday, September 10th at 7:00 pm
in the church hall.

Our sister, Sheila Nielsen,
will be presenting her Camino Walk.
We look forward to seeing you all there!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Airdrie Dream Vacation Winners for Sept. 1st, 2024.

\$2500 Dream Vacation - # 302 Janet Leipert

\$120 winners:

17 Elmer Stang

20 Carol Carr

287 Paulette Bouvier

583 Alexie Digaeta

Congratulations everyone. Next draw is Oct. 6th, 2024

DAY	DATE	TIME	Mass Intentions
Sunday	Sep 8	9:00am	RS - Agatha Ba Banh
		11:00am	PRO POPULO
Monday	9		No Mass
Tuesday	10	12:00pm	RS - Paul d'Haene
Wednesday	11	9:00am	SI - The Roche Family
Thursday	12	9:00am	SI - Heidi Pack
Friday	13	9:00am	SI - Woolsey family
Seniors Home		10:30am	SI - Rozenna Nigil birthday blessings
Saturday	14	5:00pm	SI - Ayyang

Sunday Offering

Our parish relies on your Sunday offerings for maintenance and growth.

By making your pre-authorized offertory gift, you are providing crucial support to care for our parish. You can also use the online giving page on the diocesan website to set up a one-time or recurring donation to our parish via credit-card. Funds donated will be transferred to the selected parish. Give now at catholicyc.ca/donatoteparish or contact financials/secretary.

DAY	DATE	TIME	PARISH ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Sunday	Sep 8	10:30 to 10:45am	11am Choir Practice	S.H.C.
			After Mass Baptisms	Nave
		1:30 to 4:00pm	Altar Server Training	Nave & Sacristy
Monday	9	9:30 to 11:30am	Office	VoMR
Tuesday	10	9:00 to 10:00am	Men's Bible Study Group	Hall
		10:00 to 11:30am	Men's Coffee Group	Hall
		10:00 to 11:45am	Moms Group	Basement
		10:45am	Rosary Group	Nave
		7:00pm	CWL General Meeting	Hall
Wednesday	11	8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave
		6:30pm	Session 1 First Reconciliation	Hall
Thursday	12	8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave
		9:45am	Coffee and Fellowship	Hall
		7:00pm	RCIA-Fellowship for new Catholics/new members	Hall
		7:00pm	Parish Pastoral Council	VoMR
Friday	13	8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave
Saturday	14	10:00am	Session 1 First Reconciliation	Hall
		11:00 to 12:30pm	9am Choir Practice	S.H.C.
		11:00am	Baptism	Nave
		1:00pm	Funeral Mass followed by luncheon	Nave & Hall
		3:45 to 4:45pm	Reconciliation	
		4:00 to 4:45pm	5pm Choir Practice	S.H.C.

Altar Server Training for current & new servers

Sep 15th
1:00 to 3:30pm

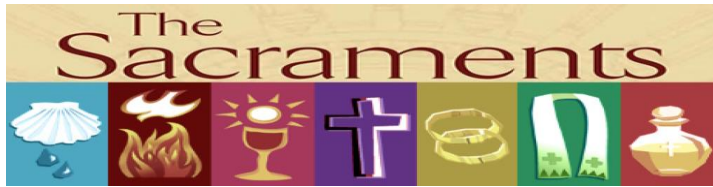
Oct 5th
9:30 to 12:00pm

Oct 6th
1:00 to 3:30pm

ALL Altar Servers must attend at least one training session to be placed on all schedules going forward.

Thank you from Coordinator Angela.
saraceni@shaw.ca

St Paul's Catholic Church Ministries & Sacraments



BAPTISMS – Registration and program details are currently available and done online only through our parish website [Sacrament of Baptism for Infants/Children/Youth – St. Paul's Catholic Church \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](http://Sacrament of Baptism for Infants/Children/Youth – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca))

2023 Baptism Dates: Sep 8th, Oct 13th, Nov 10th, Dec 8th

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST (EUCHARIST) COMMUNION

[Sacrament of First Reconciliation & First Eucharist – St. Paul's Catholic Church \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](http://Sacrament of First Reconciliation & First Eucharist – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca))

Registration closed Sep 8

CONFIRMATION

[Sacrament of Confirmation – St. Paul's Catholic Church \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](http://Sacrament of Confirmation – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca)) WILL OPEN IN NOVEMBER

RCIA – For more information please contact the parish office and the RCIA Coordinator will contact you with details and information on this ongoing program. Sessions start Sep 5th at 7:00pm in the hall.

[Becoming Catholic as an Adult – St. Paul's Catholic Church \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](http://Becoming Catholic as an Adult – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca))

If you have any questions or concerns regarding First Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation or RCIA please contact Heidi at stpaulssacraments@shaw.ca

MARRIAGES – Please contact the office at least six months before your marriage date.

[Marriage – St. Paul's Catholic Church \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](http://Marriage – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca))

If you have any questions or concerns regarding marriages, please contact Wanda at stpaulsairdrie@shaw.ca

HOLY ORDERS

[Holy Orders – St. Paul's Catholic Church \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](http://Holy Orders – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca))

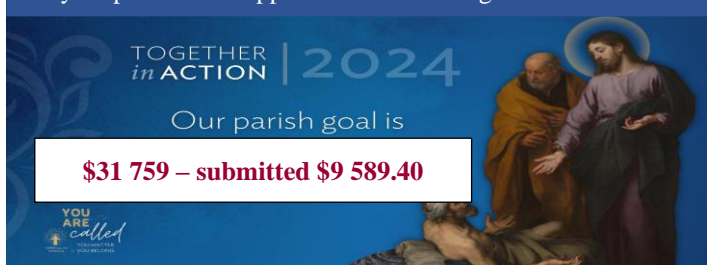
ANOINTING OF THE SICK

[Anointing of the Sick – St. Paul's Catholic Church \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](http://Anointing of the Sick – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca))

PASTORAL CARE

St. Paul's offers Pastoral Care visits for Catholic Parishioners who are unable to attend Mass. Please contact the office if you or someone you know, would like a visit. Pastoral Care workers are trained for visiting and praying with the ill, shut in and offering the Body of Christ to them.

Any surplus will be applied to our Building Fund



Priestly Vocations Night

Have you considered becoming a priest? You are invited to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Calgary's Priestly Vocations Night with Fr. Derek Remus. Each evening will begin with Mass at 5 pm, followed by Evening Prayer, supper, a presentation on discerning a vocation to the priesthood, and time for silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. When: **Sat, Sep 14; Oct 26; and Dec 7 from 6:30 pm to 9 pm** at St. Luke's Church, Calgary. To attend, please register by emailing Fr. Derek at derek.remus@calgarydiocese.ca

Explore a curated selection of FORMED.org resources that will immerse you in testimonies, teachings, and stories to support and deepen your commitment to the Diocese of Calgary's Pastoral Renewal. [Click here for the full list](#)

Family Prayer | The Catholic Parent' - [Watch now](#)

Prayer is hard for everybody, let alone a family with rambunctious, sugar-crazed children. Prayer is the foundation of a relationship with God. But how do you do it? And how do you do it as a family? In this episode of The Catholic Parent, you'll hear stories of success and failure from parents trying to incorporate prayer into their family life. You'll gain practical tips from Fr. John Nepil about how to make prayer a reality in your family. Lastly, you'll be inspired by the example of Sts. Louis and Zelie Martin, as you raise your own family toward sanctity.



Children's Liturgy

Kindergarten and Grade 1 only

Currently every other week,

and only at the 11am mass.

To offer Children's Liturgy every week, **we need more screened volunteers,**

Please contact the office.

September 22

October 6, 20

November 3, 17

December 1, 15

SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR CURRENT PARISH INFORMATION www.stpaulsairdrie.ca

St. Paul's Catholic Church Information

MASS REGULAR TIMES:

Sunday - 9:00 am
Sunday - 11:00 am
Monday – No Mass
Tuesday – 12:00 pm (Nave)
Wednesday – 9:00 am
Thursday – 9:00 am
Friday – 9:00 am (Nave)
Saturday – 5:00 pm

ADORATION:

First Friday of the month
Following the 9:00am Mass
In the Nave

RECONCILIATION:

Saturdays 3:45 – 4:45 pm

*New to Airdrie and
to our parish community,
please fill in our Welcome Form
found in the foyer or go to link*

[Newcomers – St. Paul's Catholic
Church \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](http://stpaulsairdrie.ca)

*St. Paul's offers
a Direct Deposit or Credit Card
option for making donations. Tax Receipt
provided in February. Please pick up a
brochure in the parish foyer or go to link*
[2020 09 revised BLANK Parish Automatic
Withdrawal.pdf \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](http://stpaulsairdrie.ca)



For one-time offerings you may also go to
<https://www.catholicyc.ca/donatetoparish>
and select St. Paul's Church.
Tax receipt will be issued from the Diocese.

FORMED (Augustine Institute),
an online service for accessing thousands
of Catholic videos, audios, and eBooks
On Demand anytime, anywhere! As a
member, you will have access to
entertaining movies, inspiring audio talks,
informative bible studies,
and much more.

**We are providing this resource free of
charge to help our members learn and
grow in their faith.**

To sign up for FREE, just visit us here:
<https://stpaulsairdrie.formed.org>.
Click on the 'Register Now' box and
create your account by filling in the
registration information. Also, once you
have signed up, do not forget to
download the free iOS or Android app to
put FORMED at your fingertips.
We hope you will enjoy this incredible gift
and please spread the word to others
within our Parish.

Good Shepherd School

Kindergarten – Grade 9
1319 Thorburn Drive SE
403 500 2117

[Good Shepherd School - Home \(cssd.ab.ca\)](http://GoodShepherdSchool-Home.ccssd.ab.ca)

Our Lady Queen of Peace

Kindergarten – Grade 9
1820 1st Avenue NW
403 500 2064

[Our Lady Queen of Peace School - Home
\(cssd.ab.ca\)](http://OurLadyQueenofPeaceSchool-Home.ccssd.ab.ca)

St. Veronica School

Kindergarten – Grade 9
380 Coopers Drive SW
403 500 2134

[St. Veronica - Home \(cssd.ab.ca\)](http://St.Veronica-Home.ccssd.ab.ca)

St. Martin de Porres High School

Grades 10 – 12
410 Yankee Valley Blvd. SW
403 500 2041

[St. Martin de Porres High School - Home
\(cssd.ab.ca\)](http://St.MartindePorresHighSchool-Home.ccssd.ab.ca)

ADMINISTRATOR (PRIEST)

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PASTORAL ASSISTANTS

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Teresita
Faithfully
catholicyc.ca/faithfully

Catholic Pastoral Centre

120 - 17th Ave SW, Calgary, AB
T2S 2T2
Phone: 403-218-5500

www.catholicyc.ca



Catholic Women's League

For more information,
please see their website
[St. Paul's CWL, Airdrie
\(stpaulscwl.ca\)](http://St.PaulsCWL,Airdrie.stpaulscwl.ca)



Knights of Columbus

For information, please see their website
[Airdrie Council #8045 \(uknight.org\)](http://AirdrieCouncil#8045.uknight.org)
Store cards are available
after all weekend Masses.

**TO LIVESTREAM SATURDAY 5:00 PM MASS SEE OUR
YOUTUBE CHANNEL <https://www.youtube.com/c/stpaulsairdrie>
OR CHANNEL 877 WITH TELUS OPTIC TV**