

# **ST. PAUL'S PARISH BULLETIN**

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May  $11^{th}$  to  $17^{th}$ , 2025



## Fourth Sunday of Easter, Cycle C

**First Reading** 

*Acts of the Apostles 13:14,43-52* Paul and Barnabas preach the good news among the Gentiles and are expelled by the Jews.

**Responsorial Psalm** 

*Psalm 100:1-2,3,5* A song in praise of God who shepherds us.

Second Reading *Revelation 7:9,14b-17* John describes his vision of the praises that the holy ones sing to the Lamb.

> **Gospel Reading** John 10:27-30 Jesus describes his care for his sheep.

### **Background on the Gospel Reading**

The fourth Sunday of Easter is also called Good Shepherd Sunday. In each of the three lectionary cycles, the Gospel is taken from the tenth chapter of the Gospel of John. This chapter of John's Gospel follows Jesus' healing of the man born blind and the rejection of this miracle by Jewish leaders who question Jesus' authority to heal. Jesus responds to this challenge to his authority by calling himself the Good Shepherd. He is criticizing the Pharisees and other Jewish leaders are so angered that they attempt to stone and arrest Jesus (see John 10:31 and 10:39). This controversy with the religious leaders continues until Jesus' death.

Set in a moment of tension and conflict in John's Gospel, today's Gospel reading is Jesus' answer to the question, "Are you the Messiah?" Jesus responds by saying, in essence, "If you have to ask, then you are not one of my sheep." Then Jesus asserts his unity with the Father. At the conclusion of these words, John reports that the Jews intend to stone Jesus for blasphemy, but he escapes arrest.

We may be less familiar with the metaphors of sheep and shepherd than those to whom Jesus spoke. The image of Jesus as Good Shepherd and the community of followers as his sheep has endured over the centuries as a primary image in our faith tradition. Its power to describe the relationship between Jesus and his followers transcends direct experience with sheep. The image speaks to us about the protection, security, and care that shepherds represent for their sheep.

Today's Gospel speaks powerfully about the familiarity and intimacy between Jesus and his disciples, expressed as recognizing and knowing another's voice. Today's Gospel also speaks to the relationship between Jesus and the Father. In the Gospel of John, Jesus identifies so closely with the Father that he tells us that they are one—not just close, but actually one. To know Jesus is to know the Father. Jesus doesn't just bring us closer to the Father, Jesus puts us directly into contact with God the Father, removing all distance between us. Our relationship with Jesus is an invitation to share in the life of God.

Sunday Connection, Loyola Press thru Diocese Bulletin

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

## **St Paul's Catholic Church Events & News**

TIA per month to meet goal - \$2 646.58	Monthly: CF Loan (mortgage) - \$11 411.00	Monthly: Diocesan Support \$4 594.00	
Income for JAN – 42 011.11	Expenses for JAN – 40 574.09	Income – 1 437.02	
Income for FEB – 55 888.64	Expenses for FEB – 46 586.35	Income – 9 302.29	
Income for MAR – 49 419.04	Expenses for MAR – 45 104.99	Income – 4 314.05	

Insurance per month - \$3 424.6

Thursday

Saturday

Friday

The **Mayor's Prayer Breakfast** will be held on May 28, 2025, at 7 am at the Town and Country Centre in Airdrie. The speaker is Garth Rabel, Deputy Chief of the Fire Department, as well as a Youth speaker from Airdrie Christian Academy. Smitty's is catering. The cost is \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors (65+) and \$10 for students. **Tickets** will be available **on Eventbrite**. The recipient for this fundraising event is Airdrie & District Comm. Full finances can be found online and, in the hallway, and on the parish bulletin board.

Nave

Nave

Hall

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S.H.C.

Nave

Hall & Kitchen

and

exploitation.

Participate by

saying prayers and filling

sidewalk cracks

with red sand.

# A Mother's Day Prayer

Dear Lord,

Please watch over and support all mothers on earth and in beaven...

and help them to know how much they are loved and appreciated on Mother's Day and every day. Winners for May Airdrie Dream Vacation Raffle. **\$2500 Dream Vacation** # 481 Chris Gilroy **\$120 Winners** # 417 Darlene Hoogstraten # 458 Grace Patterson # 562 Linda Stadnyk # 565 Philip Taylor **Congratulations!** Next **draw is June 1.2025** 

DAY	DATE	TIME	Mass Intentions		Fr. Thomas will be away May 13 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> . for a Priest Retreat. He will be back Friday, May 16 <sup>th</sup> . Deacon Doug will be here for Communion Service on the above dates.
Sunday	May 11	9:00am	SI – all mother's on Mother's Day		
		11:00am	SI – all mother's on Mother's Day		
Monday	12		No Mass		
Tuesday	13	12:00noon	SI - Fr. Thomas Vadassery's Ordination An		
Wednesday	14	9:00am	RS - John & Charlotte Wasyluk (moved to		
Thursday	15	6:30pm	RS - Linda Lewis & Family (moved to July 18)		
Friday	16	9:00am	RS - Cyril Washtock (m)		
Fri-Seniors home		10:30am	RS - Jeanie Nonato		
Saturday	17	5:00pm	RS - Joan & Willliam Culleton		
DAY	DATE	TIME	PARISH ACTIVITY	LOCATION	<b>CWL</b> Parish members
Sunday	May 11	8:20 to 8:45am	9am Choir Practice	S.H.C.	
		10:15 to 10:45am	11am Choir Practice	S.H.C.	are invited to
		9:00am	First Holy Communion during Mass	Nave	take part in the
		2:00 to 5:00pm	Christian Life Program	Hall & Kitchen	Red Sands
Monday	12	9:30 to 11:30am	Office booking	VoMR	presentation on May 13 <sup>th</sup> , @ 7pm. Raising awareness about human trafficking,
Tuesday	13	9:00am	Men's Bible Study followed by Coffee	VoMR & Hall	
		10:00 to 11:45am	Mom's Group	Basement	
		10:45am	Rosary Group	Nave	
		6:30pm	Confirmation Rehearsal	Nave	
		7:00pm	CWL Red Sands presentation	Outside & Hall	
Wednesday	14	8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave	modern slavery,
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Wow! What a Tremendous Response. The **40 Cans for Lent** initiative sponsored by the Airdrie Knights of Columbus continues to achieve excellent results, and this year was no exception. An equivalent of 10,628.67 lbs. of food was collected, representing a total value of \$38,050.65. Thank you to our knights, our parishioners and our school communities for their tremendous support. You are making a huge difference in our community.

First Holy Communion during Mass

after 9:00am

9:15am

7:00pm

8:25am

3:45 to 4:45pm

4:10 to 4:45pm

5:00pm

7:00 to 9:00pm

15

16

17

Baptisms

RCIA

**Rosary Group** 

**Rosary Group** 

Reconciliation

5pm Choir Practice

Christian Life Program

## **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) 2025 Baptism Dates:

Saturday, May 17th, Jun 7th, Jul 5th, Aug 16th, Sep 13th after 5pm Mass

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST (EUCHARIST) COMMUNION Sacrament of First Reconciliation & First Eucharist - St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca) OPEN AUGUST

#### **CONFIRMATION OPEN OCTOBER**

Sacrament of Confirmation - St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca) May 13th Confirmation rehearsal at 6:30pm May 20<sup>th</sup> Confessions at 6:30pm Confirmation date May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm

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)

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 vour marriage date.

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) ANOINTING OF THE SICK Anointing of the Sick – St. Paul's Catholic Church (stpaulsairdrie.ca)

It is that time of the year again, brother Knights. The year-end Grand Knight's Banquet will take place on May 31st following the 5:00 PM Mass. Tickets are \$40.00 for adults and \$20.00 for children 12 and under. They can be purchased after each mass at the store card table or

by contacting Bro Nic S, Bro Ron H or Bro Mark S. Please come and join your fellow Knights for a wonderful dinner prepared by A Fine Balance, some wine and some vibrant fellowship. We accomplished a great deal this year, and it is time to celebrate. We look forward to seeing you there. God Bless.

#### World Day of Prayer for Vocations - May 11th

The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, Christians are invited to reflect on the meaning of God's call and to pray for vocations. Christ, the Good Shepherd, continues to lead his people through His Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, and calls many to follow Him in this way. Priestly, diaconal, and religious vocations should be a constant concern in the hearts of God's people. (Ordo) Thank you for your generous support.

Together in Action is more than just a campaign; it's an expression of our faith and love in action. Our Parish goal is \$31 759.00. Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office, in the offertory, our credit card or direct deposit option or made online at Donate to TIA - ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF

CALGARY your online donation will be included as part of our parish contribution, just choose Airdrie St. Paul, from the drop-down list NOTE: any surplus donated will be applied towards our

Central Fund Loan (Mortgage) Collected - \$10 510.35



21st St Pauls Golf Tourney on July 5.2025 at Collicutt Siding in Crossfield. Hope to see you all there. Rod Green St Pauls Fundraising greenrm@telus.net OR 403 830 1764

Couples for Christ (CFC), a Global Catholic Lay Organization that focuses on renewal and strengthening of individuals, married couples, and families, would like to invite you for a Christian Life **Program** (CLP). This is a series of teachings designed for you to gain a deeper understanding of God's love and plan for your life, having a renewed sense of purpose and direction in your faith journey, develop stronger family bonds rooted in Christian values, meaningful connections with fellow parishioners and practical tools for living out your faith in everyday life.

The Christian Life Program (CLP) is open for everyone. Married Couples, Singles (22 to 40), Single Dad/Single Mom, Divorced, Separated, Widows and Widowers.

Enjoy a friendly atmosphere, good discussions, lively worship songs and fellowship and make new friends. No cost to attend the seminar. IT'S FOR FREE. Snacks will be served.

We offer two (2) schedules of Christian Life Program (CLP) to choose from: For Saturdays Session, CLP starts on May 10 (Saturday) from 7-9 PM For Sundays Session. CLP starts on March 11 (Sunday) from 2-5 PM.

Venue is at St. Paul Catholic Church, Main Hall.

#### For more information.

please see us in the hallway after the mass and or contact: Manny & Zhalee Canete 403 477 4089 Gerald & Celia Cruz 403 860 9579 Leejay & Melissa Dumo 587 433 1591 Benjie & Lea Larracas 403 918 2385 Arwin & Mitch Chua 403 431 4750

#### St Paul's Youth Ministry 'Sentinels of Christ'

We are excited to host the youth (ages 12 - 17yrs) i! of St Paul's Catholic Church Airdrie for a 'Trivia Night' on Friday May 30th from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. This will be our last event for the year 24/25 before we resume hosting events once again in September 2025. Please scan the QR code and hit submit no later than May 26th, 2025, to register in time. If you have previously registered your child for past events, you do not have to register again. We look forward to seeing you all there for a night of Trivia Fun!!!



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

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## **St. Paul's Catholic Church Information**

### MASS REGULAR TIMES:

**Sunday** - 9:00 am **Sunday** - 11:00 am **Monday** - No Mass **Tuesday** - 12:00 pm **Wednesday** - 9:00 am **Thursday** - 6:30pm **Friday** - 9:00 am **Saturday** - 5:00 pm

ADORATION: First Friday of the month Following the 9:00am Mass 9:30am to 5:30pm

### **RECONCILIATION:**

Thursdays 6:00 – 6:25pm Saturdays 3:45 – 4:45 pm First Friday of month 9:30 – 10:30 or by appointment.

### 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: <u>https://stpaulsairdrie.formed.org</u>. Click on the 'Register Now' box and create your account by filling in the

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. FORMED.org New to Airdrie and to our parish community, please fill in our Welcome Form found in the hallway or go to link <u>Newcomers – St. Paul's Catholic</u> Church (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 hallway or go to link 2020 09 revised BLANK Parish Automatic Withdrawal.pdf (stpaulsairdrie.ca)



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

Good Shepherd School Kindergarten – Grade 9 1319 Thorburn Drive SE 403 500 2117 Good Shepherd School - Home cssd.ab.ca)

Our Lady Queen of Peace Kindergarten – Grade 9 1820 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue NW 403 500 2064

Our Lady Queen of Peace School - Home (cssd.ab.ca)

St. Veronica School Kindergarten – Grade 9 380 Coopers Drive SW 403 500 2134

### St. Veronica - Home (cssd.ab.ca)

St. Martin de Porres High School

Grades 10 – 12 410 Yankee Valley Blvd. SW 403 500 2041 <u>St. Martin de Porres High School - Home</u>

(cssd.ab.ca)



Catholic Women's League For more information, please see their website <u>St. Paul's CWL, Airdrie</u> (stpaulscwl.ca)



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Knights of Columbus For information, please see their website <u>Airdrie Council #8045 (uknight.org)</u> Store cards are available after all weekend Masses.

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