



ST. PAUL'S PARISH BULLETIN

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October 6th to 12th, 2024



Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B

First Reading

Genesis 2:7ab, 15, 18-24

God creates woman from Adam's rib.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 128

May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

Second Reading

Hebrews 2:9-11

Christ was made perfect through suffering so that we might all be consecrated.

Gospel Reading

Mark 10:2-16 (shorter form Mark 10:2-12)

Jesus teaches against divorce and welcomes the children.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today we continue to read from the Gospel according to Mark. For the past three Sundays, we have been hearing Mark's reports of conversations between Jesus and his disciples. Recall that in Mark's Gospel, Jesus uses these private moments to teach his disciples in greater detail about the Kingdom of God. Beginning with today's Gospel, Jesus returns to Judea, Jewish territory, and resumes his public ministry. The first verse of chapter 10 of Mark's Gospel tells us that crowds gathered around Jesus, and he taught them, as was his custom. Immediately, the Pharisees approach Jesus to test him.

The Pharisees question Jesus about the lawfulness of divorce. Under specific conditions, divorce was an accepted practice among the Jewish people during the time of Jesus. It was regulated by the Law of Moses, as found in [Deuteronomy 24:1-5](#). This law only permits that a husband may divorce his wife if he finds her to be indecent. This is the justification that the Pharisees reference when Jesus inquires about the commandment of Moses. In reply, Jesus quotes from the Book of Genesis and counters that God's original intention was that men and women would become one flesh in marriage. Jesus describes the teaching of Moses as a concession made to God's original intention because of human stubbornness.

In private, Jesus' disciples question him further about this teaching on divorce. It is to his disciples that Jesus lays out the implications of his teaching by explaining that remarriage after divorce is adultery. Jesus' teaching was more restrictive than the teaching of the Pharisees, which permitted remarriage. Jesus further distinguished his teaching from the cultural norms of his time by applying his words equally to men and women. Jewish culture permitted only that a husband may divorce his wife. Wives were not permitted to divorce their husband for any reason, including adultery.

At first glance, the final part of today's Gospel seems unconnected to the previous teaching about divorce. When read together, however, these passages present a strong picture of Jesus' emphasis on the importance of family. God intended for women and men to be joined together in marriage. Among the purposes of marriage is the raising of children. By welcoming children and fostering their relationship with God, parents and families bear witness to the Kingdom of God.

At the end of today's Gospel, the people were bringing their children to Jesus, and again Jesus' disciples show that they just don't get it. Recall that in the Gospel for each of the past two Sundays, Jesus has taught his disciples the value and importance of these "little ones" in the Kingdom of God. Yet in today's Gospel, the disciples try to prevent people from bringing their children to Jesus. Jesus reprimands his disciples and welcomes these children. Again, Jesus offers these children as an example of the kind of complete trust and dependence upon God that ought to be the attitude of all believers.

Sunday Connections thru Diocese of Calgary Communications

Matrimony - a beautiful vocation so misused today. Celibacy - a beautiful gift so misunderstood today. Whether we do God's work in pairs or as a single person in ministry or in a community, we do God's work because He calls us. If you feel God is calling you to a Church vocation, please contact the Office of Vocations at 403-218-5500 or email Fr. Cristino Bouvette vocations@calgarydiocese.ca

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

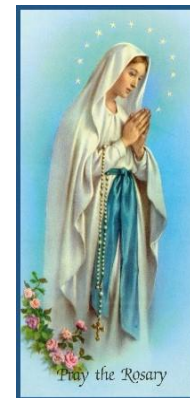
St Paul's Catholic Church Events & News

TIA - \$2 646.58 per month to meet goal Income for June - \$43 457.50	Monthly: CF Loan (mortgage) - \$10 777.00 Expenses for June - \$41 770.29	Monthly: Diocesan Support \$4 339.00 INCOME - \$1 687.21
Income for July - \$44 524.89	Expenses for July - \$56 950.31	LOSS - \$12, 425.42
Income for August - \$43 985.75	Expenses for August - \$39 039.50	Income - \$4 946.25

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

<p>CWL</p> <p>Our general meeting is this Tuesday, October 8 at 7:00 pm in the church hall. We will be kicking off our fall fundraiser with a TASTING EVENT of a selection of Sunset Gourmet's products. Come enjoy some yummy bites which will be available to order. All parishioners are welcome!</p>	<p>The Knights of Columbus will be hosting our annual <i>Coats for Kids Campaign</i> for the month of October. If you have coats, gloves, scarves, and toques that your kids or grandchildren have outgrown, please consider donating them. Collected coats will be dry cleaned and distributed to local children in need of warm winter jackets. Coats can be dropped off in the box in the Church entrance up to Sunday November 3rd, 2024</p>	<p>White Mass - Feast of St. Luke Calling all healthcare professionals! You are invited to the White Mass (eve of Feast of St. Luke) at St. Mary's Cathedral, hosted by the Calgary Catholic Medical Society. When: Thu, Oct 17, 2024, 7 pm at St. Mary's Cathedral. We'll pray for the challenges and needs of healthcare workers. All are welcome. Social to follow. More</p>
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DAY	DATE	TIME	Mass Intentions
Sunday	Oct 6	9:00am	RS - Rosario Reyes
		11:00am	PRO POPULO
Monday	7		No Mass
Tuesday	8	12:00pm	PRIEST STUDY DAYS – Para Liturgy with Dcn
Wednesday	9	9:00am	PRIEST STUDY DAYS – Para Liturgy with Dcn
Thursday	10	9:00am	PRIEST STUDY DAYS – Para Liturgy with Dcn
Friday	11	9:00am	RS - Colton Willems
Seniors Home		10:30am	SI - Geraldine Sng - MOVED FR Jul 19
Saturday	12	5:00pm	RS - Linda Christine Veness



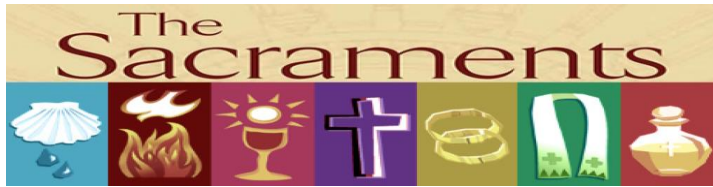
commencing **October 5th**, there will be Rosary before all weekend Masses. 4.15pm on Saturday 8.15am and 10:15am on Sunday

DAY	DATE	TIME	PARISH ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Sunday	Oct 6	10:30 to 10:45am	11am Choir Practice	S.H.C.
Monday	7	9:30 to 11:30pm	Office	VoMR
Tuesday	8	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
Wednesday	9	7:00pm	CWL General Meeting	Hall
		8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave
		6:30pm	First Reconciliation session # 3	Nave/Hall
Thursday	10	8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave
		9:45am	Coffee and Fellowship	Hall
		7:00pm	RCIA - fellowship & class	Hall
		7:30pm	9am Choir Practice	Nave
Friday	11	8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave
Saturday	12	10:00am	First Reconciliation session # 3	Nave/Hall
		9:30 to 11:00am	Men's Bible Study	VoMR
		3:45 to 4:45pm	Reconciliation	
		4:00 to 4:45pm	5pm Choir Practice	S.H.C.

Need the Anointing of the Sick while in a Calgary Hospital?
If you have been admitted to any of Calgary's hospitals and would like the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, you can contact your parish priest or call the Diocese of Calgary Call Centre at **403-231-9505**. This service is available for Alberta Children's Hospital, Foothills Hospital, Peter Lougheed Hospital, Rockyview General Hospital, and South Health Campus.

Children's Liturgy
Kindergarten and Grade 1 only
Currently every other week, and only at the 11am mass.
October 20 - November 3, 17 - December 1, 15

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 \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](https://stpaulsairdrie.ca)

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

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST (EUCHARIST) COMMUNION
[Sacrament of First Reconciliation & First Eucharist – St. Paul's Catholic Church \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](https://stpaulsairdrie.ca)

CLOSED

CONFIRMATION

[Sacrament of Confirmation – St. Paul's Catholic Church \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](https://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 \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](https://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 \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](https://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 \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](https://stpaulsairdrie.ca)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

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



Catholic Education Sunday, which has taken place yearly on the first Sunday in November will be moving to **October 19/20, 2024**.

Catholic Education Sunday will start **Catholic Education Week** which takes place from **October 19-25, 2024**.

Your dedicated donation will provide enhanced learning opportunities for Calgary and area Catholic students. For more information, please visit <https://thecccf.ca/who-we-are/news-events/catholic-education-sunday.html>

Spaghetti BOLOGNESE & KARAOKE NIGHT

FEELING LUCKY??
50/50
\$5 FOR 6 TIX

ONLY \$10*

*PRICE INCLUDES A POP OR JUICE
\$2 HOTDOGS & POP OR JUICE
\$3 ICE CREAM SUNDAES
\$2 SURPRISE DESSERT
CASH OR CHEQUE PAYMENT

Hosted by the Social and Fundraising Committee

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

With the world offering superficial and unsatisfying ideas of masculinity and what men should aspire to, the Bible presents a masculinity rooted in God's intentions.

'Men of the Word: The Good News' is a Catholic Bible study developed by the Knights of Columbus for men that offers an opportunity to better understand what it means to be a man today by studying the essential Gospel message of the Bible: how humanity was created good, fell through sin, and saved through Jesus Christ. This core message of Scripture unlocks the broader story of the Bible and presents men with the choice to follow Christ with our whole lives.

The Men's Bible Study will run on Saturday mornings in the 'Visitation of Mary' room for approximately 2 months, beginning October 5th, from 9:30am to 10:30am followed by coffee and fellowship until 11am. The Bible study is open to all men of the Parish; you need not be a Knight to participate.

Please contact Peter at 403-607-3545 to register.

There is no charge to attend.

Please bring a Bible, a pen and notebook.



Wednesday, Oct 16th at noon
All seniors welcome.
RSVP to Elaine at #587 582 0325

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.

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catholicyc.ca/faithfully

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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](#)

Catholic Pastoral Centre
120 - 17th Ave SW, Calgary, AB
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Phone: 403-218-5500
www.catholicvc.ca



Catholic Women's League

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



Knights of Columbus

For information, please see their website
[Airdrie Council #8045 \(uknight.org\)](http://Airdrie Council #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**