



ST. PAUL'S PARISH BULLETIN

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November 24th to 30th, 2024



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, Cycle B

First Reading

Daniel 7:13-14

Daniel prophesies about the coming of the Son of Man.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 93:1ab,1c-2,5

A prayer of praise to God our king

Second Reading

Revelation 1:5-8

Jesus is the firstborn of the dead and the ruler of all.

Gospel Reading

John 18:33b-37

Jesus is questioned by Pilate about the charge brought against him that he is "King of the Jews."

Background on the Gospel Reading

This Sunday is the last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year. On this Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of Christ the King. Each year we set aside this Sunday to reflect upon this title that we have given to Jesus. In Lectionary Cycle C, we read a portion of the passion from the Gospel of John, which is also part of the Gospel reading proclaimed each year on Good Friday.

In John's Gospel, Pilate is shown in a more favorable light than in the other Gospels. In today's reading, we hear one of two dialogues between Jesus and Pilate that are reported in John's Gospel. Pilate questions Jesus about the charges brought against him. Caiaphas and the high priests have charged Jesus with a political crime, one that would require a punishment of death. Pilate distances himself from the Jewish leaders who accuse Jesus; he is not a Jew, and he seems to want little to do with this Jewish affair.

In his responses to Pilate's questions, Jesus distinguishes his kingdom from the political powers of this world. King and kingdom may be appropriate terms for Jesus' mission and promise, but only by analogy. Jesus is king, but not the kind of king we imagine or expect. He was certainly not the kind of king Pilate feared he might be.

Jesus refers to a kingdom that does not belong to this world. This has been mentioned earlier in John's Gospel. Recall that in his prayer during the Last Supper discourse (see [John 17:6-18](#)), Jesus prayed for his disciples who are in the world but do not belong to the world. Yet like Jesus, they are sent into the world for the world's salvation. In today's reading, we see Jesus identify the final proof that his kingdom is not of this world: If his kingdom were of this world, then there would be people fighting to save him. Again, we hear echoes of John's theme—salvation is worked out through a cosmic battle. It is helpful to return to the first chapter of John's Gospel to understand the context for Jesus' words to Pilate. Jesus came into the world, but the world did not know him. In John's language, the world prefers the darkness, and yet the light will not be overcome by the darkness.

Truth has been another important theme in John's Gospel. We see it emphasized in the conclusion of the dialogue between Jesus and Pilate. Those who know the truth will recognize Jesus as king and will know how to interpret this insight. Yet Jesus' kingship was hidden from many of his contemporaries. Only those chosen, those who have the eyes of faith, are able to see. As modern disciples of Jesus, we also struggle at times to recognize Jesus as king. Today's Gospel invites us to see with eyes of faith that we might recognize that Jesus, through his crucifixion and death, is indeed king and Savior of all.

Sunday Connections, thru Diocese of Calgary Communications

Today we hail Christ as our King. He is the Victor over the power of death Who loves us and freed us from our sins by His own blood, and Who by Baptism has made us a royal nation of priests in the service of His Father and our God. He Who is King continues to choose men and women to serve as priests, sisters, brothers or deacons, so that the faithful may know Him, love Him and serve Him as well. If you feel God is calling you to a Church vocation, then please contact the Office of Vocations at 403-218-5500 or email Fr. Cristino Bouvette

Email: vocations@calgarydiocese.ca

www.catholicyc.ca/vocations.html

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) - \$10 777.00	Monthly: Diocesan Support \$4 339.00
Income for September - \$47 500.04	Expenses for September - \$46 591.24	Income - \$ 908.80
Income for October - \$46 538.94	Expenses for October - \$45 785.81	Income - \$ 753.13
		YTD LOSS - \$8 104.83

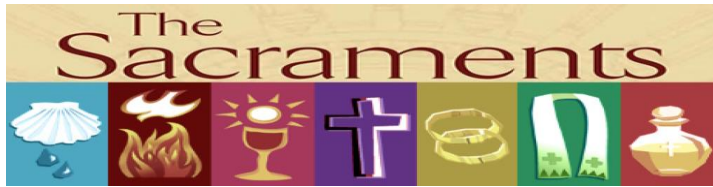
Full finances can be found online and, in the hallway, under the parish bulletin board.

<p>CWL Join us on December 10th for our CWL Christmas social! <i>All women of the parish are invited to attend.</i> Bring an appetizer or dessert to share and a new or gently used toy or book to support our parish Mom's Group. Looking forward to celebrating the season with you!</p>	<p>KofC Back for the 8th year is the Airdrie Dream Vacation raffle sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. Your chance to win one of 12 \$2500 Dream Vacations, 48 prizes of \$120 and many early bird prizes. Tickets available online at airdriedreamvacation.ca or at the store card table after weekend masses. You cannot win, if you do not have a ticket. Get yours today.</p>
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DAY	DATE	TIME	Mass Intentions	
Sunday	Nov 24	9:00am	PRO POPULO – for the people	<p>Veterans' Association Food Drive 2024 We would like to thank all the Knights and parishioners who contributed to the Veteran's Association Food Bank Drive that was held over the last few weekends. We collected 900# of food stuffs and received contributions of store cards and cash in the amount of \$4900.00. This translates into a total donation of over 13,500# of food. This will go a long way to making a substantial contribution to their Christmas hampers. Once again, many thanks for your generosity. SK John G Timmermans Assembly # 2632</p>
		11:00am	SI - Jinaye Shomachuk	
Monday	25		No Mass	
Tuesday	26	12:00pm	SI - 45th Anniversary Jack & Kathy Wharton	
Wednesday	27	9:00am	RS - John & Charlotte Wasyluk moved fr Oct 10	
Thursday	28	6:30pm	RS - June Mattheys	
Friday	29	9:00am	RS - Francisco Fernando	
Seniors Home		10:30am	RS - Doris Brown	
Saturday	30	5:00pm	RS - Lindsay Lihou	

DAY	DATE	TIME	PARISH ACTIVITY	LOCATION	
Sunday	Nov 24	10:30 to 10:45am	11am Choir Practice	S.H.C.	<p>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.</p>
Monday	25	9:30 to 11:30pm	Office	VoMR	
		9:15am	Rosary Group	Nave	
Tuesday	26	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/KofC Memorial Mass	Nave	
Wednesday	27	8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave	
		9:45am	Coffee and Fellowship	Hall	
		6:30pm	First Reconciliation Sacrament	Hall	
		7:30pm	KofC 4 th Degree	VoMR	
Thursday	28	9:15am	Rosary Group	Nave	
		9:30am	Decorating Committee	Nave	
		7:00pm	RCIA Class	Hall	
		7:30pm	9am Choir Practice	Nave	
Friday	29	7:00pm	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	VoMR	
		8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave	
		5:00 to 9:00pm	CWL retreat set up	Hall/Nave	
		7:00pm	"Beloved" Marriage Program	Basement	
Saturday	30	9:30 to 11:00am	Men's Bible Study	VoMR	
		10:00 to 3:00pm	CWL Retreat	Hall/Nave	

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:

Saturday, Dec 7th, Sat, Jan 11th, Sat, Feb 8th after 5pm Mass

FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST (EUCARIST) 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)) **CLOSED**

CONFIRMATION

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

Classes Jan 21, Feb 18, Mar 11. Apr 1 from 6:30 to 8:00pm

Retreat Apr 5th, 10:00 to 12noon.

Confirmation date with rehearsal TBD

Parents are required to attend with their young person to classes which start in January.

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))

The Social & Fundraising Committee is hosting a Merry Christmas Potluck on December 14th, Saturday, after the 5pm mass. We have Santa and his Elves making an appearance, photobooth, games and raffle.

Admission is **FREE** with a potluck dish of your favourite recipe. **Tickets are limited and will be distributed after all masses on Nov 23rd and Nov 24th. First Come, First Serve Basis!** See posters along the hallway for more information.

TOGETHER
in ACTION | 2024

Our parish goal is

\$31 759

Raised \$15 610

Advent is a season of renewal as God invites us to let Jesus come into our hearts and make us more like him. It is a season of quiet expectation; we live it in the expectation of the fullness of joy to come. This holy season is a time for renewing our lives as followers of Jesus. We are invited to “make straight the way of the Lord” in our hearts and in our lives. (CCCB)

Schedule for [Advent Missions & Events in the Diocese](#)



18th ANNUAL WOMEN'S ADVENT RETREAT
Sponsored by the Calgary Diocesan CWL Council



Waiting in Joyful Hope

Featuring Guest Speakers
Deacon Carlos Perez & Deacon Rey Tadifa

Saturday, November 30, 2024
9:30AM – 3PM
1305 Main St. S, Airdrie, AB
\$25 includes lunch

Registration is open to all CWL members & all women interested in growing in their faith

Register by phone, email or website by November 22, 2024
Questions? Contact Margaret at calgarycwlfaith@gmail.com or 403-863-2130

Join us this Advent for “Renewed in Hope,” a three-day mission from Dec 3 to Dec 5 at **St. Paul's Parish** in the hall, starting each evening at 7 pm. Renowned speakers Brett Powell, Bishop Scott McCaig, and Mary Rose Bacani Valenti will join us live via Zoom, leading us in reflections on discipleship, community, and family life. This is a wonderful chance to renew our faith and find hope together as we prepare for Christmas. All are welcome!

Tue, Dec 3: Brett Powell - “Form Missionary Disciples in Christ”
Wed, Dec 4: Bishop Scott McCaig - “Be a Church of Encounter and Witness”
Thu, Dec 5: Mary Rose Bacani Valenti - “Strengthen Family Life”

Simbang Gabi or evening Mass is on December 20th, at 6:30pm.

There will be carolling followed by Tagalog Mass with Fr Domingo Bongalos. Potluck after Mass.

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
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
or by appointment.

*New to Airdrie and
to our parish community,
please fill in our Welcome Form
found in the hallway or go to link
[Newcomers - St. Paul's Catholic
Church \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](http://Newcomers - St. Paul's Catholic 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 \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](http://2020 09 revised BLANK Parish Automatic Withdrawal.pdf (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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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

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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. Paul's CWL, Airdrie (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 OPTIK TV**