



ST. PAUL'S PARISH BULLETIN

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November 17th to 23rd, 2024



Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B

First Reading

Daniel 12:1-3

Daniel prophesies about the judgment of the last days.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 16:5,8,9-10,11

God protects us and shows us the path of life.
R. Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

Second Reading

Hebrews 10:11-14,18

Jesus' offering for sin has made all to be consecrated perfect forever.

Gospel Reading

Mark 13:24-32

Jesus teaches about the signs of the coming of the Son of Man.

Background on the Gospel Reading

This Sunday is the second to last Sunday of our liturgical year. As we approach the end of the Church year, our Gospel invites us to consider Jesus' predictions and teaching about the end of the world. In the context of Mark's Gospel, Jesus' words about this are spoken to his disciples as he prepares them for his passion and death.

Before we consider Jesus' words, it is important to note the political backdrop against which many think Mark's Gospel was written. Most scholars concur that Mark wrote his Gospel for Christians living in or near Rome about 30 to 40 years after the death of Jesus. This was a time of political turmoil in Rome. Some Christians experienced persecution by the Romans during the reign of the emperor Nero (about 64 A.D.). Jewish revolutionaries rebelled against the Romans, which led the Romans to destroy the Temple in Jerusalem in 70 A.D. In this time of political turmoil and persecution, many in Mark's community might have wondered if the end times predicted by Jesus were in fact quite near.

Last Sunday we heard Jesus' observation about the contributions being made to the temple treasury and the example of sacrificial giving that he saw in the poor widow's offering. If we had been reading Mark's Gospel continuously, we would have heard Jesus predict the destruction of the Temple, his teaching about the costs of discipleship, and the woes that will accompany the end times. Finally, we would have heard Jesus instruct his disciples about the need for watchfulness so that they will not be caught unprepared for this final day of judgment.

In today's Gospel, Jesus continues this teaching by offering his disciples signs to look for that will indicate that the coming of the Son of Man is near. His words and images draw upon Old Testament imagery, especially images found in the Book of Daniel. Next, Jesus offers the lesson of the fig tree, a parable that teaches that if one knows how to read the signs, one can be prepared for the end times. Jesus also teaches, however, that no one knows when the end time will come, except the Father. In the verses that follow this reading in Mark's Gospel, Jesus continues to warn his disciples to be on watch for this end time.

Jesus' words are not spoken to frighten his disciples, nor should they frighten us. Rather, they are offered to prepare us for the changes we will experience during our lifetimes and at the end times. Our consolation and hope is found in the lasting nature of Jesus' words and God's never-ending love for us.

Sunday Connections, thru Diocese of Calgary Communications

If we dare to trust God with our lives, great things happen. Give God your total self for, when the end of times comes, the wise and those who work for justice will shine forever. Dedicate your life to furthering the reign of God. If you feel God may be calling you to a religious vocation in His Church, 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 Income for August - \$43 985.75	Monthly: CF Loan (mortgage) - \$10 777.00 Expenses for August - \$39 039.50	Monthly: Diocesan Support \$4 339.00 Income - \$4 946.25
Income for September - \$47 500.04	Expenses for September - \$46 591.24	Income - \$ 908.80
YTD INCOME - \$452 085	YTD EXPENSES - \$460 847	YTD LOSS - \$8 762

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

CWL

WE NEED YOUR BAKING! Baking for the 2024 Christmas Market can be dropped off the evening of November 22 or the morning of November 23. We appreciate your support of our fundraising efforts!

Register now for the 18th Annual Women's Advent Retreat!
Retreat is on Saturday, November 30 9:30AM - 3PM at St. Paul's.
All women of the parish are invited! \$25 includes lunch.
Contact calgarycwlfaith@gmail.com for more information.

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.

DAY	DATE	TIME	Mass Intentions
Sunday	Nov 17	9:00am	RS - Gregorio Rastrullo -death anniversary
		11:00am	PRO POPULO – for the people
Monday	18		No Mass
Tuesday	19	12:00pm	RS - Kayla Revoy (1 yr death anniversary)
Wednesday	20	9:00am	SI - Loc & Garry Gall
Thursday	21	6:30pm	RS - Dan Jacob
Friday	22	9:00am	RS - Stella Balaski
Seniors Home		10:30am	RS - Mr & Mrs Lorna Barriga
Saturday	23	5:00pm	RS - Ernest Stroeder

Red Wednesday
Nov 20th, 2024 – 9:00am Mass
Be RED, Wear RED, Light RED,
Join the global movement on Red Wednesday, Nov. 20th to highlight the plight of persecuted Christians worldwide.

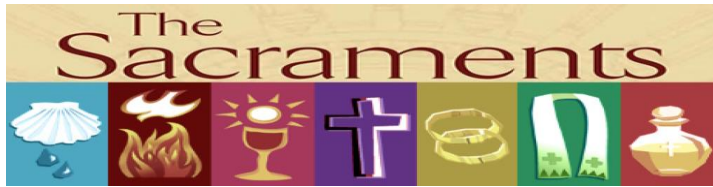
8:25am Rosary
9:00am Mass

wear a **red** piece of clothing
light a candle in our chapel or church
and pray for persecuted Christians

DAY	DATE	TIME	PARISH ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Sunday	Nov 17	10:30 to 10:45am	11am Choir Practice	S.H.C.
Monday	18	9:30 to 11:30pm	Office	VoMR
		9:15am	Rosary Group	Nave
Tuesday	19	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
Red Wednesday	20	8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave
		9:00am	OLQP students/teachers here for Mass	Nave
		9:45am	Coffee and Fellowship	Hall
		6:30pm	First Reconciliation Retreat	Hall
Thursday	21	9:15am	Rosary Group	Nave
		7:00pm	RCIA Class	Hall
		7:30pm	9am Choir Practice	Nave
		7:00pm	Finance Meeting	VoMR
Friday	22	8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave
		5:00 to 9:00pm	CWL vendor set up	Hall
		7:00pm	"Beloved" Marriage Program	Basement
Saturday	23	9:30 to 11:00am	Men's Bible Study	VoMR
		8:00 to 4:00pm	CWL Christmas Market	Hall
		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.

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: Sunday, Nov 10th, Saturday, Dec 7th, Sat, Jan 11th, Sat, Feb 8th after 5pm Mass

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)) **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



St Paul's Christmas Market

Saturday, November 23rd from 9:00am to 3:00pm 
The Catholic Women's League is gearing up once again, lining up local vendors, spurring on our bakers, and organizing lots of raffle prizes. Take the stress out of Christmas preparations this year and let us help.

WIN a Christmas Grocery, Wine or Baker's Basket



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

NOTE: Nov 7th onwards, Thursday
Mass will be at 6:30pm. NO 9am.

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 \(stpaulsairdrie.ca\)](https://www.catholicyc.ca/donatetoparish)*



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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member, you will have access to
entertaining movies, inspiring audio talks,
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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://Good Shepherd School - Home cssd.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://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 \(cssd.ab.ca\)](http://St. Veronica - Home (cssd.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. Martin de Porres High School - Home (cssd.ab.ca))

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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.
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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. 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**