



# ST. PAUL'S PARISH BULLETIN

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**January 5<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025**



## Epiphany of the Lord

### First Reading

Isaiah 60:1-6

Jerusalem shall be a light to all nations.

### Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 72:1-2,7-8,10-11,12-13

Every nation on earth shall worship the Lord.

### Second Reading

Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6

Gentiles are coheirs in the promise of Christ.

### Gospel Reading

Matthew 2:1-12

The Magi seek out Jesus and do him homage.

### Background on the Gospel Reading

The visit of the Magi occurs directly before the story of the Holy Family's flight into Egypt. Matthew's Gospel tells a version of Jesus' birth that is different than the one in Luke. Of the actual birth of Jesus, Matthew tells us little more than, "When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod . . ." The story of the census is found only in Luke's Gospel, but we hear about the visit of the Magi only in Matthew's Gospel.

We know little about the Magi. They come from the East and journey to Bethlehem, following an astrological sign, so we believe them to be astrologers. We assume that there were three Magi based upon the naming of their three gifts. The Gospel does not say how many Magi paid homage to Jesus. In Matthew's Gospel, they represent the Gentiles' search for a savior. Because the Magi represent the entire world, they also represent our search for Jesus.

We have come to consider the gifts they bring as a foreshadowing of Jesus' role in salvation. We believe the meaning of the gifts to be Christological. Gold is presented as representative of Jesus' kingship. Frankincense is a symbol of his divinity because priests burned the substance in the Temple. Myrrh, which was used to prepare the dead for burial, is offered in anticipation of Jesus' death.

The word Epiphany means "manifestation" or "showing forth." Historically several moments in Christ's early life and ministry have been celebrated as "epiphanies," including his birth in Bethlehem, the visit of the Magi, his baptism by John, and his first miracle at Cana.

*Sunday Connection 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) - \$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
November in next weeks bulletin		<b>YTD LOSS - \$8 104.83</b>

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

<p><b>CWL</b></p> <p>CWL membership is due on February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025.</p>	<p><b>KofC</b></p> <p><b>Airdrie Dream Vacation Lottery</b></p> <p>When you purchase a Dream Vacation ticket you get to support over 35 different charities and a chance to win one of 12, \$2500 Dream Vacations, 48 draws of \$120 and many great early bird prizes. Next Early Bird is Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>. If you do not want to travel, you can take 80% of the \$2500 prize which is \$2000. Dream a little dream in the new year.</p>
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Volunteers needed to lead the Rosary prior to all weekend Masses. Signup sheet outside the office.

DAY	DATE	TIME	Mass Intentions
Sunday	Jan 5	9:00am	PRO POPULO – for the people
		11:00am	SI- Iudita (Judy) Miscoi
<b>Monday</b>	<b>6</b>		<b>No Mass</b>
Tuesday	7	12:00noon	RS - Dan Jacob
Wednesday	8	9:00am	RS - Barbara Dalueg
Thursday	9	6:30pm	RS - Benjamin Barangot Sr
Friday	10	9:00am	RS - John Bohach
		10:30am	RS - Margarita Fernandez Vivas
Saturday	11	5:00pm	RS - Mila Sapunto



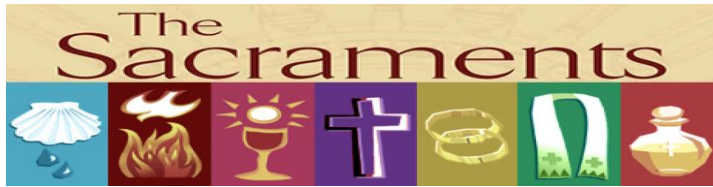
**Need the Anointing of the Sick while in a Calgary Hospital?**

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.

DAY	DATE	TIME	PARISH ACTIVITY	LOCATION
Sunday	Jan 5	8:20 to 8:45am	9am Choir Practice	S.H.C.
		10:15 to 10:45am	11am Choir Practice	S.H.C.
Monday	6	9:15am	Rosary Group	Nave
		9:30 to 11:30pm	Office	VoMR
Tuesday	7	9:00am	Men's Bible Study followed by Coffee	Hall
		10:00 to 11:45am	Mom's Group	Basement
		10:45am	Rosary Group	Nave
Wednesday	8	7:30 to 9:00pm	KofC General Meeting	Hall
		8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave
Thursday	9	6:30 to 8:00pm	First Holy Communion session 1	Hall/Nave
		9:15am	Rosary Group	Nave
Friday	10	7:00pm	RCIA	Hall
		8:25am	Rosary Group	Nave
Saturday	11	10:00 to 11:30am	First Holy Communion session 1	Hall/Nave
		3:45 to 4:45pm	Reconciliation	
		4:10 to 4:45pm	5pm Choir Practice	S.H.C.
		After Mass	Baptisms	Nave

**Children's Liturgy**  
 Jan 12<sup>th</sup> at the 11:00am Mass  
 Kindergarten and Grade 1 only  
**Currently every other week, and only at the 11am mass.**

# 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://stpaulsairdrie.ca)

**2023 Baptism Dates:**

Saturday, Jan 11<sup>th</sup>, Feb 8<sup>th</sup>, Mar 2<sup>nd</sup>, May 17<sup>th</sup> after 5pm Mass

**FIRST RECONCILIATION & FIRST (EUCHARIST) COMMUNION**

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

**CONFIRMATION CLOSED**

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

Classes Jan 21, Feb 18, Mar 11. Apr 1 from 6:30 to 8:00pm  
Retreat Apr 5<sup>th</sup>, 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 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the hall.

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

**If you have any questions or concerns regarding First Reconciliation, First Communion, Confirmation or RCIA please contact Heidi at [stpaulssacraments@shaw.ca](mailto: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://stpaulsairdrie.ca)

**If you have any questions or concerns regarding marriages, please contact Wanda at [stpaulsairdrie@shaw.ca](mailto:stpaulsairdrie@shaw.ca)**

**HOLY ORDERS**

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

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

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



**MINISTRY FAIR WEEKEND**

**January 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>**

We are always looking for dedicated volunteers!

Stop in the Hall following all Masses on Jan 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>

to get more information and to sign up.

Screening process is required.

*Stewardship is part of our Baptismal inheritance to share our gifts of time and talents.*

**Liturgical Ministries**

- **Altar Server** – Assisting in the liturgical celebrations around the altar. Must have received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion.
- **Children's Liturgy** – Volunteer teachers (for ages 3 – 6) who teach the children about the readings of the Mass in a child-like manner during all weekend Masses. *Police Check required.*
- **Choir** – Leading and assisting the liturgical music as an expression of worship for the whole community during Mass or other liturgical celebrations.
- **Church Decorating Committee** – Preparing and decorating the church for the various liturgical seasons.
- **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** – Assist the priest in distributing the Body and Blood of Christ to the faithful. Must be 16 years or older and confirmed.
- **Proclaimer** – Believing and proclaiming the Word of God. Must be Confirmed and a strong fluent reader.
- **Sacristan** – Helps to prepare for the celebration of the Mass, funerals, weddings and other special occasions. *Police Check required.*
- **Usher** – Welcoming and assisting parishioners in seating, organizing, assisting in the offertory collection during and after Mass. *Police Check required.*

**Next week will have a list of other Ministries/Groups**

**ROSARY LEAD**

Please consider signing up to lead the Rosary prior to our weekend Masses.

Start times are 4:30pm Saturdays, 8:30am and 10:30am on Sundays,

Signup sheet can be found outside the main office on the table.

**SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR CURRENT PARISH INFORMATION [www.stpaulsairdrie.ca](http://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.

## ADMINISTRATOR (PRIEST)

**Fr. Thomas Vadassery**  
(403) 948-5394

## PASTORAL ASSISTANTS

**Deacon Ted d'Haène**  
Business Administrator of  
Temporalities  
[deaconted@shaw.ca](mailto:deaconted@shaw.ca)

**Deacon Gary Haney**  
Coordinator of Baptisms  
(403)923-4279

**Deacon Doug Lynch**  
Coordinator of Funerals  
(587)999-0842

## PARISH SECRETARY/FINANCIALS

Wanda  
[stpaulsairdrie@shaw.ca](mailto:stpaulsairdrie@shaw.ca)

## PARISH RECEPTIONIST/SACRAMENTAL

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[stpaulssacraments@shaw.ca](mailto:stpaulssacraments@shaw.ca)

## CUSTODIAN

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*Faithfully*  
[catholicyc.ca/faithfully](http://catholicyc.ca/faithfully)

Explore a curated selection of  
[FORMED.org](http://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](#)

## Catholic Pastoral Centre

120 - 17th Ave SW, Calgary, AB  
T2S 2T2  
Phone: 403-218-5500  
[www.catholicyc.ca](http://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**