

Youth Group

Calling All Junior and Senior High Students To Become Youth with a Difference!

Youth Bible Study every Sunday morning.
If you haven't yet received a copy of the Youth Events Ballot, please pick up a copy today. We want your input as we plan our activities.

Youth Event with Top Cat Swing, Saturday, May 6, 7-11 pm Come to St Paul's and learn to dance swing! Bring a partner and a couple of friends. Pizza will be served after the lesson. Cost \$5. Contact Joanne Wrigley

FRIDAY MAY 12 7:30 – 11:00 Meet at St. Paul's to carpool to Mt. Pleasant Community Centre for dancing all night. Bring money for drinks. Contact Joanne Wrigley if you will be attending.

YC - May 20 to 22 - YC is a youth conference this year in Red Deer at the Enmax Centrium. This year, six youth groups from around the Diocese are going, and would love to have you join them. Five of the groups will be sharing travel. The groups are: St. Augustine, Lethbridge; Christ Church, Fort Macleod; St. Peter, Okotoks; Meota Parish (Millarville, Turner Valley, and Priddis); Holy Trinity, Calgary; and St. Luke, Red Deer. For more information on the groups from the Diocese, please contact Sara at gate-masa@gmail.com. For more information on YC, please go to <http://ycalberta.ca/home>

Check out our Youth Group Facebook page to see more details about what's happening: www.facebook.com/StPaulsCalgaryYouth.

Diocese and Community Events

Mount St. Francis 41160 Retreat Road, Cochrane

"Prayer in Our Lives." Thursday, May 11 - Enjoy a silent day away in the beautiful setting of Mount St. Francis Retreat (9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.). This year's theme is different aspects of Prayer. Please call or email ahead to register. Come at 8:30 to enjoy a coffee or tea and muffins before we begin the program. Suggested contribution is \$30.00 or \$40.00 with a private room. To register please Phone 403-932-2012, or email: mtfrancis@shaw.ca

Women's Twilight Retreat Series: May 11. Bibli-

cal Women—Contemporary Faith This series will explore the lives, witness, and contribution of different women in scripture. The same Spirit that inspired them also inspires us. How are we called to be "biblical women" today?

Bible Study on the Book of Genesis: The Calgary Inter-Faith Council invites you to join a five-week Interfaith Bible Study looking at the Book of Genesis from Creation to The Flood, on Tuesday afternoons in May (May 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30) from 1:00 to 2:30, at Beth Tzedec Congregation (1325 Glenmore Trail SW). This is a free event and open to all. Please register at wisdomcentre@stlaurence.ca or by calling the St. Laurence church office at (403) 249-6184. The sessions will be facilitated by Rabbi Shaul Osadchey of Beth Tzedec, Rabbi Mark Glickman of Temple B'nai Tikvah, The Rev. Tara Livingston of Holy Nativity, and The Rev. Anna Greenwood-Lee of St. Laurence and The Wisdom Centre.



The Prayer Chain group are devoted to trying to help people feel hope in getting their prayers to the Lord's ears. The more people who pray the better. We don't need "formal" prayers—just lift their names and worries up to Him.—He knows, and will act as He sees fit. We just have to Trust.

If you are interested in joining us please contact the Parish Office. No special time to pray just when out and about - lift their names and needs up and He hears.

Thank you Val Murray who coordinates this ministry and to everyone who serves in this Ministry. Your devotion praying for our Parish family is greatly appreciated.

Financial News



January 1 to March 31, 2017
Our deficit to the end of March is \$9246. We pray for strong offering this Spring to bring this figure down.



St. Paul's News Bulletin

April 30, 2017



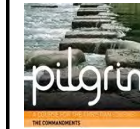
Parish Events

Thank you to everyone who came out to help with our Spring clean-up.

Ladies' Potluck Luncheon Saturday, May 6 at 11:30 am. The Ladies Lunch group brings all ladies together the first Saturday of each month in a fun, casual setting. The result is our simple lunch becomes a feast and former strangers become our friends. Bring a dish of any kind to share and enjoy the great company.



Pilgrim—a Course for the Christian Journey: The Commandments: How should Christians behave and how should we live? The third book in the *Follow Stage, The Commandments* explores that question through one of the core texts of the Christian faith: the Commandments. **Dates:** Wednesdays May 3, 10, 24, & 31 and June 7 & 14 (no group on May 17) **Time:** 7:30 pm. All Welcome! Sign up sheet is in the Parish Hall.



Men's Breakfast the next breakfast will be on **Saturday, May 20**, All men age 13 and up are welcome to come and enjoy great food and fellowship.



Easter and Earth Day handouts are on the Resource Table and the Magazine Rack in the Hall.

Sunday School has raised \$72.85 so far for Child-Fund in support of our sponsored child, Desta Keweti.

Archbishop Greg Kerr-Wilson is pleased to announce that late on the afternoon of Saturday, April 23, the Indigenous delegates of the Diocese of Calgary elected the Venerable Sidney Black to be Indigenous Bishop for Treaty 7 Territory. Please pray for Sidney and his family.

Our Toddlers to Tweens: Watch for their next event. Please contact Abby for more information.

People's Warden: we're delighted to install today Rick Collier into the position of People's Warden. A big thank you to Allison Pierce and Suzanne Wray as the previous Wardens for St. Paul's

Pen Pal Request: We have received a pen pal request from a Canadian inmate at a prison in Pennsylvania. He had previously lived in Calgary and is looking for an Anglican pen pal to exchange letters with. If you are interested please contact the Office for more information.

Michael Harvey, the dynamic founder of Back to Church Sunday, is spending an afternoon and evening with us at St. Paul's on Friday, May 12. He'll begin by meeting with Parish Council at 5:00 pm, then at 6:30 everyone's



invited to a pizza and pasta supper, courtesy of Boston Pizza, and then spend an evening of fun (with lots of British humour) looking at developing a culture of invitation at St. Paul's. It will all take place at the Great Room at Sundance on the Green. Please spread the word!

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Outreach

PWRDF: Hunger in South Sudan, Somalia, Nigeria, Yemen— More than four million people across four countries are facing starvation and famine. Meanwhile, the needs in Syria continue, and millions of refugees search in vain for safe places to live. The UN says the world is facing the largest humanitarian crisis since 1945. Faced with these needs, we can be easily overwhelmed. What can we do?

PWRDF, as always, encourages us to pray, act, and give: **Pray** for God's power working in us and others because more needs to be done than we can ask or imagine. **Act**, as you see fit, to mobilize support for relief efforts. (If you have ideas for things you would like to do at St. Paul's, let's get together and plan something) **Give** to support organizations like PWRDF who work on the frontlines to help in these crisis situations.

NeST Update (April 2017)

The Newcomer Support Team (NeST) remains in weekly phone contact with the Syrian family we've been matched with but we still do not have an arrival date. MP Kent Hehr's office has been helpful in tracking down the reasons for our long wait. Our case has "urgent" status but the final screening to clear the family to travel is being taken very seriously and takes time. Meanwhile, despite the discouraging delay we continue to reassure Khalil and Kholoud that we will be ready and waiting to welcome them when they come. Please keep this family in your prayers.

Additional NeST members always welcome. Please contact your parish administrator or a NeST Team Lead (Carol or Jennifer) for police check forms and a NeST Volunteer Handbook.

NeST Volunteers: *All volunteers who expect to be in contact with our family must have a police check done. Please contact Laura Anne at the Parish Office if you need to get this completed. You must have a letter saying that you are a volunteer.*

AgeCare Seton: The next service will be, **Monday May 15 at 10 am.** Thank you to Heather Johnson and Amanda Stoop for participating in this ministry. If you would like to be a part of the team going please contact Fergus.

Prayer Shawl Ministry will not be meeting until further notice. If you are interested in knitting shawls or making quilts at home please contact

Laura Anne for materials and patterns. *If anyone is interested in being part of an evening quilt group please let Laura Anne know also.*

Habitat for Humanity Interfaith Build Project. This collaborative interfaith project, which our Diocese is involved with, will provide 12 low-income families with affordable housing that will accord them dignity and the hope for a better future. Every donation helps move us closer to our goal of raising \$1 million to build the 12 units. Donation can be made online at www.habitatsouthernab.ca please write "Interfaith Build Project" in the space on the card which asks for the "Name of Group Indicated Above". **Outreach will donate \$500 to sponsor Bob Mummery for the Clergy Build Day.**



The churches in Mid Sun area are planning to participate in 2 build days on Wednesday, May 31 and Saturday, June 3. Thank you to Allison Pinckard, Allison and Chris Pierce, and Rick Collier for volunteering to participate! Look for information on how all of us can financially support this venture to be in the bulletin soon.

Community Connection: *We need a volunteer for attending the SCIN (South Calgary Interagency Network) Meetings at the South Calgary Health Centre monthly. The next meeting is May 2, 1:30 – 3:00 pm at the South Calgary Health Centre, Room 2012. For more information please contact Muiyi or Fergus.*

ACW National Anglican Women's Gathering in Hamilton . ON. June 15-18. Registration \$500. Subsidies available from the Diocesan ACW (contact Parish office). See posters and registration forms on magazine racks at the south door.



A word to newcomers and visitors: St. Paul's welcomes you and invites you to make this your church home. Please indicate on a pew card, located in the pew racks, how we can help you feel part of the family. Please place the card on the offering plate or hand it to one of the clergy or Parish Council members.

If you are a newcomer, please sign our guest book which is on the stand by the sanctuary doors

Opportunities to Serve

The Altar Guild Ministry is in need of some new members to help grow their teams.



Training will be provided and a time comment of 90 mins a month is all that is required. New members will be paired with long standing members for ease and comfort. Please let us know by contacting the Church 403-256-1428 or Jane Sandul 403 238-0360.

Coffee Time: The sign-up schedules for coffee after our Sun. Services are posted in the hall. We currently have openings for coffee time after the 8:30 & 10:00 am services. Please consider offering your gifts of hospitality. **We encourage families to sign up as it is a great opportunity to teach children about service. New Coffee Chart is now up!**

Prayer Chain Requests: Please contact Val Murray with any prayer requests.

Casserole Ministry: If you know of anyone who would benefit from receiving a casserole. Please contact Linda Hubert.

Cards Ministry: Gail Munro will send greetings on behalf of our parish to anyone in the parish who is ill, etc.

Living Waters: Today, Sunday, April 30 is the deadline for *Living Waters* submissions for the May Edition. Please submit to office@stpaulscalgary.ca or by hard copy to the office.

If you love God and love children we'd love you to consider serving in our Sunday School. You can contact Linda Penton.

Rides Assistance: If you need or can help provide rides for members who have a hard time getting to services, appointments or visiting their loved ones, please contact the office.

Spring brings clean-up chores and we have a lot of them! Our bi-annual Clean-Up Day will soon be on the calendar, but there are always things that don't get done. If you can't come to a Clean Up Day, please consider picking a job from the list in Living Waters.

Garden and Outdoor Facility Management Volunteers Required – Adopt a job. We have a big property and it takes a lot of attention. There are many little jobs which could be spread around. It is a lot for one person, but Many hands make light work. **See April Living Waters for a breakdown of the chores. Contact Allison Pierce.**

We've brought back our popular Movie Nights at St Paul's. If you'd like to be part of a "Movie Night Team" to organise these, please contact Murray Sykes or the Parish Office.

Nursery: We would like to have two people on each Sunday; a Certified Babysitter, and a parent or younger volunteer. The Certified Babysitter would be paid \$15 per Sunday. Please see Living Waters for more info or contact the Parish Office.

Weekly Activities at St. Paul's:

Mon. Evening: **Children's Art Adventure:** 6:30 to 8:30 pm (Please contact the office if your child is interested)

Bible Study 7:00 pm Studying Jeremiah and Lamentations

Prayer Group: 7:30 to 8:30 pm

Tues.: **Young at Heart** 1 to 3 pm

Cantare—5:30 to 8:30 pm

Wed.: **Holy Eucharist** - 9:30 am

(Grey Booklet 1st to 3rd, BCP 4th, and Celtic 5th Wednesdays.)

Bible Study: 10:15 am on Sunday readings

Pilgrim Study—7:30 pm The Commandments

Thurs.: **TOPS:** 6:30 pm

EFM Alums: 1st and 3rd 7:00 pm

Choir practice from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. (If you'd like to join the choir, please contact Paul Bourgeois)