



CATHEDRAL CALLING

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In-person services at the Cathedral are suspended but are LIVEstreamed on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/StPaulsAnglicanCathedralRegina>

10:30 a.m. on Sundays – from the Book of Alternative Services

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES 2021

All services live-streamed on Facebook

March 28 – 10:30 a.m.	PALM SUNDAY	<i>Liturgy of the Palms & Reading of the Passion</i>
April 1 st – 7 p.m.	MAUNDY THURSDAY	<i>Maundy Thursday Liturgy</i>
April 2 – 12 noon	GOOD FRIDAY	<i>Celebration of the Lord's Passion</i>
April 3 – 9 p.m.	HOLY SATURDAY	<i>The Great Vigil of Easter</i>
April 4 – 10:30 a.m.	EASTER DAY	<i>Easter Day Liturgy</i>

Vestry Highlights

by Dave Hedlund, Vestry Chair

At the Vestry meeting on March 16, Dean Mike Sinclair asked for members' advice on whether services should resume on Palm Sunday, as had been planned. Given the recent spike in COVID cases and the prevalence of the more contagious variant, the consensus was that our local conditions create too great a risk for us to resume in-person services at this time. Holy Week and Easter services will proceed as scheduled, but only via Facebook live streaming. Our new video system has been installed. The constant breaks in the transmission on March 14th were the result of a computer crash and will be resolved for upcoming services.



The Diocese has provided a gift of nearly \$8,000 to St. Paul's Cathedral, part of federal wage subsidy funds they had received. We very much appreciate the decision to share this revenue with us and other parishes.

An interim budget was approved in December, with a commitment to review and finalize it in four months' time. We will review and finalize the 2021 Cathedral budget in April.

Thanks to Doris Covey Lazecki for her role on Vestry. Doris has retired from her role after serving two terms.

News of the Archdeaconry

Report from Immanuel Parish by Deacon Canon Susan Page

Hello, friends at St. Paul's Cathedral.

On March 14th, Immanuel Anglican Church held its inaugural Annual Meeting. There were about 100 souls in attendance on Zoom, and we were joined by Bishop Rob Hardwick and Archdeacon Cheryl Toth as welcome guests. The usual elections for Synod Delegates, Vestry, Search Committee and two elected Churchwardens were held. We are pleased to announce that Richard Simpson and Mae Boa will continue as Churchwardens after their term as co-chairs of the former Parish Council.



We are excited about our new Vision and Mission Statements and the continuing development of a Mission Action Plan for Immanuel. There are so many possibilities where we may be able to begin new missional activities, carry on with some of the ones the former parishes valued, and perhaps partner with initiatives within the Archdeaconry of St. Cuthbert. We recognize it may take us a while to get those activities up and running because of our inability to meet in person during the pandemic. Immanuel has decided not to open for in-person worship at this time. We are looking for a further drop in Covid-19 cases in Regina before we are comfortable with this. This decision was affirmed by acclamation at the last Parish Council meeting on March 10th.

At that same Parish Council meeting, it was decided that three former parishes buildings plus one rectory would be eligible to be sold beginning March 15th, with the vast majority of the Annual Meeting voting in favour of this. We now have Bishop Hardwick's permission to list the properties with our realtor, Avison Young of Regina. This, of course, is a source of sadness for many Immanuel parishioners. The buildings to be sold include the former St. James, St. Matthew's along with the rectory, and St. Luke's Churches. The facilities committee will be managing the sale of properties for Immanuel. Thankfully, the Annual Meeting was surrounded in thoughtful prayer. We are excited to be a new parish in the diocese, and we ask your prayers for our continued success in serving and loving God and our neighbour.



Sign of the times

Face-masks in liturgical colours have been created for the Cathedral clergy by our own **Merrilyn Dubreuil**: *purple for Lent*; *red for Holy Week, Pentecost and festivals of martyrs*; *white for Christmas, Easter and other major festivals*; *green for Ordinary Time (Epiphany and Trinity seasons)*. All we need now is *blue for Advent*!

From the Cathedral Lunch Convenors

Hello, Friends,

It's hard to believe a year has passed since our last Cathedral Lunch day on March 14, 2020. That day, on the cusp of the pandemic and province-wide restrictions, we served 246 guests. I do sincerely hope that each of you and your loved ones have been able to keep well and to find some measure of peace and enjoyment during these unprecedented times.



Susan Wahba and I feel this is a good time to let everyone know that we have both stepped away from our roles as Cathedral Lunch co-coordinators. With over four years of Cathedral Lunch service, we can see that the future will require renewed energy to address evolving circumstances. We would like to express our deep appreciation for each of you who worked with us to offer Cathedral Lunch. There were so many ways in which you contributed. You may have raised funds, maintained accounts, kept track of attendance. Or you may have gathered donations of clothing and toiletries, provided knitting, baked cookies or muffins, bagged lunches, delivered donated baked goods. Or you may have helped with set-up, cooking and cleaning. You may also have attended lunch days, welcoming and engaging with our guests, assisting with the many aspects of preparing and serving the lunch, and with keeping the peace.

Susan Wahba and Marilyn Hedlund

Every one of these contributions was important and each of you was part of a valued team. It would not have been possible to provide the lunch and to address the ever increasing need, without such generous and skilled volunteers. It was both an honour and a pleasure to work with you all. Thankfully, we now see immunizations moving ahead and the promise of a return to more “normal” lives. We look forward to the time when we can all connect once more.

Many thanks from **Marilyn Hedlund** and **Susan Wahba**

News of Our Musicians

Dorianna Holowachuk, Director of Music



After being temporarily laid off at St. Paul's in April 2020 due to the pandemic, Dorianna finished her one-semester teaching contract at Miller Roman Catholic High School last June. With an absence of choir rehearsals in her life, Dorianna has found the time to explore other creative endeavours, including making polymer clay jewellery and cross stitching. Recently she has started teaching online music theory lessons to adult students, which she enjoys immensely. Dorianna is thrilled to be back at St. Paul's as a singer and looks forward to when the choir will be able to safely return in the future.

News of Our Sub-Deacons and Servers

Sub-Deacon **Madison Engen** tells us, “This past summer Cole and I spent our time off hiking and backpacking here in Saskatchewan well as in the Rockies. One of the highlights of hiking in Saskatchewan was the East block of Grasslands National Park, and in the Rockies we bagged five peaks and backpacked the Iceline trail. I am about a month away from finishing my degree and we are hoping to buy a house within the next year or so.” Madison is playing the clarinet at the Cathedral’s live-streamed service on March 21st.



Server **Sebastian Marz** has been enjoying grade 10 even during the difficult times we live in. Attending high school during COVID comes with its own challenges and stresses, but Sebastian has been doing well. When he's not at school he spends his time playing online games and talking to friends.

Contributions to Cathedral Calling

We'd be glad to receive contributions, comments and questions for *Cathedral Calling*. Please send them to the editor, Deacon Michael Jackson, at dmichaeljackson@sasktel.net Photos are welcome.

The Cathedral Needs Your Financial Support

While we are unable to gather as a community, your continued financial support to St. Paul's Cathedral is still needed. Contributions can be mailed directly to the Cathedral OR *E transfer contributions can now be sent*. Donate or contribute through our website address using the *Donate* button and following the instructions provided; these donations are automatically deposited and you will receive a tax receipt immediately. OR consider signing up for the Pre-Authorized Payment plan – simply call or send an email to make the necessary arrangements. The plan can be changed or cancelled at any time. All contact information is listed below.

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