

### **Diocesan Bulletin**

Jan. 14, 2024 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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In all things we are rooted in Christ, in His desire to bring God's love to all peoples.

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## **Upcoming Events**

Theology on Tap for young adults 19 to 35 begins a New Year with the theme "Let's Talk Philosophy" 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 15 at Louis' on Campus (93 Campus Dr., Saskatoon), with special guests from the St. Thomas More College Philosophy Department. All are welcomel Theology on Tap is on Facebook at www.facebook.com/saskatoonTonT.

**NET Ministries of Canada** – a national Catholic youth ministry group that sends out teams of young adults to reengage young people in their Catholic faith through dynamic retreats and discipleship – will hold a Mission Discernment Night for young adults (from Grade 11 to 30 years) who may be interested in a year of mission with NET Ministries. The event will be held 7 p.m. **Friday, Jan. 19** (*note corrected date*) at Our Lady of Lourdes Chuch, 1235-12th St. E., Saskatoon.

**Movie Night** - Saint Anne Truth and Reconciliation Committee will host a movie night featuring "Night Raiders," a science fiction action thriller about a Cree woman trying to save her daughter in a dystopian future at 7 p.m. **Saturday, Jan. 27**, held at Saint Anne, 217 Lenore Dr., Saskatoon (14+ with moderate violence, strong language, and intense scenes). Snacks available. The film was written and directed by Danis Goulet, a Cree-Metis woman from Saskatchewan; parts were filmed near La Ronge.

Called and Gifted Workshop Feb. 2-3: Have you ever wondered what your spiritual gifts are? Our Lady of Lourdes "Called and Gifted" parish team is holding a workshop Feb. 2-3 at the Catholic Pastoral Centre in Saskatoon to introduce Step 1 of the Called & Gifted™ Discernment Process from the Catherine of Siena Institute (a 2.5-month commitment). The 2-day workshop from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2 and from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, will explore the particular charisms – or gifts – from the Holy Spirit given to each baptized person. This workshop will then be followed in the weeks ahead by Step 2: a gifts interview and Step 3: guided small group meetings (four follow-up sessions in an eight-week period). For more details or to register for the workshop, please contact Anne Williams at (306) 220-0448 – space is limited. (*Called and Gifted / adult faith is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

**Diocesan Prayer** - Heavenly Father, we pray as a diocese for all those vulnerable and voiceless children, youth, and their families who are fleeing war, persecution, and violence as refugees in our world: protect them in their perilous journeys, and help us to respond compassionately and urgently to this continuing global crisis.

### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity January 18-25, 2024

"You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself" - Luke 10:27

A message from Bishop Hagemoen for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity can be found on the diocesan website at rcdos.ca/wpcu-2024

#### Saskatoon Events:

Ecumenical Prayer Service Thursday, Jan. 18
Queen's House, 601 Taylor Street West, Saskatoon
Worship at 11 a.m., followed by optional \$16 lunch at noon.
Register in advance at (306) 242-1916.

### **Ecumenical Morning Prayer and Breakfasts**Worship at 8 a.m. followd by a light breakfast will be held:

- Friday, Jan. 19 at St. Paul United Church, 454 Egbert Ave.
- Tuesday, Jan. 23 at St. Stephen Anglican, 10 Grosvenor Cres.
- Wednesday, Jan. 24 at Holy Covenant Evangelical Orthodox Church, 1426 Alexandra Ave.
- Thursday, Jan. 25 at St. Andrew Presbyterian Church, 436 Spadina Cres E.

Ecumenical Worship Service 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 21 at First Mennonite Church, 418 Queen Street

Ecumenical Youth Event Sunday, Jan. 21 at Zion Lutheran Church 323 4th Avenue South with 5:30 p.m. dinner and then activities until 8:30 p.m.

#### **Loving Our Neighbours:**

The Prairie Centre for Ecumenism will be collecting hats and mitts at events during the Week of Prayer for those using a new warm-up location staffed by the Salvation Army at St. Mary Church Hall.

# De Margerie Series on Christian Reconciliation and Unity: "Grassroots Ecumenism

Guest speaker: Rev. Dr. Karen Petersen Finch

Two lectures: in-person and via livestream video at www.youtube.com/@schmeisercentre

- 7 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 24: "Re-imagining Lay People as Stewards of Doctrine" to be held at Campion College, Regina
- 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 25: "Doctrine as the Fuel of Renewal" to be held at St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon

In-person workshop "The Eucharist: Where is Jesus?"
Guest speaker: Rev. Dr. Karen Petersen Finch

10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26

held at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, 114 Kingsmere Place, Saskatoon, followed by soup lunch (free-will offering). (Ecumenism is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal)

### **Message Board**

**Employment opportunity** - Saint Anne Catholic Church in Saskatoon is seeking a Children's Ministry Coordinator. This is a temporary full-time position to cover a one-year leave, beginning in March 2024. Application deadline is **Feb. 5, 2024**. For more info, please visit <a href="https://saintannes.ca/careers">https://saintannes.ca/careers</a> or contact Saint Anne Parish, 217 Lenore Drive, (306) 931-4700.

Time Out For Moms (TOFM) is a Catholic enrichment group for women and mothers of all ages, with weekly gatherings of women from many parishes held Wednesday mornings at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, featuring talks, faith formation, and breakfast refreshments, with childcare provided. The winter session will run from Jan. 31 to March 20 (no session on Feb. 21), held 9:15 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. Wednesday mornings. Registration deadline is open until Jan. 27: register early to guarantee a spot; find details and registration on the website: www.tofm.ca. TOFM is also seeking volunteers for the childcare rooms – visit the website or email: tofmsaskatoonsk@gmail.com.

World Day of Consecrated Life is celebrated on the Feast of the Presentation (Candlemass) on Feb. 2. All are welcome to join in a celebration of this day of prayer for those in consecrated life, to be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Feb. 2 at St. Philip Neri Parish, 1902 Munroe Avenue, Saskatoon (at Taylor Street). Diocesan Vicar General Fr. Kevin McGee will preside at Mass.

**Survey underway:** For the past two years, St. Thomas More College and the Saskatoon Theological Union have jointly sponsored an annual conference on topics of shared relevance to their communities. They plan to continue working together on shared events. You are invited to take a short online survey to help them ensure that events are meeting the needs of their constituent communities: www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZKK6JZW. For more information about this project, contact Dr. Gertrude Rompré at St. Thomas More College: grompre@stmcollege.ca.

Donations are requested for prison ministry's Storytime Program for Dads - The diocesan Office of Restorative Ministry is seeking donations of new children's pyjamas (especially small sizes newborn to size 6) and small backpacks, as part of a project to help fathers in prison improve parenting skills and stay connected to their families. Men approved for the program are video-taped reading bedtime stories, and the videos are sent to their children with the donated gifts of pyjamas/book in a back pack. Monetary donations for project supplies are also welcome. All donations can be dropped off or sent "Attention Dianne" to the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 2nd floor, Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, S7S 1H1 (hours are: 9 am to noon, 1 p.m. to 4:30 pm weekdays). Please make cheques out to "DSCF -Restorative Ministry." Donations of sturdy rosaries (metal chains) are also requested for prison ministry: please drop-off / send to the Catholic Pastoral Centre or call (306) 659-5845. (Prison Ministry is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)



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### **Confirmation Retreats 2024**

The diocesan Office of Evangelization and Catechesis is partnering with Face2Face Ministries to present confirmation retreats in March 2024 for children preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Parents from across the diocese are encouraged to select one of the planned retreats, choosing from various dates and several retreat locations in Saskatoon, Kindersley, or Humboldt.

(Cost is \$20, which includes lunch.)

Find more information and registration links: rcdos.ca/confirmation-retreats

(Evangelization and Catechesis is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)

**Search Retreat 2024** – Registration is now open for students in Grades 10-12 to attend the next Search live-in weekend retreat presented by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon, to be held **Feb. 23-25** at E.D. Feehan Catholic School in Saskatoon. Attending Search is a powerful way to deepen a close, personal relationship with God, make friends and forge lasting memories. Cost for the entire weekend is \$100. Find online registration and more info about this powerful

experience for youth at saskatoonsearch.ca (Youth ministry

is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.)

**Triumph Freedom Through Healing Retreat** is designed to produce life-long, lasting transformation, based on the teachings of St. Ignatius of Loyola and St. Therese of Lisieux, scripture and tradition. The live-in retreat will be held **March 1** - **9** at Queen's House, 601 Taylor Street West, Saskatoon. See: www.triumphretreat.com/marchregistration.

Breathe Catholic marriage conference: Refresh and recharge your marriage, and experience the Breathe Catholic Marriage Conference March 8-9, 2024 at the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon. Register before Feb. 14 to save \$50. For info, contact Denise at (306) 369-2220 or find registration at: www.catholicmarriageandfamily.com.

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