




# Diocesan Bulletin

Jan. 7, 2024 - The Epiphany of Our Lord

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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

### **Knights of Columbus Brothers' Keeper Breakfast**

will be held 7 a.m. **Tuesday, Jan. 9** at Queen's House, 601 Taylor Street West, Saskatoon. Suggested donation: \$10. Call Brendan Bitz at Queen's House: (306) 242-1916.

**Palliative Care and End-of-life Issues** - St. Philip Neri Parish in Saskatoon will host a two-part **Horizons of Hope** workshop from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Saturday, Jan. 13** and **Saturday, Jan 20.** at St. Philip Neri Church, 1902 Munroe Ave. S. Saskatoon. Register at (306) 343-0325 (lunch is provided). As Catholics, our faith in Jesus Christ has much to teach us about living and dying well. Horizons of Hope is a resource about palliative care created by the Canadian Catholic bishops. To book a workshop in your parish, contact Jackie Saretsky at [jsaretsky@rcdos.ca](mailto:jsaretsky@rcdos.ca) or (306) 659-5839. (*Hospital chaplaincy is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

**"On Living Tradition: Catholic Culture and the Spiritual Discipline of Fine Art"** - This is the topic of Rebuilding Catholic Culture's 7th Annual **Dessert Night and Talk** at 7 p.m. **Saturday, Jan. 13** at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 1235-12th Street East, Saskatoon (doors open at 6:30 pm; free-will donation). Speaker is Dr. Peter Kwasniewski, a speaker, composer, and scholar who has written more than 20 books on beauty, music, and liturgy. Space is limited: RSVP to Celene Sidloski at (306) 715-1541 or at [csidloski@stmcollege.ca](mailto:csidloski@stmcollege.ca).

### **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Jan. 18-25, 2024**

Mark your calendars and watch for details in the New Year about prayer services and breakfasts for the Week of Prayer. Events include an ecumenical prayer service at 11 a.m. **Thursday, Jan. 18** at Queen's House, 601 Taylor Street West, Saskatoon, followed by an optional lunch (register at: [www.queenshouse.org/programs](http://www.queenshouse.org/programs)). This year's **De Margerie Series for Christian Reconciliation and Unity** includes two different public lectures featuring guest speaker Rev. Dr. Karen Petersen Finch held during the Week of Prayer: 7 p.m. **Jan. 24** at Campion College, Regina, and 7 p.m. **Jan. 25** at St. Thomas More College, Saskatoon – attend in-person or view the live-stream at: [www.youtube.com/@schmeisercentre](http://www.youtube.com/@schmeisercentre). The De Margerie Series also includes an in-person-only public workshop entitled "The Eucharist - Where is Jesus?" to be held in Saskatoon from 10 a.m. to noon, **Friday, Jan. 26** (soup lunch to follow) at Holy Spirit Parish, 114 Kingsmere Pl., Saskatoon. (*Ecumenism is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)



### **Epiphany of the Lord'**

Please visit the diocesan website for a Christmas message and video from Bishop Mark Hagemoen: [rcdos.ca](http://rcdos.ca)

**Theology on Tap for young adults 19 to 35** begins a New Year with the theme "Let's Talk Philosophy!" from 5 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 welcome! Theology on Tap is on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/saskatoonTonT](http://www.facebook.com/saskatoonTonT).

**NET Ministries of Canada** – a national Catholic youth ministry group that sends out teams of young adults to re-engage young people in their Catholic faith through dynamic retreats and discipleship – will hold a Mission Discernment Night 7 p.m. **Friday, Jan. 20** at Our Lady of Lourdes, 1235-12th St. E., Saskatoon, for young adults (from Grade 11 to 30 years) who may be interested in a year of mission with NET Ministries.

**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. Small groups, music, activities, prayer time, and talks given by other young people are just a few of the things that make the retreat great. 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](http://saskatoonsearch.ca) (*Youth ministry is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

**Diocesan Prayer** - We pray as a diocesan family for a spirit of humble worship, that we may all bring everything that we are to adore Jesus Christ in the Eucharist with the devotion of the Magi who came to adore Him bringing gifts.

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**An overnight warm-up location at St. Mary Parish Hall** is now open 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. seven nights a week. Find an update about the project – including ways to help – on the diocese's Catholic Saskatoon News site at: <https://news.rcdos.ca>.

**Fridge needed for men's discernment house** - A fridge is needed immediately for the Sts. Benedict and Scholastica men's discernment house at 1136 Temperance St., Saskatoon (33" wide, 66" high, 31" deep or smaller). Please contact Sr. Marta Piano at [mpiano@rcdos.ca](mailto:mpiano@rcdos.ca) or (306) 370-5951.

**New IPL course** - The diocesan Indigenous Pastoral & Lay Leader (IPL) Ministry Education program presents a new course "Contemporary Effects of Colonization: Social Justice," Tuesday afternoons 4:15 to 5:30 p.m. **Jan. 9 to March 5**; cost is \$200 (some funding assistance available). No pre-requisite is necessary (those completing eight courses receive a diploma). See: [rcdos.ca/indigenous-ministry-education](https://rcdos.ca/indigenous-ministry-education).

**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 (sizes newborn to size 8) 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 Restorative Ministry at (306) 659-5845. (*Prison Ministry is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*)

**Employment opportunity** - A Parish Life Director (PLD) is needed for Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish in Saskatoon, to provide day-to-day management of the parish, which serves First Nations, Métis, Indigenous, and non-Indigenous parishioners. An Indigenous background and a firm understanding of Indigenous history, cultures, and spirituality is an asset. Find details about this full-time, permanent position at [rcdos.ca/employment](https://rcdos.ca/employment). To apply, submit a cover letter and resumé to Fr. Graham Hill, CSsR, at [ghill@rcdos.ca](mailto:ghill@rcdos.ca).

**Catholic Women's Leadership Foundation** offers an 11-month leadership program integrating faith and life that begins in June, open to all Canadian Catholic women, from all walks of life, who want to make a difference. Sessions are online with a final face-to-face component held in June 2025 in Ottawa. Deadline to apply is **Jan. 15**: [www.cwlfcanada.ca](https://www.cwlfcanada.ca).

## Awaken presents: "Praying as Catholics"

**7 pm to 9 pm on Tuesdays in January**  
**Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon**

Prayer for Catholics is a way of living out our entire life communicating with God. Prayer can be formal or informal, verbal or non-verbal, active or contemplative. In this Year of Prayer in preparation for Jubilee 2025, join a four-part series to explore four ways to pray as Catholics – sessions will include some time for prayer!

**Jan. 9: Centering Prayer** - Fr. Kevin McGee

**Jan. 16: Eucharistic Adoration** - Fr. Gerard Cooper

**Jan. 23: Praying with Scripture** - Verbum Dei Sisters

**Jan. 30: Marian Prayer** - Fr. Daniel Yasinski

Cost: \$40 for the series. Register online at:

<https://form.jotform.com/231799051119257>

or call Astrid Alas for more information: (306) 659-5858.

*The diocesan Adult Faith Awaken program  
is supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal.*

**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 will be available.

**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](https://www.triumphretreat.com/marchregistration).

**Breathe Catholic marriage conference:** Breathe fresh air into your marriage **March 8-9** at the Cathedral of the Holy Family in Saskatoon. Find more information and online registration at: [www.catholicmarriageandfamily.com](https://www.catholicmarriageandfamily.com).

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