

Diocesan Bulletin

August 31, 2025 - 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle includes adoration, rosary, benediction, hymns and various prayers, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 4 at St. Michael Parish #18-33rd St. E., Saskatoon. For more info, call Edna (306) 382-1680.

Apostolate of the Precious Blood prayer group will meet at St. John Bosco Roman Catholic Church, 1202 Ave. O S., Saskatoon from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. every Tuesday in September. The hour consists of the Rosary, followed by the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Chaplet of the Precious Blood and a hymn.

A Contemplative Mass led by Fr. Kevin McGee, will be held 5 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 5 (First Friday) at St. Mary's Parish, 211 Ave. O S. Saskatoon. The rhythm of the Contemplative Mass is a gentle, steady flow, marked by 20 minutes of silence after communion to allow space for reflection and recognition of the intimate presence of Christ who comes to us through scripture and the Eucharist. Relax and rest in the abiding presence of God.

Mary's Birthday - The Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at St. Laurent, SK will celebrate the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Sept. 8, starting at 6 p.m., with Mass at 7 p.m., followed by birthday cake and coffee. Find more information on the shrine website at: www.saintlaurentshrine.com. Learn more about obtaining a Jubilee Indulgence for visiting designated sacred sites: https://rcdos.ca/jubilee-2025.

Grief Ministry for Bereaved Spouses - "From Mourning to Dawn" is an eight-week diocesan program offering support and encouragement for widows and widowers, led by those who have also experienced this loss. It is open to participants who have been widows or widowers for more than two months. Two sessions will be offered in Saskatoon: from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday afternoons starting Sept. 9 at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 2nd floor of the Cathedral of the Holy Family, 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, and 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Thursday evenings starting Sept. 11 at Saint Anne Catholic Church, 217 Lenore Drive, Saskatoon. Cost is \$35. Contact Dianna at dknaus@sasktel.net or (306) 382-0535. (Grief ministry is supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal).

What is Returning to Spirit? – Come and find out what this powerful program is all about at this information evening open to all, 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 23 at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 123 Nelson Rd, Saskatoon. Past participants and staff will share how this program can offer renewed hope and powerful personal transformation, plus tools for effective dialogue, whether in your own family or the community that surrounds you. Everyone welcome! For more info, contact Myron Rogal, at mrogal@rcdos.ca or call Justice and Peace at (306) 659-5841. Register at:

https://form.jotform.com/252118291778262

Columbus Bosco Saskatoon's annual "Corn Roast Fundraiser" will be held Thursday, Sept. 11, starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Farm School, 20 km from Saskatoon: \$25 each. In partnership with Greater Saskatoon Catholic Schools, Columbus Bosco Saskatoon provides a Farm School Program for high school students and Family Learning Centres-Parent/Tot Programs for pre-school children and their parents. For tickets, directions, and information contact Lorne at (306) 227-7576 or Chris (306) 221-4686. E-transfer: cboscostoon@gmail.com.

Women's Discernment Night - "Encounters with Jesus in the Gospel" will be held on the second Thursday of each month, from 7-9 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, 1224-12th Street East, Saskatoon Sk. with the next event on Thursday, Sept. 11. Open to all young women, the evening includes gospel reflections, discernment questions, adoration time, sharing and community. This is a monthly drop-in gathering for young women from different walks of life who want to stop and reflect on their journey with the Lord together. No registration required.

St. Philomena Mother-Daughter Retreat: Based on biblical wisdom, Catholic teachings, and the theology of St. John Paul II, this weekend retreat is geared towards girls ages 11 to 14 years and their moms. Presented Sept. 12-14 by Regnum Christi Regina at St. Peter's Benedictine Abbey at Muenster, SK, it runs from 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 12 (no supper provided) to 1 p.m. Sunday Sept. 14 (after lunch). The fee is \$475 per mother-daughter pair, which includes two nights' accommodations at picturesque St. Peter's Abbey, as well as meals and all retreat materials. Register at philomenaretreat.org or e-mail questions to laurencayer@sasktel.net.

Message Board

"Seeds of Peace and Hope" – The World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation on Monday, Sept. 1 starts the Season of Creation, which continues until the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on Oct. 4. Find Pope Leo XIV's message on the Vatican website: www.vatican.va.

Sts. Benedict and Scholastica Formation Program for young adults is accepting applications for 2025-2026. Aimed at forming young adult Catholics in pursuing holiness while living in the world, this year's program is open to both women and men, students or working, either for a residential or non-residential program. A partial bursary is

residential or non-residential program. A partial bursary is available upon application. For more information, contact Sr. Malou Tibayan at mtibayan@rcdos.ca or (306) 371-7434. (Supported by gifts to the Bishop's Annual Appeal).

An "Aim for Healing" event in the Eparchy of Saskatoon will be held Saturday, Sept. 13 at the Millennium Pro-Life Cross site north of Aberdeen (the day before the annual pilgrimage), including an optional 40-km bike pilgrimage to the site starting at 10 a.m. (registration is required before Sept. 7 by e-mailing: info@millenniumcross.ca). From 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sept. 13 there will then be a 'Head and Heart' program at the cross site, about deepening faith through the healing of significant relationships, featuring activities, prayer, and speakers. For more information and/or registration e-mail: info@millenniumcross.ca.

Jubilee Pilgrimage to the Millennium Pro-Life Cross Sunday, Sept. 14: The 100-foot cross is located 10.8 km northeast of Aberdeen, SK. on Highway 41. This year's Jubilee Pilgrimage will be held at 3 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 14 on the Feast of the Exultation of the Cross, and includes praying of the Rosary and keynote speaker Bishop Bryan Bayda of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Toronto and Eastern Canada, with food and fellowship to follow. Bring your rosary, lawn chairs, insect repellent, umbrellas, etc. In the case of inclement weather, watch the Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ProLifeMillenniumCross.

A Pancake Breakfast will be held by Knights of Columbus Council 9538 at 11 a.m. Sunday Sept. 14 at St. Mary Parish Hall, 211 Avenue O South, Saskatoon (after 10 a.m. Mass).

St. Thomas More College Academic Mass will be held at 3:30 p.m. **Wednesday, Sept. 17** at St. Thomas More Chapel, College Drive, Saskatoon. Everyone is welcome.

Solid Oak Pews for Sale in Lancer, SK in excellent condition: \$20,000, negotiable; with possibility to purchase individual pews. Contact: eam.wagner@gmail.com. The now-closed Lancer church building is also for sale: contact PamBusby@royallepage.ca or (306) 628-7542.



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Employment opportunity

The Roman Catholic Diocese of Saskatoon is seeking a permanent full-time Executive Assistant to the Curia to work directly with the administration team at the Catholic Pastoral Centre (CPC), 123 Nelson Road, Saskatoon, carrying out work and ministry related to the offices of the Bishop, Vicar General, the Chancellor and management of the CPC, ensuring the smooth and efficient office administration and operations. For more details see: rcdos.ca/our-diocese/employment.

Pilgrims of hope in the core neighbourhood – Sandi Harper and Ferdinand Gemoh of Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish will speak about the "4 Rs of Reconciliation" — respect, responsibility, relationship and reciprocity — 9:45 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. **Saturday, Sept, 20**, at St. Mary Parish's lower hall, 201 Ave. O S., Saskatoon. Refreshments served.

Polka Mass - The Lake Manitou Pastoral Region annual Polka Mass will take place at Danceland at Manitou Beach, near Watrous, SK, Sunday, Sept. 21, with Mass beginning at 11 a.m. (music starts at 10:30 a.m.), brunch will follow the Mass. Brunch prices are: adults \$10; school-age children \$5. More info: St. Ann Parish, Watrous at: (306) 946-7961.

Community Shelter Worker training - Saskatoon Trades and Skills Centre (STSC) in partnership with the Salvation Army is offering a six-week Community Shelter Worker course Sept. 22 to Oct. 31 to provide participants with fundamental knowledge, practical skills, and certifications needed to gain employment as an emergency shelter worker supporting individuals experiencing homelessness, ensuring their safety and well-being within the shelter environment. Find more information and/or apply at: https://saskatoontradesandskills.ca/Apply-Now.

Diocesan Prayer - We pray as a diocesan family for all those in our communities who educate children, as they begin the annual return to classrooms, schools, campuses, and catechism programs. May all who share knowledge with others follow Jesus the teacher in loving service, grounded in truth and love of God.

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